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# Key Changes to Alberta's WCB and OHS Laws to Take Effect in 2018 - Bill 30 Receives Royal Assent

On December 15, 2017 Bill 30: An Act to Protect the Health and Well-being of Working Albertans, received Royal Assent. The Bill is now law. The following amendments were made at second reading:

- The definition of “occupation” being clarified in the context of domestic workers and the exceptions that apply under the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA);
- Section 98 of the OHSA (dealing with the application of the Code(s)) now takes effect on June 1, 2018;
- Enlarging the scope of the presumption for post-traumatic stress disorder to include correctional officers and emergency dispatchers under the Workers' Compensation Act (WCA); and
- The provision setting maximum wages for assessment purposes under the WCA was repealed.

[Click here for a more detailed breakdown of the changes.](#)

If you have questions regarding the impact of these changes, or steps you can take to reduce their impact, please do not hesitate to contact a Mathews Dinsdale lawyer in our Alberta office.

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