In 2013, Oklahoma employers paid more than $1 BILLION for a DEEPLY flawed workers’ comp system.

Facing MASSIVE workers’ compensation premiums, Oklahoma paid the SIXTH HIGHEST PREMIUMS in the nation, making it difficult for our companies to grow or expand.

The system also kept workers away from their jobs so long that it became difficult to return.

OKLAHOMA COMPANIES STRUGGLED TO AFFORD COVERAGE. Some even had to shutter their doors or move out of state.

Realizing that workers’ compensation costs were continuing to climb even though the system wasn’t delivering for either employers or employees,

THE STATE CHAMBER OF OKLAHOMA fought for and helped successfully achieve much-needed WORKERS’ COMPENSATION REFORM.
Since then, workers’ compensation premiums have dropped DRAMATICALLY.

In fact, between 2013 (when the reforms were enacted) and 2017, workers’ compensation premiums DROPPED by nearly 32%.

As a result, OKLAHOMA EMPLOYERS SAVED MORE THAN $300 MILLION allowing them to create more jobs and grow our economy THROUGH A MORE EFFICIENT WORKERS’ COMPENSATION SYSTEM.

So it is DISTURBING to see bills filed in 2019 that would undermine our workers’ comp system…

The State Chamber will continue to fight for lower premiums for Oklahoma businesses and protect historic workers’ compensation reforms.

STATE CHAMBER OF OKLAHOMA

WE MEAN BUSINESS