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**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 cents per  
12 hour, except that the wage rate shall be:

13 (a) Beginning on July 1, 1993, four dollars and ninety cents per  
14 hour;

15 (b) Beginning on July 1, 1994, and readjusted beginning on each  
16 July 1 thereafter, adjusted from the amount specified in (a) of this  
17 subsection to the nearest cent which bears the ratio of its original  
18 amount which is found to exist between the index for 1992 and the index  
19 for the calendar year prior to the year of adjustment. For the

1 purposes of this subsection "index" means, for any calendar year, that  
2 year's annual average consumer price index for Seattle-Everett  
3 metropolitan statistical area urban wage earners and clerical workers,  
4 all items (1957-1959) compiled by the bureau of labor statistics,  
5 United States department of labor.

6 (2) The director shall by regulation establish the minimum wage for  
7 employees under the age of eighteen years.

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

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