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House Bills

HB 2584 by Representatives Jarrett, Dunshee, Shabro, Clibborn, Anderson, B. Sullivan, Tom, Linville, Nixon, Lantz, Rodne, Upthegrove, P. Sullivan, Morrell, Moeller, Kilmer, and Springer

Establishing a blue ribbon growth management needs and priorities task force.

Requires the task force to conduct a comprehensive analysis of statewide growth management needs and priorities; existing and potential funding mechanisms; and the policies and practices of governmental entities, private businesses, and the general public that affect the development and implementation of growth management goals and requirements.

Requires the task force to provide quarterly progress reports to the governor and the appropriate committees of

the legislature. The task force shall report its final findings and recommendations to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30, 2008.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2585 by Representatives Jarrett, Dunshee, Shabro, Clibborn, Anderson, B. Sullivan, Tom, Linville, Nixon, Upthegrove, Morrell, Moeller, and Kilmer
Creating a collaborative design pilot program.

Requires the office of regulatory assistance to conduct a collaborative design pilot program. The pilot program shall, at a minimum, establish a mechanism for convening collaborative design teams, evaluate the effectiveness of collaborative design pilot projects, and make findings and recommendations regarding the feasibility of applying collaborative design practices throughout the state.

Directs the office of regulatory assistance to report its findings and recommendations to the appropriate committees of the house of representatives and the senate by December 31, 2009.

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2586 by Representatives Blake, Buck, Williams, Chase, Buri, McCoy, Morris, Flannigan, Eickmeyer, B. Sullivan, and Kessler

Modifying definitions of charter licenses.

Declares that "charter boat" also means a vessel from which persons may, for a fee, fish for food fish or shellfish for personal use in offshore waters, or in the waters of other states, and that brings food fish or shellfish into Washington state waters or ports.

Declares that "charter boat" does mean a vessel from which persons may, for a fee, fish for food fish or shellfish for personal use in Columbia river waters below the Longview bridge and Lake Washington.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2587 by Representatives Blake, Buck, Takko, Chase, Morrell, Kessler, Williams, Buri, Linville, McCoy, Morris, Flannigan, Eickmeyer, B. Sullivan, Wallace, Dunshee, Haigh, Kenney, Lantz, Hunt, and Conway

Designating the Lady Washington as the official ship of the state of Washington.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 2588 by Representatives Blake, Buck, Takko, Buri, Williams, Roach, Eickmeyer, Linville, Kessler, B. Sullivan, and Campbell

Authorizing small scale prospecting and mining on certain beach areas.

Provides that the commission shall grant permits for small scale prospecting and mining, as defined in RCW 77.55.011, for the removal of gold from appropriate beach areas within the Seashore Conservation Area.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2589 by Representatives McDonald, B. Sullivan, Buck, and Kretz

Allowing the use of leashed dogs to pursue injured wildlife.

Provides that individuals possessing a valid big game hunting license issued under this act may use a leashed dog

or dogs to track a deer or elk injured by the individual possessing the license. Dogs may not be utilized by the hunter prior to the deer or elk sustaining an injury. The department may adopt rules specifying additional responsibilities for hunters opting to track injured deer or elk with leashed dogs.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2590 by Representatives Dickerson and McIntire

Exempting nonprofit organizations organized for zoological purposes from certain excise taxes.

Exempts nonprofit organizations organized for zoological purposes from certain excise taxes.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2591 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Blake, Roberts, and Lovick

Providing an exemption from special fuel taxes for regional transit authorities.

Provides an exemption from special fuel taxes for regional transit authorities.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2592 by Representatives Serben and Dunn

Changing impound posting requirements.

Amends RCW 46.55.070 relating to impound sign information.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2593 by Representatives Appleton, B. Sullivan, Jarrett, Morris, Hankins, Chase, McIntire, Dickerson, McCoy, Conway, Green, Darneille, Schual-Berke, Lovick, Pettigrew, Sommers, Ericks, Lantz, Hasegawa, Morrell, Kenney, Haler, Springer, Roberts, P. Sullivan, Strow, Miloscia, Wallace, Cody, Sells, Moeller, Dunshee, Williams, O'Brien, McDermott, Kessler, Woods, Kilmer, Eickmeyer, Hunt, Flannigan, Takko, Nixon, Rodne, Simpson, Linville, and Kagi; by request of Department of Ecology

Changing provisions relating to oil spill prevention, preparedness, and response.

Requires that the department shall by rule adopt procedures to determine the adequacy of contingency plans approved under RCW 88.46.060. The rules shall require random practice drills without prior notice that will test the adequacy of the responding entities. The rules may provide for unannounced practice drills of individual contingency plans. The department shall review and publish a report on the drills, including an assessment of response time and available equipment and personnel compared to those listed in the contingency plans relying on the responding entities, and requirements, if any, for changes in the plans or their implementation. The department may require additional drills and changes in arrangements for implementing

approved plans which are necessary to ensure their effective implementation.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2594 by Representatives Hasegawa, McCoy, Santos, Pettigrew, Kenney, Hudgins, Upthegrove, Hunt, O'Brien, Haigh, Kagi, and Dickerson

Providing assistance to non-English speaking voters.

Requires the county auditor to provide bilingual voting registration forms, ballots, and all voting materials for any language group that meets the designated criteria.

Provides that if more than three percent of the voting-age population in a given county speak a common native language other than English, the county must recruit staff members and poll workers who are fluent in that native language and in English to assist with elections.

Provides that the percentage requirements of this provision must be based on information contained in the most recent United States census.

Provides that, if a voter cannot speak English, he or she may use an interpreter to communicate with election officials.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 2595 by Representatives Kenney, Cox, Hasegawa, Hankins, Roberts, McIntire, Fromhold, Kilmer, Morrell, Rodne, Santos, Clibborn, Ormsby, O'Brien, Jarrett, Walsh, Conway, Wood, Kessler, Linville, Kagi, Appleton, Green, McCoy, Blake, Lantz, Sells, Campbell, P. Sullivan, Simpson, Schual-Berke, McDonald, Haigh, Dickerson, Moeller, Springer, and Wallace

Providing for academic employee salary increments for community and technical colleges.

Finds that the community and technical colleges offer high quality, cost-effective instructional programs to the citizens of the state.

Finds that academic employee morale and willingness to invest in professional development, and academic employee recruitment and retention, are improved by consistent and predictable practices that provide salary increases to recognize two-year college academic employees who upgrade their skills and professional experience.

Declares an intent that state appropriations be adjusted to an amount which, together with academic employee turnover savings, provide for consistent and predictable funding of academic employee salary increases for state-funded academic employees who qualify through experience, professional development, and training pursuant to local collective bargaining.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Higher Ed & Workforce Ed.

HB 2596 by Representatives Kenney, McDonald, Conway, Wood, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Rodne, McCoy, Morrell, and Ormsby

Modifying provisions for the cosmetology apprenticeship program.

Revises provisions for the cosmetology apprenticeship program.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2597 by Representatives Kenney, Cox, Sells, Hasegawa, Fromhold, Rodne, McCoy, Jarrett, Morrell, Conway, Ormsby, and Clibborn

Establishing additional requirements for private vocational schools.

Establishes additional requirements for private vocational schools.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Higher Ed & Workforce Ed.

HB 2598 by Representatives Moeller, Newhouse, Green, Schual-Berke, DeBolt, Lovick, Appleton, Murray, and Roberts

Modifying definitions in chapter 15.36 RCW, milk and milk products.

Finds that the existing definition of "sale," as provided in chapter 15.36 RCW, includes arrangements, known as "cow shares," in which one or more individuals purchase one or more shares in a milk-producing animal in return for a portion of the milk that is produced. It is the intent of the legislature to clarify that the existing definition of "sale" includes these arrangements.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 2599 by Representatives Moeller, Williams, Lovick, Green, Murray, Conway, Roberts, and Kenney

Requiring construction contractors to display their licenses and certificates.

Finds that dishonest construction contractors sometimes hire persons without proper licensing and certification to do electrical, plumbing, and conveyance work. This practice gives honest contractors an unfair competitive disadvantage and leaves workers and customers vulnerable.

Declares that requiring persons with proper licensing and certification to visibly display their licenses and certificates while doing such work will help address the problems of the underground economy in the construction industry, level the playing field for honest contractors, and protect workers and consumers.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2600 by Representatives Moeller, Conway, Williams, Lovick, Green, Murray, Roberts, and Cody

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2601 by Representatives Hunter, Anderson, Morris, Jarrett, Nixon, O'Brien, Hudgins, Tom, Kilmer, and Wallace

Regarding state purchasing of information technology projects.

Provides that fiscal notes shall also identify the fiscal and operational impacts on the state information technology portfolio. To develop a process for assessing the fiscal and operational impacts on the state information technology portfolio, the office of financial management shall consult with the information services board and the department of information services.

Requires the department, in consultation with the office of financial management and the information services board, to prepare a six-year strategic plan for state information technology projects.

Provides that, at a minimum, the strategic plan must contain the following: (1) A long-term plan for state investments in information technology projects, that identifies the highest priority needs for information technology projects within affordable spending levels;

(2) A statewide information technology assessment, that includes detailed project information and estimated costs for all ongoing information technology projects included in a state agency's information technology portfolio, under RCW 43.105.170;

(3) A detailed list of proposed information technology projects for the upcoming biennium and the two succeeding biennia; and

(4) A comprehensive review of the most recent biennial state performance report prepared under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2602 by Representatives McCoy, Dunn, Chase, Hasegawa, Sells, B. Sullivan, Linville, Lovick, and Kilmer

Authorizing increased public facility construction funding by the community economic revitalization board.

Authorizes increased public facility construction funding by the community economic revitalization board.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 2603 by Representatives Roberts, Dickerson, Lovick, Pettigrew, Green, O'Brien, Ericks, McDonald, Tom, Appleton, Moeller, and Kagi

Requiring a diversion record to be sealed upon the successful completion of the diversion or counsel and release.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Juvenile Justice & Family Law.

HB 2604 by Representatives Grant, McCoy, Blake, Haler, Simpson, Morris, B. Sullivan, P. Sullivan, Moeller, Hudgins, Morrell, Ericks, and Springer

Improving the production and use of renewable energy resources.

Finds that it is in the public interest to: (1) Encourage private investment in renewable energy;

(2) Stimulate the economic growth of the state;

(3) Enhance the continued diversification of the energy resources used in this state; and

(4) Provide for the safe interconnection, efficient markets, and distribution of renewable electric energy.

Establishes the following renewable energy standards for state agencies: (1) By December 31, 2006, state agencies must demonstrate that at least two percent of their total energy resources are generated by small renewable producers' systems;

(2) By December 31, 2007, state agencies must demonstrate that at least four percent of their total energy resources are generated by small renewable producers' systems; and

(3) By December 31, 2009, state agencies must demonstrate that at least eight percent of their total energy resources are generated by small renewable producers' systems.

Requires any electric utility operating in the state to assist, participate in, or facilitate the state's net metering purchasing efforts under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2605 by Representative Curtis

Creating the direct property owner petition method of annexation for city and town annexations.

Establishes procedures for the direct property owner petition method of annexation for city and town annexations.

Repeals RCW 28A.335.110.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2606 by Representatives Curtis, Takko, Orcutt, McDonald, Grant, Hinkle, Clements, Moeller, Chandler, Wallace, Tom, Kretz, Nixon, Blake, Kessler, Rodne, Haigh, B. Sullivan, and Morrell

Allowing volunteer fire fighter personnel to hold elective or appointed office.

Provides that a volunteer member of any fire department who does not serve as fire chief for the department may be: (1) A candidate for elective public office and serve in that public office if elected; or

(2) Appointed to any public office and serve in that public office if appointed.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2607 by Representatives Curtis and Haler

Providing counties the ability to vacate county road rights of way.

