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SENATE BILL 6318

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By Senators Heavey and Prentice

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1 AN ACT Relating to requiring the public relations commission to  
2 petition courts to enforce its orders; and amending RCW 41.56.160.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.56.160 and 1994 c 58 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) The commission is empowered and directed to prevent any unfair  
7 labor practice and to issue appropriate remedial orders: PROVIDED,  
8 That a complaint shall not be processed for any unfair labor practice  
9 occurring more than six months before the filing of the complaint with  
10 the commission. This power shall not be affected or impaired by any  
11 means of adjustment, mediation or conciliation in labor disputes that  
12 have been or may hereafter be established by law.

13 (2) If the commission determines that any person has engaged in or  
14 is engaging in an unfair labor practice, the commission shall issue and  
15 cause to be served upon the person an order requiring the person to  
16 cease and desist from such unfair labor practice, and to take such  
17 affirmative action as will effectuate the purposes and policy of this  
18 chapter, such as the payment of damages and the reinstatement of  
19 employees.

1       (3) The commission (~~may~~) shall petition the superior court for  
2 the county in which the main office of the employer is located or in  
3 which the person who has engaged or is engaging in such unfair labor  
4 practice resides or transacts business, for the enforcement of its  
5 order and for appropriate temporary relief.

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