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Brief Description: Establishing a benefit year for fishing-related industries.

**SB 6533 - DIGEST**

Provides that a benefit year may not be established if an individual: (1) Earned wages in employment in the fishing and seafood product preparation and packaging industries assigned the North American industry classification system codes "1141" and "3117" in not less than six hundred eighty hours of the individual's base year; and

(2) Earned at least seventy-five percent of his or her total base year wages from employment in the fishing and seafood product preparation and packaging industries; and

(3) Has total base year wages from employment in the fishing and seafood product preparation and packaging industries that are more than 1.4 times the average annual wage.

Provides that individuals who are separated from employment between two customary work periods if they were employed during the first period and have reasonable assurance of returning to work during the second period, are not eligible for benefits during this nonwork period. However, if the individual is not offered comparable employment with the same employer in the second customary work period, they are eligible for benefits beginning the first day of the second period.