

SB 5051 - DIGEST

Finds that as more requirements are put in place for buildings to be more energy efficient, the more work there will be retrofitting those buildings with solar panels, insulation, and other weatherizing materials. Blue collar, stepping-stone jobs are leaving the economy without being replaced with equivalent jobs.

Creates the Washington energy efficiency worker training program within the department of community, trade, and economic development.

Directs the program to help individuals, including at-risk youth, to prepare for jobs in the energy-efficient building, construction, and retrofit industries; and to provide occupational skills training in the energy-efficient building, construction, and retrofit industries.

Expires June 30, 2014.