## SENATE BILL 6694

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By Senators Murray and Kohl-Welles; by request of Department of Labor & Industries

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- AN ACT Relating to adjusting the fee for approval of statements of 1 2 intent to pay prevailing wages and certification of affidavits of wages 3 paid to forty dollars; amending RCW 39.12.070; and providing an effective date. 4
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 Sec. 1. RCW 39.12.070 and 2006 c 230 s 1 are each amended to read 7 as follows:
  - The department of labor and industries may charge fees to awarding agencies on public works for the approval of statements of intent to pay prevailing wages and the certification of affidavits of wages paid. The department may also charge fees to persons or organizations requesting the arbitration of disputes under RCW 39.12.060. The amount of the fees shall be established by rules adopted by the department under the procedures in the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 The fees shall apply to all approvals, certifications, and arbitration requests made after the effective date of the rules. All fees shall be deposited in the public works administration account.
- The department may refuse to arbitrate for contractors, subcontractors,

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persons, or organizations which have not paid the proper fees. The department may, if necessary, request the attorney general to take legal action to collect delinquent fees.

The department shall set the fees permitted by this section at a 4 5 level that generates revenue that is as near as practicable to the amount of the appropriation to administer this chapter, including, but 6 not limited to, the performance of adequate wage surveys, and to 7 investigate and enforce all alleged violations of this chapter, 8 including, but not limited to, incorrect statements of intent to pay 9 prevailing wage, incorrect certificates of affidavits of wages paid, 10 and wage claims, as provided for in this chapter and chapters 49.48 and 11 12 49.52 RCW. However, the fees charged for the approval of statements of 13 intent to pay prevailing wages and the certification of affidavits of 14 wages paid shall be ((no greater than twenty five)) forty dollars.

15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect July 1, 2008.

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