
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2238

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By House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Clements and Conway)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the department of labor and industries' plans
2 for implementing the joint legislative audit and review committee's
3 recommendations for industrial insurance; and creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) By September 15, 1999, the department of
6 labor and industries shall develop, in consultation with the workers'
7 compensation advisory committee, a plan for implementing the
8 recommendations contained in the joint legislative audit and review
9 committee's report on the workers' compensation system performance
10 audit mandated under chapter 330, Laws of 1997. Except as provided in
11 subsection (2) of this section, the department shall report on the plan
12 by December 1, 1999, to the appropriate committees of the legislature,
13 including at a minimum:

14 (a) A review of the recommendations that the department has
15 implemented or plans to implement, with timelines for implementation;

16 (b) A review of the recommendations that the department does not
17 plan to implement, if any, with the reasons for such decisions; and

18 (c) Recommendations for legislation that may be required to
19 implement the recommendations.

1 (2) The department shall report by September 15, 1999, on the plan
2 for implementing recommendation two of the joint legislative audit and
3 review committee's report. The report shall include, at a minimum, an
4 implementation timetable and recommendations for legislation to
5 implement the plan.

6 (3) In conjunction with that part of the report under subsection
7 (1) of this section regarding the audit's recommendations for
8 vocational rehabilitation, the department shall also include a report
9 on the study undertaken by the subcommittee on vocational services of
10 the workers' compensation advisory committee. The report shall include
11 a plan for improving the industrial insurance vocational rehabilitation
12 system and recommendations for legislation, if any.

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