| 1 | H. B. 2466 | |
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| 3 | (By Delegate Hunt) (By Request) | |
| 4 | [Introduced February 14, 2013; referred to the | |
| 5 | Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.] | |
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| 9 | A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by | |
| 10 | adding thereto a new section, designated §23-5-10a, relating | |
| 11 | to workers' compensation; appeal and review process; and | |
| 12 | requiring that medical treatment and medications be continued | |
| 13 | throughout the appeal process. | |
| 14 | Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia: | |
| 15 | That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding | |
| 16 | thereto a new section, designated §23-5-10a, to read as follows: | |
| 17 | ARTICLE 5. REVIEW. | |
| 18 | §23-5-10a. Medical treatment and medications to continue during | |
| 19 | all stages of appeal or protest. | |
| 20 | Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, | |
| 21 | medical treatment and prescription medications shall continue to be | |
| 22 | provided to a claimant during all stages of any protest or appeal | |
| 23 | under the provisions of this article and chapter and regardless of | |

1 the outcome of the protest or appeal.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require that medical treatment and prescription medications be continued throughout the appeal process in Workers' Compensation claims.

\$23-5-10a is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.