

6489-S2

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove and Stevens)

Brief Description: Revising provisions relating to correctional industries.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Declares an intent to ensure that the correctional industries board of directors, in developing and selecting correctional industries work programs, does not encourage the development of, or provide for selection of or contracting for, or the significant expansion of, any new or existing class I correctional industries work programs that unfairly compete with Washington businesses.

Declares an intent that the requirements relating to fair competition in the correctional industries work programs be liberally construed by the correctional industries board of directors to protect Washington businesses from unfair competition.

Requires that class III correctional industries shall be reviewed by the correctional industries board of directors to set policy for work crews. The department shall present to the board of directors quarterly detail statements showing where work crews worked, what correctional industry class, and the hours worked. The board of directors may review any class III program at its discretion.

Requires that class IV correctional industries shall be reviewed by the correctional industries board of directors to set policy for work crews. The department shall present to the board of directors quarterly detail statements showing where work crews worked, what correctional industry class, and the hours worked. The board of directors may review any class IV program at its discretion. Class IV correctional industries operated in work camps established pursuant to RCW 72.64.050 are exempt from the requirements of this provision.

Requires the department to prepare a threshold analysis for any proposed new class I correctional industries work program or the significant expansion of an existing class I correctional industries work program before the department enters into an agreement to provide such products or services. The analysis must state whether the proposed new or expanded program will impact any Washington business and must be based on information sufficient to evaluate the impact on Washington business.

Requires the completed threshold analysis and any completed business impact analysis with all supporting documents to be shared in a meaningful and timely manner with local chambers of commerce, trade or business associations, local and state labor union organizations, and government entities before a finding required under this act is made on the proposed new or expanded class I correctional industries work program.

Requires that, if a business impact analysis is completed, the department must conduct a public hearing to take public testimony

on the business impact analysis.

Provides that the act shall be null and void if appropriations are not approved.