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House Bills

HB 1001-S2 by House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Lovick, Priest, McCoy, Pearson, Kirby, Ross, Hunt, Skinner, Simpson, Newhouse, O'Brien, Armstrong, Ericks, Moeller, Miloscia, Grant, Sells, Green, Eickmeyer, Takko, Kelley, B. Sullivan, Hudgins, Cody, Haigh, Morrell, Chase, Ormsby, Kessler, Blake, Conway, Chandler, P. Sullivan, McDonald, Rodne, Haler, Jarrett, Roach, Walsh, Kristiansen, Wallace, McDermott, Condotta, VanDeWege, Dunshee, McCune, Kenney, Schual-Berke, Hinkle, Bailey, Lantz, Warnick, Upthegrove, Alexander, Campbell, and Rolfes)

Combating auto theft.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to deter motor vehicle theft through a statewide cooperative effort by combating motor vehicle theft through tough laws, supporting law enforcement activities, improving enforcement and administration, effective prosecution, public awareness, and meaningful treatment for first time offenders where appropriate. It is also the intent of the legislature to ensure that adequate funding is provided to implement this act in order for real, observable reductions in the number of auto thefts in Washington state.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 10 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 15 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
- HS - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 26 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1031-S by House Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications (originally sponsored by Representatives Morris, Hudgins, Moeller, Linville, B. Sullivan, and Chase)

Changing provisions concerning electronic devices.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to establish individual privacy rights in an era of innovation of new technologies. It is further the intent to establish such rights so that manufacturers and sellers of new, innovative technologies have a predictable set of known, individual rights to be aware of before offering their technology for sale or use in the state of Washington.

Provides that all consumers shall have the following fundamental rights with respect to electronic privacy: (1) The right to receive notice of an entity's information practices before any personal information is collected about them;

(2) The right to expect that a person selling or issuing an electronic communication device will label the device in a clear and conspicuous manner;

(3) The right to expect that a person selling or issuing an electronic communication device will implement security measures to ensure that any personal information stored about their consumers is secure; and

(4) The right to seek private remedies if a person fails to comply with any of the principles outlined in this act.

Provides that if an electronic communication device does transmit personal information about a consumer, a person must, prior to sale or issuance of the device, notify the consumer as specified in this act and secure a consent acknowledgment or manifest assent from the consumer.

Provides that if the consumer consents to the use of the electronic communication device, either through a consent acknowledgment or manifest assent, but later requests removal or deactivation of the electronic communication

device, the consumer may be held responsible for any costs associated with deactivation or removal.

Declares that it is a violation of this act for a person to remotely scan or read or attempt to scan or read an electronic communication device to identify a consumer without obtaining a consent acknowledgment or manifest assent from the consumer.

Authorizes the attorney general to bring an action against a person who violates this act to enjoin further violations and to recover the greater of: (1) Actual damages; or

(2) Ten thousand dollars for each separate violation of this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 10 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 16 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 23 Executive session in committee.
 TEC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; without recommendation.
 Feb 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1201-S2 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Roberts, Kagi, Haler, P. Sullivan, Walsh, Pettigrew, Darneille, Santos, McCoy, Ormsby, Wood, Dickerson, Clibborn, Schual-Berke, Simpson, Lantz, Hasegawa, Kenney, Pedersen, and Seaquist)

Extending medicaid coverage for foster care youth who reach age eighteen.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Extends medicaid coverage for foster care youth who reach age eighteen.

Provides that the act shall be null and void if appropriations are not approved.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 Public hearing in committee.
 Jan 29 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 15 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
 APP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.
 Feb 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1298-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Green, Campbell, Cody, Morrell, Moeller, and Conway)

Regarding dental hygienist employment by health care facilities and sealant programs in schools.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides for dental hygienist employment by health care facilities and sealant programs in schools.

Provides that a dental hygienist employed or retained to perform services under this act in a senior center must, before providing services: (1) Enter into a written practice arrangement plan, approved by the department, with a dentist licensed in this state, under which the dentist will provide off-site supervision of the dental services

provided. This agreement does not create an obligation for the dentist to accept referrals of patients receiving services under the program;

(2) Collect data on the patients treated by dental hygienists under the program, including age, treatments rendered, insurance coverage, if any, and patient referral to dentists. This data must be made available to the department of health on request; and

(3) Obtain information from the patient's primary health care provider about any health conditions of the patient that would be relevant to the provision of preventive dental care. The information may be obtained by the dental hygienist's direct contact with the provider or through a written document from the provider that the patient presents to the dental hygienist.

