

1 **SHB 1125 - H AMD 0396 WITHDRAWN 5/18/99**

2 By Representative Cooper

3 On page 84, after line 19, insert the following:

4 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 616. (1) The definitions in this section apply
5 throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

6 (a) "Apprentice" means an apprentice enrolled in a state-approved
7 apprenticeship training program.

8 (b) "Apprentice utilization requirement" means the requirement
9 that no less than ten percent of the labor hours be performed by
10 apprentices.

11 (c) "Labor hours" means the total hours of workers receiving an
12 hourly wage who are directly employed on the site of the public works
13 project. "Labor hours" shall include hours performed by workers
14 employed by the contractor and all subcontractors working on the
15 project. "Labor hours" shall exclude hours worked by foremen,
16 superintendents, owners, and workers who are not subject to prevailing
17 wage requirements.

18 (d) "State-approved apprenticeship training program" means an
19 apprenticeship training program approved by the Washington state
20 apprenticeship and training council.

21 (2) All state highway construction, alteration, repair or
22 improvement contracts estimated to cost one million dollars or more
23 funded fully or partially from moneys appropriated in this act shall
24 require that no less than ten percent of the labor hours be performed
25 by apprentices.

26 (3) The failure by a contractor to comply with the apprentice
27 utilization requirements shall be deemed a breach of contract for which
28 the state or the municipality shall be entitled to all remedies allowed
29 by law and under the contract. Failure to comply with the apprentice
30 utilization requirement may be considered evidence bearing on a
31 contractor's qualification for award of future contracts."

32 Renumber remaining sections and correct internal references
33 accordingly.

1 EFFECT: Requires that contractors working on public highway
2 projects funded in the 1999-01 transportation budget ensure that at
3 least ten percent of the labor hours on the project are performed by
4 apprentices. Failure of a contractor to comply would constitute a
5 breach of contract.