## Backgrounder

- Since July 1, 1945, *The Workmen's Compensation Act, The Workers' Compensation Act,* 1979 and <u>The Workers' Compensation Act, 2013</u> have required the Lieutenant Governor in Council, at least once every four years, to appoint a review committee. The committee is comprised of a chairperson and equal representation of employers and organized employees.
- In 2019, the Act was amended to expand the time period for appointment of a committee of review to five years from receipt of the previous committee's report by the minister.
- The first Committee of Review, appointed on October 7, 1949, consisted of a chair and six members. There have been fourteen subsequent committees of review in 1954, 1958, 1963/64, 1968, 1971/73, 1978, 1982, 1986, 1991/92, 1996, 2001, 2006, 2011 and 2016.
- The 2021 Committee of Review consist of five members:
  - o Dr. Louise Greenberg Chairperson
  - Shawna Nelson Member representing business (Acting Chairperson)
  - o Blaine Dubreuil Member representing business
  - Dion Malakoff Member representing organized labour
  - o Sandra Seitz Member representing organized labour
- The mandate of the Workers' Compensation Act Committee of Review is to review and report
  on all matters concerning <u>The Workers' Compensation Act, 2013</u>, <u>The Workers' Compensation</u>
  <u>General Regulations, 1985</u>, <u>The Workers' Compensation Act Exclusion Regulations, 2014</u> and the
  administration of the Act and regulations.
- The Committee of Review does not have the authority to recommend or direct that the Workers' Compensation Board take action on a specific claim.
- Submissions can be made by filling out the submission form on <a href="https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/public-consultations/committee-of-review-workers-compensation-act">https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/public-consultations/committee-of-review-workers-compensation-act</a>. Submissions are open from November 1 to December 15, 2021. Both electronic and printed copies will be accepted.