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House Bills

HB 2105 by Representatives Appleton, Moscoso, Green, and Hunt

Eliminating restrictions on causes of action by workers injured in employment.

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-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 22 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

-- 2011 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 26 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

HB 2106 by Representatives Frockt, Anderson, Lias, Hurst, Lytton, Billig, Morris, Eddy, Roberts, Moeller, Stanford, McCoy, and Zeiger

Authorizing plug-in vehicles to use high occupancy vehicle lanes regardless of vehicle occupancy.

Authorizes the use of high occupancy vehicle lanes at all times by plug-in vehicles that have obtained a permit from the department of transportation, regardless of the number of passengers in the vehicle.

Expires August 1, 2015.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 22 First reading, referred to Transportation.

-- 2011 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 26 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

HB 2107 by Representatives Miloscia, Green, Ormsby, Sells, Hasegawa, Moscoso, and Kelley

Implementing performance measures and improvement plans for the workers' compensation system, including the occupational safety and health program, to improve administration and efficiency.

Requires the department of labor and industries to: (1) Implement an improvement plan to continuously improve the state's workers' compensation system;

(2) Apply to the Washington state quality award or a similar Baldrige assessment organization for a full Baldrige assessment;

(3) Develop a statewide worker safety and workers' compensation performance improvement plan and a performance dashboard grading program; and

(4) Recognize annually with the governor's workplace safety award the employers, by industry, that are the safest and the most improved with respect to safety and cost.

Requires the state auditor to conduct an audit of the department of labor and industries' workers' compensation and occupational safety and health performance measures, strategic plan, government management and accountability performance, lean implementation plan, and other major processes.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 22 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

-- 2011 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 26 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

HB 2108 by Representatives Condotta, Kristiansen, Warnick, Shea, Taylor, Fagan, Overstreet, Smith, Rodne, Bailey, Ross, Orcutt, Short, Chandler, Wilcox, Nealey, Ahern, Harris, Angel, Dahlquist, McCune, Hope, Asay, Haler, DeBolt, Buys, Parker, Johnson, Schmick, Pearson, Alexander, Kretz, Anderson, Rivers, Klippert, Hargrove, Armstrong, Dammeier, Zeiger, Hinkle, and Walsh

Reforming workers' compensation through authorization of voluntary settlements and creation of a return-to-work subsidy program.

Reforms workers' compensation through authorization of voluntary settlements and creation of a return-to-work subsidy program.

-- 2011 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 25 Prefiled for introduction.

Apr 26 First Reading.

Held on first reading.

HB 2109 by Representatives Eddy, Condotta, Morris, Shea, Hurst, Taylor, Takko, Fagan, Seaquist, Warnick, Kelley, Kristiansen, Clibborn, Smith, Finn, Wilcox, Haigh, Chandler, and Rodne

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-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 25 Prefiled for introduction.

-- 2011 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 26 First Reading.
Held on first reading.

House Concurrent Resolutions

HCR 4405 by Representatives Sullivan and Kretz

Specifying the status of bills, memorials, and resolutions for the 2011 first special session of the Sixty-second legislature.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 4/26/11)

Specifies the status of bills, memorials, and resolutions for the 2011 first special session.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 25 Prefiled for introduction.

-- 2011 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 26 Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, adopted.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, adopted.

Senate Bills

SB 5773 by Senators Zarelli, Baumgartner, Hill, Parlette, Schoesler, Ericksen, and Holmquist Newbry

Making a health savings account option and high deductible health plan available to public employees. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Making a health savings account option and high deductible health plan option and a direct patient-provider primary care practice option available to public employees.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 4/26/11)

Requires the public employees' benefits board, for any open enrollment period following the effective date of the act, to: (1) Offer a health savings account option for employees; and

(2) Offer a high deductible health plan in conjunction with a health savings account.

Requires the state health care authority to: (1) Include in its provider network for a self-insured health benefit plan a direct patient-provider primary care practice; and

(2) Use best efforts to enroll at least one thousand members residing in King, Pierce, or Thurston counties.

Prohibits direct practices from submitting a claim for payment, other than the direct fee and any other negotiated ancillary costs, to certain plans for health care services provided to direct patients as covered by their agreement.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 11 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

Feb 22 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Feb 25 WM - Majority; do pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 12:30 PM.

Feb 28 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 7 Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 42; nays, 7; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 9 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

Mar 21 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.

Mar 31 WAYS - Executive action taken by committee.

WAYS - Majority; do pass with amendment(s).

Minority; do not pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 10:00 AM.

Apr 6 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.

Apr 12 Returned to Rules Committee for second reading.

Apr 22 By resolution, returned to Senate Rules Committee for third reading.

-- 2011 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

-- IN THE SENATE --

Apr 26 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

Placed on third reading by Rules Committee.

Rules suspended.

Returned to second reading for amendment.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 33; nays, 9; absent, 0; excused, 7.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

SCR 8401 by Senators Brown and Hewitt

Adjourning SINE DIE.

(DIGEST AS ADOPTED)

Adjourns SINE DIE.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 22 Read first time, rules suspended, and
placed on second reading calendar.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, adopted.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Read first time, rules suspended, and
placed on second reading calendar.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, adopted.

-- IN THE SENATE --

President signed.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Speaker signed.

-- OTHER THAN LEGISLATIVE ACTION --

Filed with Secretary of State.

SCR 8402 by Senators Brown and Hewitt

Returning bills to their house of origin.

(DIGEST AS ADOPTED)

Returns bills to their house of origin.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 22 Read first time, rules suspended, and
placed on second reading calendar.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, adopted.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Read first time, rules suspended, and
placed on second reading calendar.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, adopted.

-- IN THE SENATE --

President signed.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Speaker signed.

-- OTHER THAN LEGISLATIVE ACTION --

Filed with Secretary of State.