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HOUSE BILL 2196

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to provision of industrial insurance claim files;
- 2 and adding a 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:
- The department shall provide, when authorized under RCW 51.28.070,
- 7 a copy of an injured worker's claim file at no cost within fifteen days
- 8 of receipt of a request by the claimant or the claimant's
- 9 representative. In the case of second or subsequent requests, a
- 10 reasonable charge for copying may be made. The department shall
- 11 provide the entire contents of the claim file unless the request is for
- 12 only a particular portion of the file. Any new material added to the
- 13 claim file after the initial request shall be provided under the same
- 14 terms and conditions as the initial request.

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