Proposed amendments providing for adjustment Permanent Partial Disability schedule in Minn. Stat. § 176.101, subdivisions 1 and 5.

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Subdivision 2a. Permanent partial disability

(a) Compensation for permanent partial disability is as provided in this subdivision. Permanent partial disability must be rated as a percentage of the whole body in accordance with rules adopted by the commissioner under section 176.105. For injuries occurring on or after October 1, 2021, the dollar amounts for the corresponding permanent partial disability ratings in the table in section 176.101, subdivision 2a, shall be increased by \[X\] percent over the dollar amounts in effect on September 30, 2021. For injuries occurring on or after October 1, 2022 and each subsequent October 1, the dollar amount for each corresponding rating shall be increased by the same percent increase in the statewide average weekly wage most recently computed under Minnesota Statutes 176.645 without the annual cap provided by that section. If there is no increase, or if there is a decrease, in the statewide average weekly wage, the dollar amounts shall not change for that year. The commissioner shall publish each updated table on the DLI website annually by October 1. The percentage determined pursuant to the rules under section 176.105 must be multiplied by the corresponding amount in the following table as adjusted according to paragraph (a):

[For the PPD table, see https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/176.101#stat.176.101.5]

- To raise the most recent benefit schedule to where it would be as of October 1, 2021 if indexed for the SAWW since October 1, 1983, \(X=204.0\%\).
- To raise the most recent benefit schedule to where it would be as of October 1, 2021 if indexed for the SAWW since October 1, 2000, \(X=109.6\\%\).