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Short Description	Bill Number	Sponsors	Status	Notes
Temporarily modifies the unemployment insurance program Companion bill SB 5135	HB 1090	(D) Rep.Sells, (D) Rep. Reykdal, (D) Rep. Kenney	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Requiring ESD to verify that workers are authorized to work in the United States.	HB 1272	(R) Rep. Chandler, (R) Rep. Condotta	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Requires self insurance employers to keep complete list of claims	HB 1831	(D) Rep. Kirby, (D) Rep.Sells, (D) Rep. Ormsby, (D) Rep. Sullivan, (D) Rep. Kenney	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Authorizing voluntary settlement agreements for Workers Comp	HB 1872	(D) Rep. Springer, (D) Rep. Condotta, (D) Rep. Eddy, (R) Rep. Shea, (D) Rep. Morris, (R) Rep.Taylor, (D) Rep.Takko,	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Simplifies and adds certainty to the calculation of workers comp benefits	HB 1964	(R) Rep. Condotta, (R) Rep. Chandler, (R) Rep.Taylor, (R) Rep. Bailey,	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Modifies temporary total disability provisions relating to employers providing light duty or transitional work	HB 1993	(D) Rep.Sells	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Achieves savings in workers compensation with respect to the offset of permanent disability awards and allowing self insurers to grant requests to convert permanent partial disability into a lump sum.	HB 2023	(D) Rep.Sells, (D) Rep. Larry Springer	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Prohibits deductions of workers comp premiums and other costs from wage and earnings	HB 2104	(D) Rep. Ormsby,(D) Rep Lias, (D) Rep Reykdal, (D) Rep Moscoso, (D) Rep Jinkins, (D) Rep Moeller, (D) Rep Hudgins, (D) Rep McCoy, (D) Rep Kirby, (D) Rep Hasegawa, (D) Rep Ryu, (D) Rep Appleton, (D) Rep Kenney, (D) Rep Fitzgibbon, (D) Rep Goodman, Miloscia, (D) Rep Hunt	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Eliminates restrictions on causes of action by workers injured in employment	HB 2105	(D) Rep Appleton, (D) Rep Moscoso, (D) Rep Green, (D) Rep Hunt	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Requires the Department of Labor and Industries to implement an improvement plan to continuously improve the State Workers Compensation system.	HB 2107	(D) Rep Miloscia, (D) Rep Green, (D) Rep Ormsby, (D) Rep Sells, (D) Rep Hasegawa, (D) Rep Moscoso, (D) Rep Kelley	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced

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Creation of return to work subsidy program	HB 2108	(R) Rep Condotta, (R) Rep Kristiansen, (R) Rep Warnick, (R) Rep Shea, (R) Rep Taylor, (R) Rep Fagan, (R) Rep Overstreet, (R) Rep Smith, (R) Rep Rodne, (R) Rep Bailey, (R) Rep Ross, (R) Rep Orcutt, (R) Rep Short, (R) Rep Chandler, (R) Rep Wilcox, (R) Rep Nealey, (R) Rep Ahern, (R) Rep Harris, Rep(R) RepAnge, (R) Rep Dahlquist, (R) Rep McCune, (R) Rep Hope, (R) Rep Asay, (R) Rep Haler, (R) Rep DeBolt, (R) Rep Buys, (R) Rep Parker, (R) Rep Johnson, (R) Rep Schmick, (R) Rep Pearson, (R) Rep Alexander, (R) Rep Kretz, (R) Rep Anderson, Rivers, (R) Rep Klippert, (R) Rep Hargrove, (R) Rep Armstrong, (R) Rep Dammeier, (R) Rep Zeiger, (R) Rep Hinkle, (R) Rep Walsh	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Requires a performance audit or the workers compensation Claims management system	HB 2116	(D) Rep McCoy, (D) Rep Appleton, (D) Rep Finn, (D) Rep Sells, (D) Rep Ormsby, (D) Rep Maxwell, (D) Rep Moscoso, (D) Rep Clibborn, (D) Rep Ladenburg, (D) Rep Hunt	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Allows retrospective rating plan employers and groups to assist L&I in the processing claims	HB 2207	(D) Rep Springer, (R) Rep Condotta	Labor & Workforce	1/9 Reintroduced
Limits the number of tax rate changes	HB 2290	(R) Rep Smith, (D) Rep Appleton, (R) Rep Orcutt, (D) Rep Blake, (R) Rep Wilcox, (R) Rep Klippert, (D) Rep Fagan, (R) Rep Kenney	Ways & Means	1/11 First Reading
Authorizing the presentation of claims for payment for pathology services to direct patient-provider	HB 2306	(R) Rep Hinkle, (D) Rep Green	Health Care & Wellness	1/30 in Rules 2nd reading
Regulating drayage truck operators Companion Bill: SB 6461	HB 2395	(D) Rep Sells, (D) Rep Reykdal, (D) Rep Upthegrove, (D) Rep Ryu, (D) Rep Moscoso, (D) Rep Ormsby, (D) Rep Hasegawa, (D) Rep Fitzgibbon, (D) Rep Hudgins, (D) Rep Darneille, (D) Rep Cody, (D) Rep Kenney, (D) Rep Santos, (D) Rep Roberts, (D) Rep Green, (D) Rep Miloscia, (D) Rep Pettigrew, (D) Rep Dickerson, (D) Rep Moeller, (D) Rep Appleton, (D) Rep Lias, (D) Rep Jenkins, (D) Rep Dunshee, (D) Rep Van De Wege, (D) Rep Goodman, (D) Rep Orwall, (D) Rep Hunt, (D) Rep Wylie, (D) Rep Billig, (D) Rep Probst	Labor & Workforce Development.	1/31 Executive Session
Providing unemployment insurance benefit charging relief for part-time employers who continue to employ a claimant on a part-time basis and the claimant qualified for two consecutive claims with wages attributable to at least one employer who employed the claimant in both base years.	HB 2339	(D) Rep Sells, (R) Rep Condotta, (D) Rep Reykdal, (R) Rep Taylor, (D) Rep Springer	Labor & Workforce Development.	1/27 Executive session. Majority due pass
Authorizing certain corporate officers to receive unemployment benefits	HB 2344	(R) Rep Angel, (D) Rep Sells, (R) Rep Condotta, (D) Rep Moscoso	Labor & Workforce Development.	1/31 Executive session 10:00

