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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB846

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Business and Labor

Date of Hearing: January 23, 2012

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

LB 846 requires employers to maintain current emergency contact information for each employee. The contact information must include the current telephone number of the employee's spouse or next of kin designated by the employee as their primary emergency contact person; and the current telephone number of another person designated by the employee as their secondary emergency contact person.

When an employee is injured on the job and the injury requires treatment at a medical facility, the employer or the employer's representative must make a reasonable effort to contact the employee's primary emergency contact person to notify them of the injury to the employee, immediately after calling 911 emergency service or while en route to a medical facility if 911 emergency service was not called. If the primary emergency contact person can't be reached, a reasonable effort must be made to contact the secondary emergency contact person to notify them of the injury to the employee.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Kate Sullivan