

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5257

As Reported by Senate Committee On:
Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection, January 26, 2009

Title: An act relating to correcting statutory references in the calculation of predecessor and successor employer contribution rates.

Brief Description: Correcting statutory references.

Sponsors: Senators Holmquist, Kohl-Welles, Hewitt, Franklin, Kline, King and Keiser; by request of Employment Security Department.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection: 1/22/09, 1/26/09 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE & CONSUMER PROTECTION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Holmquist, Ranking Minority Member; Franklin, Honeyford and King.

Staff: Mac Nicholson (786-7445)

Background: In 2007 the Legislature amended provisions of the unemployment compensation statutes establishing contribution rates for new employers. In certain circumstances, the contribution rate for successor employers is calculated using the same process established for new employers. However, references to the new employer contribution rate statutes in the successor employer statutes were not amended by the 2007 legislation, resulting in incorrect references.

Summary of Bill: References in the successor employer statutes are corrected.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: This bill is just a technical correction.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Nan Thomas, Employment Security Department.