

9 days remaining to fix these cuts to truly injured workers!

Permanent Disability Horror Story No. 11 Jack Kumar

The Schwarzenegger Administration's Disability Rating Schedule severely cuts benefits to permanently disabled workers.

About Me: My name is Jack Kumar. I am 41 years old, and I live in Sacramento.

My Family: I'm married, and have two young children, a boy, 5, and a 4-month old baby girl.

My Job and What Happened: I worked in Floor Sales for Target. I injured my back lifting a box of display shelving. An MRI showed a 6mm disc bulge. I had surgery, but my pain was worse afterwards. I am in constant pain. My feet get numb. I can't stand for more than 10 minutes. I can't return to work. I try to take as little pain medication as I can stand, because I'm nervous about the effects of strong drugs like Vioxx. I can't do the job I used to do, nor any heavy work. I can't put into words the worries I have about whether I can return to work, or how I will be able to support my children .

What this has meant to my life: I used to take my two young children to the park, the zoo and on vacations. Since my work injury, everything has changed. I can't do most of the things I used to do: chase my son, play soccer, or even walk very far. My wife has had to work two jobs to help support our family.



How the Governor's Schedule Affects Me

How Workers' Comp was supposed to help me:

Workers compensation was supposed to provide medical care to heal my injury, retraining for another job, and compensation for having to live with a bad back and limited mobility for the rest of my life. The governor's schedule would take away more than two-thirds of my Permanent Partial Disability compensation.

BEFORE	AFTER
\$37,555	\$10,776 (Down 71%)

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