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House Bills

HB 1650 by Representatives Probst, Driscoll, Kelley, Goodman, Carlyle, Hurst, Sullivan, Ericks, Green, Maxwell, Upthegrove, Hudgins, Morrell, Finn, Moeller, Jacks, White, Takko, Nelson, Smith, Simpson, Kenney, Hope, Ormsby, and Herrera

Providing a waiver of penalties for first-time paperwork violations by small businesses.

Waives penalties for first-time paperwork violations by small businesses.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1651 by Representatives Kelley, Ericks, Sullivan, Ormsby, Carlyle, and Simpson

Concerning community economic revitalization board programs.

Modifies requirements for sponsoring local governments using the local infrastructure financing tool program.

Changes the composition of the community economic revitalization board.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

HB 1652 by Representatives Rolfes, Morris, Eddy, Takko, Ericksen, Nelson, Van De Wege, Quall, Kessler, Haigh, and Moeller

Eliminating a requirement that certain ferry vessels be constructed within the boundaries of the state of Washington.

Eliminates a requirement that certain ferry vessels be constructed within the boundaries of the state.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1653 by Representative Simpson; by request of Department of Ecology and Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development

Clarifying the integration of shoreline management act policies with the growth management act.

Clarifies the integration of shoreline management act policies with the growth management act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

HB 1654 by Representatives Alexander, Bailey, Herrera, Angel, Kristiansen, Newhouse, Hope, McCune, Walsh, Short, Ross, Haler, Anderson, Smith, Klippert, Roach, Ericksen, Shea, Pearson, Schmick, Orcutt, Condotta, Johnson, Cox, Priest, Hinkle, Parker, Warnick, Dammeier, Kretz, Rodne, Williams, Campbell, and Armstrong

Establishing a period of public and legislative review of appropriations legislation.

Requires an omnibus operating, capital, or transportation appropriations bill, or any other bill that implements an omnibus operating, capital, or transportation appropriations bill and is effective for the same period as such appropriations bill, to be made publicly available to the members of the legislature and the public at least five calendar days before such a bill may be voted on by the senate or the house of representatives.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1655 by Representatives Alexander, Bailey, Kristiansen, Angel, Newhouse, Anderson, Walsh, Hope, Ross, Haler, Schmick, Smith, Klippert, Shea, Herrera, McCune, Roach, Ericksen, Cox, Pearson, Short, Orcutt, Condotta, Johnson, Priest, Hinkle, Parker, Warnick, Dammeier, Kretz, Rodne, Campbell, Armstrong, and Simpson

Requiring a balanced legislative budget.

Prohibits the legislature from appropriating an amount from any account for any fiscal period that is in excess of the estimated amount of revenues and resources to that account for that fiscal period as of the date the budget is adopted.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1656 by Representatives Dammeier, Alexander, Bailey, Herrera, Angel, Newhouse, Hope, Kristiansen, McCune, Walsh, Short, Ross, Schmick, Haler, Roach, Smith, Klippert, Shea, Ericksen, Condotta, Pearson, Cox, Orcutt, Johnson, Anderson, Priest, Hinkle, Warnick, Kretz, Parker, Rodne, Campbell, and Armstrong

Defining the near general fund and requiring revenue forecasts thereof.

Defines the "near general fund" and requires revenue forecasts for the fund.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1657 by Representatives Anderson, Priest, Parker, Ross, Smith, Haler, Herrera, Klippert, Cox, Dammeier, Orcutt, Angel, Johnson, McCune, Bailey, Walsh, Ericksen, Schmick, Short, Pearson, Roach, Rodne, Hope, Newhouse, and Armstrong

Prioritizing basic education expenditures within the state appropriations process.

Declares an intent to require that all appropriations for K-12 basic education, together with appropriations for other K-12 education programs, be enacted into law before the legislature takes executive action on other omnibus appropriations legislation.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1658 by Representatives Ericksen and Rodne

Creating an incentive for utilities to promote renewable energy.

Authorizes electric utilities to: (1) Promote voluntary programs to purchase qualified alternative energy resources; and

(2) Recover their marketing and administrative costs plus a rate of return that reflects the amount the market will bear for the qualified alternative energy resource.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1659 by Representatives Ericksen, Angel, Smith, Haler, Bailey, Hope, and Ross

Allowing counties to use existing revenues for public trails.

Allows a county to use existing revenues for public trails.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1660 by Representatives Ericksen, Smith, Bailey, and Pearson

Using environmental mitigation moneys for agricultural preservation.

Finds that preservation of agricultural land is important to the state's economy and the environment.

Declares an intent to add purchase of development rights of agricultural land as another option for environmental mitigation of transportation projects.

Authorizes a county, for the purpose of environmental mitigation of transportation projects, to require the department of transportation to participate in the county's purchase of development rights program.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1661 by Representatives Ericksen, Orcutt, and McCune

Reducing the authority of the state board of health with regard to small-scale sewage systems.

Prohibits the state board of health from adopting rules or delegating rule-making authority for inspection intervals relating to the operation and maintenance requirements of on-site sewage systems with design flows equal to or less than three thousand five hundred gallons per day.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Environmental Health.

HB 1662 by Representative Ericksen

Regarding food service rules.

Provides that the rules for food service must provide an exemption to the cold holding temperature standard of forty-one degrees or colder under certain conditions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1663 by Representatives Goodman, Springer, Simpson, Roberts, Miloscia, Nelson, Ormsby, and Santos

Creating relocation assistance rights for nontransient residents of hotels, motels, or other places of transient lodging that are shut down by government action.

Creates relocation assistance rights for nontransient residents of hotels, motels, or other places of transient lodging that are shut down by government action.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1664 by Representatives Wood, Conway, Hinkle, and Ormsby

Addressing the termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of motorsports manufacturer and dealer franchise agreements.

Modifies provisions regarding termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of motorsports manufacturer and dealer franchise agreements.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1665 by Representatives Blake, Orcutt, Kretz, Alexander, and Van De Wege

Assisting small forest landowners to keep their land in active working forestry.

Finds that: (1) The total acreage of forest land owned and managed by small forest landowners is diminishing at an alarming rate;

(2) The loss of forest land has a direct negative impact on fish, wildlife, water quality, water resources, and the ecology of the state's watersheds and near shore marine environments;

(3) Current forest practices regulations have resulted in an unanticipated disproportionate economic impact on small forest landowners; and

(4) The forest and fish law, adopted in 1999, envisioned a path by which small forest landowners could satisfy environmental protections by implementing forest practices that differ from the default forest practices rules. Lewis county, together with a nonprofit partner, has developed an alternate approach for the small forest landowners living within its jurisdiction to satisfy the environmental safeguards of the current forest practices rules in a document entitled the "Family Forest Habitat Conservation Plan." This plan details alternate harvest restrictions that are specifically tailored to the unique local geography of Lewis county and are designed to be the equivalent of the environmental protections of the default forest practices rules while

providing a lower administrative burden to small forest landowners.

