Labor & Workplace Standards Committee

ESB 6230

Brief Description: Concerning the collective bargaining rights of the professional personnel of port districts.

Sponsors: Senators Conway, Chase, Saldaña, Wellman, Hasegawa, Keiser and Hunt.

Brief Summary of Engrossed Bill

• Authorizes professional employees of port districts to collectively bargain under the Public Employees' Collective Bargaining Act.

Hearing Date: 2/19/18

Staff: Joan Elgee (786-7106).

Background:

The Public Employees' Collective Bargaining Act (PECBA) provides for collective bargaining of wages, hours, and working conditions with employees of cities, counties, and other political subdivisions. All port district employees may collectively bargain under PECBA except for managerial, professional, and administrative personnel, and their confidential secretaries.

Summary of Bill:

Professional employees of port districts are included in the types of employees who may collectively bargain under PECBA. Professional employees may not be included in the same bargaining unit as supervisory personnel.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.