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Brief Description: Addressing the industrial insurance system administered by the department of labor and industries.

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Finds that the Washington industrial insurance system administered by the department of labor and industries is being affected by a period of national and state economic uncertainty that has reduced investment income and increased stresses on the system.

Declares an intent to address these short-term economic problems with policy changes that assist this industrial insurance system through this period of uncertainty and that meet all of the following goals: (1) The policy changes should treat workers fairly without affecting their long-standing rights under the system;

(2) The policy changes should support a sound and stable financial basis for the system; and

(3) The policy changes should allow immediate efficiencies in administration.