Declares an intent to reaffirm the legislature's commitment to assisting small forest landowners to keep their land in active working forestry and to recognize that the alternate harvest restrictions developed by Lewis county in the family forest habitat conservation plan represents the commitment to science and to the protection of aquatic life originally envisioned in alternate harvest restrictions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1666 by Representatives Kenney, Simpson, Haler, Walsh, Kessler, Dickerson, White, Pedersen, Santos, and Pettigrew

Authorizing the creation of cultural access authorities.

Authorizes formation of cultural access authorities and funding for public school cultural access programs and the support of cultural organizations, subject to voter approval.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

HB 1667 by Representatives Springer, Ericks, Kretz, and Moeller; by request of Department of Revenue

Making changes affecting city-county assistance account distributions in response to the recommendations of the joint legislative audit and review committee.

Makes changes affecting city-county assistance account distributions in response to recommendations of the joint legislative audit and review committee.

Provides that the act applies both prospectively and retroactively to March 1, 2009.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1668 by Representatives Liias, Roach, Condotta, and Armstrong

Concerning the fuel tax rate used to determine fuel tax distributions to the snowmobile account.

Requires the department of licensing to use a fuel tax rate equal to the motor vehicle fuel tax rate when determining fuel tax distributions to the snowmobile account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1669 by Representatives Hunt, Hasegawa, Appleton, Miloscia, Warnick, Kirby, Williams, and Ormsby

Addressing the deposit of public funds.

Allows the deposit of public funds into credit unions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1670 by Representatives Williams and Moeller

Concerning underwriting actions for insurance on residential property.

Prohibits an insurer from taking an underwriting action on a policy insuring residential property based on claim history if an insured has made less than three excluded insurance claims for any loss that occurred during the preceding thirty-six months.

Requires an insurer to provide written notice in a timely fashion to an insured who has filed two excluded insurance claims with the insurer on residential property within the preceding thirty-six months to inform the insured that the insurer may take an underwriting action if a third excluded insurance claim on residential property is filed with the insurer during the thirty-six month period.

Authorizes an insurer to take an underwriting action due to other factors that are not prohibited by the act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1671 by Representatives Anderson, Schmick, and Angel

Regarding higher education accountability.

Requires the education data center in the office of financial management to report to the higher education committees of the legislature: (1) On the percentage of graduates, from public baccalaureate institutions of higher education, who are employed in Washington; and

(2) Regarding student progress to degree.

Directs the higher education coordinating board to convene a work group to: (1) Recommend a process and timeline for creating and implementing an online service through which employers could verify the completion of a higher education degree or certificate, conferred by a public institution of higher education, for individual employees or individuals seeking employment;

(2) Identify potential issues with disclosure of personally identifiable information and propose potential solutions; and

(3) Identify the resources necessary to create and maintain the service, including but not limited to, contributions from employers using the service.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1672 by Representatives Anderson, Schmick, and Angel

Requiring an annual college learning assessment.

Requires the public baccalaureate institutions of higher education, within existing resources, to annually administer the collegiate learning assessment to a sample of students attending at least half time. Services and activities fees shall be waived or rebated for all students who participate in the testing for the entire academic year in which they were tested.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1673 by Representatives Anderson, Schmick, and

Angel

Requiring development of a consumer report card with information about institutions of higher education.

Requires the state and regional universities and The Evergreen State College, together with the higher education coordinating board and the education data center, to develop a consumer report card designed to provide prospective students and their families with easily accessible, basic, and comparable information about the individual institutions of higher education.

Allows an institution of higher education to instead post, and commit to annually update, a college portrait as part of the voluntary system of accountability sponsored by the American association of state colleges and universities and the national association of state universities and land grant colleges.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1674 by Representatives Anderson, Schmick, and Angel

Improving the effectiveness and efficiency of institutions of higher education.

Directs the higher education coordinating board to convene and staff an effectiveness and efficiency work group to review all aspects of the provision of higher education and recommend action items and systemic changes designed to optimize the use of resources and yield savings and cost avoidances that can be redirected so as to maintain academic and research quality, accommodate enrollment demands, and moderate tuition increases.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1675 by Representatives Sells, Anderson, Wallace, Upthegrove, and Kenney

Changing the work experience provisions of the alternative route partnership grant program.

Removes the work experience requirement of routes three and four of the partnership grant program.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1676 by Representatives Kessler, Miloscia, Ross, and Kelley; by request of Attorney General and State Auditor

Changing open public meetings act provisions.

Authorizes a governing body of a public agency to record its closed executive session meetings. Those recordings are exempt from public disclosure, inspection, or copying, unless disclosure of specific recordings is explicitly authorized by resolution of the governing body.

Requires the attorney general's office to publish, and update when appropriate, a pamphlet explaining chapter 42.30 RCW (the open public meetings act) written in plain language.

Requires the attorney general, with assistance from a committee of stakeholders, to adopt advisory model rules for agencies, governmental entities, and advisory committees subject to the open public meetings act.

Directs the attorney general and the state auditor to appoint an advisory committee of public and governmental entity representatives to make recommendations on the adoption of the advisory model rules.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1677 by Representatives Moeller, Clibborn, Jacks, Wood, Ormsby, and Simpson

Establishing high capacity transportation corridor areas.

Establishes high capacity transportation corridor areas.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1678 by Representatives Van De Wege, Simpson, Ericks, Williams, Kelley, Sells, Ross, Hope, and Conway; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

Providing a minimum retirement allowance for members of the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2 who were disabled in the line of duty before January 1, 2001.

Provides a minimum retirement allowance for a member of the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2 who was disabled in the line of duty before January 1, 2001.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1679 by Representatives Simpson, Van De Wege, Ericks, Williams, White, Kelley, Sells, Ross, Hope, and Conway; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

Providing access to catastrophic disability medical insurance under plan 2 of the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system.

Provides access to catastrophic disability medical insurance under plan 2 of the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1680 by Representatives Green, Conway, Appleton, Wood, Campbell, Morrell, Hasegawa, Darneille, Crouse, Seaquist, Williams, Cody, Moeller, Priest, Smith, Sullivan, Kenney, and Ormsby

Limiting the exceptions to the prohibition on mandatory overtime for employees of health care facilities.

Limits the exceptions to the prohibition on mandatory overtime for employees of health care facilities.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1681 by Representatives Newhouse, Chandler, Upthegrove, Johnson, and Ross

Regarding the fruit and vegetable district fund.

Decreases the amount authorized to be transferred by the district manager of district two, as defined in WAC

16-390-010, from the fruit and vegetable district fund to the plant pest account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1682 by Representatives Newhouse, Kretz, Chandler, Upthegrove, Johnson, and Ross

Concerning horticultural pest and disease boards.

