

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## ESHB 1393

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Providing for periodic adjustments of the state minimum wage.

By House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives G. Cole, Heavey, King, Franklin, Jones, Dunshee, Romero, Quall, Thibaudeau, Veloria, Appelwick, R. Johnson, Wolfe, Wood, Rust, Pruitt, Leonard, Basich, Wineberry, Ogden, R. Meyers, Wang, Scott, Cothorn, Kessler, Flemming, Johanson, Conway, J. Kohl and Anderson).

House Committee on Commerce & Labor  
Senate Committee on Labor & Commerce

**Background:** Both federal and state law specify the minimum wage that may lawfully be paid to covered employees. Under Initiative 518, the Washington State minimum wage was increased on January 1, 1990, to \$4.25 an hour. The state law does not specify further adjustments to the minimum wage rate, but does require periodic review of the issue by the Office of Financial Management.

Since April 1, 1991, the federal minimum wage has been \$4.25 per hour.

**Summary:** The state minimum wage is changed from \$4.25 per hour to \$4.90 per hour on January 1, 1994.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

House	59	38	
Senate	27	19	(Senate amended)
House			(House refused to concur)
Senate			(Senate insisted)
House	65	33	(House concurred)

**Effective:** January 1, 1994