

1-1 By: Eltife S.B. No. 901
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 3, 2015; March 9, 2015, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce;
 1-4 March 30, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7,
 1-5 Nays 0; March 30, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Eltife	X			
1-8 Creighton	X			
1-9 Ellis	X			
1-10 Huffines	X			
1-11 Schwertner			X	
1-12 Seliger	X			
1-13 Taylor of Galveston	X			
1-14 Watson	X			
1-15 Whitmire			X	

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the amount of temporary income benefits to which an
 1-20 injured employee is entitled under the workers' compensation
 1-21 system.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 408.103(a), Labor Code, is amended to
 1-24 read as follows:

1-25 (a) Subject to Sections 408.061 and 408.062, the amount of a
 1-26 temporary income benefit is equal to:

1-27 (1) 70 percent of the amount computed by subtracting
 1-28 the employee's weekly earnings after the injury from the employee's
 1-29 average weekly wage; or

1-30 (2) for the first 26 weeks, 75 percent of the amount
 1-31 computed by subtracting the employee's weekly earnings after the
 1-32 injury from the employee's average weekly wage if the employee
 1-33 earns less than \$10 [~~\$8.50~~] an hour.

1-34 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to a
 1-35 claim for temporary income benefits based on a compensable injury
 1-36 that occurs on or after the effective date of this Act. A claim
 1-37 based on a compensable injury that occurs before the effective date
 1-38 of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the
 1-39 compensable injury occurred, and the former law is continued in
 1-40 effect for that purpose.

1-41 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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