HB 2682 A   STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Labor and Business

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires person renting utility vehicle to public contracting agency to provide, upon request, inspection records, instructions for operation and maintenance, records of injury and death specific to the rented vehicle, and a signed affidavit attesting compliance with safety standards and vehicle inspections. Allows contracting agency to delay paying for rented utility vehicle until it is replaced if delivered rented vehicle does not meet standards upon inspection. Allows contracting agency to seek offset or reimbursement for labor costs incurred as result of delay if initial delivery does not meet standards. Provisions apply to person who received less than $100,000 in income from renting utility vehicles in prior calendar year. Applies to public contracts entered into on or after effective date. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

House vote: Ayes, 54; Excused, 6--Levy, Lively, Morgan, Nearman, Reynolds, Wallan.

Minimal fiscal impact; no revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:
- Preventable death of Benton County employee operating unsafe utility vehicle
- Consensus solution from stakeholders

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

An employee of Benton County died on the job while operating a rented heavy vehicle in 2019. After an investigation, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (Or-OSHA) determined that the employee's supervisor was aware that the vehicle was not operating properly and cited Benton County for four violations and imposed penalties totaling $30,500.

House Bill 2682-A requires a person renting a utility vehicle to a public contracting agency to provide, upon request, specified records and an affidavit attesting compliance with safety standards and vehicle inspections. The provisions apply to persons who received less than $100,000 in income from renting utility vehicles in the prior calendar year.