

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, statement not yet issued

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
Vote:	6 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Barnhart, Dallum, Girod, Lim, Riley, Witt
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Holvey
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Meeting Dates:	4/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Broadens scope and qualifications of individuals that may be eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits while attending training. Requires Employment Department to consult with the Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development in adopting rules regarding such training.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Compatibility with Skill Up
- Fiscal impact

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the original measure.

BACKGROUND: Currently, five categories of workers are eligible to attend professional technical training in lieu of seeking a job and still remain qualified to receive benefits. The categories include those who are terminated due to plant closures, those unlikely to return to their previous industry or occupation, and those with long-term unemployment. HB 3396-A adds to that list workers who for the entire preceding calendar year have been employed at work paying less than 110% of the minimum wage, or unemployed while seeking full-time work, or employed in only temporary or part-time work.