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House Bills

HB 1248-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Shea, Sawyer, Rodne, Jinkins, Walkinshaw, Fitzgibbon, Kilduff, and Pollet)

Concerning court proceedings.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/03/16)

Addresses the mandatory arbitration of civil actions with regard to the mandatory arbitration dollar amount established by a superior court; continuing legal education requirements for arbitrators; and fees for filing a request for mandatory arbitration.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 21 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 8:00 AM.

Jan 29 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.

Feb 3 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

Feb 5 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 19 1st substitute bill substituted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 78; nays, 19; absent, 0; excused, 1.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 20 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

Mar 16 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Law & Justice at 1:30 PM.

Mar 31 LAW - Majority; do pass with amendment(s).

And refer to Ways & Means.

Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Law & Justice at 8:00 AM.

Apr 1 Referred to Ways & Means.

Apr 24 By resolution, returned to House Rules Committee for third reading.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

-- 2015 2ND SPECIAL SESSION --

May 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

-- 2015 3RD SPECIAL SESSION --

Jun 28 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

Jan 28 Placed on third reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 3 Returned to second reading for amendment.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 85; nays, 12; absent, 0; excused, 0.

HB 1682-S3 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Fey, Stambaugh, Walsh, Riccelli, Goodman, Orwall, Zeiger, Appleton, Van De Wege, Lytton, Gregerson, Reykdal, Tarleton, Ortiz-Self, Kagi, Carlyle, Wylie, Bergquist, S. Hunt, Tharinger, Senn, Robinson, Moscoso, Pollet, Walkinshaw, McBride, and Jinkins)

Improving educational outcomes for homeless students through increased in-school guidance supports, housing stability, and identification services.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 3RD SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the homeless student stability and opportunity gap act.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Create a competitive grant process to evaluate and award state-funded three-year grants to school districts to increase identification of homeless students and the capacity of the districts to provide support; and

(2) Include in its report to the governor and the legislature the following data for homeless students: The number of identified homeless students of color.

Requires the department of commerce to: (1) In consultation with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, administer a grant program that links homeless students and their families with stable housing located in the homeless student's school district; and

(2) Working with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, develop a competitive grant process to make grant awards of up to five hundred thousand dollars to school districts partnered with eligible organizations on implementation of the proposal.

Limits the grant program to fifteen schools per school year.

Requires school districts to: (1) If they are receiving grants, measure during the academic year how often each student physically moves, what services families or unaccompanied youth could access, and whether or not a family or unaccompanied youth received stable housing by the end of the school year; and

(2) If they have identified more than ten unaccompanied youth, establish a building point of contact in each middle school and high school.

Provides that section 3 of this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 17 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Appropriations at 9:00 AM.
- Feb 27 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Appropriations at 9:00 AM.
- Mar 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 8:00 AM.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on Appropriations at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 25 APP - Majority; 3rd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Appropriations at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 28 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1867-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Bergquist, Orwall, Pollet, S. Hunt, and Tarleton)

Concerning the frequency of evaluations for certain classroom teachers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires classroom teachers who hold a valid professional certification or a valid national board certification, or both, and have received a rating of level 3 or above in their last comprehensive summative evaluation, to receive a comprehensive summative evaluation at least once every six years.

Requires the steering committee created in RCW 28A.405.100 to recommend rules and guidance to the office of the superintendent of public instruction to streamline the process for the focused evaluation in order to significantly reduce the burden on teachers and principals and their evaluators.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 28 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 1 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2032-S by House Committee on Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Sawyer, Appleton, Fitzgibbon, Reykdal, and Ormsby)

Concerning tribal-state relations.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses issues of mutual concern to the tribes and the state.

Creates the joint summit council on Indian affairs which is part of the legislative branch of state government.

Creates an administrative committee that consists of the legislative members of the council.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on Community Development and Housing & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 26 CDHT - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Community Development and Housing & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 29 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2381-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Ortiz-Self, Kilduff, Walsh, Peterson, Gregerson, Cody, Caldier, Jinkins, Reykdal, Frame, Stanford, Sells, McBride, Bergquist, and Pollet)

Convening a task force on school counselors, psychologists, and social workers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the professional educator standards board to convene a task force on school counselors, psychologists, and social workers.

Requires the task force to review: (1) The projected need of school districts for school counselors, psychologists, and social workers;

(2) The current capacity of the state for meeting this need;

(3) Alternative certification routes for school counselors and social workers; and

(4) School counselor, psychologist, and social worker preparation programs.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 1:30 PM.

