
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1006

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By House Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Sawyer, G. Hunt, Dunshee, Riccelli, Moeller, Fitzgibbon, Appleton, Gregerson, Reykdal, Jinkins, Bergquist, Goodman, Moscoso, Ormsby, Farrell, Walkinshaw, and Pollet)

1 AN ACT Relating to damages for wage violations; amending RCW
2 49.52.070; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 49.52.070 and 2010 c 8 s 12056 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 Any employer and any officer, vice principal or agent of any
7 employer who shall violate any of the provisions of RCW 49.52.050 (1)
8 and (2) shall be liable in a civil action by the aggrieved employee
9 or his or her assignee to judgment for (~~twice~~) the amount of the
10 wages unlawfully rebated or withheld plus twice that amount by way of
11 exemplary damages, together with costs of suit and a reasonable sum
12 for attorney's fees: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That the benefits of this
13 section shall not be available to any employee who has knowingly
14 submitted to such violations.

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