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**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** S. 0546    Introduced on February 16, 2023  
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**Subject:** DEW Restructuring  
**Requestor:** Senate Labor, Commerce, and Industry  
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### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill eliminates the Department of Employment and Workforce (DEW) Workforce Review Committee and requires the advice and consent of the Senate for appointees of the Governor for the position of executive director of DEW.

This bill will have no impact on DEW, the Governor's Office, the Senate, or the House of Representatives, as no expenditure savings are anticipated as a result of the elimination of the DEW Workforce Review Committee. Any direct or ancillary requirement of these entities as a result of the elimination of the committee will take place under normal operations.

### **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

#### **Introduced on February 16, 2023**

##### **State Expenditure**

This bill eliminates the DEW Workforce Review Committee and requires the advice and consent of the Senate for appointees of the Governor for the position of executive director of DEW. Currently the DEW Workforce Review Committee must nominate three qualified applicants for consideration, one of whom the Governor may appoint to serve as executive director. The bill makes conforming changes to statute related to the DEW Workforce Review Committee, and repeals Article 7, Chapter 27, Title 41, which established the committee and specified its responsibilities.

**Department of Employment and Workforce.** DEW indicates that the elimination of the Workforce Review Committee will result in no material expenditure savings for the agency. Any requirements of the agency during the appointment process will take place under normal operations. Therefore, this bill will have no impact on DEW.

**Governor's Office.** This bill maintains the current requirement that the Governor must appoint the executive director of DEW, but eliminates the DEW Workforce Review Committee as part of the process. This does not materially alter the responsibilities of the office and will have no impact.

**Senate.** This bill requires the advice and consent of the Senate for appointees of the Governor for the position of executive director of DEW. The Senate indicates that this will take place under normal course of legislative business. Further, the bill, by eliminating the DEW Workforce Review Committee, repeals the statutory requirement that staff of the Senate Labor, Commerce, and Industry Committee must provide clerical support to the Workforce Review Committee. This will result in no material expenditure savings for the body and therefore, this bill will have no impact on the Senate.

**House of Representatives.** The bill, by eliminating the DEW Workforce Review Committee, repeals the statutory requirement that staff of the House Labor, Commerce, and Industry Committee must provide clerical support to the Workforce Review Committee. This will result in no material expenditure savings for the body and therefore, this bill will have no impact on the House of Representatives.

**State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure**

N/A

**Local Revenue**

N/A



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