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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2059

Page 1, line 1, replace "a" with "two" and replace "section" with "sections"

Page 1, line 3, after "review" insert "or settlement proposal"

Page 3, after line 2, insert:

"SECTION 2. A new section to chapter 65-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Attorney's fees for legal review of proposed settlement. The organization shall pay up to five hundred dollars to an attorney for review of a proposed settlement offered to an injured employee, if the employee to whom the settlement is offered was not represented by an attorney at the time the offer was made. Subdivisions d and e of subsection 2 of section 1 of this Act apply to the payment of fees under this section. The organization may reimburse an attorney for costs under this section according to subsections 3, 4, and 5 of section 1 of this Act. Fees and costs under this section are payable regardless of whether the injured employee accepts the settlement proposal."

Page 3, line 9, after the period insert "Section 2 of this Act applies to settlement proposals offered on or after the effective date of this Act."

Renumber accordingly