Changes requirements for membership on a horticultural pest and disease board.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1683 by Representatives Kirby, Goodman, Nelson, Campbell, Williams, Orwall, Green, Ormsby, Moeller, and Pedersen

Modifying provisions relating to consumer protection act violations.

Revises provisions regarding violations of the consumer protection act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1684 by Representatives Kirby and Santos

Placing restrictions on small loans.

Restricts and enforces eligibility for small loans by including a cap of thirty percent of the borrower's gross monthly income on the combined outstanding principal balances of all small loans.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1685 by Representative Kirby

Adding an additional sixty day payment plan option for small loans.

Revises provisions regarding payment plan options for small loans.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1686 by Representatives McCune, Haler, and Crouse

Recognizing load growth as an exception for qualifying utilities in meeting existing energy conservation and renewable energy targets.

Recognizes load growth as an exception for qualifying utilities in meeting existing energy conservation and renewable energy targets.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1687 by Representatives Shea, Miloscia, Armstrong, Crouse, Short, Herrera, McCune, Hope,

Kristiansen, Kretz, Ericksen, O'Brien, Campbell, and Pearson

Providing health care provider right of conscience.
Provides health care provider right of conscience.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1688 by Representatives Shea, Miloscia, Short, Schmick, Crouse, Hope, McCune, Kristiansen, Kretz, O'Brien, Ericksen, Warnick, and Roach

Addressing abortion procedures or treatments performed on minor females and females subject to guardianship.

Addresses abortion procedures or treatments performed on minor females and females subject to guardianship.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1689 by Representatives Goodman, Hurst, Seaquist, Roberts, Appleton, Kirby, O'Brien, Nelson, Ericks, Dickerson, Kagi, and Darneille; by request of Sentencing Guidelines Commission

Concerning evidence-based community custody.

Directs the sentencing guidelines commission, in partnership with the courts, to examine options for community custody and develop a plan to implement an evidence-based system of community custody for adult felons that will include the consistent use of evidence-based risk and needs assessment tools, programs, supervision modalities, and monitoring of program integrity.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Human Services.

HB 1690 by Representatives Hasegawa, Hunt, Hudgins, Anderson, and Kenney

Authorizing alternative public works contracting procedures.

Declares an intent to clarify that, unless otherwise specifically provided for in law, public bodies that want to use an alternative public works contracting procedure may use only those procedures either specifically authorized in chapter 39.10 RCW, subject to the requirements of chapter 39.10 RCW, or those approved for use on a demonstration project by the capital projects advisory review board established under chapter 39.10 RCW.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1691 by Representatives Rolfes, Campbell, Kagi, Moeller, Ormsby, Dickerson, Dunshee, Kenney, and Conway

Regarding the use of certain solid fuel burning devices.

Limits the use of certain solid fuel burning devices.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Environmental Health.

HB 1692 by Representatives Driscoll, Wood, Crouse, and Ormsby

Addressing the authority of the board of directors of a public facilities district.

Requires the board of directors of certain public facilities districts, for promotional activities, to identify the proposed expenditure in its annual budget and adopt written rules governing promotional hosting by employees, agents, and the board.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

HB 1693 by Representatives Haler, Klippert, McCune, and Crouse

Creating a waiver from renewable energy targets related to integration into the electrical grid.

Creates a waiver from renewable energy targets related to integration into the electrical grid.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1694 by Representatives Linville, Moeller, Hunter, and Darneille

Addressing fiscal matters for the 2007-2009 biennium.

Introduced by title and introductory section only.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1695 by Representatives Kagi, Roberts, Dickerson, Goodman, Upthegrove, Darneille, and Kenney

Modifying provisions relating to the possession of controlled substances.

Revises provisions regarding possession of controlled substances.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1696 by Representatives Kenney, Springer, Moeller, Ormsby, Simpson, and Nelson; by request of Housing Finance Commission

Concerning tax relief to promote employer-assisted housing.

Declares that it is in the public interest, and is consistent with the state policies and goals of the growth management act (chapter 36.70A RCW), to offer a tax incentive to promote employer-assisted housing that enables employees to obtain appropriate housing close to jobs and services.

Creates the employer-assisted housing program within the Washington state housing finance commission through which the commission will assist Washington employers in providing a qualified housing benefit to qualified employees.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to conduct an evaluation of the employer-assisted housing program after thirty-six months using performance measurement data as well as other information

supplied by the commission and information provided by the employers and employees participating in the program.

Requires the Washington state housing finance commission and the department of revenue to provide the information necessary for the joint legislative audit and review committee to perform the review required under the act.

Expires July 1, 2017.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

HB 1697 by Representatives Liias, Priest, Sullivan, Ormsby

Regarding career and technical student organizations.

Revises provisions regarding career and technical student organizations.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1698 by Representatives Hudgins and McCoy

Creating a state broadband adoption and deployment authority.

Creates the broadband adoption and deployment authority.

Creates the council on digital inclusion.

Creates the digital inclusion account.

Provides that taxes collected under RCW 82.29A.030 (leasehold excise tax) from a telecommunications company as a result of the company's leasehold interest in publicly owned property shall be deposited in the digital inclusion account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1699 by Representatives Hudgins, McCoy, Hasegawa, and Moeller

Implementing a high-speed internet deployment and adoption strategy for the state.

Declares an intent to take initial steps to implement a high-speed internet deployment and adoption strategy for the state.

Requires the department of information services, subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, to implement a high-speed internet deployment and adoption strategy on behalf of the state.

Authorizes the department of information services to receive federal funds made available for broadband or high-speed internet purposes according to the provisions of the acts of congress making the funds available.

Creates the high-speed internet account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1700 by Representatives Hudgins, McCoy, and

Hasegawa

Conducting an inventory of publicly owned high-speed internet infrastructure.

Declares an intent to assess what high-speed internet infrastructure is already publicly owned or leased in order to better understand opportunities to leverage existing resources, with the ultimate goal of making high-speed internet service more readily available throughout the state.

Requires the department of information services to conduct a detailed survey of all high-speed internet infrastructure owned or leased by agencies.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1701 by Representatives Hudgins, McCoy, and Hasegawa

Authorizing the department of information systems to engage in high-speed internet activities.

Requires the department of information services, subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, to implement a high-speed internet deployment and adoption strategy on behalf of the state.

Authorizes the department of information services to:

- (1) Create an interactive web site to allow residents to self-report whether high-speed internet is available at their home or residence and at what speed; and
- (2) Receive federal funds made available for broadband or high-speed internet purposes according to the provisions of the acts of congress making the funds available.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1702 by Representatives Bailey, Kelley, Rodne, Roach, Angel, Chandler, Hinkle, Kristiansen, Smith, Herrera, and Short

Identifying and reviewing new programs.

Requires the state auditor to publish a draft list on its web site of all new programs funded by any appropriation or allotment of state funds during the previous fiscal year. The state auditor shall provide written notice of publication to the appropriate fiscal committees of the house of representatives and senate and to the office of financial management.

