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2025 Wisconsin Act 33 [2025 Assembly Bill 232]

Transferring Adjudicatory Functions Relating to Worker's Compensation Claims

2025 Wisconsin Act 33 transfers the adjudicatory functions relating to disputed worker's compensation claims from the Department of Administration Division of Hearings and Appeals (DHA) to the Department of Workforce Development (DWD). These functions include: receiving answers; scheduling and conducting prehearings and hearings; receiving testimony; issuing findings, orders, and awards; dismissing parties and applications for hearings; and conducting mediation.

The act also transfers all positions and incumbent employees in DHA's Office of Worker's Compensation Hearings to DWD.

Effective date: January 1, 2026

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