HOUSE BILL 1749

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to defining misconduct for unemployment insurance
- 2 purposes; and amending RCW 50.04.293.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 50.04.293 and 1993 c 483 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) "Misconduct" means an employee's ((act or failure to act in
- 7 willful disregard of his or her employer's interest where the effect of
- 8 the employee's act or failure to act is to harm the employer's
- 9 business)) on-the-job conduct, whether an act or a failure to act,
- 10 that:
- 11 (a) In fact violates a written rule of his or her employer and the
- 12 rule is reasonable under the circumstances of the employment;
- (b) Is connected with the employee's work; and
- 14 (c) Is intentional or grossly negligent, or is continued after
- 15 <u>documented notice or warning, and is not a result of incompetence,</u>
- 16 inefficiency, erroneous judgment, or ordinary negligence.
- 17 (2) In the case of an employee's off-the-job conduct, "misconduct"
- 18 is conduct, whether an act or a failure to act, that:

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- 1 <u>(a) Meets the requirements of subsection (1)(a) and (b) of this</u> 2 <u>section;</u>
- 3 (b) Results in some harm to the employer's interest; and
- 4 (c) Was done with intent or knowledge that the employer's interest 5 would suffer.

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