

6679

Sponsor(s): Senators Morton, Hochstatter and Sellar

Brief Description: Modifying determination of civil penalties for subsequent violations of the industrial safety and health act.

SB 6679 - DIGEST

Provides that if an employer has been assessed a civil penalty under chapter 49.17 RCW and the employer is to be assessed a civil penalty for a subsequent violation of this chapter, the former penalty and violation may not be considered by the director or department in determining under RCW 49.17.180 the employer's history of previous violations or repeated violations under the following circumstances: (1) The former violation had been caused by the handling or use of a pesticide by an employee of the employer; and

(2) that handling or use of the pesticide by the employee had been negligent or had not been authorized by the employer.