Finds that the purpose of RCW 36.87.130 is to preserve for the public, for recreational or other purposes, existing access to bodies of salt or fresh water. Counties have no discretion regarding vacating all or part of a dedicated right of way regardless of whether it provides public access to a body of water. Therefore, certain rights of way encumber private property while not providing any existing public access to a body of water.

Declares an intent to enhance the ability of counties to balance the need to protect and preserve existing public access to bodies of water while providing counties the ability to vacate rights of way so long as doing so does not undermine or eliminate such access.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2608 by Representatives Curtis, Takko, Bailey, Grant, Orcutt, Hinkle, McDonald, Clements, Moeller, Chandler, Wallace, O'Brien, Haler, Haigh, Alexander, and Morrell

Defining performance of duty for the volunteer fire fighters' and reserve officers' relief and pension act.

Includes participation in any community or charitable event sanctioned by the chief or other officer having authority to authorize such member to participate in such event.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 2609 by Representatives Morris, B. Sullivan, and Linville

Modifying utility tax provisions.

Revises utility tax provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2610 by Representatives Dunshee, Blake, Linville, Morris, Moeller, and Ormsby; by request of Governor Gregoire

Adopting the 2006 supplemental capital budget.

Adopts the 2006 supplemental capital budget.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Capital Budget.

HB 2611 by Representatives Sells, Appleton, Williams, Dunshee, Green, Moeller, Kenney, Hunt, Simpson, and Hasegawa

Revising provisions relating to pesticide application notification of pesticide-sensitive individuals.

Provides that an individual on the pesticide-sensitive list who lives in a multifamily dwelling is entitled to receive prior notification of all pesticide applications made by maintenance applicators to property within the pesticide notification area of that individual. The department shall inform the manager of the property within the individual's pesticide notification area in writing that the individual is on the pesticide-sensitive list and that the manager has certain duties under this act and RCW 17.21.430.

Provides that, following receipt of the information, the manager of the property shall provide prior notification to the pesticide-sensitive individual of all pesticide applications made by maintenance applicators to property within the pesticide notification area of that individual. Notification must be made at least ten hours prior to the scheduled application, or in the case of an immediate service call, the manager or maintenance applicator shall provide notification at the time of the application. The applicator must make the application within twenty-four hours following the date and approximate time stated in the notification. If the application is not made within twenty-four hours, the notification process must be repeated.

Requires notification to be provided in writing, in person, or by telephone and must disclose the address or the specific location on the property where the pesticide is to be applied and the date and approximate time of the application. In the event the manager of the property is unable to provide prior notification because of the absence or inaccessibility of the pesticide-sensitive individual, the manager shall leave a written notice at the residence of the individual at the time of the application.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 2612 by Representatives Kagi, O'Brien, Darneille, Rodne, Kenney, Schual-Berke, Morrell, and Springer; by request of Department of Labor & Industries

Including failure to secure a load in the first degree as a compensable crime under the crime victims' compensation program.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2613 by Representatives O'Brien, Strow, Ericks, Ahern, Rodne, Woods, McCune, and Sump

Providing discovery provisions for criminal cases.

Requires any materials furnished to an attorney pursuant to discovery in a criminal case to remain in the exclusive custody of the attorney and be used only for the purposes of conducting the party's side of the case, and shall be subject to such other terms and conditions as the court may provide.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2614 by Representatives Morrell, Conway, Williams, Blake, Kirby, Eickmeyer, Grant, Wallace, Hankins, Linville, McCoy, Flannigan, Anderson, McIntire, Kenney, Walsh, Hudgins, Holmquist, Condotta, Ormsby, Upthegrove, and Simpson

Regulating employment decisions based on consumption of lawful products.

Declares that it is unlawful for an employer to refuse to hire or to discharge an individual, or otherwise disadvantage an individual, with respect to compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment because the individual engages in the consumption of lawful products off the premises of the employer during nonworking hours, provided the individual complies with applicable laws or policies regulating consumption of lawful products on the premises of the employer during working hours.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2615 by Representatives Quall, Morris, and Clibborn; by request of Insurance Commissioner

Exempting certain private air ambulance services from licensing under the insurance code.

Provides that a private air ambulance service that solicits membership subscriptions, accepts membership applications, charges membership fees, and provides air ambulance services, to subscription members and designated members of their household is not an insurer under RCW 48.01.050, a health carrier under chapter 48.43 RCW, a health care services contractor under chapter 48.44 RCW, or a health maintenance organization under chapter 48.46 RCW if the private air ambulance service: (1) Is licensed in accordance with RCW 18.73.130;

(2) Attains and maintains accreditation by the commission on accreditation of medical transport services or another accrediting organization approved by the department of health as having equivalent requirements as the commission for aeromedical transport;

(3) Has been in operation in Washington for at least two years; and

(4) Has submitted evidence of its compliance with this act, the licensing requirements of RCW 18.73.130, and accreditation from the commission or another accrediting organization approved by the department of health as having equivalent requirements as the commission for aeromedical transport to the commissioner.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 2616 by Representatives Buck, Kretz, Orcutt, Serben, Walsh, Campbell, Haler, McDonald, Haigh, Woods, Roach, B. Sullivan, Bailey, Ahern, Ericksen, Skinner, Sump, Buri, Armstrong, Kessler, Holmquist, Condotta, McCune, Schindler, Rodne, Pearson, and Dunn

Prohibiting state park parking and access fees.

Provides that the commission may not charge fees for general park access or parking.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2617 by Representatives Kretz, Blake, Ahern, Schindler, Sump, Condotta, Holmquist, Kristiansen, Serben, Campbell, McDonald, Hinkle, and Dunn

Allowing local jurisdictions to allow off-road vehicles to operate on designated city or county roads.

Provides that an off-road vehicle operated on a city or county road within a local jurisdiction's boundaries is exempt from license registration and displaying license plates as required by chapter 46.16 RCW if the jurisdiction has authorized the operation of off-road vehicles under RCW 46.09.180(2).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2618 by Representatives Anderson and Rodne

Remediating student deficiencies on the Washington assessment of student learning.

Establishes the graduation achievement program. The purpose of the program is to improve significantly the educational achievement of middle and high school students and enable them to meet state standards for high school graduation in a timely manner, including completion of a certificate of academic achievement or a certificate of individual achievement. The program is also intended to acknowledge the accomplishments of middle and high school principals, teachers, and other school staff who help students make these significant improvements.

Requires each school district to submit an annual report to the office of the superintendent of public instruction on the expenditures, activities, and improvements in student achievement, by school, under the graduation achievement program. The reports shall use a common format developed by the office of the superintendent of public instruction and shall be posted on the office's web site. The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall summarize the district reports and submit a statewide report of the graduation achievement program to the education committees of the legislature by January 15th of each year.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2619 by Representatives Schindler, Woods, Roach, Bailey, Kristiansen, Kretz, Nixon, Holmquist,

Sump, Clements, Condotta, Orcutt, Rodne, Serben, Haler, and Ahern

Applying the best available science under the growth management act.

Provides that, where a proposed critical area ordinance is based upon science that has yet to be replicated in a physical context similar to the one at issue, but is theoretically sound and otherwise meets the test for best available science, that science constitutes the best available science.

Declares that the requirement to consider the best available science under this act does not obligate a county or city to use science from a different physical context if the county or city determines that the science is not applicable to a specific local situation or physical context, even if it is the only available science.

Declares that the requirement to consider the best available science is a procedural, not substantive, requirement.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2620 by Representatives Schindler, Woods, Kristiansen, Roach, Bailey, Clements, Kretz, Holmquist, Nixon, Sump, Condotta, Orcutt, Rodne, and Buri

Adjusting the development regulations review by counties with low population densities.

Provides that a county that has a population density of fewer than one hundred persons per square mile as determined by the office of financial management may opt to be exempt from the requirements of this act to review and revise its comprehensive plans and development regulations and to be exempt from the requirements of this act to review and revise its critical area and natural resource land ordinances.

Provides that any city located within a county where the county has a population density of fewer than one hundred persons per square mile may opt to be exempt from the requirements of this act in the same manner as provided for counties. However, any county or city opting to be exempt under this provision that has a county population density that grows to be equal to or more than one hundred persons per square mile must comply with all of the requirements of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2621 by Representatives Miloscia, Holmquist, Ormsby, Kenney, and P. Sullivan; by request of Housing Finance Commission

Increasing the debt limit of the housing finance commission.

Increases the debt limit of the housing finance commission from three to five billion dollars.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Housing.

HB 2622 by Representatives Blake, Buck, Williams, Chase, Morrell, Buri, Linville, McCoy, Roach, Morris, Flannigan, Newhouse, Eickmeyer, Wallace, B. Sullivan, Dunshee, Nixon, Upthegrove, Conway, Hinkle, Moeller, Condotta, and Kretz

Modifying concealed pistol license provisions.

Revises concealed pistol license provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2623 by Representatives Kenney, Conway, Ormsby, Wood, Hudgins, McCoy, Hasegawa, Sells, Hunt, Upthegrove, Clibborn, Simpson, Dickerson, and Santos

Protecting agricultural workers.

Provides that, in addition to the surety bond required under RCW 19.30.040, the director shall require the deposit of a separate repatriation bond by any person acting as a farm labor contractor under chapter 19.30 RCW and participating or applying to participate in the federal H-2A visa program established under section 218 of the federal immigration and nationality act of 1952 as amended (8 U. S.C. Sec. 1101, 1184, and 1188). The purpose of the repatriation bond is to cover travel expenses for returning H-2A workers to their home in their country of origin, and room, board, and other living expenses for H-2A workers while they await repatriation if the farm labor contractor fails to make timely repatriation of H-2A workers when appropriate.

Authorizes any person to protest the issuance or renewal of a license under this act. The director shall not issue a license to operate as a farm labor contractor if the director determines that: (1) The applicant has made any misrepresentations or false statements in his or her application for a license;

(2) The applicant owes any debts or has any outstanding judgments from administrative or judicial determinations against him or her or any of his or her agents, partners, associates, stockholders, or profit sharers arising out of his or her farm labor contracting activities in this or any other state or country;

(3) The applicant has repeatedly violated, or willfully aided or abetted any person in the violation of, any laws, including international laws, federal or state laws, or laws of other nations, or any agreements with agricultural workers or third parties, related to his or her farm labor contracting activities in this or any other state or country;

(4) The applicant's character, competency, or responsibility are not satisfactory;

(5) The applicant violated chapter 19.30 RCW on or after January 1st of the year preceding the year of application.

Repeals RCW 19.30.090.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2624 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Buck, and Upthegrove; by request of Parks and Recreation Commission

Allowing the parks and recreation commission to deny or revoke the issuance of a park pass in certain circumstances.

Authorizes the commission to deny or revoke any Washington state park pass for cause, including but not limited to the following: (1) Residency outside the state of Washington;

(2) Violation of laws or state park rules resulting in eviction from a state park;

(3) Intimidating, obstructing, or assaulting a park employee who is engaged in the performance of official duties;

(4) Fraudulent use of a pass;

(5) Providing false information or documentation in the application for a state parks pass;

(6) Refusing to display or show the pass to park employees when requested; or

(7) Failing to provide current eligibility information upon request by the agency or when eligibility ceases or changes.

Authorizes the commission to engage in a mutually agreed upon reciprocal or discounted program for all or specific pass programs with other outdoor recreation agencies.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2625 by Representatives Jarrett, Upthegrove, Rodne, Simpson, Miloscia, B. Sullivan, Roberts, and Springer

Funding mountains to Sound greenway outdoor recreation projects.

Makes appropriations to fund mountains to Sound greenway outdoor recreation projects.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2626 by Representatives Springer, P. Sullivan, Green, Blake, Kilmer, Appleton, Shabro, Hasegawa, Lantz, Hunt, Takko, O'Brien, Kessler, Upthegrove, Schual-Berke, Clibborn, Linville, Kagi, B. Sullivan, Morrell, Moeller, Hudgins, Sells, Ormsby, Wallace, and Fromhold; by request of Governor Gregoire and Commissioner of Public Lands

Reaffirming existing Washington state law in the state Constitution, state supreme court decisions, and statutes relating to the use of eminent domain by state and local governments.

