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**Commerce & Labor Committee**

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**HB 2656**

**Brief Description:** Correcting statutory references in the calculation of predecessor and successor employer contribution rates.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Conway, Green and Wood; by request of Employment Security Department.

**Brief Summary of Bill**

- Makes corrections to two statutory references in the Employment Security Act.

**Hearing Date:** 1/18/08

**Staff:** Brian Considine (786-7290).

**Background:**

Washington's unemployment insurance system requires covered employers to pay contributions on a percentage of taxable payroll. The contributions of covered employers are held in trust to pay benefits to unemployed workers.

Legislation in 2007 amended and restructured provisions in the Employment Security Act (Act) that specify how contribution rates are determined. The legislation did not correct two references to these provisions elsewhere in the Act.

**Summary of Bill:**

Corrections are made to two references to provisions in the Employment Security Act that specify how contribution rates are determined.

**Rules Authority:** The bill does not address the rule-making powers of an agency.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available.

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**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.