Provides that the budget document must include a listing of all new programs funded in the previous two years.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1703 by Representatives Cody, Pedersen, Green, White, Wood, Bailey, Moeller, Morrell, Walsh, Nelson, and Kenney

Concerning child immunization exemptions.

Requires certain documents for child immunization exemptions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

- HB 1704** by Representatives Conway, Chandler, Wood, and Santos
Addressing the termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of franchises between new motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers.
Addresses termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of franchises between new motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 27 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.
- HB 1705** by Representatives Shea, Roach, Parker, Kretz, Short, Crouse, Rodne, and Herrera
Prioritizing funding for special category C projects.
Prioritizes projects eligible for funding from the special category C account.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.
- HB 1706** by Representatives Quall, Kenney, Hunter, Sullivan, Upthegrove, Santos, Pettigrew, Dunshee, and Hasegawa
Expanding resident student eligibility for purposes of the state need grant program.
Expands resident student eligibility for purposes of the state need grant program.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education.
- HB 1707** by Representatives Kirby, Shea, Rodne, Pettigrew, Roach, and Kelley
Establishing provisions for actions by insurance companies against violators.
Allows actions by insurance companies against violators.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 1708** by Representatives Nelson, Simpson, Chase, White, Cody, Upthegrove, Williams, McCoy, Appleton, Dickerson, Darneille, and Goodman
Concerning wells on lands adjacent to the Maury Island aquatic reserve.
Requires that permit-exempt groundwater wells located on industrial land adjacent to Maury Island aquatic reserve meter daily withdrawals. If the withdrawals cause certain groundwater benchmarks to occur, the department of ecology must suspend the withdrawal.
Requires the department of natural resources to suspend operations on a surface mine located adjacent to Maury Island aquatic reserve if certain groundwater benchmarks occur.
Requires a mine adjacent to Maury Island aquatic reserve to provide a surety bond to replace the groundwater of adjacent properties impacted by the mining operations.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 27 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.
- HB 1709** by Representatives Nelson, White, Cody, Carlyle, Orwall, McCoy, Darneille, and Ormsby
Providing fee and installment plan assistance for borrowers at risk of default on small loans.
Provides fee and installment plan assistance for borrowers at risk of default on small loans.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.
- HB 1710** by Representatives Cody, Nelson, and Simpson
Concerning the local sales and use tax that is credited against the state sales and use tax for cities to offset municipal service costs to newly annexed areas.
Credits local sales and use taxes against the state sales and use taxes to offset municipal service costs to newly annexed areas.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 27 First reading, referred to Finance.
- HB 1711** by Representatives Miloscia and Morrell
Requiring the computation of median wages for unemployment compensation contribution purposes.
Modifies provisions regarding the computation of median wages for unemployment compensation contribution purposes.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 27 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.
- HB 1712** by Representatives Cody, Green, Morrell, Moeller, and Kenney
Concerning association health plans.
Revises association health plan provisions.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.
- HB 1713** by Representatives Cody, Green, and Moeller
Concerning the Washington state insurance pool.
Revises eligibility requirements for the Washington state insurance pool.
Requires the board of the Washington state health insurance pool to conduct a study of options for equitable, stable, and broad-based funding sources for the operation of the pool.
Authorizes the board of the Washington state health insurance pool to solicit funds to conduct the study.
Provides contingent effective dates.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.
- HB 1714** by Representatives Cody, Morrell, Green, and Moeller
Concerning health insurance.

Revises association health plan provisions.

Provides that premium rates for health benefit plans for employers and individuals purchasing health plans provided through associations or through member-governed groups are subject to certain provisions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1715 by Representative Miloscia

Addressing reporting requirements in the growth management act.

Requires the department of community, trade, and economic development to: (1) Develop criteria for evaluating county and city compliance with RCW 36.70A.070(2)(a) (comprehensive plans--mandatory elements);

(2) Consult with counties and cities planning under RCW 36.70A.040 in complying with this requirement;

(3) Submit to the appropriate committees of the house of representatives and the senate a report evaluating the county's and city's compliance; and

(4) Submit to the appropriate committees of the house of representatives and the senate a report analyzing compliance with the requirements of RCW 36.70A.210 (county-wide planning policies).

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

HB 1716 by Representatives Miloscia, Appleton, Morrell, Moeller, and Conway

Providing living wages on public contracts.

Finds that: (1) The state annually awards contracts to private contractors and vendors. Such expenditures should be spent in a manner that promotes the creation of jobs that allow residents to support themselves and their families with dignity;

(2) The present federal and state minimum wages generate income at a level below the amount required to support a family at a basic level;

(3) Jobs that do not pay living wages result in families who have greater need of social services provided by the state and paid for by state taxpayers; and

(4) The payment of adequate wages to workers employed by private contractors and vendors that contract with the state will promote stability and reduced turnover, resulting in a higher quality of service.

Requires all contractors and subcontractors covered under the act to pay employees performing work under contracts or subcontracts a living wage no less than nine dollars and seventy cents per hour if health benefits are paid for in whole or in substantial part by the employer, or eleven dollars and fifty-five cents per hour if health benefits are not so provided.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1717 by Representatives Clibborn, Armstrong,

Wood, Warnick, and Klippert

Extending the time period for the department of transportation to enter into an agreement for a rail line over the Milwaukee Road corridor.

Extends the time period for a franchise agreement for a rail line over certain portions of the Milwaukee Road corridor.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1718 by Representatives Upthegrove, Williams, Hudgins, McCoy, Dickerson, Hunt, Dunshee, and Nelson

Reducing greenhouse gases in Washington.

Reduces greenhouse gases in Washington.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ecology & Parks.

HB 1719 by Representatives Hasegawa and Hudgins

Concerning the electricity generation sales and use tax exemptions.

Reduces the sales and use tax exemptions for machinery and equipment used directly in generating electricity from a full to a partial exemption.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4203 by Representatives Anderson, Priest, Parker, Ross, Smith, Haler, Herrera, Klippert, Schmick, Cox, Dammeier, Orcutt, Johnson, McCune, Angel, Walsh, Ericksen, Short, Bailey, Pearson, Roach, Rodne, and Newhouse

Amending the Constitution to prioritize basic education expenditures within the state appropriations process.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to prioritize basic education expenditures within the state appropriations process.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

Senate Bills

SB 5561 by Senators Kline, Fairley, and Kohl-Welles

Requiring carbon monoxide alarms to be installed in dwelling units built or manufactured after December 31, 2009.

Requires carbon monoxide alarms to be installed inside all dwelling units that are built or manufactured in this state after December 31, 2009.

Provides that the installation and maintenance of a carbon monoxide alarm in a dwelling unit is the responsibility of the owner. However, if a tenancy exists,

the maintenance of a carbon monoxide alarm in a dwelling unit, including the replacement of batteries when required for the proper operation of the carbon monoxide alarm, is the responsibility of the tenant, who shall maintain the alarm as specified by the manufacturer.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5562 by Senators Morton, Hargrove, Jacobsen, Sheldon, Holmquist, Schoesler, Shin, and Stevens

Concerning forestry operations.