Declares that the intent of this act is to make clear that Article I, section 16 of the Washington State Constitution prohibits the use of eminent domain to take private property for private use, except under narrow exceptions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2627 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Buck, and Upthegrove; by request of Parks and Recreation Commission

Modifying provisions governing the sale of unneeded park land.

Revises provisions governing the sale of unneeded park land.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2628 by Representatives Campbell, Kirby, McCune, and Conway

Providing drug trafficking provisions.

Provides that a person is guilty of drug trafficking if he or she transfers drugs that are in violation of chapter 69.50 RCW across state lines or out of the United States and as a result he or she: (1) Knowingly or intentionally imports or exports a controlled substance in violation of this chapter;

(2) Knowingly or intentionally brings or possesses on board a vessel, aircraft, or vehicle a controlled substance in violation of this chapter; or

(3) Manufactures, possesses with intent to deliver, or delivers a controlled substance in violation of chapter 69.50 RCW.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2629 by Representatives Campbell, Williams, Nixon, Lantz, Rodne, and Simpson

Creating sentencing enhancements for driving under the influence and physical control of a vehicle while under the influence.

Establishes sentencing enhancements for driving under the influence and physical control of a vehicle while under the influence.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2630 by Representatives Kenney, Cox, Kessler, Priest, Conway, Hunter, Buri, Fromhold, Sells, Grant, Ormsby, Quall, Haigh, Clements, Roberts, Upthegrove, McDermott, Hasegawa, Santos, Flannigan, Appleton, Rodne, Clibborn, Simpson, Linville, Kagi, Dickerson, P. Sullivan, Morrell, Moeller, Ericks, and Kilmer

Creating the opportunity grant program.

Provides that the college board shall, with the assistance of the work force training and education coordinating board and a nonprofit organization that has been established to address work force development issues by a recognized statewide organization of employers representing a majority of employers in the state: (1) Identify high demand occupations, which are occupations where employer demand for workers exceeds the supply of qualified job applicants;

(2) Convene or use existing industry groups, such as industry skill panels or other industry or occupational entities, to identify the skill sets that workers need in the high demand occupations;

(3) Develop credentials that are recognized by postsecondary institutions and employers statewide and that are based on the attainment of the skill sets needed in occupations in high demand sectors;

(4) Market the credentials or certificates to potential students and employers as a way for them to advance in their careers; and

(5) Gain recognition of the credentials or certificates by employers.

Directs the college board to develop and implement a work force education program known as the opportunity grant program to provide funding for low-income students enrolled in the program, including but not limited to funding tuition, books, fees, and child care expenses.

Requires the college board to: (1) Begin developing the program no later than March 15, 2006, with student enrollment to begin no later than January 1, 2007; and

(2) Submit a progress report to the fiscal and higher education committees of the legislature by January 15, 2008.

Appropriates the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the state board for community and technical colleges for the purposes of this act. Expenditure of moneys appropriated in this provision is contingent on receipt of matching funds from a nonstate source.

Appropriates the sum of five million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the state board for community and technical colleges for the purposes of this act.

Appropriates the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the Washington institute for public policy for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Higher Ed & Workforce Ed.

HB 2631 by Representatives Kilmer, Sump, B. Sullivan, Haler, Nixon, and Dunn

Providing a telecommunications or internet service tax exemption.

Provides a telecommunications or internet service tax exemption.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee, with the cooperation of the department of revenue, to report on the effectiveness of the tax incentives in this act to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2007. The report shall measure the effectiveness of the tax incentives on promoting build out of telecommunications infrastructure and any other factors the committee may select.

Expires June 30, 2013.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2632 by Representatives Darneille, Green, Morrell, Appleton, Upthegrove, Murray, Cody, Moeller, and McDermott

Modifying human immunodeficiency virus insurance program provisions.

Revises human immunodeficiency virus insurance program provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 2633 by Representatives Haigh, Wallace, Santos, Tom, and Nixon

Concerning whistleblower investigations.

Provides that in addition to investigating employee assertions of improper governmental action, the auditor has the authority to investigate assertions of improper action made by a state contractor or an employee of a state contractor.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 2634 by Representatives Haigh, Talcott, Appleton, Nixon, Quall, P. Sullivan, Hunt, Santos, Tom, B. Sullivan, Ormsby, Moeller, Green, Hudgins, Wallace, Hunter, Lantz, Linville, Hasegawa, O'Brien, Rodne, Murray, Schual-Berke, and McDermott

Requiring full-day kindergarten.

Requires full-day kindergarten.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2635 by Representatives Haigh, Talcott, Appleton, P. Sullivan, Hunt, B. Sullivan, Ormsby, Cox, Quall, Nixon, Moeller, Newhouse, Hudgins, Upthegrove, Wallace, Green, Strow, Lantz, Kilmer, Hunter, Linville, Santos, Clements, McDermott, Fromhold, Tom, Kenney, O'Brien, Murray, Simpson, Conway, McIntire, Bailey, Hasegawa, Morrell, Ericks, and Springer

Authorizing optional full-day kindergarten.

Provides that, beginning with the 2007-08 school year, a school district may offer either full-day or half-day kindergarten in one or more schools as part of basic education. To ensure that the superintendent of public instruction has sufficient time to allocate funds, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall adopt deadlines for a school district to notify the agency that the district intends to operate a full-day kindergarten program in one or more schools.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2636 by Representatives Anderson, Rodne, and Dunn

Consolidating regional transportation agencies for efficiency and emergency evacuation planning purposes.

Recognizes that the scientific evidence and geologic record of the central Puget Sound region of the state is at high risk for catastrophic seismic events and that King, Snohomish, and Pierce counties represent over sixty percent of the state's economic activity.

Recognizes that destruction or significant disruption of the state's center of economic activity would have a long-term crippling effect on the economic and social welfare of all citizens of the state.

Finds that it is in the state's best interest for the safety and welfare of its citizens that regional transit authorities be organized and act as dual purpose entities serving both

public transit needs and emergency evacuation and disaster response support in case of catastrophic natural and terrorism events.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2637 by Representatives Anderson, Cox, Rodne, McDonald, Haler, Buri, Talcott, Woods, Priest, Shabro, Skinner, Crouse, Hankins, Curtis, Newhouse, Chandler, Schindler, Serben, Nixon, Clements, Sump, Orcutt, McCune, Walsh, Holmquist, Tom, Kretz, Roach, Strow, Condotta, Williams, Kristiansen, Kilmer, and Dunn
Prioritizing basic education expenditures within the state appropriations process.

Declares that, under Article IX, section 1 of the state Constitution, it is the paramount duty of the state to make ample provision for the education of all of Washington's children. According to the state supreme court, this constitutional provision requires that the legislature define and fully fund a program of K-12 basic education before the legislature funds any other statutory programs. For these reasons, it is the intent of the legislature 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.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 2638 by Representatives Curtis, Haler, Blake, Cox, Serben, Morrell, Anderson, Shabro, Woods, Alexander, Orcutt, Nixon, Rodne, Clibborn, McDonald, Moeller, Condotta, and Wallace

Modifying the valuation of motor vehicles for use taxation.

Finds that motor vehicle sales between private parties often involve transactions of motor vehicles where sales or use tax has already been paid.

Finds that requiring the payment of use tax whenever a transfer of ownership for a motor vehicle occurs is multiple taxation on the same product. This act is intended to reduce the use tax burden on sales of motor vehicles between private parties by requiring that the purchase price be used for measure of use tax liability.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2639 by Representatives B. Sullivan, McCoy, O'Brien, Sells, Hinkle, Roberts, Ericks, Strow, and Dunn

Providing excise tax relief for aerospace product development businesses.

Provides excise tax relief for aerospace product development businesses.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 2640 by Representatives B. Sullivan, McCoy, O'Brien, Haler, Sells, Morris, Ericks, Strow, and Dunn

Providing biotechnology product and medical device manufacturing tax incentives.

Finds that the state's economy is increasingly dependent on the expansion of knowledge-based sectors, including the life sciences.

Finds that commercial enterprises in the life sciences create high-wage, high-skilled jobs that are part of the state's effort to encourage economic diversification and stability. However, the legislature also finds that commercial life sciences businesses, particularly in biotechnology product and medical device manufacturing, incur significant costs associated with capital infrastructure and job training often years before a product is licensed for marketing or a facility is licensed for manufacturing by governmental agencies in the United States and abroad.

Finds that current state tax policy discourages the growth of these companies in two ways: (1) Washington state's higher rate of taxation compared with other states and nations encourages the export of intellectual property and commercial operations out of Washington; and

(2) Taxing these businesses before facilities, or products produced therein, are licensed for marketing by regulatory agencies.

Finds that targeted tax incentives may encourage the formation, expansion, and retention of commercial operations within the life sciences sector. The legislature also finds that tax incentives should be subject to the same rigorous requirements for efficiency and accountability as are other expenditure programs, and that tax incentives should therefore be focused to provide the greatest possible return on the state's investment.

Establishes a program of business and occupation tax credits for qualified biotechnology product and medical device commercial expenditures.

Establishes a tax deferral program for commercial manufacturing facilities in this sector.

Provides preferential tax rates for retailing, wholesaling, and manufacturing activities related to biotechnology products and medical devices.

Declares that these limited programs serve the vital public purposes of incenting expenditures in commercial life science operations and the development of employment opportunities in this state.

Declares an intent to create a contract within the meaning of Article I, section 23 of the state Constitution as to those businesses that make capital investments in consideration of the tax deferral program established in this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2641 by Representatives B. Sullivan and Upthegrove

Concerning the trapping of wildlife.

Declares that the commission has the authority to manage the trapping of wild animals in Washington. This authority includes the ability to establish trapping seasons, prohibit the use of any trap type, establish prerequisites for the receipt of a trapping license, establish requirements for commerce in raw fur, establish required timelines for

checking set traps, establish requirements for the handling, holding, transport, dispatch, and release of captured wildlife, and adopt any other rules deemed necessary by the commission for the management of wild animal trapping consistent with this act.

Requires a person to possess a department-issued Washington trapping license in order to lawfully trap wild animals throughout the state. Prior to being issued a trapping license, the person must satisfy the requirements of this act.

Declares that it is unlawful to knowingly buy, sell, barter, or otherwise exchange, or offer to buy, sell, barter, or otherwise exchange a wild animal, or the raw fur of a wild animal, that has been trapped in this state with a prohibited trap, unless the wild animal was trapped lawfully under this act. Raw fur from other sources may be bought, sold, or bartered consistent with any rules adopted by the commission.

Provides that the carcass of any animal captured in a prohibited trap may be donated to a public health or research institution.

Declares that a violation of this section is a gross misdemeanor.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2642 by Representatives Clements, Sump, Hinkle, and Dunn

Managing the health of the state's forest.

Declares that, to maximize the potential benefit to the educational system, the forests of the state must be actively managed and maintained, using modern silvicultural techniques and sound forest stewardship. When land managers fail at this mission, or have their efforts hamstrung by third party litigation roadblocks, the group that bears the cost is the state's children.

Finds that the state should make deeper investments in the health of its forests, provide local mechanisms to aid the state in its management duties, and require third parties that influence forest health management to reimburse the state's children for the costs inflicted upon the children.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2643 by Representatives Clements, Kenney, Upthegrove, and Strow

Allowing vehicles with aftermarket hydraulic systems to operate on public roadways.

Authorizes vehicles with aftermarket hydraulic systems to operate on public roadways.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2644 by Representatives P. Sullivan, Crouse, and Kilmer; by request of Department of Trade and Economic Development

Increasing temporarily the statewide cap for the customer assistance public utility tax credit.

