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ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1393

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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)

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1 AN ACT Relating to periodic adjustments of the state minimum wage;  
2 amending RCW 49.46.020; providing an effective date; and declaring an  
3 emergency.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 49.46.020 and 1989 c 1 s 2 are each amended to read as  
6 follows:

7 (1) Every employer shall pay to each of his or her employees who  
8 has reached the age of eighteen years wages at a rate of not less than  
9 ((three dollars and eighty-five cents per hour except as may be  
10 otherwise provided under this section. Beginning January 1, 1990, the  
11 state minimum wage shall be)) four dollars and ((twenty-five)) ninety  
12 cents per hour, except as otherwise provided in this section.

13 (2) On July 1, 1994, and on each July 1 thereafter, the department  
14 of labor and industries shall calculate an adjusted minimum wage to  
15 take effect on January 1 of the year following each July calculation.  
16 The adjusted minimum wage shall be calculated by adjusting the amount  
17 specified in subsection (1) of this section to the nearest cent which  
18 bears the ratio of its original amount which is found to exist between  
19 the index for 1992 and the index for the calendar year prior to the

1 year of adjustment. For the purposes of this subsection, "index" means  
2 the same as the definition in RCW 2.12.037(1).

3 (3) The director shall by regulation establish the minimum wage for  
4 employees under the age of eighteen years.

5 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate  
6 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
7 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take  
8 effect July 1, 1993.

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