Protects the ability of forest landowners to continue active forestry operations.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5563 by Senators Franklin, Prentice, Keiser, Pflug, Zarelli, Benton, Kohl-Welles, Pridemore, Kline, and Fairley

Regarding hours of labor for health care employees.

Requires employees of health care facilities to be provided scheduled and uninterrupted meal and rest periods of a duration no less than specified in rules adopted by the department of labor and industries under chapter 49.12 RCW (industrial welfare) or as otherwise agreed to be provided by the employer, whichever is longer in duration.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5564 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Holmquist, and Sheldon

Protecting consumers from breaches of security.

Prohibits a person or entity conducting business in Washington that accepts an access device in connection with a transaction from retaining the card security code data, the PIN verification code number, or the full contents of any track of magnetic stripe data, subsequent to the authorization of the transaction or in the case of a PIN debit transaction, subsequent to forty-eight hours after authorization of the transaction.

Provides penalties.

Provides remedies for a breach of the security of the system occurring after January 1, 2010.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5565 by Senator Rockefeller

Regarding the use of certain solid fuel burning devices.

Limits the use of certain solid fuel burning devices.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

SB 5566 by Senators Regala and Prentice; by request of

Department of Revenue

Harmonizing excise tax statutes with the streamlined sales and use tax agreement.

Harmonizes excise tax statutes with the streamlined sales and use tax agreement.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5567 by Senators Fraser and Rockefeller; by request of Department of Revenue

Clarifying prospectively the measure of the taxes imposed on public utility districts as provided in chapter 54.28 RCW.

Clarifies the measure of the taxes imposed on public utility districts as provided in chapter 54.28 RCW.

Applies prospectively only.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5568 by Senators Tom, Rockefeller, and Shin; by request of Department of Revenue

Enhancing tax collection tools for the department of revenue in order to promote fairness and administrative efficiency.

Enhances tax collection tools for the department of revenue in order to promote fairness and administrative efficiency.

Requires a superior or district court judge, if there is probable cause to believe that records in the possession of a third party will aid the department of revenue in connection with its official duties relating to an audit, collection activity, or a civil or criminal investigation, to sign and issue a subpoena for the production of such records to the department of revenue.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5569 by Senators Hobbs and Kastama; by request of Department of Revenue

Concerning the administration of state and local tax programs.

Improves the administration of state and local tax programs without impacting tax collections by providing greater consistency in numerous tax incentive programs.

Revises provisions relating to the confidentiality and disclosure of tax information.

Amends statutes to improve clarity and consistency, eliminate obsolete provisions, and simplify administration.

Declares an intent to create two sets of uniform reporting requirements that apply to the existing tax preferences and that can be used in future legislation granting additional tax preferences.

Requires the legislative fiscal committees or the department of revenue to study many of the existing tax preferences and report to the legislature at least once. Because chapter 43.136 RCW (termination of tax preferences) now requires the joint legislative audit and review committee, with support from the department of revenue, to comprehensively review most tax preferences every ten years and provide a report to the legislature, a number of redundant studies by the legislative fiscal committees and the department of revenue have been eliminated. However, the department of revenue will

continue to prepare summary descriptive statistics by category and report the statistics to the legislature each year.

Provides that certain provisions of the act: (1) That relate to annual surveys and annual reports apply beginning with annual surveys and annual reports due in 2010 and thereafter;

(2) Apply to return or tax information in respect to the tax imposed under chapter 83.100 RCW (estate and transfer tax act) in the possession of the department of revenue on or after a certain date;

(3) Apply both retroactively and prospectively to estates of decedents dying on or after May 17, 2005; and

(4) Apply both prospectively and retroactively beginning with taxes levied for collection in 2002 and thereafter.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5570 by Senators Prentice, Schoesler, Shin, and Holmquist; by request of Department of Revenue

Providing a property tax exemption for real and personal property leased to public hospitals established under chapter 36.62 RCW.

Provides a property tax exemption for real and personal property leased to public hospitals established under chapter 36.62 RCW.

Provides that the act applies both prospectively and retroactively beginning with taxes levied for collection in 2002 and thereafter.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5571 by Senators Oemig and Kohl-Welles; by request of Department of Revenue

Requiring the use of electronic methods for taxes administered by the department of revenue, including filing of taxes, payment of taxes, assessment of taxes, and other taxpayer information.

Requires the use of electronic methods for taxes administered by the department of revenue, including filing of taxes, payment of taxes, assessment of taxes, and other taxpayer information.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5572 by Senators Marr, Kohl-Welles, Zarelli, Roach, Jarrett, Swecker, Kilmer, Kline, Franklin, Rockefeller, Keiser, Benton, McAuliffe, Carrell, Pridemore, Haugen, Kauffman, Fairley, and Eide

Providing collective bargaining for child care center directors and workers.

Creates the access to quality child care workforce act.

Finds that, as of 2009, the challenges posed by low wages and lack of training that the legislature identified in enacting the child care career and wage ladder persist, and the availability of quality child care in the state continues to suffer.

Declares an intent to address these problems by creating the possibility for a new relationship between child care center directors and workers and the state. Child care center

directors and workers are to be given the opportunity to work collectively to improve standards in their profession and to expand opportunities for educational advancement to ensure continuous quality improvement in the delivery of early learning services.

Declares an intent to create a new type of collective bargaining for these directors and workers whereby they can come together and bargain with the state over matters within the state's purview to improve the quality of child care for the state's families. Unlike traditional collective bargaining, this new approach will afford these directors and workers the opportunity to bargain with the state only over the state's support for child care centers, a matter of common concern to both directors and workers.

Provides that all child care center directors and workers will equally be able to maintain full membership in the organization that represents them in their efforts to improve the quality of child care they provide to the state's children. This new bargaining relationship does not intrude in any manner upon those relationships governed by the national labor relations act (29 U.S.C. Sec. 151 et seq.) Child care center directors and workers do not forfeit their rights under the national labor relations act by becoming members of an organization that represents them in their dealings with the state. Under the national labor relations act, an organization that represents child care center directors and workers in bargaining with the state under the act is precluded from representing workers seeking to engage in traditional collective bargaining with their employer over specific terms and conditions of employment at individual child care centers.

Provides that the act is not intended to create any unfunded mandates or financial obligations on child care centers covered by the act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5573 by Senator Franklin

Making health care providers' billing statements admissible.

Provides that in an arbitration proceeding or a court of law in an action under tort, health care providers' billing statements for treatment provided to a patient are presumed to reflect the reasonable value of health care treatment and are admissible in evidence to establish that the charges are reasonable and customary charges in the community.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5574 by Senators Kauffman, Kline, Tom, Hargrove, Oemig, Regala, Fairley, McAuliffe, McDermott, Fraser, Shin, Keiser, and Kohl-Welles

Protecting consumer data in motor vehicles.

