
SENATE BILL 5551

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By Senators Prentice, Moore and Amondson; by request of Department of Labor & Industries

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1 AN ACT Relating to the definition of hospital in regard to self-
2 insurers; and amending RCW 51.14.150.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 51.14.150 and 1983 c 174 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) For the purposes of this section, "hospital" means a hospital
7 as defined in RCW 70.41.020(2) or a psychiatric hospital regulated
8 under chapter 71.12 RCW, but does not include beds utilized by a
9 comprehensive cancer center for cancer research.

10 (2)(a) Any two or more employers which are school districts or
11 educational service districts, ~~((+2))~~ or (b) any two or more employers
12 which are hospitals(~~(, as defined in RCW 70.39.020(3))~~), and are owned
13 or operated by a state agency or municipal corporation of this state,
14 or ~~((+3))~~ (c) any two or more employers which are hospitals(~~(, as~~
15 ~~defined in RCW 70.39.020(3))~~), no one of which is owned or operated by
16 a state agency or municipal corporation of this state (~~(or subject to~~
17 ~~RCW 70.39.150(3))~~), may enter into agreements to form self-insurance
18 groups for the purposes of this chapter(~~(: PROVIDED, That))~~).

1 (3) No more than one group may be formed under subsection (2)(b) of
2 this section and no more than one group may be formed under subsection
3 (~~(+3)~~) (2)(c) of this section.

4 (4) The self-insurance groups shall be organized and operated under
5 rules promulgated by the director under RCW 51.14.160. Such a self-
6 insurance group shall be deemed an employer for the purposes of this
7 chapter, and may qualify as a self-insurer if it meets all the other
8 requirements of this chapter.

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