

One Hundred Fifth Legislature - Second Session - 2018

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB928

Chairperson: Senator Joni Albrecht

Committee: Business and Labor

Date of Hearing: February 05, 2018

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 928 makes two changes to the worker's compensation statutes:

First, current law provides that, when an employee is killed in an on the job accident, he or she is entitled to burial expense not exceeding \$10,000. LB 928 would change the maximum burial benefit to 14 times the average weekly wage. For 2017, that total would be \$11,438.

Second, the bill would provide that, if an employee is killed in a compensable accident and that employee has no dependents, the employee's estate would receive a lump sum payment of \$25,000.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Mike McDonnell