

1 **2SHB 2214** - H AMD 508

2 By Representative Kessler

3 On page 13, after line 16, insert the following:

4 "Sec. 13. (1) A joint legislative task force on employment
5 and training funding is established. The task force shall consist
6 of eleven members, as follows:

7 (a) The chair and ranking minority member of the senate
8 commerce and labor committee;

9 (b) The chair and ranking minority member of the house of
10 representatives commerce and labor committee;

11 (c) Two members representing business, appointed jointly by
12 the majority and minority leaders of the Senate and the speaker and
13 minority leader of the House of Representatives;

14 (d) Two members representing labor appointed jointly by the
15 majority and minority leaders of the Senate and the speaker and
16 minority leader of the House of Representatives; and

17 (e) Two members representing the state board for community and
18 technical colleges and one member representing the employment
19 security department, each appointed by the governor.

20 The task force shall choose its chair from among its
21 membership.

22 (2) The task force shall examine the current funding of
23 training for unemployed and dislocated workers through the
24 employment and training trust fund and of training for workers
25 dislocated because of changes in the natural resources industries,
26 and review alternatives to current funding.

27 (3) The task force, where feasible, may consult with
28 individuals from the public and private sector or ask such persons
29 to establish an advisory committee.

30 (4) The task force shall use legislative staff and facilities,
31 but may hire additional staff with specific technical expertise if
32 such expertise is necessary to carry out the mandates of the study.
33 Each member of the task force shall be reimbursed for travel
34 expenses in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. All
35 expenses of the task force, including travel, must be paid jointly
36 by the senate and the house of representatives.

1 (5) The task force must report its findings and
2 recommendations to the legislature by December 1, 1997.

3 (6) This section expires July 1, 1998."

4 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct internal references
5 accordingly.

EFFECT: The amendment adds a joint legislative task force to review funding issues for unemployed and dislocated worker employment and training programs.