SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1604

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By House Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Reykdal, Hayes, Sawyer, Van De Wege, Holy, Griffey, Riccelli, Fitzgibbon, Ormsby, and Pollet)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to an occupational disease exposure reporting
- 2 requirement for firefighters; creating a new section; and providing
- 3 an expiration date.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** (1) Beginning August 1, 2015, the
- 6 department of labor and industries shall convene a work group to
- 7 discuss establishing definitions, policies, and procedures for
- 8 mandatory reporting of hazardous exposures suffered in the course of
- 9 employment by firefighters.
- 10 (2) The work group must include, at a minimum, stakeholders
- 11 representing firefighter unions, fire departments, fire chiefs, state
- 12 fund public employers, and self-insured employers.
- 13 (3) By January 1, 2016, the department must report to the
- 14 appropriate committees of the legislature any recommendations for
- 15 legislation or rule making.
- 16 (4) This section expires January 31, 2016.

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