

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2509

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President of the Senate

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2509** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By Representatives Chandler, Bailey, and Pearson

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1 AN ACT Relating to improving workplace safety and health by
2 enacting the blueprint for safety program; and adding a new section to
3 chapter 49.17 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 49.17 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The blueprint for safety program is established. The goal of the
8 program is to improve safety for employees and lower costs for
9 employers by assisting those employers for which the traditional safety
10 and health model has not been effective. The department shall design
11 the program to promote management and labor leadership in safety and
12 health as essential for long-term success. The criteria for
13 participation may include, but are not limited to: A history with the
14 department indicating a less than optimal leadership commitment to
15 safety and health, a rising experience modification factor, a recent
16 catastrophic workplace injury, a change in the employer's safety
17 management, and a request by the employer to participate. The
18 department shall expand the current blueprint for safety program to
19 include an additional department region of operation. The department

1 shall post information on its web page to provide information about the
2 program to employers. Participation by an employer is voluntary and
3 subject to approval by the department. The program shall supplement,
4 but not replace any of, the department's existing compliance or
5 consultation programs. The department shall adopt rules to establish
6 criteria for participation in the blueprint for safety program, and
7 shall initiate rule making in 2012. Funding for the blueprint for
8 safety program created in this section cannot be appropriated from the
9 medical aid fund or the accident fund, but shall be implemented within
10 existing resources.

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