

FINAL BILL REPORT

SSB 5633

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Creating a coordinator for the helmets to hardhats program in the department of veterans affairs.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Conway, O'Ban, Hobbs, Chase, Kohl-Welles, Lias, McCoy and Hatfield).

Senate Committee on Government Operations & Security
Senate Committee on Ways & Means
House Committee on Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs
House Committee on Appropriations

Background: Helmets to Hardhats is a national nonprofit program designed to connect National Guard, Reserve, retired, and transitioning active-duty military service members with skilled training and career opportunities in the construction industry.

The program provides former and transitioning military personnel with job postings from the building and construction trades nationwide, which can be accessed online. To apply for work or membership, a candidate for employment completes a profile that informs hiring managers what transferable skills the candidate acquired during military service. Once a candidate submits interest in a career opportunity, they are contacted by a Helmets to Hardhats representative to ensure all application requirements are met.

Summary: A coordinator for the Helmets to Hardhats program is established in the Washington Department of Veterans Affairs, subject to available funding.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	48	0	
House	97	0	(House amended)
Senate	47	1	

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