## (SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Creates the ombuds for employers in the department of commerce.

Authorizes the ombuds to: (1) Act as an advocate for employers in interactions with the department of labor and industries;

- (2) Offer and provide information on department of labor and industries programs as appropriate to employers;
- (3) Identify, investigate, and facilitate resolution of employer complaints relating to department of labor and industries programs; and
- (4) Maintain a statewide toll-free telephone number for the receipt of complaints and inquiries.