Requires a manufacturer of a motor vehicle sold or leased in this state, that is equipped with one or more recording devices, to disclose in the owner's manual: (1) That the motor vehicle is equipped with one or more recording devices;

(2) The type of data recorded; and

(3) Whether the recording device or devices have the ability to transmit information to a central communications system or other external device.

Prohibits an insurer from refusing to renew a motor vehicle insurance policy solely because a motor vehicle owner refuses to provide access to recorded data from a recording device.

Prohibits an insurer or agent from reducing coverage, increasing the insured's premium, applying a surcharge, refusing to apply a discount other than a discount that is based on data recorded by a recording device, or, when there are multiple insurers available, failing to place the motor vehicle owner with the most favorably priced insurer, solely because a motor vehicle owner refuses to allow an insurer access to data from a recording device.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5575 by Senators Jarrett, Pflug, Tom, Oemig, and Shin

Creating Bellevue College.

Designates the college located and established in Bellevue, King county as Bellevue College.

Terminates the powers, duties, and functions of the board of trustees for the Bellevue community college district effective September 30, 2010.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5576 by Senators Jarrett, Tom, Kilmer, Shin, Oemig, and Kastama

Changing enrollment reporting for state employees receiving tuition waivers at institutions of higher education.

Changes enrollment reporting for state employees receiving tuition waivers at institutions of higher education.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5577 by Senators Jarrett, Rockefeller, Hargrove, and Regala

Concerning standard forms for dependency matters.

Requires the administrative office of the courts to: (1) Develop standard court forms and format rules for mandatory use by parties in dependency matters commenced under chapter 13.34 RCW (juvenile court act) or chapter 26.44 RCW (abuse of children); and

(2) Distribute a master copy of the mandatory forms to all county court clerks.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5578 by Senators Schoesler, Honeyford, Morton, and Delvin

Regarding water resource management.

Directs the department of ecology to require certain information from a person or an agency prior to that person or agency withdrawing more than fifteen thousand gallons a day of groundwater for stock watering purposes.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

SB 5579 by Senators McDermott and Oemig

Addressing the deposit of public funds.

Allows the deposit of public funds into credit unions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5580 by Senators Pridemore, Brandland, Oemig, Fraser, Shin, Ranker, Rockefeller, Kline, Hargrove, Kauffman, Jarrett, Kohl-Welles, Murray, Marr, McDermott, and Tom

Concerning school impact fees.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to develop criteria for extending the use of school impact fees from six to ten years. This extension must require an evaluation for each respective school board of the appropriateness of the extension.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5581 by Senators Delvin, Marr, and Shin; by request of Washington State Patrol

Modifying provisions relating to suncreening devices.

Revises provisions relating to suncreening, coloring material, and safety glazing material on motor vehicle windows.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5582 by Senators Parlette and Becker; by request of Washington State Patrol

Concerning the chief for a day program.

Authorizes the Washington state patrol to participate in the chief for a day program.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5583 by Senators Marr, Honeyford, Rockefeller, Morton, Fraser, Sheldon, and Shin; by request of Department of Ecology

Improving the effectiveness of water bank and exchange provisions.

Finds that: (1) Many watershed groups and programs have proposed or considered the establishment of water banks to meet vital instream and out-of-stream needs within a watershed or region; and

(2) Water banks and exchanges can: Provide critical tools to make water supplies available when and where needed during times of drought; improve stream flows and preserve instream values during fish critical periods; reduce water transaction costs, time, and risk to purchasers; facilitate fair and efficient reallocation of water from one beneficial use to another; provide banked water supplies to offset impacts related to future development and the issuance of new water rights; and facilitate water agreements that protect upstream community values while

retaining flexibility to meet critical downstream water needs in times of scarcity.

Declares an intent to: (1) Provide clear authority for water banks throughout the state;

(2) Improve the effectiveness of water bank and exchange provisions; and

(3) Use the interlocal cooperation act to establish watershed management partnerships for water banking purposes.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

SB 5584 by Senators Pridemore and Fraser

Regarding land surveyors.

Requires that, if professional land surveying judgment is required in: (1) The review, approval, or examination by an agency of survey data;

(2) Documents prepared by a person authorized to practice land surveying; or

(3) Services performed by a person authorized to practice land surveying; the review, approval, or examination must be performed by, or under the direct supervision of, another person authorized to practice land surveying or as otherwise authorized by state law.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5585 by Senators Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, and Keiser; by request of Housing Finance Commission

Concerning tax relief to promote employer-assisted housing.

Declares that it is in the public interest, and is consistent with the state policies and goals of the growth management act (chapter 36.70A RCW), to offer a tax incentive to promote employer-assisted housing that enables employees to obtain appropriate housing close to jobs and services.

Creates the employer-assisted housing program within the Washington state housing finance commission through which the commission will assist Washington employers in providing a qualified housing benefit to qualified employees.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to conduct an evaluation of the employer-assisted housing program after thirty-six months using performance measurement data as well as other information supplied by the commission and information provided by the employers and employees participating in the program.

Requires the Washington state housing finance commission and the department of revenue to provide the information necessary for the joint legislative audit and review committee to perform the review required under the act.

Expires July 1, 2017.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 5586 by Senator Jacobsen

Implementing a comprehensive off-road vehicle safety education and training program.

Requires the department of licensing to adopt standards for and implement a comprehensive off-road vehicle safety education and training program.

Creates the off-road vehicle safety training and education account to support the program.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5587 by Senator Pridemore

Authorizing existing city and county real estate excise taxes to be expended on municipally owned heavy rail short lines.

Authorizes existing city and county real estate excise taxes to be expended on municipally owned heavy rail short lines.

Expires June 30, 2012.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5588 by Senators Pridemore, Tom, and Murray

Administering, suspending, and eliminating boards and commissions.

Administers, suspends, and eliminates boards and commissions.

Requires the governor, by July 1, 2010, to recommend to the legislature which of the boards and commissions, created either by statute or by action of the executive branch, shall receive state funding, those whose activities shall be suspended, and those which shall be terminated either by legislative or executive branch action.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5589 by Senators Pridemore, Tom, and Murray

Consolidating certain councils, boards, committees, and commissions.

Consolidates certain councils, boards, committees, and commissions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5590 by Senators Jacobsen, Brandland, Ranker, Fraser, and Shin

Establishing liability protection for countywide flood control zone districts.

Establishes liability protection for countywide flood control zone districts.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5591 by Senators Kline, Pridemore, Fairley, and

McDermott

Modifying whistleblower protection provisions.

Modifies provisions relevant to whistleblower protection.

