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Sponsor(s): Senators Costa and Thibaudeau

Brief Description: Authorizing the department of health to impose civil penalties.

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Declares that the department is authorized to assess a civil fine or civil penalty in any case in which it finds the licensee failed to report an event that is required by statute or rule to be reported to the department. The civil fine or civil penalty shall not exceed one thousand dollars per incident unreported.

Authorizes the department to approve expenditure of the civil penalty by the licensee on improvements that would ensure future compliance in reporting, or reduce future incidents.

Declares that assessment of a civil fine or civil penalty is subject to the provisions of chapters 34.05 and 43.05 RCW and RCW 43.70.095.