

Electronic Injury, Illness Reporting Still Uncertain Despite New Compliance Date

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In the article, "Electronic Injury, Illness Reporting Still Uncertain Despite New Compliance Date," featured in *Business Insurance*, Partner Edwin Foulke provides commentary on the implementation of OSHA's electronic record-keeping rule in light of its postponement to Dec. 1.

"They just don't have the resources right now to be able to put all that into place," said Foulke. "To me, it seemed like it was a stretch anyway to require all this. The (Occupational Safety and Health) Act talks about recordkeeping and collecting data, but it never envisioned such a broad sweeping thing. I just don't think the agency is equipped to handle all the data they would get from a technical standpoint."

"Employers need to make sure the logs are right," Mr. Foulke said. "They should be making sure that all that data is in place and correct and available. Assuming that come Dec. 1 (OSHA) decides that they're not going to change that, (employers) will be able to put that information quickly into the system."

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