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### House Bills

**HB 1203-S** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives O'Brien and Chase)

Modifying the definition of relative for purposes of the crime of rendering criminal assistance.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Expands the definition of "relative" for the purposes of the crime of rendering criminal assistance.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 10:00 AM.

Jan 22 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 9:00 AM.

Jan 25 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 1618-S3** by House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives White, Nelson, Hudgins, Kenney, Sullivan, Carlyle, Hasegawa, Santos, Green, Miloscia, Orwall, Pedersen, Cody, Dickerson, Lias, Kelley, Pettigrew, Goodman, Simpson, Morrell, and Ormsby)

Concerning community and surplus schools.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 3RD SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the community schools program in the department of commerce to provide capital grant funds for the development of community schools and to convert empty school buildings into community facilities.

Encourages school districts to include in studies and surveys, an inventory of school district facilities jointly

used, or that could potentially be used for other community purposes, including detail on cooperative partnerships.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 Public hearing in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 3:30 PM.

Feb 9 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 3:30 PM.

Feb 25 Public hearing in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations at 1:30 PM.

Feb 26 Executive action taken in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations at 4:00 PM.

Mar 24 Public hearing and executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 1:30 PM.

Apr 6 Public hearing and executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 3:30 PM.

Jan 21 CB - Majority; 3rd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 3:30 PM.

Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 1761-S2** by House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Hasegawa, Appleton, and Hurst)

Addressing the ethical use of legislative web sites.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions regarding the ethical use of legislative web sites.

- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 3 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 20 Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 21 SGTA - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- HB 2115-S2** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representative O'Brien)  
Allowing booking photographs and electronic images at jails to be open to the public.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)  
Allows booking photographs and electronic images at jails to be open to the public.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 18 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 1:30 PM.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 22 PSEP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 9:00 AM.
- Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- HB 2424-S** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Hurst, Takko, Herrera, Chandler, Ross, Rodne, Dammeier, Condotta, Shea, Klippert, Smith, Walsh, Parker, McCune, Campbell, Johnson, Eddy, Morrell, Kelley, Short, Sullivan, Conway, Kagi, Roach, Kristiansen, Bailey, Haler, Schmick, Ericks, Warnick, Ormsby, Moeller, and Hope; by request of Attorney General)  
Protecting children from sexual exploitation and abuse.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Revises current statutes governing depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct to ensure that intentional viewing of and trading in child pornography over the internet is subject to a criminal penalty without limiting the scope of existing prohibitions on the possession of or dealing in child pornography, including the possession of electronic depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct.  
Clarifies that each individual item of visual or printed matter constitutes a separate violation for purposes of determining the unit of prosecution under the statutes governing possession of and trading in depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct.  
Creates a new crime of intentionally viewing over the internet a visual or printed matter depicting a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct and sets a different unit of prosecution for the crime such that each separate internet session of intentionally viewing over the internet of a visual or printed matter depicting a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct constitutes a separate offense.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 22 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 9:00 AM.
- Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- HB 2487-S** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives Goodman, Rodne, Klippert, Green, Santos, Kessler, Liias, and Kelley)  
Increasing costs for administering a deferred prosecution.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Requires that the cost for administering a deferred prosecution not exceed two hundred fifty dollars.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 20 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 22 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 9:00 AM.
- Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- HB 2488-S** by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Moeller, Morrell, and Hasegawa)  
Concerning vehicle and vessel quick title.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Regulates quick title applications and service fees for vehicles and vessels.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 11 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 19 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- HB 2497-S** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally

sponsored by Representatives White, Orwall, Goodman, Kenney, Kessler, and Darneille)

Concerning the victimization of homeless persons.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Makes it an aggravating circumstance if an offense is intentionally committed because the defendant perceived the victim to be homeless.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 22 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 9:00 AM.
- Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 2512-S** by House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representatives Bailey, Kirby, and Morrell; by request of Insurance Commissioner)

Concerning nonresident surplus line brokers and insurance producers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions regarding the licensing requirements of nonresident surplus line brokers and insurance producers.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 14 Public hearing in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 21 FII - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 2571-S** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representative Appleton)

Modifying the definition of predatory.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises the definition of "predatory" in chapter 9.94A RCW (sentencing reform act of 1981).

