Senate Study Bill 3049

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SENATE/HOUSE FILE BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BILL) Vote: Ayes _____ Nays ____ Vote: Ayes ____ Nays ____ A BILL FOR 1 An Act relating to workers' compensation benefit payments for burial expenses. 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 4 TLSB 5507DP 82 5 av/rj/ 5PAG LIN Section 1. Section 85.28, Code 2007, is amended to read as 1 2 follows: 85.28 1 BURIAL EXPENSE. When death ensues from the injury, the employer shall pay 1 5 the reasonable expenses of burial of such employee, not to 1 6 exceed seven thousand five hundred dollars twelve times the 1 7 statewide average weekly wage paid employees as determined by 1 8 the department of workforce development under section 96.19, 1 9 subsection 36, and in effect at the time of death, which shall 1 10 be in addition to other compensation or any other benefit 1 11 provided for in this chapter. 1 12 EXPLANATION 1 13 This bill provides a computation for determining workers' 1 14 compensation benefit payments for burial expenses, changing 1 15 from a flat \$7,500 to 12 times the statewide average weekly 1 16 wage rate as determined by the department of workforce 1 17 development. 1 18 LSB 5507DP 82