Increases temporarily the statewide cap for the customer assistance public utility tax credit.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2645 by Representatives Kilmer, Crouse, P. Sullivan, Morris, and Dunn; by request of Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development

Providing a limited public utility tax credit for gas distribution businesses.

Finds that: (1) Rising costs of natural gas are creating an economic hardship for Washington's small business and food processing industries.

(2) Natural gas costs are unlikely to return to historically low levels of a few years ago making investments in energy efficiency increasingly important.

(3) Washington investor-owned and consumer-owned natural gas utilities are uniquely well positioned to help small business and food processors improve the efficiency of natural gas use and reduce current and long-term energy costs.

(4) The state of Washington can assist gas utility energy efficiency efforts by providing small public utility tax credits for installation of high-efficiency equipment and processes that might not otherwise occur.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2646 by Representatives Wallace, Hinkle, Haigh, and Holmquist

Providing a sales tax exemption for trail grooming.

Declares that the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of trail grooming services to the state of Washington or private owners of land. For the purposes of this act, "trail grooming" means the activity of snow compacting, snow redistribution, or snow removal on state-owned or privately-owned trails.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2647 by Representatives Wallace, Blake, Appleton, Tom, P. Sullivan, B. Sullivan, Condotta, McIntire, Haigh, Morrell, McDonald, and Holmquist

Modifying snowmobile registration requirements.

Revises snowmobile registration requirements.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2648 by Representatives Sells, Wallace, Appleton, Ormsby, Springer, Lovick, Green, Hasegawa, Kessler, and Roberts

Regulating security freezes for victims of identity theft.

Amends RCW 19.182.170 regulating security freezes for victims of identity theft.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 2649 by Representatives Miloscia, Hasegawa, Upthegrove, and Ormsby

Creating an affordable housing for all program.

Finds that there is a large, unmet need for affordable housing in the state of Washington.

Declares that a decent, appropriate, and affordable home in a healthy, safe environment for every low-income household by 2020 is a goal for state and local governments and all housing organizations and related vendors. Furthermore, this goal includes increasing the percentage of low-income households who are able to obtain and retain housing without government subsidies or other public support.

Finds that the continual systematic collection and rigorous evaluation of comprehensive data regarding the state's affordable housing stock and persons requiring affordable housing is critical to planning for and achieving the state's affordable housing goal.

Finds that there are many root causes of the affordable housing shortage and declares that it is critical that such causes be analyzed, effective solutions be developed, implemented, monitored, and evaluated, and that these causal factors be eliminated.

Finds that there is a taxpayer and societal cost associated with a lack of living wage jobs and affordable housing and that state and local governments must identify and quantify that cost.

Finds that the support and commitment of all sectors of the statewide community is critical to accomplishing the state's affordable housing for all goal.

Finds that the provision of housing and housing-related services should be administered at the local level. However, the state should play a primary role in: Researching, evaluating, benchmarking, and implementing best practices; continually updating and evaluating statewide housing data; developing a statewide plan to achieve the affordable housing for all goal; coordinating and supporting local government plans and activities; and providing quality management by monitoring both state and local government performance towards achieving interim and ultimate goals.

Declares that the systematic and comprehensive performance measurement and evaluation of progress toward interim goals and the ultimate state affordable housing goal of a decent, appropriate, and affordable home in a healthy, safe environment for every low-income household in the state by 2020 is a necessary component of the statewide effort to end the lack of affordable housing crisis.

Appropriates the sum of two million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the department of community, trade, and economic development, for the purposes of accomplishing the planning, data system creation, data collection, and program implementation activities of this act. Of the two million dollars appropriated, the department of community, trade, and economic development shall distribute one million dollars to the participating local governments using a formula to be determined by the department and be used for local planning, data system creation, data collection, and program implementation purposes.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Housing.

HB 2650 by Representatives Miloscia, Pettigrew, Ormsby, Roberts, Hasegawa, Sells, and Green

Creating programs to end homelessness.

Establishes programs to end homelessness.

Appropriates the sum of two million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the department of community, trade, and economic development for the purposes of accomplishing the planning, data system creation, data collection, evaluation, reporting, and program implementation activities of this act. Of the two million dollars appropriated, the department shall distribute one million five hundred thousand dollars to the participating local governments, using a formula to be determined by the department, to be used for local planning, data system creation, data collection, program implementation purposes, implementation quality management programs, and local housing programs eligible under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Housing.

HB 2651 by Representatives Pettigrew, Kristiansen, Haigh, Buri, Walsh, Linville, Kretz, Grant, Cox, Newhouse, Holmquist, Blake, Armstrong, and Springer

Regarding disclosure of animal information.

Finds that livestock identification numbers, premise information, and animal movement data are proprietary information that all have a role in defining a livestock producer's position within the marketplace, including his or her competitive advantage over other producers.

Finds that voluntary animal testing by a livestock producer yields proprietary information that assists the producer to implement on-farm animal health practices.

Finds that exempting certain voluntary livestock identification, premise, movement, and testing information from state public disclosure requirements will protect and maintain the highest level of animal health, foster an environment that is more conducive to voluntary participation, and lead to a more effective livestock identification system.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 2652 by Representatives Darneille, McCoy, Walsh, Green, Morrell, Appleton, Nixon, Upthegrove, Miloscia, and Strow

Providing a religious exemption to the clean indoor air act.

Declares that a building or part of a building where religious ceremonies are conducted when smoking is part of the ritual is not a place of employment.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 2653 by Representatives Darneille, Clements, Bailey, Green, Appleton, Orcutt, and Hinkle

Prohibiting purchase or sale of human body parts for research purposes.

Prohibits purchase or sale of human body parts for research purposes.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2654 by Representatives Darneille, Strow, O'Brien, Lantz, Rodne, Simpson, Clibborn, McDonald, Conway, Miloscia, B. Sullivan, and Ericks

Prohibiting sex offender treatment by treatment providers who are sex offenders.

Prohibits sex offender treatment by treatment providers who are sex offenders.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2655 by Representatives Takko, Orcutt, Dunn, and Fromhold

Modifying disbursement of the metropolitan park district fund.

Revises disbursement of the metropolitan park district fund.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2656 by Representatives Takko, Schindler, Simpson, Dunn, Moeller, Ahern, and Fromhold

Modifying county lien authority.

Revises county lien authority.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2657 by Representatives Condotta, Hinkle, Serben, Chandler, Holmquist, Woods, Tom, Newhouse, Kristiansen, Sump, Skinner, and Kretz

Requiring legislative approval of class III tribal-state gaming compacts.

Requires legislative approval of class III tribal-state gaming compacts.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2658 by Representatives Hinkle, B. Sullivan, Condotta, and Kretz

Establishing a statewide ORV data base.

Provides that the data base must be based on a global information systems program and include all state and federal lands open for public ORV use. The data base must be available to the public over the committee's internet web site.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2659 by Representatives Hinkle, Linville, Holmquist, Kristiansen, and Condotta

Concerning water storage.

Declares that RCW 90.03.370 does not apply to impoundments of less than one hundred acre-feet provided that the facilities impound water under an existing water right where the use of the impoundment: (1) Facilitates efficient use of water and eliminates the diversion of water from the natural course of a stream or river during its base flow period;

(2) Promotes compliance with an approved recovery plan for endangered or threatened species or a watershed management plan that specifically provides an effective means to protect the water left in the stream during the base flow period; and

(3) Does not expand the number of acres irrigated or the annual consumptive quantity of water used.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 2660 by Representatives Condotta, Kretz, Kristiansen, Sump, Holmquist, Schindler, Orcutt, Pearson, Woods, Buri, Strow, and Wallace

Requiring labels that specify fuel tax rates to be affixed to gas pumps.

Requires the director to create an adhesive label specifying the current federal and state motor vehicle fuel and special fuel tax rates. The label must be updated as necessary to reflect current motor vehicle fuel and special fuel tax rates.

Provides that, beginning January 1, 2007, a current adhesive label, as described in this act, must be affixed on each retail motor vehicle fuel pump in the state.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2661 by Representatives Murray, Hankins, Pettigrew, Jarrett, McDermott, Grant, Lovick, Haigh, Moeller, Shabro, Santos, Kessler, Upthegrove, Tom, Hunter, Hasegawa, Walsh, Fromhold, Springer, Appleton, McCoy, Chase, Hudgins, Kenney, Lantz, Hunt, Darneille, Quall, Takko, Rodne, Sommers, Williams, Sells, Green, Schual-Berke, Simpson, Clibborn, Conway, Linville, Cody, Kagi, B. Sullivan, McIntire, Dickerson, Miloscia, Roberts, and Ormsby; by request of Governor Gregoire

Expanding the jurisdiction of the human rights commission.

Expands the jurisdiction of the human rights commission to include cases of discrimination because of a person's sexual orientation.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 2662 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Priest, Pettigrew, Jarrett, Dunshee, Anderson, Kagi, Serben, McCoy, Ericksen, Upthegrove, Tom, Green, Strow, Rodne, Nixon, Chase, Buri, Hunt, Eickmeyer, Darneille, Linville, Morrell, Lantz, Hunter, Appleton, Williams, Hudgins, Wallace, P. Sullivan, Flannigan, Springer, Kenney, O'Brien, Simpson, Clibborn, Sells, Moeller, Ericks, Kilmer, and Schual-Berke

Providing electronic product recycling through manufacturer financed opportunities.

Finds that a convenient, safe, and environmentally sound system for the collection, transportation, and recycling of covered electronic products must be established.

Finds that the system must encourage the design of electronic products that are less toxic and more recyclable.

Finds that the responsibility for this system must be shared among all stakeholders, with manufacturers financing the collection, transportation, and recycling system.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2663 by Representatives Holmquist, Morris, Orcutt, Sump, Ericksen, Dunshee, Buri, McDonald, Haler, B. Sullivan, Condotta, McCune, Kristiansen, Morrell, Green, Kretz, Ericks, Chandler, Wallace, Skinner, Crouse, Cox, Nixon, Rodne, Serben, Campbell, P. Sullivan, Simpson, Clibborn, Sells, Ahern, Hinkle, Moeller, Linville, Jarrett, Ormsby, Strow, Kilmer, and Dunn

Providing excise tax exemptions for alternative fuels.

Provides excise tax exemptions for alternative fuels.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2664 by Representatives Holmquist, Wallace, Morris, Dunshee, Crouse, B. Sullivan, McDonald, Hunt, Skinner, Morrell, McCune, Green, Ericks, Woods, Cox, Dunn, Sump, O'Brien, Serben, Rodne, P. Sullivan, Simpson, Sells, Linville, Hinkle, Moeller, Ormsby, Strow, Kretz, Kilmer, and Haler

Modifying fuel standards to include biodiesel.

Finds that every gallon of renewable fuel produced and consumed in Washington state represents one less gallon of refined petroleum product from foreign or domestic sources. Every gallon of renewable fuel produced and consumed in Washington realizes a significant reduction in the amount of harmful vehicle emissions.

Finds a renewable fuel standard is beneficial for the environment in all areas of the state, for agriculture and Washington's farm families, for commerce, for a general increase in our state's level of employment, and for functioning as a bridge that spans the gulf between the mainstream ideological differences of eastern and western Washington.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2665 by Representatives Holmquist, Wallace, Morris, Dunshee, Crouse, B. Sullivan, McDonald, Hunt, Skinner, Morrell, McCune, Green, Ericks, Woods, Cox, Dunn, Sump, Appleton, O'Brien, Serben, Rodne, P. Sullivan, Simpson, Sells, Linville, Moeller, Ormsby, Kretz, Kilmer, and Haler

Ensuring ethanol market access.

Ensures ethanol market access.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2666 by Representatives Holmquist, Wallace, Sump, Morris, Dunshee, Crouse, B. Sullivan, McDonald, Hunt, Morrell, McCune, Green, Ericks, Skinner, Lantz, Woods, Cox, Dunn, Appleton, O'Brien, Serben, Rodne, P. Sullivan, Simpson, Sells, Linville, Moeller, Ormsby, Strow, Kretz, Kilmer, Jarrett, and Haler

Ensuring biofuel market access.

