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HOUSE BILL 2935

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By Representatives Hurst and Conway

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1            AN ACT Relating to utilization review of physical therapy services  
2 for persons receiving industrial insurance benefits; and adding a new  
3 section to 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            If the department contracts with a utilization review vendor for  
8 physical therapy services and the vendor's recommendation is not  
9 received within forty-eight hours of the request, the department shall  
10 pay the physical therapy provider for any visits by the injured worker  
11 that occur while the vendor's recommendation is pending.

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