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COMMENTS TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS For Decision Making on Thursday, March 27, 2008 9:45 a.m., Conference Room 211

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House Bill No. 2387, H.D. 1, S.D. 1 Relating to Workers' Compensation

TO CHAIR ROSALYN H. BAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The purpose of H.B. No. 2387, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, is to establish a working group to explore alternate methods for the payment of independent medical evaluations. This group is to be placed administratively under the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

The Department of Human Resources Development does not support the bill as we feel that it's unnecessary. We feel that the current statute, as it relates to independent medical evaluations, is working as it was intended.

Respectfully submitted,

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