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ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 1245

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to workplace safety bonus programs; and adding a
- 2 new section to chapter 51.28 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 51.28 RCW 5 to read as follows:
- 6 (1) No employer may implement a program that gives bonuses to 7 workers for safety performance, including bonuses that are contingent 8 on the safety performance of another worker or group of workers, on 9 maintaining an accident-free workplace, or on the reporting of no job-10 related injuries or accidents over a required time period.
- 11 (2) This section does not prohibit programs that reward workers for 12 reporting unsafe working conditions or industrial accidents.
- (3) For the purposes of this section "bonus" means (a) favorable working conditions, or (b) cash or other award with a value exceeding fifty dollars in a calendar quarter.

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