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LB 337, 339

from the Labor Committee.

SENATOR BARRETT: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, LB 337 is a bill amending the section of the employment security law to increase, from one percent per month to one and a half percent per month, the rate of interest that is charged by the Department of Labor on delinquent contributions and delinquent payments in lieu of contributions. The current rate of one percent per month hasn't been changed since the employment security law was originally enacted in 1937. The Business and Labor Committee was unanimous in their wishes to advance the bill to the floor. There are no amendments. I would urge the body to advance it to Select File. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Is there further discussion on LB 337? If not, the motion is to advance the bill to E & R for review. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Please record your vote on the advancement of LB 337. Speaker Nichol, is there another bill yet to come up this morning, or two or just what? Worksheet. Have you all recorded your vote? Clerk will record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 337 is advanced. We move to LB 339.

CLERK: (Read title.) The bill was first read on January 17 of this year. It was referred to the Business and Labor Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Barrett on LB 339.

SENATOR BARRETT: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body, again a clean-up bill. Please don't be misled by the size of the bill, which is some 105 pages. It is a clean-up bill. It changes various internal references throughout the unemployment statutes to say simply employment security law. Secondly, it updates the language in a section granting the commissioner of labor rule and regulation-making authority