



## MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF TOWNSHIPS AGENCY

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Commissioner Roslyn Robertson  
Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry  
443 Lafayette Road North  
St. Paul, MN 55155

**Re: WCAC Consideration of Legislative Proposal, SF 1203**

Dear Commissioner Robertson and Members of the Worker' Compensation Advisory Council:

On Behalf of the Minnesota Association of Townships (MAT) and Minnesota Association of Townships Insurance and Bond Trust, we write to provide the township(local) governments perspective to SF1203, which would extend the current presumption for first responders workers' compensation claims based on the COVID-19 to May1, 2022. We have been very supportive in a temporary presumption that was enacted last year by the legislature. We remain very supportive of all the hard work and dedication that our front-line workers have endured over the past year and want to continue to make them whole if they were to contract the virus in the course of their work duties. We continue to have optimism that the expedited vaccination of people will aid in the decreased numbers, but expect the mutation of the virus will continue to pose some risks to the general population.

MAT and MATIT want to make sure that we are clear in stating that we will not oppose SF1203.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our view point. We value the dialogue with DOLI and the WCAC.

Sincerely

Jon Mocol  
Minnesota Association of Townships Insurance and Bond Trust

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