

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass
<b>Vote:</b>	5 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Baertschiger, George, Monnes Anderson, Prozanski, Shields
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	3/27

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Abolishes Wage and Hour Commission. Transfers all duties, functions and powers of Wage and Hour Commission to Bureau of Labor and Industries. Declares emergency; effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- History of Bureau of Labor and Industries
- History and purpose of Wage and Hour Commission
- Current configuration of Wage and Hour Commission

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** The Wage and Hour Commission (Commission) was formed in 1941 to administer, execute and carry out provisions of the child labor laws. The Commission is composed of three Governor appointed and Senate confirmed members, two of which must be of different political parties. The Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) was created in 1903 to enforce labor laws. The Commissioner of BOLI serves as the secretary and executive officer of the Commission. In September 2008, the Commission delegated all of its authority to BOLI and has not met since that time.

Senate Bill 135 abolishes the Wage and Hour Commission and transfers all powers and duties of the Commission to BOLI.