Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB 916			
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engross	sed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolle	d

2. Patron: Landes

3. Committee: -

- **4. Title:** Long-Term Employment Support and Extended Employment Services; assisting persons with disabilities
- 5. Summary: The substitute bill requires the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS) to administer and provide Long-Term Employment Support Services (LTESS) and Extended Employment Services (EES) to assist individuals with disabilities with maintaining employment. Furthermore, the department must administer and make referrals for such services in accordance with the provisions of the bill. In allocating funds LTESS and EES, DARS must consider recommendations made by the Employment Service Organization Steering Committee.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No
- 7. No Fiscal Impact
- 8. Fiscal Implications: The introduced budget includes general fund support for both the LTESS (\$6.0 million annually) and EES (\$2.7 million annually) programs. DARS currently administers both programs and is already required, by budget language, to consider recommendations from the Employment Service Organization Steering Committee. Therefore, this legislation is not expected to have any fiscal impact.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No
- 11. Other Comments: This bill is a companion to SB 560.