Provides that a dental hygienist participating in a program under RCW 18.29.056 that involves providing services at senior centers, as defined in RCW 18.29.056, or under RCW 18.29.220 that involves removing deposits and stains from the surfaces of teeth in a community-based sealant program must: (1) Provide the patient or, if the patient is a minor, the parent or legal guardian of the patient, if reasonably available, with written information that includes at least the following: (a) a notice that the treatment being given under the program is not a comprehensive oral health care service, but is provided as a preventive service only; and (b) a recommendation that the patient should be examined by a licensed dentist for comprehensive oral health care services; and

(2) Assist the patient in obtaining a referral for further dental planning and treatment, including providing a written description of methods and sources by which a patient may obtain a referral, if needed, to a dentist, and a list of licensed dentists in the community.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 13 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.
 Feb 27 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1312-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Hudgins and Hankins; by request of Utilities & Transportation Commission)

Modifying provisions concerning transportation providers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions concerning transportation providers.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.
 Feb 27 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1337-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Kenney, Skinner, Hunter, Priest,

Darneille, Ericks, Pettigrew, Hankins, Lantz, Fromhold, Walsh, Williams, Kessler, Haler, Morrell, Barlow, McCoy, Appleton, Ormsby, Springer, Campbell, Moeller, Lovick, Rolfes, Hasegawa, Flannigan, Hudgins, Hunt, Green, Chase, Dunshee, Simpson, Roberts, O'Brien, Rodne, Dickerson, Quall, Goodman, Linville, Hurst, Santos, and Wallace)

Regarding coverage for colorectal cancer examinations and laboratory tests.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires insurance coverage for colorectal cancer screening.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 14 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1588-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Upthegrove, Wood, Hudgins, Takko, Moeller, and Simpson)

Providing mobility education to students in driver training programs.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds and declares that it is the policy of the state of Washington to encourage the safe and efficient use of the roads by all citizens, regardless of mode of transportation. In furtherance of this policy, the legislature further finds and declares that driver training programs should enhance the driver training curriculum in order to emphasize the importance of safely sharing the road with bicyclists and pedestrians and educate students regarding the availability of mass transit, bicycling, and walking as mobility options.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 6 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
- Feb 27 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1595-S by House Committee on Select Committee on Puget Sound (originally sponsored by Representatives Appleton, Jarrett, Hunt, and Lantz)

Regarding shellfish protection.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Expands the protection of shellfish in Puget Sound.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 14 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 20 Executive session in committee.
PUGT - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 26 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1663-S by House Committee on Early Learning & Children's Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Haler, Walsh, P. Sullivan, Appleton, Green, Seaquist, Fromhold, Hurst, Santos, Roberts, Dickerson, Ormsby, Sells, Conway, Flannigan, Chase, Morrell, Haigh, Sommers, Simpson, and Darneille)

Regarding early child development and learning.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that, as recommended by Washington learns, the legislature declares that the overarching goal for education in the state is to have a world-class, learner-focused, seamless education system that educates more Washingtonians to the highest levels of educational attainment.

Establishes the early learning advisory council to advise the department on statewide early learning community needs and progress.

Provides that, in conjunction with child care providers and other early learning leaders, the department shall review and revise child care provider rules in order to emphasize the need for mutual respect among parents, providers, and state staff who enforce rules. Revised rules shall clearly focus on keeping children safe and improving early learning outcomes for children. The department shall develop a plan by July 2007 that outlines the process and timelines to complete the rules review. Nothing in this act changes the department's responsibility to collectively bargain over mandatory subjects.

Provides that, to recognize the focus on home visitation services, the Washington council for the prevention of child abuse and neglect is hereby renamed the children's trust fund of Washington. All references to the Washington council for the prevention of child abuse and neglect in the Revised Code of Washington shall be construed to mean the children's trust fund of Washington.

Requires the children's trust fund of Washington to develop a plan with the department of social and health services, the department of health, the department of early learning, and the family policy council to coordinate or consolidate home visitation services for children and families and report to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2007, with their recommendations for implementation of the plan.

Repeals RCW 43.70.530.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 6 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
ELCS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 27 Referred to Appropriations.
- Mar 1 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 1797-S by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives O'Brien, Campbell, and Morrell)

Designating responsibilities to the work group for the pilot project to record retail transactions involving ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or phenylpropanolamine.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the work group to review and make recommendations regarding the following: (1) The

implementation of technology for the scanning of the driver's license or state-issued identification card of any person that procures or purchases any product containing ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and phenylpropanolamine or any of their salts, isomers, or salts of isomers;

(2) The possibility of requiring all retailers to collect and maintain electronic logs to record retail transactions involving ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and phenylpropanolamine;

(3) The establishment and maintenance of a central repository of the electronic logs furnished to the board by each retailer that will: (a) keep each log furnished to the board for a period of two years; (b) be capable of checking compliance against all local, state, and federal laws, including interfacing with other states to assure comprehensive compliance; and (c) be accessible to all law enforcement agencies;

(4) How the state of Washington is complying with the federal combat methamphetamine epidemic act of 2005.

Requires the work group to report its findings and recommendations to the legislature by November 1, 2007.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 12 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1848-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Curtis, Cody, Hinkle, Condotta, Orcutt, Fromhold, Moeller, and Campbell)

Requiring the department of social and health services and the health care authority to enter into data-sharing agreements with Oregon and Idaho agencies.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the department of social and health services and the health care authority to enter into data-sharing agreements with the appropriate agencies in the states of Oregon and Idaho to assure the valid Washington state residence of applicants for health care services in Washington. Such agreements shall include appropriate safeguards related to the confidentiality of the shared information.