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 20 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 22 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 9:00 AM.
- Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 2583-S** by House Committee on State Government &

Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Haigh, Armstrong, Moeller, and Chase)

Concerning conferences prior to filing actions alleging a public records request violation.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes a requester and agency, before filing any court action alleging a violation of the public records act, to first confer in person or by telephone regarding any dispute.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 21 SGTA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 26 Referred to General Government Appropriations.

**HB 2670-S** by House Committee on Education Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Haigh, Ericks, Quall, Sullivan, Kenney, Maxwell, Simpson, Priest, Dammeier, and Kagi)

Restoring the school district levy base.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Recognizes that since 2004, school districts have been permitted to restore full funding for Initiative 728 and Initiative 732 in the levy base.

Extends the expiration date for this provision and restores in the base funding received for staffing enhancements in grades kindergarten through four.

Changes the Initiative 728 base calculation language to align with Initiative 732.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education Appropriations at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 21 APPE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education Appropriations at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 26 Referred to Ways & Means.

**HB 2678-S** by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Quall, Priest, Simpson, Sullivan, and Conway; by request of Horse Racing Commission)

Modifying distributions of funds by the horse racing commission to nonprofit race meets.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions relating to the distribution of funds by the horse racing commission to nonprofit race meets.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 20 Public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 22 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 8:00 AM.

Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 2781-S** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives Hurst, Morrell, Kelley, Wallace, Pearson, Ericks, Klippert, Conway, Haigh, Roach, and Simpson; by request of Department of Corrections)

Imposing a sanction for offenders who violate sentence conditions by committing an assault against a law enforcement officer, employee of a law enforcement agency, or department of corrections employee.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires an offender to be sanctioned to one year of total confinement if the offender violates any condition or requirement of a sentence by committing an assault against a law enforcement officer or other employee of a law enforcement agency, or employee of the department of corrections, who was performing his or her official duties at the time of the assault.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 10:00 AM.

Jan 22 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 9:00 AM.

Jan 26 Referred to Ways & Means.

Jan 28 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM. (Subject to change)

**HB 2842-S** by House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representatives Parker, Kirby, and Kenney; by request of Insurance Commissioner)

Addressing confidentiality as it relates to insurer receivership.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses confidentiality and privileged information with regard to insurer receivership.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 21 FII - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.

Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 2921-S** by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Linville, Darneille, Ericks, Pettigrew, Probst, Haigh, Sullivan, Kelley, and Wallace)

Making 2010 supplemental operating appropriations.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 1/22/10)

Makes 2010 supplemental operating appropriations.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.

Jan 20 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.

Jan 21 Placed on second reading.

Jan 22 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 77; nays, 19; absent, 0; excused, 2.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

Jan 26 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.

**HB 3123** by Representative Hope

Providing a business and occupation tax credit for employers who pay livable wage rates.

Allows a business and occupation tax credit for wages paid to one or more employees at a rate that equals or exceeds the livable wage rate for the county in which the employee or employees are employed.

Requires the Washington state institute for public policy to conduct a study to determine the livable wage rate for 2009 for each county.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 3124** by Representatives Roberts, Kagi, Simpson, and Kenney

Requiring a report to child protective services when a child is present in the vehicle of a person arrested for driving or being in control of a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Requires a law enforcement officer to promptly notify child protective services if a child is present in a vehicle being driven by, or under the control of, a person being arrested on probable cause for driving, or being in physical control of, a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

Jan 28 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Early Learning & Children's Services at 8:00 AM in anticipation of other legislative action.

**HB 3125** by Representatives Linville and Ericks; by request of State Treasurer

Granting the treasurer limited authority to negotiate allocation rates for certain state agencies depositing funds in the treasury or in the custody of the treasurer.

Modifies the authority of the state treasurer in negotiating allocation rates for certain funds and accounts.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**HB 3126** by Representatives Carlyle and Springer

Authorizing certain community and technical colleges to award honorary baccalaureate degrees.

