SENATE BILL 6356

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By Senators Honeyford and Rasmussen

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AN ACT Relating to physician assistants executing a certain certificate for labor and industries; adding a new section to chapter 51.28 RCW; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

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

6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 51.28 RCW 7 to read as follows:

8 Physician assistants practicing with physician supervision as 9 required by chapters 18.57A and 18.71A RCW may execute the certificate 10 required by RCW 51.28.020(1) for reports of noncompensable industrial 11 injuries, but not reports of any occupational diseases. Physician 12 assistants may not execute time loss cards related to any industrial 13 injuries or any occupational diseases.

14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. By December 1, 2006, the department of labor 15 and industries shall report to the senate committee on commerce and 16 trade and the house committee on commerce and labor, or successor 17 committees, on the implementation of this act, including but not 1 limited to the effects of this act on injured worker outcomes, claim 2 costs, and disputed claims.

3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2004.

4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. Sections 1 and 2 of this act expire July 1, 5 2007.

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