SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6361

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR, FEBRUARY 5, 1992

Brief Description: Canceling the expiration date for the industrial insurance labor-management cooperation program.

SPONSORS: Senators Anderson, McMullen and Rasmussen; by request of Department of Labor & Industries

SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6361 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Matson, Chairman; Anderson, Vice Chairman; Bluechel, McCaslin, McMullen, and Skratek.

Staff: Jonathan Seib (786-7427)

Hearing Dates: February 3, 1992; February 5, 1992

BACKGROUND:

In 1991, the Legislature authorized the Department of Labor and Industries to promote and support labor-management cooperation committees to address issues in the industrial insurance system. During its first year, the program assisted in the formation of six labor-management committees, developed materials to guide committees, adopted department rules for the program, and began publication of a newsletter.

The program terminates June 30, 1992.

SUMMARY:

The June 30, 1992 expiration date for the industrial insurance labor-management cooperation program is repealed.

EFFECT OF PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE:

The expiration date of the industrial insurance labormanagement cooperation program is repealed and the remainder of the statute is codified.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: available

TESTIMONY FOR:

The program has been successful, is supported by both the business and labor community and should be continued.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: George Lewis, Dept. of Labor and Industries