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HOUSE BILL 2499

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By Representatives Lisk, Romero, Conway and Cody; by request of Department of Labor & Industries

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- AN ACT Relating to employer assessments; amending RCW 51.16.155;
- 2 and repealing RCW 51.48.070.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 51.16.155 and 1985 c 315 s 3 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 In every case where an employer insured with the state fails or
- 7 refuses to file any report of payroll required by the department and
- 8 fails or refuses to pay the premiums due on such unreported payroll,
- 9 the department shall have authority to estimate such payroll and the
- 10 premiums due thereon and collect premiums on the basis of such
- 11 estimate.
- 12 If the report required and the premiums due thereon are not made
- 13 within ten days from the mailing of such demand by the department,
- 14 which shall include the amount of premiums estimated by the department,
- 15 the employer shall be in default as provided by this title and the
- 16 department may have and recover judgment, warrant, or file liens for
- 17 such estimated premium or the actual premium, whichever is greater.
- 18 The director or the director's designee may compromise the amount
- 19 of premiums estimated by the department, whether reduced to judgment or

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- 1 otherwise, arising under this title if collection of the premiums
- 2 estimated by the department would be against equity and good
- 3 <u>conscience</u>.
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** RCW 51.48.070 and 1980 c 14 s 14 are each
- 5 repealed.

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