Jan 28 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.

Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2382-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Magendanz, Muri, Stambaugh, Caldier, Stokesbary, Hargrove, and Pollet)

Concerning increased recruitment and retention of teachers in alternate route programs.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the workforce training and education coordinating board, in collaboration with the professional educator standards board, to work with the student achievement council, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, school districts, educational service districts, the state board for community and technical colleges, the institutions of higher education, major employers, and other parties to develop and disseminate information designed to increase recruitment into approved residency teacher preparation programs at public and private institutions of higher education and alternate route teacher certification programs.

Expires July 1, 2019.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 1:30 PM.

Jan 28 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.

Feb 1 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2409-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Orwall, Santos, Gregerson, Johnson, Reykdal, Magendanz, Pollet, Ortiz-Self, S. Hunt, Moscoso, Fitzgibbon, Bergquist, Rossetti, Tarleton, Zeiger, Stanford, Muri, Farrell, McBride, and Ormsby)

Increasing supports for special needs students.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses the provision of free appropriate public education to students with disabilities under the requirements of the federal rehabilitation act of 1973.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 1:30 PM.

Jan 28 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.

Feb 1 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2413-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Dent, Tarleton, Dye, Gregerson, Griffey, Hargrove, Klippert, Pike, Muri, Condotta, and McBride)

Concerning aircraft registration simplification and fairness.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Streamlines the penalty structure of late aircraft registrations and clarifies the requirements for providing proof of registration.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 20 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Jan 27 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Feb 1 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2440-S by House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Smith, McBride, Hargrove, McCaslin, Dent, Clibborn, Walsh, Walkinshaw, Scott, Sawyer, Ortiz-Self, Caldier, Hudgins, Senn, Robinson, Ormsby, Cody, Jinkins, Fey, Zeiger, Frame, Kilduff, Bergquist, and Goodman)

Concerning host home programs for youth.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Exempts the following from the definition of "agency" for purposes of chapter 74.15 RCW (care of children, expectant mothers, persons with developmental disabilities): Certain host home programs serving youth who are not in the care and custody of the department of social and health services.

Requires the office of homeless youth prevention and protection programs within the department of commerce to provide a report to the governor and the appropriate legislative committees that includes the best practices for host home programs, including any recommendations regarding licensing or certifying host home programs.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 Public hearing in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services at 10:00 AM.

Jan 27 ELHS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House
Committee on Early Learning & Human
Services at 1:30 PM.
Feb 1 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2449-S by House Committee on Judiciary
(originally sponsored by Representatives
Orwall, Magendanz, Kagi, Santos, Senn, Peterson,
Appleton, Moscoso, Goodman, Jinkins, Walkinshaw,
Stanford, Clibborn, Sells, Fitzgibbon, Kilduff, Ryu,
Bergquist, Pollet, and S. Hunt)

Providing court-based and school-based intervention and
prevention efforts to promote attendance and reduce
truancy.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the keeping kids in school act.

Puts in place consistent practices and procedures,
beginning in kindergarten, in which schools share
information with families about the importance of
consistent attendance and the consequences of excessive
absences, involves families early, and provides families
with information, services, and tools that they may access
to improve and maintain their children's school
attendance.

Requires an initial stay of truancy petition in order to
allow for appropriate intervention and prevention before
using a court order to enforce attendance laws.

Encourages efforts by county juvenile courts and
school districts to establish and maintain therapeutic
truancy boards and employ other best practices.

Increases the number of beds in HOPE centers and
crisis residential centers in order to facilitate their use for
truant students.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee
on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.
Jan 28 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be
substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House
Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.
Feb 2 Referred to Appropriations.
Feb 3 Public hearing in the House Committee
on Appropriations at 3:30 PM.

HB 2527-S by House Committee on Environment
(originally sponsored by Representatives
Peterson, Goodman, and Fitzgibbon)

Ensuring the ongoing viability of safe on-site sewage
systems as a component of statewide sewage management
through the implementation of on-site program
management plans.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes the department of health, interested
counties, and the department of ecology to: (1) Capitalize
and administer a sustainable unified low-interest loan
program to assist homeowners with the repair and
replacement of on-site sewage systems and ensure the full
implementation of a county's on-site program
management plan; and

(2) Use any appropriate funding source for the
implementation of the program and mutually develop the
administration of the program in the manner that is
deemed the most efficient, which may include

adminstrating the program through the department of
ecology's water quality financial assistance program.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 Public hearing in the House Committee
on Environment at 1:30 PM.
Jan 28 ENVI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be
substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House
Committee on Environment at 8:00
AM.
Feb 1 Referred to Appropriations.
Feb 3 Public hearing in the House Committee
on Appropriations at 3:30 PM.