Ensures biofuel market access.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2667 by Representatives Springer, Nixon, Hasegawa, Jarrett, Upthegrove, Clibborn, and Lovick

Providing municipal services to annexed areas.

Provides municipal services to annexed areas.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2668 by Representatives Hudgins, Lovick, Crouse, Upthegrove, B. Sullivan, and Sump

Modifying provisions regulating certain professional athletic events.

Revises provisions regulating certain professional athletic events.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2669 by Representatives Cody, Green, Morrell, Clibborn, Campbell, Moeller, Priest, and Lantz

Licensing specialty hospitals.

Finds that specialty hospitals jeopardize the financial balance of community hospitals by selectively providing care to less ill patients, treating fewer medicare, medicaid, and uninsured patients, providing primarily care that is profitable to investors, and reducing community hospital staffing.

Declares that, to assure that private and public hospitals in Washington remain financially viable institutions able to provide general acute care in their communities and maintain the capacity to respond to local, state, and national emergencies, the legislature has concluded that specialty hospitals must meet certain conditions in order to

be licensed. These conditions will ensure that specialty hospitals and community hospitals compete on a level playing field and, therefore, will minimize the adverse impacts of specialty hospitals on community general hospitals while assuring quality patient care.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 2670 by Representatives Kilmer, Lantz, Priest, Talcott, Green, Conway, Darneille, Cody, Hinkle, Linville, Flannigan, Miloscia, and Moeller

Authorizing hospital benefit zone financing.

Authorizes a local government to finance public improvements using hospital benefit zone financing subject to the following conditions: (1) The local government adopts an ordinance designating a benefit zone within its boundaries and specifying the public improvements proposed to be financed in whole or in part with the use of hospital benefit zone financing;

(2) The public improvements proposed to be financed in whole or in part using hospital benefit zone financing are expected both to encourage private development within the benefit zone and to support the development of a hospital that has received a certificate of need;

(3) Private development that is anticipated to occur within the benefit zone, as a result of the public improvements, will be consistent with the county-wide planning policy adopted by the county under RCW 36.70A.210 and the local government's comprehensive plan and development regulations adopted under chapter 36.70A RCW; and

(4) The governing body of the local government finds that the public improvements proposed to be financed in whole or in part using hospital benefit zone financing are reasonably likely to: (a) Increase private investment within the benefit zone; (b) Increase employment within the benefit zone; and (c) Generate, over the period of time that the local sales and use tax will be imposed under this act, state and local sales and use tax revenues that are equal to or greater than the respective state and local contributions made under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2671 by Representatives Ericks, Kessler, Simpson, Clibborn, Morrell, Springer, Dunn, and Wallace; by request of Governor Gregoire

Providing excise tax relief by modifying due dates and eliminating an assessment penalty.

Provides excise tax relief by modifying due dates and eliminating an assessment penalty.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2672 by Representatives Orcutt, Roach, Campbell, Serben, Walsh, Haler, McDonald, Woods, Bailey, Newhouse, Ericksen, Alexander, Skinner, Buck, Sump, Armstrong, Holmquist, Condotta, McCune, Schindler, Rodne, and Dunn

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2673 by Representatives Linville, Ericksen, P. Sullivan, Buck, Ericks, Kilmer, Kessler, Grant, Walsh, B. Sullivan, Lantz, Morris, O'Brien, Conway, Morrell, and Wallace

Providing tools for local infrastructure financing.

Recognizes that the state as a whole benefits from investment in public infrastructure because it promotes community and economic development. Public investment stimulates business activity and helps create jobs; stimulates the redevelopment of brownfields and blighted areas in the inner city; lowers the cost of housing; and promotes efficient land use.

Finds that these activities generate revenue for the state and that it is in the public interest to invest in these projects through a credit against the state sales and use tax and an allocation of property tax revenue to those local governments that can demonstrate the expected returns to the state.

Provides that, beginning September 1, 2013, and continuing every five years thereafter, the joint legislative audit and review committee shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature. The report shall, at a minimum, evaluate the effectiveness of the local infrastructure financing tool program, including a project by project review. The report that is due September 1, 2028, should also include any recommendations regarding whether or not the program should be expanded statewide and what impact the expansion would have on economic development in Washington.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4031 by Representatives Appleton, B. Sullivan, Green, Takko, McCoy, Hunt, Darneille, Flannigan, Kessler, Chase, Eickmeyer, Morris, McIntire, Murray, Woods, O'Brien, Ericks, Pettigrew, Moeller, Dunshee, Lantz, Schual-Berke, Lovick, Morrell, Kenney, Clibborn, Sommers, Walsh, Strow, Haler, Talcott, Jarrett, Wallace, Dickerson, Conway, P. Sullivan, Hasegawa, Upthegrove, Rodne, Hankins, Williams, Springer, Cody, McDermott, Sells, Miloscia, Kagi, Campbell, Simpson, Roberts, and Kilmer

Preserving section 5 of the Marine Mammal Protection Act to protect Puget Sound.

Requests that section 5 of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. Sec. 476) be preserved to continue protecting Puget Sound for current and future citizens of Washington and the United States to enjoy.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

Senate Bills

SB 6308 by Senators Carrell, Stevens, Regala, Schoesler, Schmidt, Oke, and Rasmussen

Creating a joint select committee on offenders programs, sentencing, and supervision.

Directs the joint select committee to review and make recommendations regarding: (1) The type of offender that would benefit most in terms of personal achievement, responsibility, and community safety, by having the opportunity to receive enhanced training and education while in prison;

(2) The types of training and educational programs that would provide the greatest return on investment with regard to offender achievement, responsibility, and community;

(3) Changes to the sentencing law and policies related to "good time" that would encourage incarcerated offenders to participate in training and programs that will increase the likelihood that they will be able to support themselves when they leave prison and reduce recidivism;

(4) A method for evaluating the return on the investment and determining from front line department of corrections staff and community partners, whether the changes are improving personal responsibility on the part of the offender and reducing crime in the community; and

(5) Changes to community supervision that would provide greater safety to the public and incentives for prisons in adhering to treatment, educational goals, and reducing recidivism.

Requires the joint select committee to present a report of its findings and recommendations to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature, including any proposed legislation, by November 15, 2007.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6309 by Senators Carrell, Pflug, Schoesler, Benton, Schmidt, Esser, Roach, Stevens, Johnson, Benson, Mulliken, Deccio, Parlette, Delvin, Hewitt, Honeyford, and Sheldon

Reinstating the Washington state pick-up credit for federal estate and transfer taxes.

Provides that the department may collect the generation-skipping transfer tax under this act, including interest and penalties, and shall represent this state in all matters pertaining to the same, either before courts or in any other manner. At any time after the Washington return is due, the department may file its findings regarding the amount of the tax, the federal credit, the person required to file the federal return, and all persons having an interest in property subject to the tax with the clerk of the superior court in the matter of the trust or the estate of the decedent, if any, or, if no trust, probate or administration proceedings have been commenced in any court of this state, of any superior court which has jurisdiction over the property. Such a court first acquiring jurisdiction shall retain jurisdiction to the exclusion of every other court.

Repeals RCW 83.100.046, 83.100.047, and 83.100.095.

Repeals 2005 c 516 s 1 (uncodified).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6310 by Senators Carrell, Benton, Mulliken, Schoesler, Stevens, Zarelli, and Schmidt

Changing the elements of adverse possession.

Provides that a person may acquire title to real property by adverse possession only if: (1) The person has maintained actual, open, notorious, exclusive, hostile, and continuous possession of the property for the period set forth in RCW 4.16.020;

(2) The person has made or erected substantial improvements upon the property at issue and such improvements have remained on the property for at least ten years;

(3) The person owns property that is contiguous to the property at issue; and

(4) The person proves each of the elements set forth in this section by clear and convincing evidence.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6311 by Senators Carrell, Benton, Schoesler, Schmidt, Benson, Shin, Esser, and Rasmussen

Providing a bonus for teachers in high market demand subjects.

Provides a bonus for teachers in high market demand subjects.

Appropriates the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the Washington institute for public policy at The Evergreen State College for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 6312 by Senators Carrell, Benton, and Pflug

Restricting the solicitation of money or employment from the side of a public highway.

Provides that no person shall stand or sit on a public highway, nor upon any shoulder or intersection control area of a public highway, for the purpose of soliciting employment or contributions from the occupant of any vehicle while such vehicle is operating on the respective public highway, shoulder, or intersection control area.

Declares that a violation of this act constitutes a misdemeanor.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6313 by Senators Carrell and Stevens

Regarding recidivism reduction through discharge of convicted felons.

Declares that it is in the public interest that a person who has satisfied all incarceration and supervision requirements of his or her sentence receive a certificate of discharge if he or she has made a good faith effort to satisfy all legal financial obligations, according to his or her

means, and the legal financial obligations remain enforceable by all parties as a civil judgment.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6314 by Senators Carrell, Benton, Mulliken, Schmidt, Schoesler, Roach, Stevens, Benson, Delvin, Oke, and Sheldon

Protecting children, vulnerable persons, and communities by strengthening laws regarding sex offenders regardless of whether the perpetrator was known or unknown to the victim at the time of the crime, and kidnapping offenders.

Protects children, vulnerable persons, and communities by strengthening laws regarding sex offenders regardless of whether the perpetrator was known or unknown to the victim at the time of the crime, and kidnapping offenders.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6315 by Senators Carrell, Benton, Roach, Mulliken, Oke, Schoesler, Schmidt, Regala, Delvin, Stevens, Benson, Sheldon, and Esser

Modifying sex offender provisions.

Revises sex offender provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6316 by Senators Carrell, Benton, Morton, Schmidt, Schoesler, Oke, Deccio, Delvin, Benson, and Mulliken

Providing a procedure for court-ordered visitation with a child for grandparents.

Affirms that parents have a paramount right to raise their minor children.

Recognizes that this paramount right must be considered in conjunction with a minor child's interest in maintaining the strong emotional bonds with grandparents that the child has developed and relies upon.

Declares an intent to establish internally consistent and rigorous standards that must be met for a grandparent to obtain visitation with a minor child.

Repeals RCW 26.09.240.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6317 by Senators Carrell, Benton, Pflug, Mulliken, Schoesler, Stevens, Oke, and Esser

Modifying voter registration provisions.

Revises voter registration provisions.

Repeals RCW 29A.08.145 and 29A.84.670.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6318 by Senators Stevens, Pflug, Roach, Mulliken, Benson, Benton, Carrell, Parlette, Oke, Deccio, Delvin, Esser, Honeyford, Hewitt, and Sheldon

Requiring a two-thirds vote in order for the legislature to declare an emergency.

Requires a two-thirds vote in order for the legislature to declare an emergency.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6319 by Senators Regala, Brandland, Stevens, Kline, Weinstein, Doumit, Carrell, Keiser, Rockefeller, Berkey, Haugen, Fairley, Spanel, Pflug, Sheldon, Rasmussen, McAuliffe, Shin, Roach, and Benton

Changing provisions for sex offender registration.

Revises provisions for sex offender registration.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6320 by Senators Regala, Brandland, Franklin, Doumit, Rasmussen, Carrell, Haugen, Pridemore, Kline, Stevens, Keiser, Berkey, Thibaudeau, Jacobsen, Pflug, Sheldon, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, Roach, and Benton

Revising the model policy for disclosure of sex offender information.

Requires the model policy to provide guidelines for sex offender registration, community notification, and strategies for sex offender management.

Requires the sex offender model policy work group, once convened, to first conduct a series of community meetings around the state to assess the practices and needs of communities, identify best practices on sex offender registration, community notification, and strategies for sex offender management. Once the sex offender model policy work group has received input from stakeholders on a final draft of the model policy, the policy shall be presented to the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs for adoption or rejection.

