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Jurisdiction	Regulatory and Legislative Activity	Status
Hawaii		
	HB 1224 Relates to Workers Compensation; COVID-19 Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/26/21
Iowa		
	HF 121 Relates to Compensation for Infection With COVID-19 or a Similar Disease Under the Iowa Occupational Disease Law Source: Click Here	In House Committee
	SF 138 Relates to the Rights of Employees Infected With COVID-19 Under the State Workers Compensation Program Source: Click Here	In Senate Committee
New York		
	SB 1963 Amends the Volunteer Firefighters' Benefit Law and the Volunteer Ambulance Workers' Benefit Law, in Relation to COVID-19 Exposure During a State of Emergency Source: Click Here	In Senate Committee
Oklahoma		
	HB 2239 Relates to Occupational Diseases; Establishing Presumption Source: Click Here	Prefiled: 1/21/21
Oregon		
	HB 3025 Relates to the Compensability of COVID-19 for the Purposes of Workers Compensation Source: Click Here	In House Committee
	SB 488 Relates to the Compensability of COVID-19 for the Purposes of Workers Compensation Source: Click Here	In Senate Committee
Texas		
	SB 433 Relates to the Eligibility of Nurses for Workers Compensation Benefits for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and Payment of Those Benefits Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/25/21
	SB 439 Relates to the Eligibility of Nurses for Workers Compensation Benefits for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and Payment of Those Benefits Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/26/21



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	SB 463 Relates to Certain Claims for Benefits, Compensation, or Assistance by Certain Public Safety Employees and Survivors of Certain Public Safety Employees Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/26/21
Vermont		
	SB 9 Relates to Extending Certain Workers Compensation Amendments Related to COVID-19 Source: Click Here	Passed Both Chambers: 1/22/21
Alaska		
	HB 45 Relates to Presumption of Compensability for Workers Compensation Claims Related to Contagious Diseases Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/19/21
Arkansas		
	SB 16 Suspends Certain Provisions of the Workers Compensation Law With Regard to Certain Workers Due to the Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Outbreak Source: Click Here	In Senate Committee
Illinois		
	HB 782 Relates to Extending Workers Compensation Presumption of Compensability for COVID-19 Source: Click Here	In House Committee
	HB 4276 Relates to Extending Workers Compensation Presumption of Compensability for COVID-19 Source: Click Here	Passed Both Chambers: 1/13/21
Minnesota		
	HF 2 In Part, Provides Workers Compensation for Certain School Employees Who Contract COVID-19 Source: Click Here	In House Committee
	HF 37 Relates to Workers Compensation; Creates a Presumption of Eligibility for School Employees Who Contract COVID-19 Source: Click Here	In House Committee
	SF 105 Relates to Workers Compensation; Creates a Presumption of Eligibility for School Employees Who Contract COVID-19 Source: Click Here	In Senate Committee



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Missouri		
	Emergency Rule 8 CSR 50-5.007 Evidence of Occupational Disease Exposure for First Responders Source: Click Here	Adopted: 1/15/21
Nebraska		
	LB 441 Changes Provisions Relating to Compensation for Certain Employees Who Are Affected by COVID-19 Source: Click Here	In Legislative Committee
New York		
	AB 1560 Amends the Volunteer Firefighters' Benefit Law and the Volunteer Ambulance Workers' Benefit Law, in Relation to COVID-19 Exposure During a State of Emergency Source: Click Here	In Assembly Committee
	SB 1241 Relates to Including Exposure to Novel Coronavirus, COVID-19 as an Occupational Disease Source: Click Here	In Senate Committee
North Dakota		
	HB 1433 Relates to Workers Compensation Benefits for Essential Workers Source: Click Here	In House Committee
South Carolina		
	HB 3192 Defines "First Responder," "Health Care Provider," "Correctional Officer," and "Isolate" or "Isolation," to Establish a Presumption That a First Responder, Health Care Provider, or Correctional Officer Contracting COVID-19 Is Entitled to Workers Compensation Benefits as an Occupational Disease, and to Provide Temporary Total Disability Benefits for First Responders, Health Care Providers, and Correctional Officers Required to Isolate Due to Covid-19 if Certain Conditions Are Met Source: Click Here	In House Committee
Texas		
	HB 34 Relating to Presumptive Coverage for First Responders That Contract COVID-19 Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/12/21
	HB 47 Relating to Presumptive Coverage for School District Employees That Contract COVID-19 Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/12/21
	HB 310 Relating to Certain Claims for Benefits, Compensation, or Assistance by Certain Public Safety Employees and Survivors of Certain Public Safety Employees	Introduced: 1/12/21



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	HB 396 Relating to the Eligibility of Nurses for Workers Compensation Benefits for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and Payment of Those Benefits Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/12/21
	HB 541 Relating to a Presumption in Regard to the Eligibility of Public Safety Employees Who Have Contracted Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) for Certain Benefits Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/12/21
	HB 637 Relating to Certain Claims for Benefits, Compensation, or Assistance by Certain Public Safety Employees and Survivors of Certain Public Safety Employees Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/12/21
	SB 107 Relating to Certain Claims for Benefits, Compensation, or Assistance by Certain Public Safety Employees and Survivors of Certain Public Safety Employees Source: Click Here	Introduced: 1/12/21
Virginia		
	HB 1985 Establishes a Presumption That COVID-19 Causing the Death or Disability of Health Care Providers Who as Part of the Provider’s Employment Are Directly Involved in Diagnosing or Treating Persons Known or Suspected to Have COVID-19 Is an Occupational Disease Compensable Under the Workers Compensation Act; Provides That the Provisions of the Bill Will Be Effective Retroactive to January 1, 2020 Source: Click Here	In House Committee
	HB 2207 In Part, Establishes a Presumption That COVID-19 Causing the Death or Disability of Firefighters, Emergency Medical Services Personnel, Law-Enforcement Officers, and Correctional Officers Is an Occupational Disease Compensable Under the Workers Compensation Act Source: Click Here	In House Committee
	SB 1342 In Part, Establishes a Presumption That COVID-19 Causing the Death or Disability of Firefighters, Emergency Medical Services Personnel, Law-Enforcement Officers, and Correctional Officers Is an Occupational Disease Compensable Under the Workers Compensation Act Source: Click Here	In Senate Committee
	SB 1375 Establishes a Presumption That COVID-19 Causing the Death or Disability of Firefighters and Emergency Medical Services Personnel Is an Occupational Disease Compensable Under the Workers Compensation Act. The Provisions of the Bill Will Be Effective Retroactive to March 1, 2020. Source: Click Here	In Senate Committee



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Washington		
	SB 5190 Provides Health Care Workers With Presumptive Benefits During a Public Health Emergency Source: Click Here	In Senate Committee
Wisconsin		
	AB 1 In Part, Relates to Workers Compensation Injury to Critical Workers Source: Click Here	Passed Both Chambers: 1/12/20

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