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# memo

To: Workers' Compensation System Participants

From: Nicholas Canaday III, General Counsel

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RE: Adopted Amendments to 28 Texas Administrative Code §148.17, *Special Provisions for Sanctions*

On December 20, 2018, Commissioner of Workers' Compensation Cassie Brown adopted amendments to 28 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §148.17, *Special Provisions for Sanctions*. The amendments were filed with the Office of the Secretary of State on December 20, 2018, and will be published in the January 11, 2019, issue of the *Texas Register*. When published, the adopted amendments may be viewed on the Secretary of State's website at [www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml](http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml). A courtesy copy of the adoption is available on the Texas Department of Insurance website at [www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/rules/2018rules.html](http://www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/rules/2018rules.html).

The amendments to 28 TAC §148.17:

- Retitle and amend the rule to apply to all administrative sanctions, including monetary penalties.
- Delete the requirement for paying the penalty or posting a bond in order to seek judicial review.
- Provide for other forms of payment of penalties, as approved by DWC.
- Go into effect January 9, 2019.