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6321 by Senators Regala, Brandland, Stevens, Carrell, Kline, Keiser, Rockefeller, Berkey, Haugen, Fairley, Spanel, Pflug, Sheldon, Rasmussen, McAuliffe, Shin, and Roach

Changing the eligibility requirement for the special sex offender sentencing alternative.

Revises the eligibility requirement for the special sex offender sentencing alternative.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6322 by Senators Regala, Brandland, Kohl-Welles, Carrell, Kastama, Stevens, Keiser, Doumit,

Rockefeller, Kline, Rasmussen, Berkey, Haugen, Shin, Jacobsen, McAuliffe, Pflug, Sheldon, Roach, and Benton

Relating to electronic monitoring of sex offenders.

Provides that county sheriffs shall select sex offenders within their county to be electronically monitored with passive global positioning system technology. Selection of which offenders to monitor shall be at the judgment of the sheriff.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6323 by Senators Regala, Swecker, Kastama, and Rasmussen

Limiting exceptions to the reporting requirements under chapter 42.17 RCW.

Limits exceptions to the reporting requirements under chapter 42.17 RCW.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6324 by Senators Regala, Schmidt, Thibaudeau, Stevens, Brown, Eide, Franklin, Pridemore, Keiser, Rasmussen, Fairley, Rockefeller, Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, and Roach

Expanding foster care and support services provisions.

Allows a youth reaching age eighteen to continue in foster care or group care as needed to participate in or complete a high school or posthigh school academic or vocational program, and to receive necessary support and transition services. A youth who remains eligible for such placement and services under department rules may continue in foster care or group care until the youth reaches his or her twenty-first birthday.

Declares that nothing in this act shall be construed to create: (1) An entitlement to services;

(2) Judicial authority to extend the jurisdiction of juvenile court in a proceeding under chapter 13.34 RCW to a youth who has attained eighteen years of age or to order the provision of services to the youth; or

(3) A private right of action or claim on the part of any individual, entity, or agency against the department of social and health services or any contractor of the department.

Authorizes the department of social and health services to adopt rules establishing eligibility for independent living services and placement for youths under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6325 by Senators Regala, Kline, Fairley, Stevens, Rasmussen, and McAuliffe

Establishing residences for sex offenders.

Authorizes the state to establish residence restrictions and community protection zones for registered sex offenders. Local laws and ordinances that are inconsistent with, more restrictive than, or exceed the requirements of state law shall not be enacted and are preempted.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6326 by Senators Shin, Rasmussen, Pflug, Doumit, Rockefeller, Weinstein, Pridemore, Hewitt, Jacobsen, Thibaudeau, Swecker, Sheldon, Oke, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Franklin, Kline, and Berkey

Providing a source of funding for customized work force training.

Provides a source of funding for customized work force training.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

SB 6327 by Senators Shin, Swecker, Pflug, Rockefeller, McAuliffe, Doumit, Franklin, Rasmussen, Thibaudeau, Berkey, Keiser, Schoesler, Sheldon, and Fairley

Financing local economic development projects.

Declares an intent to promote and facilitate the orderly development and economic stability of communities in the state. It is the purpose of this act to provide financial resources to assist local jurisdictions in the financing of public improvements which are needed to encourage private development where this development would not otherwise occur due to the presence of contaminated property and other environmental considerations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

SB 6328 by Senators Shin, Pflug, Sheldon, Schmidt, Doumit, Benton, McAuliffe, Swecker, Rasmussen, Berkey, Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, and Roach

Creating a joint legislative task force on aerospace manufacturing.

Creates a joint legislative task force on aerospace manufacturing.

Requires the task force to review the following issues related to expanding the presence of aerospace manufacturing and associated research and development, education, and training businesses at airports of regional significance:

(1) The composition of the current aerospace manufacturing industry in Washington state and significant trends that affect retention, expansion, and recruitment of companies in that industry;

(2) Aerospace and nonaerospace businesses currently sited at airports of regional significance;

(3) The inventory of untapped or underutilized capacity at airports of regional significance;

(4) Types of aerospace manufacturing and associated businesses that could be sited at airports of regional significance;

(5) Financial and technical resources that are available and those that would be needed; and

(6) Statutory and regulatory changes required to expand the presence of aerospace manufacturing and associated businesses at airports of regional significance.

Requires the task force to report its findings and recommendations to the legislature by June 30, 2007.

Appropriates the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to the house of representatives and the senate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, to carry out the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

SB 6329 by Senators Shin, Rasmussen, Berkey, Swecker, Sheldon, Schmidt, Oke, Honeyford, and Mulliken

Providing excise tax relief for aerospace product development businesses.

Provides excise tax relief for aerospace product development businesses.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

SB 6330 by Senators Shin, Kastama, Sheldon, Rasmussen, Doumit, Weinstein, Fraser, Swecker, McAuliffe, Oke, Eide, Honeyford, Franklin, Mulliken, Prentice, Pflug, Kohl-Welles, Jacobsen, and Roach

Establishing the Washington trade corps fellowship program.

Declares that the purpose of the program is to promote international trade and enhance the work of Washington's trade offices. The program will award fellowships to students who have shown significant interest in pursuing a career in international trade and place them in trade offices. The fellows will be expected to learn the practice of trade promotion and fulfill the mission of the offices to promote overseas trade and commerce.

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

SB 6331 by Senators Carrell and Stevens

Concerning unfounded or meritless child abuse or neglect reports.

Declares that "meritless" means available information indicates that, more likely than not, the child abuse or neglect allegation was based on arbitrary, malicious, or erroneous information or actions. No meritless allegation of child abuse or neglect may be disclosed to a child-placing agency, private adoption agency, or any other provider licensed under chapter 74.15 RCW.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6332 by Senators Zarelli, Pridemore, Benton, Doumit, and Kohl-Welles

Modifying spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license provisions.

Revises spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6333 by Senators Parlette, Morton, Mulliken, Johnson, Pflug, Deccio, Roach, Schoesler, Benson, Sheldon, Carrell, Delvin, Oke, Stevens, Esser, and Benton

Requiring photo identification at the polls.

Declares that valid photo identification consists of any one of the following: (1) A valid driver's license;

(2) A valid state identification card;

(3) A valid United States passport;

(4) A valid tribal identification card;

(5) A valid United States military identification card.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6334 by Senators Fairley, Benton, Franklin, Kline, Rasmussen, and Shin; by request of Housing Finance Commission

Increasing the debt limit of the housing finance commission.

Increases the debt limit of the housing finance commission from three to five billion dollars.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 6335 by Senator Haugen

Expanding the waiver of interest and penalties for property tax delinquencies.

Applies to where the taxpayer fails to make a payment due to circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer, as determined by the department by rule.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6336 by Senators Haugen, Prentice, Fairley, Oke, Fraser, Swecker, Shin, Kline, Rockefeller, Eide, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, Franklin, Thibaudeau, Jacobsen, Brown, and Sheldon

Revising the definition of income for public assistance to exclude housing assistance or housing vouchers for military personnel or veterans.

Provides that, to the extent permitted under applicable federal requirements, "income" does not include housing assistance or housing vouchers received by military personnel or veterans.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6337 by Senators Haugen, Mulliken, and Rasmussen

Changing compensation requirements for members of the governing body of diking and drainage districts.

Provides that, to be eligible to receive compensation under RCW 85.38.075, the land located within the special district owned by the member of the governing body of that special district shall not be subject to any lien for delinquent special assessments under RCW 85.38.178.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6338 by Senators Haugen, Oke, Berkey, Swecker, Eide, Mulliken, Spanel, Kline, Rasmussen, McAuliffe, Shin, and Fairley

Regarding the property tax exemption for seniors and for persons retired due to disability.

Revises the property tax exemption for seniors and for persons retired due to disability.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6339 by Senator Haugen

Allocating federal surface transportation program enhancement funds.

Provides that any steering committee that makes final selection of projects funded from federal surface transportation program enhancement funds or a similar program shall ensure, to the greatest extent practicable, that funding for each transportation enhancement activity is allocated such that the allocation meets or exceeds the national average of allocations made for each respective activity. The secretary of transportation may not approve a project list submitted by the steering committee unless it reflects allocation decisions that comply with this provision.

Requires that, by December 1, 2007, and every two years thereafter, the department shall report to the transportation committees of the legislature detailing the national average of allocations for each transportation enhancement activity and indicating whether the state's allocations have met or exceeded the national average of allocations made for each respective activity.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6340 by Senator McCaslin

Modifying notice provisions for parents in noncompliance with child support orders.

Authorizes the department to send notice to a responsible parent informing the responsible parent of the department's intent to submit the parent's name to the department of licensing and any appropriate licensing entity as a licensee who is not in compliance with a child support order.

Provides that if the support order establishing or modifying a child support obligation does not include a statement as required under RCW 26.23.050 (1)(d) or (3) that the responsible parent's privileges to obtain and maintain a driver's license may not be renewed, or may be suspended if the parent is not in compliance with a support order, the department must serve upon a responsible parent a notice informing the responsible parent of the department's intent to submit the parent's name to the department of licensing and any appropriate licensing entity as a licensee who is not in compliance with a child support order before certifying the name of the parent to the department of licensing or any other licensing entity.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6341 by Senators Prentice, Esser, Keiser, Pflug, Franklin, and Roach; by request of Department of Labor & Industries

Including failure to secure a load in the first degree as a compensable crime under the crime victims' compensation program.

Includes failure to secure a load in the first degree as a compensable crime under the crime victims' compensation program.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6342 by Senators Kline, Esser, and Pflug; by request of Board For Judicial Administration

Changing the election and appointment provisions for municipal court judges.

Revises the election and appointment provisions for municipal court judges.

Repeals RCW 3.50.055 and 3.50.070.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6343 by Senators Kline, Kastama, Weinstein, Rasmussen, Fairley, Keiser, Thibaudeau, Pflug, Kohl-Welles, Roach, and Benton

Requiring a high school course in civics.

Provides that beginning with the graduating class of 2010, students must complete at least one course in civics. The superintendent of public instruction shall develop specific guidelines to implement this requirement.

Declares that, for the purposes of this act, "civics" means the social science that analyzes our state's and nation's democratic institutions and traditions including the rights and duties of citizens.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 6344 by Senators Kline, Kohl-Welles, Hargrove, Rockefeller, Shin, and Benton

Monitoring personal information collected by state agencies.

Authorizes the department to create and maintain a registry describing the information systems or data bases maintained by state agencies that contain personally identifiable information. The registry need not include systems or data bases that contain personally identifiable information pertaining solely to public officials acting in their official capacity. The department may require state agencies to provide information necessary to create and maintain the registry.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6345 by Senators Rasmussen, Berkey, Kastama, Fairley, Keiser, Eide, Haugen, Jacobsen, Spanel, Prentice, Rockefeller, Franklin, and Oke; by request of Governor Gregoire and Commissioner of Public Lands

Reaffirming existing Washington state law in the state Constitution, state supreme court decisions, and statutes relating to the use of eminent domain by state and local governments.

Declares that the intent of this act is to make clear that Article I, section 16 of the Washington State Constitution prohibits the use of eminent domain to take private property for private use, except under narrow exceptions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6346 by Senators Kline, Weinstein, and Keiser

Penalizing the false or fraudulent refusal of an insurance claim.

Declares that it is unlawful for any person engaged in the business of insurance, knowing it to be such, to: (1) Present, or cause to be presented, a false or fraudulent refusal of a claim, or any proof in support of such a refused claim, for the payment of a loss under a contract of insurance; or

(2) Prepare, make, or subscribe any false or fraudulent account, certificate, affidavit, or proof of loss, or other document or writing, with intent that it be presented or used in support of such a refusal to pay a claim.

Declares that a violation of this act is a gross misdemeanor.

Provides that, if the claim is in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars, the violation is a class C felony punishable according to chapter 9A.20 RCW.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 6347 by Senators Kline and Keiser

Changing provisions relating to industrial insurance claims made due to emergency response.

