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Sponsor(s): Representatives Clements and Conway

Brief Description: Describing occupational diseases affecting fire fighters.

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Declares that, in the case of fire fighters as defined in RCW 41.26.030(4) (a), (b), and (c) who are covered under Title 51 RCW, there shall exist a prima facie presumption that: (1) heart problems that are experienced within seventy-two hours of exposure to smoke, fumes, or toxic substances; (2) cancer; and (3) infectious diseases are occupational diseases under RCW 51.08.140.

Declares that the presumption established in this act shall only apply to any active or former fire fighter who has cancer that develops or manifests itself after the fire fighter has served at least ten years and who was given a qualifying medical examination upon becoming a fire fighter that showed no evidence of cancer.