

6054-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Rossi and Fairley; by request of Office of Financial Management)

Brief Description: Clarifying the application of the industrial welfare act to public employers.

SB 6054-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Finds that the enactment of chapter 236, Laws of 1988 amended the definition of employer under the industrial welfare act, chapter 49.12 RCW, to ensure that the family leave provisions of that act applied to the state and political subdivisions.

Finds that this amendment of the definition of employer may be interpreted as creating an ambiguity as to whether the other provisions of chapter 49.12 RCW apply to the state and political subdivisions. The purpose of this act is to make retroactive, remedial, and technical amendments to clarify the intent of chapter 236, Laws of 1988 and resolve any ambiguity.

Declares an intent to establish that, prior to the effective date of this act, chapter 49.12 RCW and the rules promulgated thereunder did not apply to the state or its agencies and political subdivisions except as expressly provided for in RCW 49.12.265 through 49.12.295, 49.12.350 through 49.12.370, 49.12.450, and 49.12.460.