HB 2575-S by House Committee on Environment
(originally sponsored by Representatives
Farrell, Fitzgibbon, Peterson, Walkinshaw, Frame,
McBride, Stanford, Jinkins, Ormsby, Gregerson, Senn,
Pollet, and Tharinger)

Continuing state efforts to increase oil transportation
safety.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of ecology to contract with an
eligible independent third party to update the October
2006 report to the state emergency response commission
regarding statewide response to chemical, biological,
radiological, nuclear, and explosive materials.

Expires June 30, 2019.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee
on Environment at 1:30 PM.
Jan 28 ENVI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be
substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House
Committee on Environment at 8:00
AM.
Feb 1 Referred to General Government &
Information Technology.
Feb 5 Scheduled for public hearing and
executive session in the House
Committee on General Government &
Information Technology at 10:00 AM.
(Subject to change)

HB 2583-S by House Committee on Community
Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs
(originally sponsored by Representatives McBride, Haler,
Zeiger, Stambaugh, Moscoso, Bergquist, Fitzgibbon,
Peterson, Van De Wege, Springer, Santos, Goodman,
Hickel, and Tharinger)

Authorizing specified local governments to designate a
portion of their territory as a creative district subject to
certification by the Washington arts commission.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes a local government to designate a creative
district within its territorial boundaries subject to
certification as a state-certified creative district by the
state arts commission.

Requires the state arts commission to create a process
for review of applications submitted by local governments
for certification of state-certified creative districts.

- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 25 Public hearing in the House Committee on Community Development and Housing & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 28 CDHT - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Community Development and Housing & Tribal Affairs at 8:30 AM.
- Feb 1 Referred to General Government & Information Technology.
- Feb 5 Scheduled for public hearing and executive session in the House Committee on General Government & Information Technology at 10:00 AM.
(Subject to change)
- HB 2585-S** by House Committee on Commerce & Gaming (originally sponsored by Representatives Robinson, Walsh, and McBride; by request of Washington State Housing Finance Commission)
Concerning private activity bond allocation.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Changes certain timelines with regard to private activity bond allocations.
- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Community Development and Housing & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 28 CDHT - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Community Development and Housing & Tribal Affairs at 8:30 AM.
- Feb 1 Referred to Rules 2 Review.
- HB 2716-S** by House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Senn, Walsh, Kagi, Walkinshaw, McCabe, Ortiz-Self, Bergquist, Stanford, Gregerson, Ormsby, and Goodman)
Concerning working connections child care eligibility for vulnerable children.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Provides that the legislature: (1) Finds that beginning July 1, 2016, authorizations for the working connections child care subsidy will be effective for twelve months; and
(2) Intends to allow certain populations of vulnerable children to be eligible for the working connections child care subsidy for a minimum of twelve months.
- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 27 ELHS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 1 Referred to Appropriations.
- HB 2718-S** by House Committee on Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Kilduff, McCabe, Muri, Wilson, Stanford, and Jinkins)
Providing consumer protections for military members on active duty.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Authorizes a service member, who has been called into active service, to terminate or suspend the following services upon written notice, including electronic mail, to the service provider: (1) Telecommunication services from a telecommunications company;
(2) Internet services provided from an internet service provider;
(3) Health studio services from a health studio; and
(4) Subscription television services from a television service provider.
- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Community Development and Housing & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 28 CDHT - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Community Development and Housing & Tribal Affairs at 8:30 AM.
- Feb 1 Referred to Rules 2 Review.
- HB 2743-S** by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Reykdal, McBride, Rossetti, Santos, and Pollet)
Concerning the issuance of a Washington state high school diploma or a high school equivalency certificate.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires a high school equivalency certificate, that is issued by the state board for community and technical colleges and the superintendent of public instruction, to be issued as follows: (1) If the recipient of the certificate is at least eighteen years of age or has completed eighteen or more credits in a twenty-four credit graduation system adopted in accordance with a resolution of the state board of education, the recipient's certificate must be issued as a Washington state high school diploma; and
(2) For all other recipients, the certificate must be issued as a high school equivalency certificate.
Requires the superintendent of public instruction, in collaboration with the state board for community and technical colleges, to develop recommendations for modifying state and school district graduation rate data collection and tabulation requirements and processes to reflect the Washington state high school diplomas.
- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 28 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 1 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2785-S by House Committee on Environment (originally sponsored by Representatives Shea, Short, Schmick, Taylor, Scott, and McCaslin)

