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**SENATE BILL 839  
Insurance and Consumer Protection Committee Substitute Adopted 4/25/01**

Short Title: Workers' Comp. Carriers/Third-Party Claims.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO  
3 STUDY THE ISSUE OF THE IMPACT OF INJURIES CAUSED BY THIRD  
4 PARTIES ON EMPLOYERS' WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE  
5 POLICIES AND PREMIUMS.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7       **SECTION 1.** The Legislative Research Commission may study the impact  
8 of injuries caused by third parties on employers' policies and premiums for workers'  
9 compensation insurance. The Commission may address all issues that the Commission  
10 considers relevant to the study including, but not limited to, whether, and if so under  
11 what conditions, a workers' compensation insurer should be prohibited from charging  
12 any additional premium, changing policy coverage to the detriment of the employer, or  
13 increasing the employer's loss modification factor when the employee's injury or death  
14 was caused by a third party.

15       If the Legislative Research Commission undertakes the study, it shall report  
16 its findings and recommendations, including any recommended legislation, to the 2002  
17 Regular Session of the 2001 General Assembly.

18       **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.