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By House Labor & Workplace Standards (originally sponsored by Representatives Shavers, Fosse, Santos, Berry, Simmons, Alvarado, Doglio, Ormsby, Gregerson, and Pollet)

READ FIRST TIME 02/14/23.

1 AN ACT Relating to unemployment insurance benefits for
2 individuals participating in an apprenticeship program; and creating
3 a new section.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The employment security department
6 shall convene a work group for the purpose of identifying and
7 addressing legal and procedural barriers faced by eligible claimants
8 participating in apprenticeship programs when those claimants seek
9 timely access to unemployment insurance benefits. The work group must
10 include representatives of apprenticeship programs and staff of the
11 department, as well as other appropriate stakeholders identified by
12 the department.

13 (2) The employment security department must submit a report with
14 findings and recommendations, including a status update on applicable
15 administrative efforts to reduce procedural barriers identified by
16 the work group, to the governor and appropriate committees of the
17 legislature by December 1, 2023, in accordance with the requirements
18 under RCW 43.01.036.

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