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To: Texas Workers' Compensation System Participants

From: Kara Mace, General Counsel

Date: [September 26, 2024](#)

Subject: Proposed rule on verification of LIBs recipient information by the SIF

The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) is accepting public comments on a proposed rule creating 28 Texas Administrative Code Section 131.5, concerning Subsequent Injury Fund (SIF) verification of lifetime income benefits (LIBs) recipient information.

The new rule is necessary to prevent the waste of public funds by notifying DWC of the employee's death before the SIF issues a LIBs payment to the employee.

The proposed rule will be published in the September 27, 2024, issue of the *Texas Register* and available at [www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml](http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml) once published. We will also post a copy of the proposed rule on the website at [www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/rules/2024rules.html](http://www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/rules/2024rules.html).

Submit any written comments on the proposed rule to [RuleComments@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:RuleComments@tdi.texas.gov), or mail or deliver your comments to:

Legal Services, MC-LS  
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The deadline to submit all comments is 5 p.m., Central time, on October 28, 2024.