Authorizes boards of community and technical colleges offering baccalaureate degrees to confer honorary baccalaureate degrees upon persons other than graduates of the college in recognition of their learning, community service, or dedication to education.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

**HB 3127** by Representative Kessler

Concerning the business and occupation taxation of newspaper-labeled supplements.

Addresses the business and occupation taxation of newspaper-labeled supplements.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 3128** by Representative Chase

Providing better water quality during charitable car washes.

Makes Washington waters cleaner and healthier by limiting the pollution from car washes from entering into watersheds.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ecology & Parks.

**HB 3129** by Representatives Conway and Simpson

Concerning the unemployment insurance system, but only with respect to improving unemployment benefits and adjusting unemployment contributions.

Improves unemployment benefits and adjusts unemployment contributions.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

Jan 29 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

**HB 3130** by Representatives O'Brien, Seaquist, and Morrell

Concerning electronic timekeeping for home care agencies.

Requires the department of social and health services to conduct an electronic timekeeping study, in conjunction with home care agencies, to determine best practices for the implementation of the verification of employee hours worked, using an electronic timekeeping system.

Prohibits, beginning July 1, 2011, the department of social and health services from paying certain home care agencies for in-home personal care or respite services if the home care agency does not verify agency employee hours by electronic timekeeping.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Human Services.

**HB 3131** by Representatives Cody, Nelson, and Kenney

Protecting salmon and steelhead spawning beds.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to: (1) Prohibit activities that harm or disturb spawning beds of salmon and steelhead and other fish on all rivers and streams where spawning activities occur; and

(2) Work cooperatively with the tribal comanagers for all fish resources in implementing and enforcing these requirements.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

**HB 3132** by Representative Van De Wege

Eliminating the Columbia River Gorge Compact.

Repeals the Columbia river gorge compact due to the financial constraints facing the state.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to General Government Appropriations.

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### House Joint Memorials

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**HJM 4028** by Representatives Chase, Upthegrove, Rolfes, Kenney, Liias, Sells, Simpson, Ormsby, Nelson, Dunshee, Hasegawa, Finn, Kirby, Roberts, Kagi, Conway, Williams, Blake, Pedersen, Hunt, Orwall, Maxwell, Jacks, Moeller, Morrell, White, Pettigrew, Miloscia, McCoy, and Appleton

Requesting comprehensive clean energy jobs and climate legislation.

Requests comprehensive clean energy jobs and climate legislation.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ecology & Parks.

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### House Joint Resolutions

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**HJR 4220-S** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives Hope, Kelley, Green, Conway, Parker, Hurst, Campbell, Wallace, Orcutt, Simpson, Ericks, Ericksen, Van De Wege, Morrell, Takko, Appleton, Maxwell, Orwall, Pearson, Kirby, Sells, Kenney, Johnson, Dammeier, Roberts, and McCune; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Amending the state Constitution so that the provision relating to bailable crimes by sufficient sureties is modified.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution relating to bailable crimes by sufficient sureties.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 10:00 AM.

- Jan 22 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Executive action taken in the House  
Committee on Public Safety &  
Emergency Preparedness at 9:00 AM.
- Jan 26 Placed on second reading.

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### Senate Bills

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**SB 6332-S** by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Haugen, Delvin, Kline, Fraser, Stevens, Shin, Fairley, and Roach)

Concerning human trafficking.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies human trafficking provisions relating to the definition of foreign worker, furnishing disclosure statements and informational pamphlets, and liability of an international labor recruitment agency.

Requires the department of labor and industries to integrate into existing posters and brochures, information on assisting victims of human trafficking.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 21 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 25 LCCP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 6393-S** by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection (originally sponsored by Senators Hewitt, Kohl-Welles, and Shin; by request of Horse Racing Commission)

Modifying distributions of funds by the horse racing commission to nonprofit race meets.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions relating to the distribution of funds by the horse racing commission to nonprofit race meets.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 18 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 21 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 25 LCCP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 6395-S** by Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally

sponsored by Senators Kline, Kauffman, and Kohl-Welles)

Addressing lawsuits aimed at chilling the valid exercise of the constitutional rights of speech and petition.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the Washington act limiting strategic lawsuits against public participation.