Ensuring that restrictions on the use of solid fuel burning devices do not prohibit the installation or replacement of solid fuel burning devices or the use of these devices during temporary outages of other sources of heat.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes a person to: (1) Install or repair a certified solid fuel burning device, approved by the department of ecology, in a residence or commercial establishment; and

(2) Replace a solid fuel burning device with a certified solid fuel burning device.

Authorizes the burning of wood in a solid fuel burning device, regardless of whether a burn ban has been called, if there is an emergency power outage.

Authorizes, for the duration of an emergency power outage, the use of a solid fuel burning device or the temporary installation, repair, or replacement of a solid fuel burning device to prevent the loss of life, health, or business.

Requires a nonprevailing petitioner that challenges the use of a solid fuel burning device in an emergency power outage to pay the reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred in opposing the challenge to the use of the solid fuel burning device during the emergency power outage.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 25 Public hearing in the House Committee on Environment at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 28 ENVI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Environment at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 1 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2793-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Orwall, Blake, Kretz, Sullivan, Cody, Jinkins, Kagi, Goodman, Ormsby, Tharinger, Rossetti, and Reykdal)

Providing for suicide awareness and prevention education for safer homes.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the safe homes task force to raise public awareness and increase suicide prevention education among new partners who are in key positions to help reduce suicide.

Requires the University of Washington school of social work to administer and staff the task force and convene the initial meeting of the task force.

Requires the department of health to develop and administer a safe homes project to provide financial incentives to firearms dealers and firearms ranges to encourage voluntary participation in a program to implement suicide awareness and prevention strategies.

Provides a business and occupation tax credit for a licensed firearms dealer or a firearms range that is certified as a safe homes partner.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to update the pamphlet to incorporate information on suicide awareness and prevention.

Requires a licensed pharmacist, a person holding a retired active pharmacist license, or certain other professionals holding a retired active license to complete a one-time training in suicide assessment, treatment, and management.

Requires the schools of pharmacy at the University of Washington and Washington State University to convene a work group to jointly develop a curriculum on suicide assessment, treatment, and management for pharmacy students.

Requires the department of health and the pharmacy quality assurance commission to jointly develop written materials on suicide awareness and prevention that pharmacies can post or distribute to customers.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 28 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 2 Referred to Appropriations.
- Feb 3 Committee relieved of further consideration.
Referred to Finance.
- Feb 5 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Finance at 10:00 AM.
(Subject to change)

HB 2971 by Representatives McBride and Nealey

Addressing real estate as it concerns the local government authority in the use of real estate excise tax revenues and regulating real estate transactions.

Addresses seller and landlord disclosure requirements for certain real estate transactions; and the use, by local governments, of the real estate excise taxes for certain capital projects.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 First reading, referred to Finance (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
- Feb 5 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Finance at 10:00 AM.
(Subject to change)

HB 2972 by Representatives McBride, Hudgins, Senn, and Santos

Recognizing art and cultural resources as components of state environmental policy.

Recognizes the following as components of state environmental policy: Art and cultural resources such as music, dance, and theater.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 First reading, referred to Environment (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2973 by Representative Orcutt

Concerning performance oversight of the state transportation system.

Requires the office of financial management to: (1) In consultation with the transportation commission, establish objectives and performance measures for the department of transportation and other state agencies with transportation-related responsibilities to ensure transportation system performance progresses toward the attainment of certain policy goals;

(2) Submit objectives and performance measures to the legislature for its review and provide copies of the same to the transportation commission; and

(3) By December 31, 2016, and each year thereafter, complete a performance report for the prior fiscal year.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introductory report).
- Feb 8 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

Senate Bills

SB 6289-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Baumgartner and Hobbs)

Addressing the use of a digital platform to employ certain independent contractors.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Exempts the following from the definition of "employer" for purposes of the state industrial insurance act: A person employed as a domestic servant in a private home by an employer who has less than two employees regularly employed forty or more hours a week in such employment; or to do gardening, maintenance, or repair, in or about the private home of the employer.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 25 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 27 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor at 5:45 PM.
- Jan 28 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6298-S by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators Frockt, Litzow, O'Ban, Fain, Mullet, Dammeier, Jayapal, Billig, Rivers, Pedersen, Rolfes, Darneille, McAuliffe, Hasegawa, Carlyle, Habib, Keiser, Conway, and Liias)

Enacting the homeless student stability and opportunity gap act.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the homeless student stability and opportunity gap act.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to create a competitive grant process to evaluate and award state-funded three-year grants to school districts to increase identification of homeless students and the capacity of the districts to provide support, which may include education liaisons, for homeless students.

