

**HB 4087**

**Relating to employment**

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HB 4087 directs the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries to pay a wage claimant from the Wage Security Fund for wages earned and unpaid when the Commissioner has obtained a judgment in action or issued a final order in an administrative proceeding against the employer for collection of the wage claim. The Commissioner shall pay the unpaid amount of wages earned only to the extent of \$10,000 from such funds as may be available.

The measure has a minimal fiscal impact. The Legislative Revenue Office anticipates the measure will increase payments from the Wage Security Fund by \$40,000 in the 2019-21 biennium and \$160,000 in the 2021-23 biennium.

The recommended amendment removes all but one section from the measure, including sections that would have redistributed civil penalties from the Common School Fund to the Bureau of Labor and Industries Account and the Wage Security Fund and capped civil penalties credited to the Bureau of Labor and Industries Account and the Wage Security Fund.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends HB 4087 be amended by the –A7 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.