LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO Sixty-sixth Legislature Second Regular Session - 2022

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 464

BY COMMERCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

- RELATING TO WORKER'S COMPENSATION; AMENDING CHAPTER 4, TITLE 72, IDAHO CODE,
 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 72-452, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT
 COVID-19 VACCINATION-RELATED ACCIDENTS OR INJURIES SHALL BE COMPENSABLE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
- 6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

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SECTION 1. That Chapter 4, Title 72, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
hereby amended by the addition thereto of a <u>NEW SECTION</u>, to be known and designated as Section 72-452, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

72-452. COVID-19 VACCINATION-RELATED ACCIDENTS OR INJURIES. (1) When
 an employer requires an employee to receive a COVID-19 vaccination in the
 course of employment or as a condition of hiring or continued employment, any
 accident or injury caused by such vaccination shall be compensable.

(2) The provisions of this title shall be construed in the light most
favorable to an employee with respect to a claim for compensation for any accident or injury caused by a COVID-19 vaccination received in the course of
employment or as a condition of hiring or continued employment.

(3) For purposes of this section, "COVID-19 vaccination" means the administration of a vaccine that is licensed under section 351 of the public
health service act, 42 U.S.C. 262, or authorized for emergency use under section 564 of the federal food, drug, and cosmetic act, 21 U.S.C. 360bbb-3, for
COVID-19.

SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its
 passage and approval.