SENATE BILL 6391

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AN ACT Relating to establishing priorities for the industrial 1 2 insurance system; and adding a new section to chapter 51.04 RCW.

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

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 51.04 RCW to read as follows:

The department must continuously improve in quality, efficiency, 6 7 and effectiveness to increase public trust in the way the department 8 operates and delivers services so that employers and workers receive 9 maximum value for their premium dollars. Further, the department must 10 establish priorities for the delivery of its services and annually assess whether the department's programs and activities contribute to 11 12 the department's priorities. The highest priority programs must be evaluated to determine if they are operating at maximum efficiency, and 13 14 the lowest priority programs must be assessed to determine their 15 continued viability. The department shall release its annual 16 assessment to the citizens of the state, the governor, and the appropriate legislative committees by January 1st of each year. 17

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