Requires the department of social and health services and the health care authority to jointly report on the status of the data-sharing agreements to the appropriate committees of the legislature no later than November 30, 2007.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 21 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 2057-S by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives Lovick, O'Brien, Kelley, Green, Simpson, Conway, and Hurst)

Addressing identity theft.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes a work group on identity theft check processes.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 19 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 26 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2087-S by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Fromhold, Hinkle, Cody, and Moeller)

Regarding the certification and recertification of health care facilities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that the federal government requires Washington health care facilities to be certified in order to receive federal health care program reimbursement. The department receives funding from the federal government to perform the certifications and recertifications of these health care facilities. When the federal government does not provide sufficient funding to cover all certifications and recertifications, the secretary may assess fees on certification and recertification applicants to fund the certifications and recertifications.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 15 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
APP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 2177-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Moeller and Williams; by request of Board For Judicial Administration)

Revising the definition of a weapon.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that "weapon" as used in this act means any firearm, explosive as defined in RCW 70.74.010, or any instrument or weapon of the kind usually known as slung shot, sand club, or metal knuckles, or any knife, dagger, dirk, or other instrument or weapon that is capable of causing death or bodily injury.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 20 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 23 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 2289-S by House Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications (originally sponsored by Representatives Ericks, Morris, O'Brien, and Ormsby)

Regarding state agency use of information technology.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that the director of information services shall:
 (1) Appoint a confidential secretary and such deputy and assistant directors as needed to administer the department;

(2) Advise the governor and the legislature with respect to matters affecting information technology management and planning;

(3) Establish levels of delegated authority for state agencies and institutions of higher education related to the acquisition of hardware, software, or purchased or personal services relating to information technology; and

(4) Develop a migration strategy related to the transition of information technology resources from state agencies to the department of information services, with a completion date of June 30, 2010. This strategy will: (a) transfer all information technology resources from agencies with fifty or less full-time equivalents to the department of information services to include the establishment of services for those agencies no later than June 30, 2008; (b) direct agencies to use information technology enterprise services provided by the department of information services as directed in RCW 43.105.052 (3) and (4); (c) transfer newly established information technology positions to the department of information services beginning July 1, 2007 at the discretion of the director of the department of information services; (d) transfer the administrative information technology support functions of the office of financial management and department of personnel to the department of information services by June 30, 2009; and (e) report to the governor and legislature on the progress and timeline for the completion of the migration by December 1, 2007, and December 1, 2008.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 21 Public hearing and executive action taken in committee.

TEC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 23 Referred to Appropriations.

Mar 1 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 2363 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Sells, Linville, and Kelley

Providing business and occupation tax incentives for businesses that process electronic waste.

Provides business and occupation tax incentives for businesses that process electronic waste.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2364 by Representative B. Sullivan

Regarding the transport of sand and gravel in certain counties.

Finds that marine transportation of sand and gravel would not only be more cost-effective than trucking such materials, it also significantly reduces the volume of heavy truck traffic on highways and roads that are already congested.

Finds that marine transportation of sand and gravel also provides a more reliable and cost-effective source of material for beach restoration and enhancement in the Puget Sound.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2365 by Representatives Appleton, Warnick, Dunn, and Kelley

Requiring notification to property owners of emergency responses to property titled in their name.

Requires notification to property owners of emergency responses to property titled in their name.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2366 by Representatives Dunshee, Jarrett, Ormsby, Hunter, and Kenney

Requiring oversight of state agency housing decisions.

Finds that the state lacks specific policies and standards on conducting life-cycle cost analysis to determine the cost-effectiveness of owning or leasing state facilities and lacks clear guidance on when and how to use it. Further, there is limited oversight and review of the results of life-cycle cost analyses in the capital project review process. Unless decision makers are provided a thorough economic analysis, they cannot identify the most cost-effective alternative or identify opportunities for improving the cost-effectiveness of state facility alternatives.

Finds that the statewide accounting system limits the ability of the office of financial management and the legislature to analyze agency expenditures that include only leases for land, buildings, and structures. Additionally, other statewide data systems that track state-owned and leased facility information are limited, onerous, and inflexible.

Declares an intent to strengthen the office of financial management's oversight role in state facility analysis and decision making. Further, it is the intent of the legislature to support the office of financial management's and the department of general administration's need for technical expertise and data systems to conduct thorough analysis, long-term planning, and state facility portfolio management by providing adequate resources in the capital and operating budgets.

Requires the office of financial management to: (1) Work with the department of general administration and all other state agencies to determine the long-term facility needs of state government; and

(2) Develop and submit a six-year facility plan to the legislature by January 1st of every odd-numbered year, beginning January 1, 2009, that includes state agency space requirements and other pertinent data necessary for cost-effective facility planning. The department of general administration shall assist with this effort as required by the office of financial management.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Capital Budget.

Mar 1 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 2367 by Representatives Roach, Hurst, Curtis, Ericks, Rodne, Lovick, O'Brien, Schindler,

Haler, Warnick, Takko, Orcutt, Newhouse, McDonald, Condotta, Jarrett, Ahern, McCune, and Kelley

Enhancing the security of drivers' licenses.

Provides that, in all cases, the documentation must include a photograph of the applicant.

