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VIDEO: Appropriations Sub-Committee Chairs Release Committee Testimony on Unintended Consequences of Prop 206



STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – House Appropriations Sub-Committee Chairs, Representative Leach (R-11), Representative Cobb (R-5), and Representative Norgaard (R-18) today released a video shown last month in the House Appropriations Committee that compiles testimony on the unintended consequences of Proposition 206.

Proposition 206, which was passed by the voters in November, increases the minimum wage from \$8.05 per hour in 2016 to \$12.00 per hour by 2020 and mandates employers provide paid sick time away from employment.

“These horror stories continue to pour in as small businesses across the state struggle to adjust to this rapid minimum wage increase,” said Representative Leach. **“This video is just a snapshot of the larger impending crisis which will affect small business owners, unemployment rates, and costs of goods and services passed on to consumers.”**

“Families and care providers to the developmentally disabled community have been dramatically impacted by the changes brought on by Prop 206,” said Representative Cobb. **“The testimony in this video highlights the concerns, but many more challenges are approaching.”**

“The testimony shown in this video is only the beginning of the unintended consequences of Prop 206,” said Representative Norgaard. **“School districts are being forced to reduce staff or cut programs to comply with this devastating change.”**

The video was compiled from testimony given at the House Appropriations Sub-Committees on Education, Health and Welfare, and Public Safety, Infrastructure, and Resources.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/OH UgkyLsYtc>

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