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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Clements and McMorris)

Brief Title: Establishing requirements for health services providers under industrial insurance.

**HB 2227-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that a health services provider who (1) provides a health care service to a claimant, while acting as the claimant's representative for the purpose of obtaining authorization for the services, and (2) charges a percentage of the claimant's benefits for acting as the claimant's representative under this title shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor. However, the fine, if imposed, shall not be in an amount more than twenty-five thousand dollars, except as authorized by RCW 9A.20.030.

Provides that, the department may deny applications of health care providers to participate as a provider of services to injured workers under this title, or terminate or suspend providers' eligibility to participate, if the provider uses or causes or promotes the use of, advertising matter, promotional materials, or other representation, however disseminated or published, that is false, misleading, or deceptive with respect to the industrial insurance system or benefits for injured workers under this title.