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SENATE BILL 882

Short Title: Industrial Comm. Investigators/Sworn LEOs.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Rand.

Referred to: Judiciary I (Civil).

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION TO EMPLOY
3 SWORN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO PERFORM FRAUD
4 INVESTIGATIONS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 97-88.2(b) reads as rewritten:

7 "(b) The Commission shall:

- 8 (1) Perform investigations regarding all cases of suspected fraud and all
9 violations related to workers' compensation claims, by or against
10 insurers or self-funded employers, and refer possible criminal
11 violations to the appropriate prosecutorial authorities;
12 (2) Conduct administrative violation proceedings; and
13 (3) Assess and collect civil penalties and restitution.

14 The Commission may employ sworn law enforcement officers to conduct the
15 investigations mandated by this subsection."

16 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.