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DSCC RESPONDS TO GOVERNOR'S WORKERS' COMPENSATION REPORT

WILMINGTON, DE (May 13, 2013) – Today's report by Governor Markell's taskforce on workers' compensation is part of an ongoing effort to improve Delaware's system—an effort that began with the passage of SB1 back in 2007. The Chamber welcomes the specific recommendations, particularly in the area of how the medical community treats workers' compensation injuries. These are proposals that will improve the treatment of injuries while controlling costs. We have made recommendations in the areas of worker's safety and encouraging businesses to use light duty to bring injured workers back into the workforce as soon as possible.

The Chamber recognizes the leadership of Lt. Governor Matt Denn as leader of the taskforce, as well as all the members of the taskforce from the medical, labor, legal and business communities, as well as the department of labor.

This is a significant start of the examination of all areas of workers' compensation costs, and we encourage the task force to continue its good work and stewardship of the program.

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