

6030-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Schow, Goings, Anderson, Haugen, Horn, Rasmussen, Long and Oke)

Brief Title: Establishing a performance audit and operations review of the workers' compensation system.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Directs the joint legislative audit and review committee, in consultation with a legislative advisory committee and the workers' compensation advisory committee established under RCW 51.04.110, to conduct a performance audit of the state workers' compensation program within the department of labor and industries.

Provides that the joint legislative audit and review committee is directed to contract with a private entity that is not affiliated with an insurance company, brokerage, or agency, consistent with the provisions of chapter 39.29 RCW. The committee shall consult with the legislative advisory committee and the workers' compensation advisory committee in the design of the request for proposals from potential contractors and in the choice of a performance audit contractor. The committee shall provide an interim report on its findings and recommendations to the appropriate house of representatives and senate standing committees by December 31, 1997, and a final report by August 1, 1998.

Declares that funding for the performance audit in the amount, as determined by the joint legislative audit and review committee, is provided from the nonappropriated medical aid fund within the department of labor and industries.