

HB 2572 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Business and Labor

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows Commissioner of Bureau of Labor and Industries to issue multi-year license to qualifying farm labor contractor or construction labor contractor.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Commissioner of Labor and Industries issues farm labor contractor and construction labor contractor licenses to qualified individuals; the licenses expire one year from date of issuance. The Commissioner has authority to set by rule the fee schedule for the licenses, although maximum fees for the farm labor contractor licenses are set in statute.

House Bill 2572 allows the Commissioner to issue two-year or four-year licenses if the labor contractor has operated at least two years in compliance with the laws governing labor contractors and if no valid claims for unpaid wages have been made against the contractor. The multi-year license is not available for a labor contractor license with employee indorsement. The fee for the multi-year license shall equal the annual fee multiplied by the number of years for which the license is being renewed.