

HB 2635 -- SILICA CLAIMS PRIORITIES ACT

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This bill establishes the "Silica Claims Priorities Act." No person may bring a claim for personal injury or wrongful death related to the inhalation of silica except upon a prima facie showing that the exposure was a substantial factor in causing a medical condition resulting in a physical impairment. Such prima facie showing shall be made as to each defendant and include a medical report from a qualified physician which contains specified information concerning the exposed person, the diagnosis, and impairment.

Workers' Compensation and veterans' benefit claims are excluded from the Act.