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SENATE BILL 6611

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By Senators Prentice, Winsley, Fraser, Fairley, Kohl-Welles, Keiser and Kline

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1 AN ACT Relating to time-loss payments; and adding a new section to  
2 chapter 51.32 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 51.32 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 An injured worker is entitled to time-loss payments, if any are  
7 authorized by the department, in an amount fifteen percent larger than  
8 would otherwise be allowed if:

9 (1) The injured worker claims and can show to the director's  
10 satisfaction that the injury suffered is the result of the employer's  
11 failure to follow a safety rule issued or enforced under Title 49 RCW;  
12 and

13 (2) The director finds that the employer has engaged in a  
14 consistent pattern or practice of serious, willful, or nonabated safety  
15 violations.

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