

HB 1837 - H AMD 1089

By Representative Boehnke

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1 On page 2, after line 19, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 2. RCW 49.17.370 and 2004 c 1 s 2 (Initiative Measure No.
3 841, approved November 4, 2003) are each amended to read as follows:

4 For the purposes of this section, "state ergonomics regulations"
5 are defined as the rules addressing musculoskeletal disorders,
6 adopted on May 26, 2000, by the director of the department of labor
7 and industries, and codified as WAC 296-62-05101 through
8 296-62-05176. The state ergonomics regulations, filed on May 26,
9 2000, by the director and codified as WAC 296-62-05101 through
10 296-62-05176 are repealed. The director shall (~~not~~)only have the
11 authority to adopt any new or amended rules dealing with
12 musculoskeletal disorders, or that deal with the same or similar
13 activities as these rules being repealed(~~(, until and to the extent~~
14 ~~required by congress or the federal occupational safety and health~~
15 ~~administration)) if legislation is enacted that specifically
16 authorizes the adoption of rules on the matter."~~

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18 On page 2, beginning on line 20, strike all of section 2

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20 Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Removes the bill's repeal of the restriction on regulating work-related musculoskeletal disorders and ergonomics, and instead provides that the Department of Labor and Industries may only adopt similar rules if legislation specifically authorizes their adoption.

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