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Labor and Industry Review Commission -- Supplies and Services Funding (DWD -- Employment, Training and Vocational Rehabilitation Programs)

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CURRENT LAW

The Labor and Industry Review Commission (LIRC) has 2000-01 base level funding of \$195,000 GPR, \$578,100 PR and \$1,689,000 FED, and 1.50 GPR, 5.0 PR and 23.50 FED positions. Base level supplies and services funding is \$16,900 GPR, \$29,400 PR and \$168,900 FED.

LIRC is a three-member body, attached to the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) for administrative purposes, that decides appeals of DWD decisions in disputed equal rights, worker's compensation and unemployment compensation cases.

GOVERNOR

Provide expenditure authority of \$32,400 PR and \$92,400 FED in 2001-02 and \$34,900 PR and \$102,700 FED in 2002-03 in supplies and services funding for basic expenditures by LIRC. The source of program revenue funding would be the annual Worker's Compensation administrative assessment on insurance carriers and self-insured employers. The source of federal funding would be annual federal equal opportunity employment commission contract and unemployment insurance administration funds.

MODIFICATION TO BILL

Provide additional expenditure authority of \$14,400 PR and \$145,800 FED in 2001-02 and \$14,500 PR and \$149,700 FED in 2002-03 to increase supplies and services funding for LIRC.

Explanation: The bill would provide the LIRC with additional expenditure authority for supplies and services to cover expected cost increases and to offset reductions in base level funding in previous years. However, the amount of increase included in the bill was calculated off of an incorrect base funding level. As a result, the expenditure authority provided would not be sufficient to fund anticipated expenditures. This modification would further increase expenditure authority to provide sufficient funding for projected expenditures.

Modification	FED	PR	TOTAL
2001-03 FUNDING (Change to Bill)	\$295,500	\$28,900	\$324,400

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