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BCFED welcomes worker compensation review giving voice to injured workers

The BC Federation of Labour is welcoming the formal, independent review of the provincial workers' compensation and appeal system announced by the provincial government.

"Injured workers and their families must be fully and fairly compensated for any loss or injury on the job. We welcome the fact that this long-awaited review will give voice to injured workers and their experience under the current system," says BC Federation of Labour President Laird Cronk.

"We are pleased with the appointment of highly-respected lawyer and injured worker advocate Janet Patterson to lead this impartial and comprehensive review" adds Cronk.

The BC Federation of Labour welcomes the opportunity to participate in the review, which is due to present its recommendations to government by September 30, 2019.

In 2002, the B.C. Liberal government made major changes to the laws and policies of the compensation system for workers who were injured or killed on the job, shifting responsibility away from employers and onto the public system.

The BC Federation of Labour represents more than 500,000 workers through our union affiliates, working in every corner of the province and in every sector of British Columbia's growing economy.

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