Provides that a public employee must not be prohibited or otherwise restricted in providing information or expressing opinions to state or local elected officials, or to courts or law enforcement, on matters of public concern, nor be subject to acts of retaliation because the employee has expressed such opinions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5592 by Senators Oemig, Kline, and McDermott

Concerning the modification of distributions from the city-county assistance account.

Finds that: (1) The distribution of state real estate excise tax revenues via the city-county assistance account established in RCW 43.08.290 represents a redistribution of tax revenues from the more populous cities and counties to the less populous cities and counties of the state; and

(2) It is appropriate to require voter acknowledgment and approval for the continuation of these government assistance tax payments to cities and counties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5593 by Senators McAuliffe, King, Hobbs, Schoesler, and Shin

Regarding career and technical student organizations.

Revises provisions regarding career and technical student organizations.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5594 by Senator Jacobsen

Promoting the works of August Wilson.

Directs the Washington state arts commission to work with interested citizens and groups to promote the works of Seattle playwright August Wilson through activities such as performances, readings, workshops, lectures, and presentations for Washington educational institutions.

Makes an appropriation.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5595 by Senators Keiser, King, Marr, Honeyford, and Kohl-Welles

Addressing the termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of franchises between new motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers.

Addresses termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of franchises between new motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5596 by Senator Jacobsen

Supporting the continued operation of the northwest weather and avalanche center.

Promotes safe winter recreation by supporting the continued operation of the northwest weather and avalanche center.

Declares an intent to ensure, in continued cooperation with the federal government, appropriate states, and private sources, that the northwest weather and avalanche center receive the resources necessary to continue providing weather and avalanche forecasts for the benefit of Washington state.

Declares that any resources provided to the center through the act be in addition to, and not supplant, current support from the state.

Creates the northwest weather and avalanche center account.

Allows additional fees to be collected by the department of licensing and the parks and recreation commission for deposit into the account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5597 by Senators Jacobsen, Shin, and Kline

Investigating Washington's ocean renewable energy resources.

Declares an intent to direct a review of the state's ocean renewable energy resources and development potential, and an analysis of the costs, benefits, and significant issues associated with its development, to help the state address current and future project proposals in an informed and coordinated manner.

Makes an appropriation.

Expires December 31, 2010.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

SB 5598 by Senator Jacobsen

Creating the timber recovery fund board to maintain Washington's working forest land base.

Declares an intent to provide greater state financial assistance to maintain Washington's working forest land base through creation of the timber recovery fund board to make grants and loans on a competitive basis that support protection of working forest land and that assist in developing innovative strategies for supporting economically and environmentally healthy forests and forest-dependent communities.

Requires the institute of forest resources to establish and maintain a forest land database that may include forest and forest characteristics, parcel level information, ownership, streams, roads, wetlands, and geological features.

Creates the timber recovery fund board account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5599 by Senators McDermott, Oemig, Kohl-Welles, Pridemore, Marr, Brown, Tom, Kline, McAuliffe, Regala, and Shin

Approving the entry of Washington into the agreement among the states to elect the president by national popular vote.

Approves the entry of Washington into the agreement among the states to elect the president by national popular vote on the same terms and conditions as entered into by the states of Hawaii, Illinois, Maryland, and New Jersey.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5600 by Senator Prentice; by request of Governor Gregoire

Making 2009-2011 operating appropriations.

Makes 2009-2011 operating appropriations.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5601 by Senator Franklin

Regulating speech-language pathology assistants.

Regulates speech-language pathology assistants.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5602 by Senators Regala, Carrell, and Kilmer

Concerning the conservation of forest lands.

Reduces the county population from one million to six hundred thousand as a qualifier for certain transfers resulting in exemption from compensating taxes due to the removal of designated forest land from the current use valuation tax program.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5603 by Senators Fraser, Brandland, and Shin; by request of Office of Financial Management

Concerning state general obligation bonds and related accounts.

Declares that, for the purpose of providing funds to finance the projects described and authorized by the legislature in the economic stimulus capital budget, and all costs incidental thereto, the state finance committee is authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the state of Washington in the sum of three hundred ninety-eight million dollars, or as much thereof as may be required, to finance these projects and all costs incidental thereto.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5604 by Senators Fraser and Brandland; by request of Office of Financial Management

Concerning economic stimulus.

Declares it is the intent of the governor and the legislature to stimulate Washington's lagging economy and to reduce the state's unemployment rate by quickly putting people to work on infrastructure projects.

Adopts the economic stimulus capital budget.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5605 by Senator Hargrove

Concerning the time period during which sales and use tax for public facilities in rural counties may be collected.

Modifies provisions relating to the time period during which sales and use tax for public facilities in rural counties may be collected.

Provides that the act applies both prospectively and retroactively to August 1, 2007.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5606 by Senators Kastama, Shin, and Murray

Creating the Washington investment in student excellence scholarship program.

Directs the higher education coordinating board to design the Washington investment in student excellence scholarship program.

Creates the Washington investment in student excellence scholarship account.

Allows money from the state lottery account to be deposited in the account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5607 by Senators McAuliffe, Pridemore, Kauffman, Marr, Hargrove, Regala, Franklin, Shin, Kline, Keiser, and Kohl-Welles

Attaining a world class K-12 educational system.

Declares that the purpose of the act is to establish a new funding system for the state's public schools. Over the next six years the state will provide adequate resources for school districts to maintain educational programs that give all students the opportunity to meet the state's educational standards. The new system will be more transparent and will allow greater flexibility to districts to determine which educational programs best meet the needs of their students. Districts will have more flexibility in spending state funds but will be held accountable to meet designated performance outcomes for all of their students. School districts and schools that do not meet designated performance outcomes will receive progressive levels of support and assistance with less flexibility as they work to improve their student outcomes.

Creates the permanent commission for quality education in Washington to oversee the new system and make recommendations to the legislature each year on the funding needed to meet the state's definition of basic education and to review and update the definition of basic education as needed.

Directs the office of the superintendent of public instruction to provide staff and maintain web pages for the commission.

Creates the full funding of basic education account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5608 by Senators Franklin, Pflug, Fairley, Regala, Marr, and Kohl-Welles

Concerning genetic counselors.

Establishes genetic counselors as a new health profession to be licensed by the department of health.

Creates the advisory committee on genetic counseling.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5609 by Senators McDermott, Kline, Regala, Kohl-Welles, and Jarrett

Concerning legal representation of children in dependency proceedings.

Finds that attorneys for children have different skills and obligations than guardians ad litem and court-appointed special advocates, especially in forming a confidential and privileged relationship with a child to provide legal counsel to the child on issues such as placement options, visitation rights, educational rights, and access to services while in care and services available to the child upon aging out of care. Thus, it is in the best interest of a child who is age twelve or older for the court to consider whether an attorney should be appointed to advocate for the child's position and legal rights.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5610 by Senators Haugen, Delvin, Sheldon, Berkey, Jarrett, and Shin

Authorizing the release of driving record abstracts for employment and risk management purposes.