Requires an applicant to provide evidence of a valid principal Washington residence address with an original, notarized, or certified copy of any of the following: (1) A utility bill;

(2) A bank statement;

(3) A paycheck;

(4) A government check; or

(5) Other government document with a valid Washington residence address.

Requires the department to scan and electronically store all documents presented by an applicant for a driver's license or identicard. The department shall develop a security system to appropriately restrict access to stored documents.

Requires the department, when mailing the driver's license to a first time applicant, to mail the driver's license to a valid Washington address and not mail the driver's license to an address outside the state of Washington. For the purposes of this provision, "first time applicant" means a person applying for a driver's license in the state of Washington for the first time who has not been previously issued a driver's license by the department.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2368 by Representative Santos

Concerning the municipal business and occupation tax.

Revises provisions concerning the municipal business and occupation tax.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Finance.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4011-S by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Kessler, Warnick, Haler, Kretz, Hinkle, Orcutt, Newhouse, Lantz, McCune, Kristiansen, Haigh, B. Sullivan, and Dunn)

Requesting federal legislation to preserve the use and access of pack and saddle stock animals on public lands.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requests federal legislation to preserve the use and access of pack and saddle stock animals on public lands.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 Public hearing in committee.

Feb 22 Executive session in committee.

AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HJM 4020 by Representatives Seaquist, Morrell, Bailey, Ericks, Kelley, Roach, Kessler, Green,

Campbell, Williams, McDonald, VanDeWege, Hudgins, Chase, Hunt, Dunn, McCune, Buri, Haler, Priest, Kretz, Goodman, Cody, P. Sullivan, Sommers, Hasegawa, Rolfes, Pedersen, Miloscia, Simpson, Sells, Roberts, Lovick, Hunter, Darneille, McCoy, Hurst, Clibborn, Conway, Linville, Kenney, Ormsby, Springer, and Santos

Requesting the Washington Air and Army National Guard not be federalized.

Requests the Washington Air and Army National Guard not be federalized.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 Scheduled for public hearing and executive session in committee. (Subject to change)

First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

SGTA - Executive action taken by committee.

HJM 4021 by Representatives Hudgins, Kenney, Schual-Berke, Chase, Santos, and Kelley

Requesting that the Philippines Consulate be established in Seattle, Washington.

Requests that the Philippines Consulate be established in Seattle, Washington.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Community & Economic Development & Trade.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4215-S by House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Kenney, Sells, Buri, Hunt, and Wood; by request of Washington State University)

Eliminating prohibitions on the investment of certain state moneys.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to eliminate prohibitions on the investment of certain state moneys.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 Public hearing in committee.

Feb 22 Executive session in committee.

CB - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Feb 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Senate Bills

SB 5027-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Murray, Jacobsen, and Kline)

Providing excise tax relief for zoos.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to provide certain excise tax relief to such zoological facilities in order to further their public purpose and stimulate economic development.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 31 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 23 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5031-S by Senate Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen, Murray, and Kline)

Regarding conversion condominiums.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that a declarant of a conversion condominium, and any dealer who intends to offer units in such a condominium, shall give each of the residential tenants and any residential subtenant in possession of a portion of a conversion condominium notice of the conversion and provide those persons with the public offering statement no later than one hundred twenty days before the tenants and any subtenant in possession are required to vacate. The notice must expressly state whether there is a county or city relocation assistance program for tenants or subtenants of conversion condominiums in the jurisdiction in which the property is located. If the county or city does have a relocation assistance program, the following must also be included in the notice: (1) The terms and conditions under which relocation assistance is paid; and

(2) Any information or forms prescribed by the county or city by ordinance or rule related to the relocation assistance requirement.

Provides that, at the declarant's option, the declarant may provide all tenants in a single building with an option to terminate their lease or rental agreements without cause or consequence after providing the declarant with thirty days' notice. In such case, tenants shall continue to have access to relocation assistance as provided in this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 25 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 9 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 13 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 23 CPH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5070-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Carrell, Regala, Hargrove, Kline, Weinstein, Stevens, Brandland, Parlette, McCaslin, Kastama, Holmquist, Zarelli, Pridemore, Schoesler, Clements, Rasmussen, Swecker, Roach, Franklin, Delvin, Sheldon, Eide, Spanel, Hewitt, Hatfield, Keiser, Pflug, McAuliffe, Berkey, Haugen, Fairley, Murray, Tom, Kohl-Welles, Shin, and Kilmer)

Changing provisions affecting offenders who are leaving confinement.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Asserts that recidivism can be reduced and a substantial cost savings can be realized by utilizing evidence-based, research-based, and promising programs to address offender deficits, developing and better coordinating the reentry efforts of state and local governments and local communities. Research shows that if quality assurances are adhered to, implementing an optimal portfolio of evidence-based programming options for offenders who are willing to take advantage of such programs can have a notable impact on recidivism.