Requires the department of commerce, in consultation with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, to administer a grant program that links homeless students and their families with stable housing located in the homeless student's school district.

Requires each school district that has identified more than ten unaccompanied youth to establish a building point of contact in each middle school and high school.

Makes appropriations.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 21 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 28 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. And refer to Ways & Means. Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 29 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6301-S by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Senators Benton and Mullet)

Addressing employer agreements to reimburse certain employee costs for the use of personal vehicles for business purposes.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Exempts the following from the provisions of Title 48 RCW (the insurance code): Agreements whereby a third party contracted by an employer provides mileage reimbursement and incidental maintenance and repairs to the employer's employees for personal vehicles used for business purposes.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 20 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 27 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 28 FI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6309-S by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Senators Angel and Hobbs)

Addressing registered service contract and protection product guarantee providers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions regarding protection product guarantee providers and registered service contract providers.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 20 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 27 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 28 FI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6319-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Jayapal, Litzow, Billig, Mullet, Hobbs, Fain, Hasegawa, and Habib)

Addressing civil service qualifications.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies civil service provisions regarding lawful permanent residents.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 25 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 27 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor at 5:45 PM.
- Jan 28 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6356-S by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Security (originally sponsored by Senators Roach, Ranker, Takko, McCoy, Hobbs, Litzow, Fain, Hasegawa, and Chase)

Concerning disclosure of financial, commercial, and proprietary information of employees of private cloud service providers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Exempts the following from disclosure under the public records act: Proprietary data, trade secrets, or other information that relates to criminal background checks, and personally identifiable information associated with requests for and responses to criminal background checks, of employees of private cloud service providers.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 25 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Security at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 28 GOS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Security at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 29 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6386-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senator Benton)

Concerning retractable basketball hoop safety.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires each school district board of directors to annually arrange for the inspection of all retractable basketball hoops owned by the school district.

Requires the department of labor and industries to establish rules adopting safety and health standards for the hardware associated with the operation of retractable basketball hoops.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 20 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 27 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor at 5:45 PM.
- Jan 28 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6641 by Senator Hargrove

Addressing and mitigating the impacts of property crimes in Washington state.

Addresses property crime in the state.

Responds to the findings of the state justice reinvestment task force by: (1) Changing sentencing policy to require supervision of certain people convicted of property offenses;

(2) Providing treatment, if needed, and programs to reduce recidivism; and

(3) Providing additional support to local governments and victims of property crime.

Changes the composition and duties of the sentencing guidelines commission.

Requires the commission to: (1) Be colocated with the caseload forecast council;

(2) In conjunction with the council, monitor and report to the governor and the legislature on the effectiveness of this act in reducing property crimes in the state; and

(3) Prepare racial and ethnic impact analyses as required.

Requires the department of commerce to establish a law enforcement grant program and a pretrial grant program.

Provides for termination and review, under the sunset act, of the sentencing guidelines commission's authorities established in this act.

Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 6642 by Senators Ranker, Padden, and Hargrove

Modifying legal financial obligations provisions.

Provides an order of priority for the distribution of payments made by, or on behalf of, an offender.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 4 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6643 by Senators Bailey and Warnick

Requiring a toll exemption for school buses.

Requires the transportation commission to provide an exemption from all tolled facilities for school buses, regardless of whether the school bus is traveling on a regularly scheduled route.

Requires the department of transportation to develop a process for school buses to use tolled facilities without requiring the use of transponders and a "Good to Go!" account.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 4 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Feb 8 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

SB 6644 by Senator Parlette

Concerning outdoor burning.

Prohibits outdoor burning in an urban growth area with a population greater than ten thousand.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 4 First reading, referred to Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 6645 by Senator Roach

Allowing a city, town, code city, or county to request mediation in the event of a conflict with another city, town, code city, or county.

Authorizes a local government that has a conflict with another local government to request from the attorney general's office the names of three mediators from which the local governments must choose a mediator, unless both agree to use another mediator.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 4 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Security.