Revises provisions relating to industrial insurance claims made due to emergency response.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6348 by Senators Kline, Keiser, Thibaudeau, Regala, Rockefeller, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, McAuliffe, and Fairley

Extending availability of legal aid to undocumented alien victims of domestic violence and human trafficking.

Extends availability of legal aid to undocumented alien victims of domestic violence and human trafficking.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6349 by Senators Kline, Haugen, and Franklin

Requiring the projected costs of certain criminal justice legislation to be appropriated into accounts to be used for capital costs.

Requires the office of financial management to prepare a fiscal note under chapter 43.88A RCW or 43.132 RCW for any bill introduced before the legislature that would result in a net increase in periods of incarceration in state adult or juvenile correctional facilities.

Requires the office of financial management to forward a copy of each required fiscal note under this act to the sponsor of the bill that has been introduced before the legislature. The sponsor shall, on a form devised or adopted by the office of financial management, state a revenue source or budget reduction declaring how the proposed bill will be funded.

Requires the sponsor to return the form back to the office of financial management. The office of financial management shall transmit copies of the response form to the chairperson of the committee to which the bill was referred upon introduction in the house of origin and the appropriate legislative fiscal committees.

Authorizes counties, cities, towns, and other units of local government to submit petitions to the department for reimbursement of increased capital costs associated with increased offender populations in locally operated adult or juvenile correctional facilities, including the cost of planning or preplanning studies that may be required to initiate capital projects.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6350 by Senators Kline, Kohl-Welles, Thibaudeau, Pridemore, Franklin, Regala, Haugen, Jacobsen, and Spanel

Specifying actions required for vesting of rights in land use actions.

Specifies actions required for vesting of rights in land use actions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6351 by Senators Kastama, McCaslin, and Pflug; by request of Attorney General

Allowing members of the executive and legislative ethics boards to serve a second term.

Authorizes members of the executive and legislative ethics boards to serve a second term.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6352 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Franklin, and Fairley

Protecting agricultural workers.

Provides that, in addition to the surety bond required under RCW 19.30.040, the director shall require the deposit of a separate repatriation bond by any person acting as a farm labor contractor under chapter 19.30 RCW and participating or applying to participate in the federal H-2A visa program established under section 218 of the federal immigration and nationality act of 1952 as amended (8 U.S.C. Sec. 1101, 1184, and 1188). The purpose of the repatriation bond is to cover travel expenses for returning H-2A workers to their home in their country of origin, and room, board, and other living expenses for H-2A workers while they await repatriation if the farm labor contractor fails to make timely repatriation of H-2A workers when appropriate.

Authorizes any person to protest the issuance or renewal of a license under this act. The director shall not issue a license to operate as a farm labor contractor if the director determines that: (1) The applicant has made any misrepresentations or false statements in his or her application for a license;

(2) The applicant owes any debts or has any outstanding judgments from administrative or judicial determinations against him or her or any of his or her agents, partners, associates, stockholders, or profit sharers arising out of his or her farm labor contracting activities in this or any other state or country;

(3) The applicant has repeatedly violated, or willfully aided or abetted any person in the violation of, any laws, including international laws, federal or state laws, or laws of other nations, or any agreements with agricultural workers or third parties, related to his or her farm labor contracting activities in this or any other state or country;

(4) The applicant's character, competency, or responsibility are not satisfactory;

(5) The applicant violated chapter 19.30 RCW on or after January 1st of the year preceding the year of application.

Repeals RCW 19.30.090.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6353 by Senators Sheldon and Stevens

Concerning recreational landowners' liability.

Declares that a public landowner, or other authorized park or facility operator, is not liable for unintentional injuries to the recreational users of a public park or facility dedicated primarily to off-road vehicle use.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6354 by Senators Sheldon and Stevens

Concerning recreational landowners' liability.

Declares that the following are not fees: (1) A license or permit issued for statewide use under authority of chapter 79A.05 RCW or Title 77 RCW; and

(2) A daily charge not to exceed twenty dollars per person, per day, for access to a publicly owned off-road vehicle park or facility for the purposes of off-road vehicle use.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6355 by Senators Sheldon and Stevens

Concerning off-road vehicles.

Appropriates the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to the interagency committee for outdoor recreation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, to fund off-road vehicle education and enforcement activities by state agencies and local governments through the nonhighway and off-road vehicle activities program.

Requires the department of natural resources to convene a working group to develop and propose policy strategies and legislation to address issues relating to access to public and private lands for recreational off-road vehicle use.

Requires the working group to provide its policy strategies and legislative proposals to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the senate and house of representatives by December 1, 2007.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6356 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, McAuliffe, Franklin, Thibaudeau, Fairley, Prentice, and Kline

Establishing minimum labor standards for certain large employers as related to health care services expenditures.

Declares an intent to set minimum labor standards for some large employers in Washington state with respect to health benefit expenditures, and to further the state's interest in ensuring that its residents have access to appropriate health care services. Ensuring that employers do not eliminate employer-paid health care is important for minimizing the burden on taxpayers and the public health system, and protecting the health, safety, and well-being of the residents of Washington state.

Requires that, on July 1, 2007, and each following July 1st, every employer shall report to the director: (1) The employer's health care services expenditures in the preceding calendar year; and

(2) The employer's payroll in the preceding calendar year.

Requires an employer to either: (1) Spend at least nine percent of the employer's payroll on health care services expenditures; or

(2) Pay to the director an amount equal to the difference between the employer's health care services expenditures and an amount equal to nine percent of the employer's payroll.

Provides that an employer that is a nonprofit organization or governmental entity shall either: (1) Spend at least seven percent of the employer's payroll on health care services expenditures; or

(2) Pay to the director an amount equal to the difference between the employer's health care services expenditures and an amount equal to seven percent of its payroll.

Requires the director to: (1) Administer and enforce this act;

(2) Review reports, inspect records, and conduct investigations and audits of employment, payroll, and health care services expenditures, as the director deems necessary or appropriate, to determine whether an employer has complied with this act;

(3) Adopt rules necessary to implement this act; and

(4) Deposit payments required and civil penalties assessed under this act into the health services account established under RCW 43.72.900.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor,
Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6357 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Brandland, Regala, Eide, Stevens, Oke, and McAuliffe

Authorizing additional locations for the transfer of newborn children.

Authorizes additional locations for the transfer of newborn children.

Requires the department of social and health services to collect and compile information concerning the number and medical condition of newborns transferred under RCW 13.34.360 and the number and medical condition of newborns abandoned within the state who were not transferred under RCW 13.34.360. The department shall make a preliminary report to the legislature by January 1, 2007, and a final report to the legislature by January 1, 2008.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services
& Corrections.

SB 6358 by Senators Morton and Rasmussen

Concerning hunter education requirements.

Declares that the hunter education certificate requirements of RCW 77.32.155 do not apply to active duty personnel in the United States armed forces who provide documentation establishing successful completion of firearms qualification requirements for his or her branch of the armed forces.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural
Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 6359 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Parlette, and Kline;
by request of Employment Security Department

Ensuring employers do not evade their contribution rate.

Provides that, if it is found that a purpose of the transfer or acquisition of a business was to obtain a reduced array calculation factor rate, then the following applies: (1) If the successor was an employer at the time of the transfer, then the experience rating accounts of the employers involved shall be combined into a single account and the employers assigned the higher of the predecessor or successor array calculation factor rate.

(2) If the successor was not an employer at the time of the transfer, then the experience rating account of the acquired business must not be transferred and, instead, the new employer rate shall be assigned.

Provides that, if the person knowingly evading the successorship provisions, or knowingly attempting to evade these provisions, or knowingly promoting the evasion of these provisions, is not an employer, the person is subject to a civil penalty assessment of five thousand dollars per occurrence. In addition, the person is subject to the penalties prescribed in RCW 50.36.020 as if the person were an employer. The person must also pay for the employment security department's reasonable expenses of auditing his or her books and collecting the civil penalty assessment.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor,
Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6360 by Senator McCaslin

Requiring follow up on employment referrals by the employment security department.

Provides that when the employment security department assists in the reemployment of unemployed workers through the job service program, work source, or any other means and part of the reemployment assistance includes the referral of a worker to a particular employer, the department must follow up with the employer on a monthly basis to determine whether the worker referred to the employer contacted the employer, was employed by the employer, if so, for what length of time, and, if no longer employed, the reasons why.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor,
Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6361 by Senator Honeyford

Modifying office of financial management rule reporting requirements.

Requires the office of financial management to report to the governor when the credibility of documents an agency uses in developing a rule is questioned.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government
Operations & Elections.

SB 6362 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Jacobsen, and Kline

Modifying voter registration provisions.

Revises voter registration provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government
Operations & Elections.

SB 6363 by Senators Keiser, Benson, Franklin, Poulsen, Thibaudeau, Kline, and Parlette

Developing worksite health promotion programs.

Requires the authority to develop an on-line health assessment tool that is available to state employees. The health assessment tool must: (1) Be voluntary;

(2) Be confidential;

(3) Enable participants to compare their personal health information with local and national data; and

(4) Generate recommendations about programs and actions most likely to improve individual health.

Requires the authority to make the on-line health assessment tool available to private sector employers. The administrator may charge private sector employers an annual enrollment fee sufficient to offset the cost of administering the health assessment tool for private sector employers.

Requires that, to the extent funds are appropriated specifically for this purpose, the department shall develop a healthy worksite grant program designed to assist employers seeking to implement strategies to improve the health of their employees. The department shall adopt rules to implement the healthy worksite grant program that include: (1) Eligibility criteria for employers to apply for grants that include limiting the program to employers with less than two hundred employees; and

(2) Criteria for evaluating grant applications that include an assessment of whether the proposed project incorporates worksite strategies known to be effective in increasing physical activity, improving diets, and reducing obesity among employees and the degree to which applicants commit to providing internal resources to implement a proposed strategy.

Requires the department to report to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by December 1, 2008, evaluating the grant program.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6364 by Senators Roach, Rasmussen, Kastama, Haugen, and Kline

Prohibiting certain activities on motor driven boats and vessels.

Provides that no person may operate a motor driven boat or vessel or have the engine of a motor driven boat or vessel run idle while an individual is teak surfing, platform dragging, or bodysurfing behind the motor driven boat or vessel.

Provides that no person may operate a motor driven boat or vessel or have the engine of a motor driven boat or vessel run idle while an individual is occupying or holding onto the swim platform, swim deck, swim step, or swim ladder of the motor driven boat or vessel.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 6365 by Senators Rasmussen, Schoesler, Jacobsen, Fraser, and Shin; by request of Department of Agriculture

Changing the registration fees for weighing and measuring devices.

Revises the registration fees for weighing and measuring devices.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6366 by Senators Keiser, Thibaudeau, and Kline

Concerning preparation and response to pandemic influenza.

Declares an intent that adequate pandemic flu preparedness and response plans be developed and implemented by local public health jurisdictions statewide in order to limit the number of illnesses and deaths, preserve the continuity of essential government and other community services, and minimize social disruption and economic loss in the event of an influenza pandemic.

Provides that, by January 1, 2007, each local health jurisdiction shall develop a pandemic flu preparedness and response plan, consistent with requirements and standards established by the department and the United States department of health and human services.

Requires the department to provide technical assistance and disburse funds as needed to support local health jurisdictions in developing their pandemic flu preparedness and response plans.

Appropriates the sum of twenty million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the department of health for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6367 by Senators Haugen, Jacobsen, and Berkey

Requiring voluntary measures be included in critical area development regulations.

Finds that because the growth management act does not contain specific provisions as to the applicability of critical area protection requirements to existing and nonconforming land uses, the courts are being requested to develop state policy on an unequal and piecemeal basis and that legislatively established direction is appropriate and needed.