Recognizes that recidivism cannot be eliminated and that a significant number of offenders are unwilling or unable to work to develop the tools necessary to successfully reintegrate into society, the interests of the public overall are better served by better preparing offenders while incarcerated, and continuing those efforts for those recently released from prison or jail, for successful, productive, and healthy transitions to their communities. Educational, employment, and treatment opportunities should be designed to address individual deficits and ideally give offenders the ability to function in society. In order to foster reintegration, this act recognizes the importance of a strong partnership between the department of corrections, local governments, law enforcement, social service providers, and interested members of communities across our state.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 11 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 23 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Referred to Ways & Means.
- Feb 28 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5092-S by Senate Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Management (originally sponsored by Senators Marr, Brown, Kilmer, Kauffman, Murray, Shin, and Rasmussen; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Revising provisions for contracts with associate development organizations for economic development services.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to bolster the partnership between state and local economic development efforts, provide increased funding for local economic development services, and increase local economic development service effectiveness, efficiency, and outcomes.

Requires contracting associate development organizations to provide the department with measures of their performance. Annual reports shall include information on the impact of the contracting organization on employment, wages, tax revenue, and capital investment. Specific measures shall be developed in the contracting process between the department and the contracting organization every two years. Performance measures should be consistent across regions to allow for statewide evaluation.

Provides that contracts with associate development organizations shall be awarded according to the following

annual schedule: (1) For associate development associations in urban counties, which are counties other than rural counties as defined in RCW 43.160.020, a locally matched ninety cents per capita allocation totaling no more than three hundred thousand dollars per organization each state fiscal year;

(2) For associate development associations in rural counties, as defined in RCW 43.160.020, a per county base allocation of forty thousand dollars and a locally matched ninety cents per capita allocation.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 23 EDTM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 And refer to Ways & Means.
 Referred to Ways & Means.
 Feb 28 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5116-S by Senate Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Management (originally sponsored by Senators Kastama, Kilmer, Kauffman, McAuliffe, Shin, Parlette, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, and Regala; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Creating a public-private tourism partnership.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the Washington tourism commission.

Requires the commission to pursue a coordinated program to expand the tourism industry throughout the state in cooperation with the public and private tourism development organizations. The commission shall develop and approve, and update as necessary, a six-year strategic plan that includes, but is not limited to: (1) Promoting Washington as a tourism destination to national and international markets to include nature-based and wildlife viewing tourism;

(2) Providing information to businesses and local communities on tourism opportunities that could expand local revenues;

(3) Assisting local communities to strengthen their tourism partnerships, including their relationships with state and local agencies;

(4) Providing leadership training and assistance to local communities to facilitate the development and implementation of local tourism plans; and

(5) Coordinating the development of a statewide tourism marketing plan that must be adopted by March 31, 2008, and every two years thereafter. If the commission does not adopt a marketing plan by March 31st of even-numbered years, the director has the authority to approve a tourism marketing plan for implementation. The plan shall specifically address mechanisms for: (a) funding national and international marketing and nature-based tourism efforts; (b) interagency cooperation; and (c) integrating the state plan with local tourism plans.

Designates funding mechanisms.

Repeals RCW 43.330.095.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 23 EDTM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 And refer to Ways & Means.

Referred to Ways & Means.

Feb 28 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5154-S by Senate Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing (originally sponsored by Senators Franklin, Brandland, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, Weinstein, Carrell, Kilmer, Kastama, Keiser, Poulsen, Kauffman, Swecker, Pridemore, Rockefeller, Zarelli, Rasmussen, Regala, Hargrove, Sheldon, Hatfield, Jacobsen, Shin, and Parlette)

Providing tax relief to promote affordable housing.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
 Provides tax relief to promote affordable housing.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 9 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 13 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 23 CPH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 And refer to Ways & Means.
 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5169-S by Senate Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Management (originally sponsored by Senators Shin, Kastama, Zarelli, Pridemore, Haugen, Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, Delvin, and Roach)

Creating the Washington international relations foundation.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that the Washington international relations foundation is organized as a private, nonprofit corporation in accordance with chapter 24.03 RCW and this act. The purpose of the foundation is to provide assistance to the Washington state legislature in furthering the exchange of economic, educational, and cultural information between government leaders and other citizens of foreign countries and members of the Washington state legislature and other citizens of Washington.

Authorizes the foundation to plan, organize, and implement inbound and outbound missions that exchange information relating to government, trade and commerce, agriculture, tourism, sports, education, technology, environment, and the arts.

Appropriates the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the Washington international relations foundation account created in this act, for the purposes of this act.

Appropriates the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, from the general fund to the Washington international relations foundation account created in this act, for the purposes of this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 23 EDTM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 And refer to Ways & Means.
 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5214-S by Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation (originally sponsored by Senator Jacobsen)

Concerning specialized forest products.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that a person does not need a written authorization, sales invoice, bill of lading, or specialized forest products permit or true copy thereof to store, at that person's residence or property, ten or fewer gallons of huckleberries for noncommercial use.

Provides that if huckleberries seized under this act were taken from the ceded areas of a federally recognized American Indian tribe, then the huckleberries shall be turned over to the tribe or its agent, without charge, for ceremonial, educational, or religious uses.

Declares that it is unlawful for any person to harvest huckleberries in any amount using a rake, mechanical device, or any other method that damages the huckleberry bush.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 8 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 23 NROR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5224-S by Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen, Rockefeller, and Kilmer; by request of Office of Financial Management)

Regarding the governor's salmon recovery office.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that the department, the department of ecology, the department of natural resources, the state conservation commission, and the governor's monitoring forum shall provide to the governor's salmon recovery office information requested by the office necessary to prepare the state of the salmon report and other reports produced by the office.

