

HB 1837 - H AMD 1085

By Representative Boehnke

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1 On page 2, after line 19, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 2. RCW 49.17.370 and 2004 c 1 s 2 (Initiative Measure No.
3 841, approved November 4, 2003) are each amended to read as follows:

4 For the purposes of this section, "state ergonomics regulations"
5 are defined as the rules addressing musculoskeletal disorders,
6 adopted on May 26, 2000, by the director of the department of labor
7 and industries, and codified as WAC 296-62-05101 through
8 296-62-05176. The state ergonomics regulations, filed on May 26,
9 2000, by the director and codified as WAC 296-62-05101 through
10 296-62-05176 are repealed. ((The)) For manufacturing employees, the
11 director shall not have the authority to adopt any new or amended
12 rules dealing with musculoskeletal disorders, or that deal with the
13 same or similar activities as these rules being repealed, until and
14 to the extent comparable rules applying to manufacturing employees
15 are required by congress or the federal occupational safety and
16 health administration."

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18 On page 2, beginning on line 20, strike all of section 2

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20 Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Removes the bill's repeal of the restriction on regulating work-related musculoskeletal disorders and ergonomics, and instead provides that the Department of Labor and Industries may not adopt similar rules for manufacturing employees until and to the extent comparable rules applying to manufacturing employees are required by the federal government.

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