Requires a certified abstract of a driving record be furnished to an employer or prospective employer or volunteer organization, or an agent acting on behalf of an employer or prospective employer or volunteer organization, for employment and risk management purposes.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5611 by Senators Hargrove and Stevens; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Concerning facilities to house sexually violent predators.

Delays the expiration of certain statutes relating to the siting and constructing of facilities to house sexually violent predators.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5612 by Senators Hargrove and Stevens; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Concerning medical support obligations.

Modifies provisions relating to providing health insurance coverage or cash medical support in a child support order.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5613 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Franklin, Kline, McDermott, Tom, and Fraser

Authorizing the department of labor and industries to issue stop work orders for violations of certain workers' compensation provisions.

Authorizes the director of the department of labor and industries to issue a stop work order against an employer requiring the cessation of all business operations of the employer if the employer is found to be in violation of certain worker's compensation provisions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5614 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Franklin, Kline, McDermott, and Fraser

Addressing the recommendations of the joint legislative task force on the underground economy in the construction industry.

Requires the department of labor and industries to: (1) Approve training on state law for applicants for contractor registration;

(2) Work with representatives of the business community to explore the need for continuing education for contractors;

(3) Conduct education and outreach to employers on workers' compensation requirements and premium responsibilities, including independent contractor issues; and

(4) Work with new employers on an individual basis and also establish mass education campaigns.

Requires a contractor to maintain and have available for inspection by the department of labor and industries a list of all direct subcontractors and a copy of their certificate of registration.

Prohibits a local government from issuing a business license to a person required to be registered under chapter 18.27 RCW (registration of contractors) without verifying that the person is registered under that chapter and meets other requirements.

Provides that any employer who fails to keep and preserve certain work records required by RCW 50.12.070 is subject to a penalty determined by the commissioner of the employment security department but not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars or two hundred percent of the quarterly tax for each offense, whichever is greater.

Creates an interagency advisory committee on the underground economy to conduct a continuing study of the underground economy of the construction industry with the goal of reducing or eliminating the underground economy in this state.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5615 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Kline, McDermott, and Murray

Reclassifying possession of forty grams or less of marijuana from a misdemeanor to a class 2 civil infraction.

Reclassifies possession of forty grams or less of marijuana from a misdemeanor to a class 2 civil infraction.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5616 by Senators Shin, Kastama, and Kilmer

Connecting business expansion and recruitment to customized training.

Allows participants in the Washington customized training program to delay payments into the employment training finance accounts for 2009 and 2010.

Requires employers to make good faith efforts to hire trainees from the training program.

Requires training institutions to make good faith efforts to develop training programs using trainers preferred by participants.

Allows employers who have qualified training under the job skills program in chapter 28C.04 RCW to become a participant in the program in 2009 and 2010, even though all the funds for the program have been committed.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Innovation.

SB 5617 by Senators Kauffman and McAuliffe

Changing early learning advisory council provisions.

Modifies composition of the early learning advisory council and the council's duties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5618 by Senators Kauffman, McAuliffe, Berkey, Shin, Murray, and Kohl-Welles

Establishing a statewide dropout reengagement system.

Declares an intent to: (1) Provide a statutory framework to support a statewide dropout reengagement system for older youth; and

(2) Encourage school districts, community and technical colleges, and community-based organizations to participate in this system and provide appropriate instruction and services to reengage older students and help them make progress toward a meaningful credential and career skills.

Creates a statewide dropout reengagement system to provide appropriate educational opportunities and access to services for students aged sixteen to twenty-one who have dropped out of high school or are not accumulating sufficient credits to reasonably complete a high school diploma in a public school before the age of twenty-one.

Directs the office of the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Develop statewide model contracts and

interlocal agreements for the dropout reengagement system; and

(2) Allocate the basic education allocation generated under RCW 28A.150.260 and the student achievement fund allocation under RCW 28A.505.220 for each annual average full-time equivalent eligible student enrolled in a dropout reengagement program.

Requires every educational service district board to oversee the dropout reengagement system in its district and fulfill the responsibilities described in statewide model contracts and interlocal agreements.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5619 by Senator Kauffman

Requiring development of recommendations for kindergarten entry assessments.

Requires the department of early learning, within existing resources and in collaboration with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, to recommend six kindergarten entry assessments for statewide implementation.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5620 by Senators Kauffman, Keiser, and Ranker

Regarding the voluntary rating system for child care centers and early education programs.

Revises provisions regarding the voluntary quality rating and improvement system for child care centers and homes and early education programs.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5621 by Senators Kline and Marr

Regarding hearing examiner fees.

Prohibits hearing examiner fees from exceeding the cost of filing for judicial review of an agency action in superior court as described in RCW 36.18.020.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5622 by Senator Kline

Addressing aggravated retail theft.

Addresses aggravated retail theft.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5623 by Senator Kline

Revising the documentation necessary to challenge acknowledgment of paternity.

Modifies documentation required to challenge acknowledgment of paternity.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5624 by Senators Kauffman, Keiser, Berkey, Kline, and Kohl-Welles

Restricting the use of mechanical restraints and chemical sprays for discipline in public schools.

Limits the use of physical force, mechanical restraints, and chemical sprays for discipline in public schools.

Requires each school district to: (1) Establish a written policy regarding the use of physical force, mechanical restraints, and chemical sprays on students by school employees; and

(2) Report annually to the office of the superintendent of public instruction the total number of instances when physical force, mechanical restraint, or chemical spray was used.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 5625 by Senators Haugen, Berkey, Hobbs, Shin, and Ranker

Creating a state college in Snohomish county.

Creates a state college in Snohomish county.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5626 by Senators Tom, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, McDermott, and Kline

Imposing an additional cigarette tax and providing for the distribution of the tax revenue.

Imposes an additional cigarette tax and provides for distribution of the tax revenue.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5627 by Senators McDermott, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Kline, and Pridemore

Restricting contact with medical providers after appeals have been filed under industrial insurance.

Restricts contact with medical providers after appeals have been filed under industrial insurance.

Provides that the act applies to orders entered on or after the effective date of the act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5628 by Senators Haugen, Kastama, Delvin, Hobbs, Shin, Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, Marr, McAuliffe, Berkey, and Stevens

Concerning the regulation of certain internet protocol services.

Prohibits the regulation of certain internet protocol services.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Innovation.

SB 5629 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Fairley, Kline, Marr, Prentice, Franklin, Murray, King, and Brown

Concerning pregnancy prevention programs.

Declares an intent to help people protect themselves from unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted disease through programs that are evidence-based, economical, and consistent with RCW 28A.300.475 (the state's healthy youth act) as existing on the effective date of the act.

Authorizes state agencies to apply for sexual health education funding for programs that are medically and scientifically accurate including, but not limited to, programs on abstinence, the prevention of sexually transmitted diseases, and the prevention of unintended pregnancies.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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