Provides that the governor's salmon recovery office is responsible for maintaining the statewide salmon recovery strategy to reflect applicable provisions of regional recovery plans, habitat protection and restoration plans, water quality plans, and other private, local, regional, state agency and federal plans, projects, and activities that contribute to salmon recovery.

Requires the governor's salmon recovery office to also work with regional salmon recovery organizations on salmon recovery issues in order to ensure a coordinated and consistent statewide approach to salmon recovery. The governor's salmon recovery office shall work with federal agencies to accomplish implementation of federal commitments in the recovery plans.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 17 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 15 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 19 NROR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; without recommendation.
Referred to Ways & Means.

Feb 27 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5244-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, and Brandland; by request of Department of Social and Health Services)

Implementing the deficit reduction act.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Implements the deficit reduction act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 23 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.
- Feb 27 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5318-S by Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation (originally sponsored by Senators Poulsen and Jacobsen)

Participating in the management of Washington's portion of the Yukon to Yellowstone Rocky mountain ecosystem.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the department to participate with wildlife management agencies and conservation organizations in other states and provinces, comprising the Canadian Rocky mountains ecoregional area, in the cooperative programs of the Yukon to Yellowstone conservation initiative. Where the Yukon to Yellowstone conservation initiative has identified priority species, habitats, or landscapes lying within Washington state, the department shall actively seek to involve local governments, landowners, and local conservation organizations in the initiative. The department may integrate these activities with its cooperative work with other states and provinces sharing ecoregional areas with Washington state.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 5 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 23 NROR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5321-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Carrell, Regala, Stevens, Schoesler, Clements, and Rasmussen)

Addressing child welfare.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that, upon receiving a report of alleged abuse or neglect, the department shall: (1) Make reasonable efforts to learn the name, address, and telephone number of each person making a report of abuse or neglect under this act. The department shall provide assurances of appropriate confidentiality of the identification of persons reporting under this act. If the department is unable to learn the

information required under this act, the department shall only investigate cases in which: (a) the department believes there is a serious threat of substantial harm to the child; (b) the report indicates conduct involving a criminal offense that has, or is about to occur, in which the child is the victim; or (c) the department has a prior founded report of abuse or neglect that is within three years of receipt of the referral;

(2) Unless the report is screened-out or being investigated by a law enforcement agency, conduct an investigation within time frames established by the department in rule, but in no case shall the investigation extend longer than ninety days from the date the report is received; and

(3) Make a finding that the report of child abuse or neglect is founded or unfounded at the completion of the investigation.

Requires the department to destroy all of its records concerning: (1) A screened-out report, within three years from the receipt of the report; and

(2) An unfounded or inconclusive report, within six years of completion of the investigation, unless a prior or subsequent founded report has been received before the records are destroyed.

Provides that a care provider may not be found to have abused or neglected a child under chapter 26.44 RCW or be denied a license pursuant to chapter 74.15 RCW and RCW 74.13.031 for any allegations of failure to supervise wherein: (1) The allegations arise from the child's conduct that is substantially similar to prior behavior of the child, and: (a) the child is a sexually reactive youth, exhibits high-risk behaviors, or is physically assaultive or physically aggressive as defined in RCW 74.13.280, and this information and the child's prior behavior was not disclosed to the care provider as required by RCW 74.13.280; and (b) the care provider did not know or have reason to know that the child needed supervision as a sexually reactive or physically assaultive or physically aggressive youth, or because of a documented history of high-risk behaviors, as a result of the care provider's involvement with or independent knowledge of the child or training and experience; or

(2) The child was not within the reasonable control of the care provider at the time of the incident that is the subject of the allegation, and the care provider was acting in good faith and did not know or have reason to know that reasonable control or supervision of the child was necessary to prevent harm or risk of harm to the child or other persons.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
Feb 23 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
On motion, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5381-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Regala, McAuliffe, and Shin) Concerning dependent children.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires that, in any case in which the court orders that a dependent child may be returned home and that child is later removed from the home, the court shall hold a review

hearing within thirty days from the date of removal to determine whether the permanency plan should be changed, a termination petition should be filed, or other action is warranted. The best interests of the child shall be the court's primary consideration in the review hearing.

Requires each county to revise and expand its existing child sexual abuse investigation protocol to address investigations of child fatality, child physical abuse, and criminal child neglect cases and to incorporate the statewide guidelines for first responders to child fatalities developed by the criminal justice training commission. The protocols shall address the coordination of child fatality, child physical abuse, and criminal child neglect investigations between the county and city prosecutor's offices, law enforcement, children's protective services, local advocacy groups, emergency medical services, and any other local agency involved in the investigation of such cases. The protocol revision and expansion shall be developed by the prosecuting attorney in collaboration with the agencies referenced in this act.

Requires revised and expanded protocols under this act to be adopted and in place by July 1, 2008. Thereafter, the protocols shall be reviewed every two years to determine whether modifications are needed.