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Increasing protections for employees under the Washington industrial safety and health act of 1973.	HB 2412	(D) Rep Kenney, (D) Rep Sells, (D) Rep Reykdal, (D) Rep Moscoso, (D) Rep Miloscia, (D) Rep Green, (D) Rep Ormsby, (D) Rep Hasegawa, (D) Rep Roberts, (D) Rep Hudgins, (D) Rep Cody, (D) Rep Moeller	Labor & Workforce Development.	1/30 Executive Session 6:00PM
Protecting workers and other community members from pesticide drift.	HB 2413	(D) Rep Reykdal, (D) Rep Sells, (D) Rep Appleton, (D) Rep Ladenburg, (D) Rep Ormsby, (D) Rep Hunt, (D) Rep Moscoso, (D) Rep Ryu, (D) Rep Roberts, (D) Rep Wylie, (D) Rep Green, (D) Rep Hasegawa, (D) Rep McCoy, (D) Rep Kenney, (D) Rep Hudgins, (D) Rep Cody, (D) Rep Moeller	Labor & Workforce Development.	1/30 Executive Session 6:00PM
Increases max truck length from 40' to 46'.	HB 2430	(R) Rep Overstreet, (R) Rep Armstrong, (D) Rep Clibborn, (R) Rep Buys, (D) Rep Moscoso	Transportation	1/26 Public Hearing 3:30 PM
Requires L&I to adjust rates to become effective January 1 st of each year	SB 5277	(R) Sen Holmquist Newbry, (R) Sen King, (R) Sen Parlette	Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection	1/9 - Reintroduced
Eliminates the department of Revenues' authorization to examine medical records	SB 6091	(R) Sen Honeyford	Ways & Means	1/11 First Reading
Bid requirements for schools purchasing Washington grown foods and other goods. Farmer can supplement order with out of state grown food up to 25%.	SB 6183	(R) Sen Morton, (R) Sen Schoesler, (R) Sen Ericksen, (R) Sen Roach	Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development	1/23 Public Hearing 10:00
Requiring transparency for patients regarding training and qualifications of health care professionals.	SB 6394	(D) Rep Keiser	Health & Long-Term Care	2/2 Public Hearing 1:30
Authorizing physician assistants to perform ophthalmic-related services under employment or supervision by a medical doctor or an osteopathic physician.	SB 6395	(D) Rep Keiser	Health & Long-Term Care	1/20 First Reading
Protecting workers and other community members from pesticide drift. Companion Bill: HB 2413	SB 6397	(D) Rep Kohl-Welles, (D) Rep Chase, (D) Rep Rolfes, (D) Rep Conway, (D) Rep Keiser, (D) Rep Nelson, (D) Rep Kline, Shin	Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection	1/26 Public Hearing 10:00
Regulating drayage truck operators. Companion Bill: HB 2395	SB 6461	(D) Rep Kohl-Welles, (D) Rep Chase, (D) Rep Conway, (D) Rep Nelson, (D) Rep Keiser, (D) Rep Kline	Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection	1/24 First Reading
Request that unemployment insurance modernization funding be dispersed to states without requiring an expansion of state laws	SJM 8000	(R) Sen Val Stevens	Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection	1/9 - Reintroduced

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