Strikes a balance between the rights of persons to file lawsuits and to trial by jury and the rights of persons to participate in matters of public concern.

Establishes an efficient, uniform, and comprehensive method for speedy adjudication of strategic lawsuits against public participation.

Provides for attorneys' fees, costs, and additional relief where appropriate.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 19 Executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the Senate Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 20 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Judiciary at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 25 JUD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 6766** by Senators Hargrove, Swecker, Hatfield, Prentice, and Brown

Concerning forest fire prevention and suppression.

Modifies forest fire prevention and suppression provisions regarding: (1) The department of natural resources' obligation to protect certain forest land and state and privately owned unimproved lands located outside of fire protection districts;

(2) Forest fire protection assessments; and

(3) The legislature's acknowledgment that the department of natural resources may use discretionary authority to take actions that may prevent approaching wildfire from destroying or damaging homes and other improvements, although this is not the primary mission of the department.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 26 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**SB 6767** by Senators Berkey, Parlette, Shin, and Tom

Concerning residential mortgage loan modification disclosure.

Prohibits a residential mortgage loan modification from being made unless a disclosure summary of all material terms is placed on a separate sheet of paper and has been provided to the borrower thirty days before the first payment of the loan modification.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 26 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

**SB 6768** by Senators Pridemore, Delvin, Fairley, and

Hewitt

Allowing county treasurers to use electronic bill presentment and payment that includes an automatic electronic payment option for property taxes.

Authorizes a county treasurer to collect taxes, assessments, fees, rates, and charges by electronic bill presentment and payment.

Requires the department of revenue to administer a grant program for counties to assist in the development and implementation of an electronic bill presentment and payment system.

Creates the electronic bill presentment and payment technology grant account to fund the grant program.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6769** by Senator Stevens

Concerning highway emergency projects.

Requires the department of transportation to take all necessary steps to complete environmental reviews, engineering, and design to ensure prompt construction of a project that qualifies as an emergency project.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6770** by Senator Stevens

Prioritizing existing funding for special safety corridor projects.

Creates the special safety corridor account and requires ten percent of driver's license fees collected by the department of licensing to be deposited in the account.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6771** by Senator Stevens

Prioritizing existing funding for special safety corridor projects.

Creates the special safety corridor account and requires three dollars of the replacement fee for vehicle license number plates to be deposited in the account.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6772** by Senator Benton

Modifying service of notice requirements under the residential landlord-tenant act.

Modifies service of notice requirements under the residential landlord-tenant act.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

**SB 6773** by Senator Keiser

Including wound care management in occupational therapy.

Authorizes an occupational therapist to provide wound care management in the course of occupational therapy treatment.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 6774** by Senator Marr

Addressing transportation benefit district governance.

Modifies the composition of a transportation benefit district's governing body.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6775** by Senators Kohl-Welles and Keiser

Creating a task force to study and report on the state's workers' compensation system.

Addresses the workers' compensation system.

Directs the department of labor and industries to convene a task force to evaluate and recommend methods to: (1) Improve the coordination and provision of quality, timely medical treatment;

(2) Improve outcomes for, and shorten the duration of, long-term disability claims; and

(3) Refine and resolve systemic liabilities and long-term pension trends.

Expires January 1, 2011.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

**SB 6776** by Senators Jacobsen, Swecker, Fraser, Morton, Zarelli, Schoesler, Hargrove, Ranker, Hatfield, and McCaslin

Creating the joint work group on small forest landowner sustainability.

Establishes the joint work group on small forest landowner sustainability which will use research conducted by the school of forest resources at the University of Washington to report on ways to remove regulatory barriers and disincentives in order to encourage small forest landownership for generations to come.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**SB 6777** by Senators Fairley and Parlette

Modifying state payments for in-home care.

Creates an exemption, under certain circumstances, to the requirement that the department of social and health services not pay a home care agency for in-home personal care.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.