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Summary of Cases Accepted During the Week of April 2, 2007

[This news release is issued to inform the public and the press of cases that the Supreme Court has accepted and of their general subject matter. The statement of the issue or issues in each case set out below does not necessarily reflect the view of the court, or define the specific issues that will be addressed by the court.]

#07-132 *Torres v. Workers' Comp. Appeals Bd., S149360.* (H029834; 145 Cal.App.4th 324.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed a decision of the Board. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in *Brodie v. Workers' Comp. Appeals Bd., S146979* (#06-124), and *Welcher v. Workers' Comp. Appeals Bd., S147030* (#06-125), which present the following issues: (1) Did the repeal of Labor Code section 4750 and the enactment of new apportionment statutes (Stats. 2004, ch. 34) change the law of apportionment of permanent disability indemnity as determined by this court in *Fuentes v. Workers' Comp. Appeals Bd.* (1976) 16 Cal.3d 1? (2) If so, how is permanent disability indemnity to be apportioned between injuries?

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