

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1338

AS OF APRIL 1, 1991

Brief Description: Revising provisions for unemployment compensation deductions for pensions.

SPONSORS: Representatives Heavey, McLean and O'Brien; by request of Employment Security Department.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

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Staff: Forrest Bathurst (786-7429)

Hearing Dates: April 4, 1991

BACKGROUND:

In Washington, unemployment compensation benefits are reduced by 50 percent of the amount of the federal social security retirement pension that a claimant receives. Although federal law requires that most pensions based on prior employment be deducted from unemployment benefits, it no longer requires any deduction for social security pensions.

SUMMARY:

The deduction from unemployment compensation benefits made because of a claimant's pension does not apply to the claimant's federal social security pension.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: available

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect July 7, 1991, for weeks of unemployment beginning on or after July 7, 1991.