

1 **SHB 2238 - H AMD 0096 ADOPTED 3/16/99**

2 By Representative Clements

3 On page 2, line 3, after "committee's report" insert "and section  
4 2 of this act"

5 On page 2, after line 12, insert the following:

6 "**Sec. 2.** RCW 51.28.020 and 1984 c 159 3 are each amended to read  
7 as follows:

8 Where a worker is entitled to compensation under this title he or  
9 she shall file with the department or his or her (~~self-insuring~~)  
10 employer (~~(, as the case may be,)~~) his or her application for such,  
11 together with the certificate of the physician who attended him or her,  
12 and it shall be the duty of the physician to inform the injured worker  
13 of his or her rights under this title and to lend all necessary  
14 assistance in making this application for compensation and such proof  
15 of other matters as required by the rules of the department without  
16 charge to the worker. The department shall provide physicians with a  
17 manual which outlines the procedures to be followed in applications for  
18 compensation involving occupational diseases, and which describes  
19 claimants' rights and responsibilities related to occupational disease  
20 claims. If application for compensation is made to (~~a self-insuring~~)  
21 an employer, he or she shall forthwith send a copy thereof to the  
22 department.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Section 2 of this act takes effect January  
24 1, 2001."

25 Correct the title.

**EFFECT:** Adds a provision authorizing injured workers to file industrial insurance applications with their employers, as well as with the Department of Labor and Industries, beginning January 1, 2001.