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### DWC Reports More Than 441,000 Lien Declarations Filed

The Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) reports that 441,070 supplemental lien declaration forms were filed as required by [Labor Code section 4903.05\(c\)](#). This represents half of the 882,648 liens filed in California's workers' compensation system between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2016 for which a filing fee was paid.

DWC is currently reviewing and evaluating filed declarations for compliance with the legislation and with WCAB rules and procedures. The Division is holding hearings to determine whether the declarations are accurate and comply with the requirements of section 4903.05(c).

Lien claimants who failed to file the "Supplemental Lien Form and 4903.05(c) Declaration" will have their liens dismissed.

Senate Bill 1160, which became effective January 1, required all lien claimants who filed a lien between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2016, and paid a filing fee, to file the "Supplemental Lien Form and 4903.05(c) Declaration" form. [Labor Code section 4903.05\(c\)](#) was amended as part of the bill's reform measures to combat fraud in the workers' compensation system.

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