
HOUSE BILL 2055

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By Representative Conway

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1 AN ACT Relating to the payment of industrial insurance premiums on
2 construction work; and adding a new section to chapter 51.12 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 51.12 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, construction
7 work performed by any natural person under contract is employment
8 included within the mandatory coverage of this title, and the person
9 performing the construction work shall be deemed to be a worker while
10 performing this work.

11 (2) Premiums on construction work included within the mandatory
12 coverage of this title by this section shall be the responsibility of
13 the holder of the registration under chapter 18.27 RCW or the license
14 under chapter 19.28 RCW under which the work is performed. If the work
15 is performed without a registration or license, the premiums on the
16 work shall be the responsibility of the person contracting for the
17 work. Persons responsible for premiums under this section shall be
18 considered the employer of the person performing the construction work
19 for the purposes of this title.

1 (3)(a) For the purposes of this section, "construction work" means
2 manual labor that is:

3 (i) The work of a contractor, as defined in RCW 18.27.010,
4 performed under circumstances requiring registration under chapter
5 18.27 RCW; or

6 (ii) The work of installing wires or equipment to convey electrical
7 current or installing apparatus to be operated by such current as it
8 pertains to the electrical industry, as described in chapter 19.28 RCW,
9 performed under circumstances requiring licensing under chapter 19.28
10 RCW.

11 (b) For the purposes of this section, "construction work" does not
12 include administrative, clerical, or other work of a similar nature and
13 does not include the work of directly supervising others performing
14 construction work.

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