

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 5278

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Addressing information contained in rate notices under the industrial insurance laws.

**Sponsors:** Senators Holmquist Newbry and King.

**Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection**  
**House Committee on Labor & Workforce Development**

**Background:** Expenses relating to industrial safety and health services of the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) that pertain to workers' compensation are paid by L&I and financed by premiums and assessments collected from the state fund and self-insured employers. In addition to paying workers' compensation benefits and administrative costs, premiums are used to fund other programs and services, including L&I's Division of Occupational Safety and Health, the Department of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences at the University of Washington, and specialty compliance services at L&I which include the apprenticeship and employment standards programs.

**Summary:** Rate notices must include an accounting that clearly identifies all programs and services that are financed in whole or in part by state fund premiums or self-insurers' administrative assessments.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	49	0
House	97	0

**Effective:** July 22, 2011.

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