Directs the commission, in consultation with the department of social and health services, the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, and the Washington association of prosecuting attorneys, to develop a curriculum related to child abuse and neglect to be included in the basic law enforcement training that must be successfully completed within the first fifteen months of employment of all law enforcement personnel.

Requires the curriculum to be incorporated into the basic law enforcement training program by July 1, 2008.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to analyze gaps throughout the state in the availability and accessibility of services identified in the federal adoption and safe families act as it existed on the effective date of this act.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to submit to appropriate committees of the legislature a report and recommendations by December 1, 2007.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
Feb 23 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5446-S by Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Prentice, Brown, Kohl-Welles, Kline, Fairley, Tom, Murray, Rockefeller, Regala, and Spanel)

Extending existing mental health parity requirements to individual and small group plans.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Extends existing mental health parity requirements to individual and small group plans.

Repeals RCW 48.21.240, 48.44.340, and 48.46.290.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 22 Executive session in committee.

Feb 23 HEA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5470-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, McAuliffe, Brown, and Regala)

Revising provisions concerning dissolution proceedings.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Revises provisions concerning dissolution proceedings.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
Feb 23 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.
Feb 27 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5488-S by Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation (originally sponsored by Senators Poulsen, Jacobsen, Benton, Kohl-Welles, and Spanel)

Helping the recovery of southern resident orca whales.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that, in 2006, after listing the southern resident orcas as endangered, the federal government designated critical orca habitat and released a proposed recovery plan for the southern resident orcas. The legislature intends for the state to participate in the finalization of the federal recovery plan and to take those actions necessary to achieve the continued survival and recovery of southern resident orcas, in cooperation with federal agencies, tribal and local governments, and nongovernmental organizations.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife and the team to, by November 1, 2009: (1) Briefly summarize the actions taken under this act;

(2) Briefly summarize additional efforts necessary to achieve orca recovery that are appropriate for implementation at the state or local level; and

(3) Provide any legislative recommendations necessary to achieve orca recovery in the form of draft legislation.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
Feb 23 NROR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.
Feb 27 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5509-S by Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators

Kastama, Pflug, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Parlette, Carrell, Regala, and Franklin)

Concerning disciplinary actions for health care providers regulated under chapter 18.130 RCW.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Recognizes that Washington citizens desire and receive health care and treatment from a variety of professional providers.

Recognizes that some health care providers have used the professional disciplinary process as a means of attacking other health care providers. In order to prevent unwarranted attacks on other health care providers where the health of the patient is not at risk, the legislature is making changes in the uniform disciplinary act to ensure that all complaints against health care providers are grounded in real harm to the patient rather than mere disagreement about the type of treatment provided.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 22 Executive session in committee.
Feb 23 HEA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.
Feb 28 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5548-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Kline, Hargrove, and Carrell)

Concerning statewide standards for adult and juvenile probation officers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that there is a need to consider statewide standards for adult and juvenile probation officers supervising adult misdemeanor and juvenile offenders.

Finds that, while probation officers are required to complete training and educational requirements provided by the criminal justice and training commission, currently there are no statewide standards for probation and no accreditation program in use. The adoption of statewide standards or an accreditation program for adult and juvenile probation officers may help to provide improved staff training and development, better defense against lawsuits through improved documentation, improved staff morale and professionalism, a safer environment for staff and offenders, and potentially reduced liability insurance costs.

Requests the Washington administrative office of the courts to convene and staff a work group to review alternatives and recommend statewide standards or an accreditation program for probation officers who supervise adult misdemeanor offenders.

Requests the work groups to report their findings and recommendations to the governor and the relevant committees of the legislature that deal with judiciary issues by December 1, 2008.

Provides that the act shall be null and void if appropriations are not approved.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
Feb 23 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

- Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 5845-S** by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Clements, Kohl-Welles, Franklin, Delvin, and Prentice)
- Changing provisions affecting security guards.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
- Provides that: (1) To promote the safety of persons and the security of property, the director shall meet with interested parties to develop lists of suggested preassignment, postassignment, and postassignment refresher training by rule.
- (2) All security guards licensed on or after July 1, 2005, must complete at least eight hours of preassignment training.
- (3)(a) All security guards licensed on or after July 1, 2005, must complete at least eight hours of initial postassignment training that shall be administered to each security guard by their company and attested to by a department-certified trainer. Security guards licensed on or before June 30, 2006, shall receive their postassignment training before June 30, 2008; (b) security guards licensed between January 1st and June 30th of any calendar year may receive eight hours of postassignment training any time between the day following the issuance of a temporary security guard registration card with their company and June 30th of the year following initial issuance of their license by the department; (c) security guards initially licensed between July 1st and December 31st of any calendar year may receive eight hours of postassignment training at any time between the day following the issuance of a temporary security guard registration card with their company and December 31st of the year following initial issuance of their security guard license by the department.
- Repeals RCW 18.170.100.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 13 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 20 Executive session in committee.
Feb 22 LCRD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 5869-S** by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Kline, Fairley, Franklin, and Keiser)
- Monitoring personal information collected by state agencies.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
- Provides that "personally identifiable information" means information that can be associated with a particular individual through one or more identifiers or other information or circumstances.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 12 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 19 Executive session in committee.
Feb 22 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 5978-S** by Senate Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Rockefeller, Sheldon, Hargrove, Delvin, Berkey, and Shin)
- Assessing the higher education needs of the Olympic and Kitsap peninsulas.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
- Declares that the higher education coordinating board shall assess the higher education needs in Kitsap, Mason, Jefferson, and Clallam counties and recommend to the legislature solutions to the higher education needs.
- Directs the board to assemble a local advisory committee to assist in the conduct of the assessment and siting study.
- Provides that the board submit an interim report to the legislature and the governor by January 15, 2008, and a final report by December 1, 2008.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 19 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 21 Executive session in committee.
Feb 22 HIE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.
- SB 6129** by Senators Murray and Haugen
- Providing additional funding for the state patrol highway account.
Provides additional funding for the state patrol highway account.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.
Feb 28 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)
- SB 6130** by Senators Pflug and Parlette
- Reforming the health care system in Washington state.
Finds that: (1) The people of Washington have expressed strong concerns about health care costs and access to needed health services. Even if currently insured, they are not confident that they will continue to have health insurance coverage in the future and feel that they are getting less, but spending more.
- (2) Many employers, especially small employers, struggle with the cost of providing employer-sponsored health insurance coverage to their employees, while others are unable to offer employer-sponsored health insurance due to its high cost.
- Declares an intent through the public/private partnership reflected in this act, to improve our current health care system so that: (1) Health insurance coverage is more affordable for employers, employees, self-employed people, and other individuals;
- (2) The process of choosing and purchasing health insurance coverage is well-informed, clearer, and simpler;
- (3) Prevention, chronic care management, wellness, and improved quality of care are a fundamental part of our health care system;
- (4) Administrative costs at every level are reduced;
- (5) As a result of these changes, more people in Washington state have access to affordable health insurance coverage and health outcomes in Washington state are improved; and

(6) More insurance coverage choices are available to all health consumers.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6131 by Senators Regala and Rasmussen

Allowing members to purchase service credit under the teachers' retirement system plan 1 for military service.

Authorizes members to purchase service credit under the teachers' retirement system plan 1 for military service.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6132 by Senator Rasmussen

Regulating the keeping of exotic animals.

Declares it is the policy of this state that the keeping of exotic animals be regulated so as to ensure the health, welfare, and safety of those animals and to ensure the security of facilities in which they are kept, so as to avoid undue physical or financial risk to the public. It is the policy of this state that regulation place no more burden upon the keepers of exotic animals than is required to accomplish the purposes expressed in this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6133 by Senators Roach and Benton

Limiting tuition increases at state colleges and universities.

Finds that it is imperative for Washington citizens to have access to an affordable higher education.

Finds that ever-increasing tuition at state colleges and universities has made higher education increasingly unaffordable for many families and students.

Finds that increasing tuition at state colleges and universities has made family and student financial planning for higher education difficult. It is the intent of the legislature to require that tuition levels at state colleges and universities be stabilized for families and students by freezing the tuition fee rates for full-time students at the level in effect on their first day of class.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 6134 by Senators Marr and Fairley

Prioritizing funding for special category C projects.

Recognizes the importance of investing in the state transportation infrastructure and, in particular, the importance of completing corridor improvements in congested areas. The public receives the greatest benefit when full corridor program improvements are completed, alleviating safety concerns and congestion at a systematic level. Category C funding is eligible to be used for substantial completion of the corridor projects listed in priority order in RCW 46.68.090. It is the intent of the legislature that such funding be allocated first towards substantial completion of these projects and then to complete other corridor needs as appropriate.

Declares that the following projects, listed in order of priority, are eligible for funding from the special category C account: (1) State route number 395, north Spokane corridor;

(2) State route number 18; and

(3) State route number 99, First Avenue South bridge.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)
First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6135 by Senators Marr and Berkey

Eliminating requirements for scoliosis screening in schools.

Repeals RCW 28A.210.180, 28A.210.190, 28A.210.200, 28A.210.210, 28A.210.220, 28A.210.240, and 28A.210.250.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6136 by Senators Pridemore and Jacobsen

Regarding the state wildlife account.

Declares that it is the policy of the state that the state wildlife account be self-supporting and that the license and permit fee revenues to the state wildlife account must be sufficient to fund the cost of the department's programs that support those activities.

Provides that, for each statutory license or permit fee that references this act, the commission shall periodically adjust the fee to ensure that state wildlife account revenues are sufficient to fund these activities. No fee may be increased by more than ten percent in any calendar year without prior legislative approval.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6137 by Senators Roach and Swecker

Requiring cooperation regarding the designation and modification of urban growth areas.

Requires cooperation regarding the designation and modification of urban growth areas.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6138 by Senators Roach and Stevens

Regarding eminent domain payments and compensation.

Provides that, for all condemnation proceedings under Title 8 RCW, the owner of a building may recover from the acquiring agency lost income from existing leases that are cancelled or not renewed as a result of the condemnation proceeding. To recover lost income under this act, the existing lease must be in effect before notice of the condemnation proceeding is delivered to the owner of the building.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.