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To: Texas Workers' Compensation System Participants

From: Kara Mace, Deputy Commissioner, Legal Services

Date: May 5, 2022

RE: Proposed Amendments to 28 Texas Administrative Code §132.17

The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation needs to amend 28 Texas Administrative Code §132.17, concerning Denial, Dispute, and Payment of Death Benefits. The amendments make updates for plain language and agency style and clarify an insurance carrier's deadlines to file disputes over eligibility of death benefits.

The proposed rule will be published in the May 20, 2022, 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 TDI website at [www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/rules/2022rules.html](http://www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/rules/2022rules.html).

Email your comments to [RuleComments@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:RuleComments@tdi.texas.gov). You may also mail or deliver your comments to:

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The deadline to submit comments is 5 p.m., Central time on Friday, June 24, 2022.