

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 5510**

Chapter 178, Laws of 2015

64th Legislature  
2015 Regular Session

WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS--CALCULATIONS

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/24/2015

Passed by the Senate April 16, 2015  
Yeas 46 Nays 1

BRAD OWEN

**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House April 13, 2015  
Yeas 97 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved May 6, 2015 2:49 PM

JAY INSLEE

**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 5510** as passed by Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

HUNTER G. GOODMAN

**Secretary**

FILED

May 6, 2015

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senators Braun, Baumgartner, Rivers, and Angel

Read first time 01/22/15. Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

1            AN ACT Relating to simplifying and adding certainty to the  
2 calculation of workers' compensation benefits; creating a new  
3 section; and providing an expiration date.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**    The department of labor and industries  
6 shall convene, no later than August 1, 2015, a benefit accuracy  
7 working group under the industrial insurance program. The director  
8 must appoint members to the working group as follows: Two members  
9 representing labor, two members representing employers, and at least  
10 two members representing the department of labor and industries.  
11 Members must serve without compensation but are entitled to travel  
12 expenses as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. All expenses of  
13 this working group must be paid by the department. The working group  
14 must focus on improving the accuracy, simplicity, fairness, and  
15 consistency of calculating and providing wage replacement benefits  
16 and shall not consider overall reductions in existing worker benefit  
17 levels. The working group must report back to the appropriate  
18 committees of the legislature by February 1, 2016, and September 1,  
19 2016. This section expires December 31, 2016.

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