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SENATE BILL 6082

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By Senators Benton, Keiser, Zarelli and Kohl-Welles

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Commerce, Research & Development.

1            AN ACT Relating to travel expenses incurred by a worker seeking  
2 treatment for a work-related injury; and adding a new section to  
3 chapter 51.36 RCW.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 51.36 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7            The department or self-insurer will reimburse approved travel  
8 expenses incurred by a worker.    Upon prior authorization by the  
9 department, travel expenses will be approved by the department and  
10 repaid to the worker if a worker must travel more than ten miles from  
11 the worker's home to the nearest point for adequate treatment, and the  
12 worker incurs travel expenses.

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