Declares the purpose of this act is to encourage counties and cities to expand the availability and use of nonregulatory measures for existing and nonconforming uses as a component of ordinances under RCW 36.70A.130 adopted after the effective date of this act and to encourage an increase in the information and resources to the public to foster voluntary activities by citizens to improve their environment.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6368 by Senators Haugen, Benson, Kline, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Carrell, and Fairley

Discontinuing the nursing facility bed tax.

Repeals RCW 74.46.091, 74.46.535, 82.71.010, 82.71.020, and 82.71.030.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6369 by Senators Haugen, Mulliken, and Rasmussen
Providing excise tax exemptions for water services provided by small water systems.

Provides excise tax exemptions for water services provided by small water systems.

Requires that, by December 1, 2010, the fiscal committees of the house of representatives and the senate, in consultation with the department, shall report to the legislature on the effectiveness of the tax exemptions under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6370 by Senator Haugen

Regarding property tax exemptions for nonprofit organizations and associations.

Declares that the exemption is not nullified by the lease or rental of the property to entities not eligible for a property tax exemption under chapter 84.36 RCW if: (1) The property is used a majority of the time for the exempt purpose by the nonprofit organization or association;

(2) The amount of the rent or donations collected is reasonable; and

(3) The proceeds are used to retire the first mortgage on the property.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6371 by Senators Rasmussen, Schoesler, Shin, Jacobsen, and Sheldon; by request of Department of Agriculture

Regulating the disposal of dead animals.

Requires every person owning or having in charge any livestock that has died because of disease shall dispose of the carcass within a time frame and in a manner prescribed in rule by the director, which may include, but is not limited to, burial, composting, incinerating, landfilling, natural decomposition, or rendering. Any livestock found dead from an unknown cause is presumed to have died because of disease.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6372 by Senators Keiser, Deccio, Spanel, Zarelli, Pflug, Kline, Kohl-Welles, and Rasmussen

Requiring timely assessment of assisted living facility applicants.

Requires the department to work in partnership with boarding homes, and medicaid applicants and their families, to ensure that department assessments of boarding home applicant care needs are completed in a timely manner.

Requires the department to complete an assessment of the care needs of current or potential medicaid boarding home residents within ten business days of application for services. If the department fails to complete the assessment within ten business days, and following a determination that the applicant qualifies for medicaid services, the

department shall pay for services from the date of the request for assessment.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6373 by Senators Keiser, Deccio, Zarelli, and Spanel

Removing expiration of reporting to the legislature of holding a boarding home medicaid eligible resident's room or unit.

Deletes expiration of reporting to the legislature of holding a boarding home medicaid eligible resident's room or unit from RCW 18.20.290.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6374 by Senators Spanel, Zarelli, and Deccio

Concerning assisted living facility medicaid minimum occupancy of fifty percent or greater.

Directs the department to establish a capital add-on rate, not less than the July 1, 2005, capital add-on rate established by the department, for those assisted living facilities contracting with the department that have a medicaid minimum occupancy percentage of fifty percent or greater. The medicaid minimum occupancy percentage shall be determined on an annual basis.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6375 by Senators Rasmussen, Schoesler, Jacobsen, Honeyford, Shin, Morton, and Delvin

Creating an advisory committee to evaluate animal identification programs.

Creates an advisory committee to evaluate animal identification programs.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6376 by Senators Rasmussen, Honeyford, Jacobsen, Shin, Morton, and Delvin

Changing livestock inspection fee provisions.

Revises livestock inspection fee provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6377 by Senators Doumit, Rasmussen, Schoesler, Swecker, Morton, Zarelli, Shin, and Pflug

Regarding milk sales under cow share agreements.

Finds that the existing definition of "sale" as provided in chapter 15.36 RCW includes arrangements known as "cow shares," in which one or more individuals purchase one or more shares in a milk-producing animal in return for a portion of the milk that is produced. It is the intent of the legislature to clarify that the existing definition includes these arrangements.

Authorizes the director to issue a cease and desist order to any person whom the director has reason to believe is engaged in an activity for which a license is required by chapter 15.36 RCW. The person to whom such notice is issued may request an adjudicative proceeding to contest the order.

Provides that the sale of raw milk from a dairy farm that is not licensed as a milk producer and a milk processing plant under this chapter constitutes a class C felony punishable according to chapter 9A.20 RCW. Neither the issuance of a cease and desist order nor payment of a civil penalty relieves the person so selling raw milk from criminal prosecution, but the remedy of a cease and desist order or civil penalty is in addition to any criminal liability.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6378 by Senators Shin, Schoesler, Berkey, Brandland, Keiser, Fairley, McAuliffe, and Delvin

Licensing persons offering athletic training services.

Declares it is the purpose of this act to provide for the licensure of persons offering athletic training services to the public and to ensure standards of competence and professional conduct on the part of athletic trainers.

Provides that it is unlawful for any person to practice or offer to practice as an athletic trainer, or to represent themselves or other persons to be legally able to provide services as an athletic trainer, unless the person is licensed under the provisions of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6379 by Senators Poulsen, Morton, Fraser, Finkbeiner, Rockefeller, and Rasmussen; by request of Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development

Increasing temporarily the statewide cap for the customer assistance public utility tax credit.

Increases temporarily the statewide cap for the customer assistance public utility tax credit.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6380 by Senators Poulsen, Morton, Fraser, Finkbeiner, Rockefeller, Rasmussen, and Fairley; by request of Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development

Providing a limited public utility tax credit for gas distribution businesses.

Finds that: (1) Rising costs of natural gas are creating an economic hardship for Washington's small business and food processing industries.

(2) Natural gas costs are unlikely to return to historically low levels of a few years ago making investments in energy efficiency increasingly important.

(3) Washington investor-owned and consumer-owned natural gas utilities are uniquely well positioned to help small business and food processors improve the efficiency of natural gas use and reduce current and long-term energy costs.

(4) The state of Washington can assist gas utility energy efficiency efforts by providing small public utility tax credits for installation of high-efficiency equipment and processes that might not otherwise occur.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6381 by Senators Haugen and Deccio

Providing a windshield tint exemption for law enforcement vehicles.

Provides a windshield tint exemption for law enforcement vehicles.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6382 by Senators Hewitt, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, Finkbeiner, Pflug, and Sheldon; by request of Horse Racing Commission

Authorizing the Washington horse racing commission to expend a statutorily limited amount of its operating funds for the development of the equine industry, improvement of racing facilities, and equine health research.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6383 by Senators Jacobsen, Spanel, and Benton

Requiring labeling on food from cloned animals.

Provides that all food and food products sold in Washington state that are derived from cloned animals shall be labeled indicating that they are or contain products derived from cloned animals.

Declares that, as used in this act, "cloned animal" means an animal produced by replacing all the genetic material in an egg with a mature cell containing the complete genetic code from the donor.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6384 by Senators Fraser, Prentice, Doumit, Zarelli, and Brandland; by request of Governor Gregoire

Adopting the 2006 supplemental capital budget.

Adopts the 2006 supplemental capital budget.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6385 by Senators Prentice, Doumit, Rasmussen, Fairley, Zarelli, Rockefeller, Brandland, Fraser, Pflug, and Sheldon; by request of Governor Gregoire

Providing excise tax relief by modifying due dates and eliminating an assessment penalty.

Provides excise tax relief by modifying due dates and eliminating an assessment penalty.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6386 by Senators Prentice, Zarelli, Fairley, Fraser, Rockefeller, Shin, and Brandland; by request of Governor Gregoire

Making 2006 supplemental operating appropriations.

Makes 2006 supplemental operating appropriations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6387 by Senator Rockefeller

Eliminating the six inch freeboard exception from the requirement to cover vehicular loads of dirt, sand, or gravel.

Deletes the six inch freeboard exception from the requirement to cover vehicular loads of dirt, sand, or gravel.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6388 by Senators Benton, Oke, Stevens, Pflug, Benson, Johnson, Mulliken, Zarelli, Schoesler, Schmidt, Carrell, Honeyford, Delvin, Deccio, Parlette, Hewitt, Sheldon, Roach, and Esser

Limiting the power of eminent domain.

Declares that government's use of eminent domain in Washington should be restricted to uses that protect public health and safety or provide public use facilities, such as streets, roads, highways, street and road lighting systems, traffic signals, transportation corridors, utility corridors, water systems, storm and sanitary sewer systems, sewage treatment facilities, landfills, park and recreational facilities, and schools.

Provides that no government shall take or damage private land or any interest in real property that is not to be used for the construction of a public use facility or the provision of a public service necessary to protect public health and safety.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6389 by Senators Benton, Oke, Stevens, Shin, Zarelli, Benson, Carrell, Hewitt, Delvin, Mulliken, Schmidt, Parlette, Pflug, Rasmussen, Schoesler, Keiser, Honeyford, Roach, McCaslin, Sheldon, and Esser

Changing provisions relating to sex offenders.

Declares an intent to enhance the penalties for, and monitoring of, sex offenders.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6390 by Senators Keiser, Deccio, Thibaudeau, and Fairley

Regarding adjustment of boarding home rates.

Provides that, when a person, upon admission to a boarding home, has been determined to be eligible for medicaid funded boarding home care and the boarding home subsequently submits a request to the department for a change in condition reassessment, the boarding home shall receive payment from the department beginning on whichever date is later: (1) The date that the boarding home requested a department reassessment; or

(2) The date on which the boarding home begins to provide the care and services necessary to meet the resident's change in condition.

Provides that, if a person becomes financially eligible for medicaid after admission to the boarding home and the boarding home has a medicaid contract with the department under chapter 74.39A RCW, the boarding home shall receive payment from the department beginning on whichever of the following dates is later: (1) The date of the request for assessment or financial application, whichever is earlier; or

(2) The date the person is determined to have been financially eligible.

Provides that, when a financial application for medicaid is requested, payment back to the request date is limited to three months prior to the month that the financial application is received by the department.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6391 by Senators Keiser, Deccio, Thibaudeau, and Fairley

Concerning the provision of services to independent residents in a continuing care retirement community.

Revises provisions regarding the provision of services to independent residents in a continuing care retirement community.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6392 by Senators Keiser, Deccio, Thibaudeau, and Kohl-Welles; by request of Insurance Commissioner

Regulating group health benefit plan coverage of mental health services.

Clarifies that coverage for mental health services as defined in RCW 48.21.241, 48.44.341, and 48.46.291 applies to all group health plans for groups other than small groups as defined in RCW 48.43.005.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6393 by Senators Rasmussen, Schoesler, Shin, Swecker, Morton, Haugen, Doumit, Sheldon,

Mulliken, Delvin, Deccio, Kastama, Honeyford, McAuliffe, and Benton

Providing excise tax exemptions for fuel used by farmers.
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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6394 by Senators Rasmussen, Swecker, Sheldon, Schoesler, Doumit, Mulliken, Deccio, Morton, Kastama, Delvin, Honeyford, and Franklin

Providing sales and use tax exemptions for special fuel used for certain purposes.

Provides sales and use tax exemptions for special fuel used for certain purposes.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6395 by Senators Oke, Regala, Carrell, Eide, and Rasmussen

Authorizing hospital benefit zone financing.

Authorizes a local government to finance public improvements using hospital benefit zone financing subject to the following conditions: (1) The local government adopts an ordinance designating a benefit zone within its boundaries and specifying the public improvements proposed to be financed in whole or in part with the use of hospital benefit zone financing;

(2) The public improvements proposed to be financed in whole or in part using hospital benefit zone financing are expected both to encourage private development within the benefit zone and to support the development of a hospital that has received a certificate of need;

(3) Private development that is anticipated to occur within the benefit zone, as a result of the public improvements, will be consistent with the county-wide planning policy adopted by the county under RCW 36.70A.210 and the local government's comprehensive plan and development regulations adopted under chapter 36.70A RCW; and

(4) The governing body of the local government finds that the public improvements proposed to be financed in whole or in part using hospital benefit zone financing are reasonably likely to: (a) Increase private investment within the benefit zone; (b) Increase employment within the benefit zone; and (c) Generate, over the period of time that the local sales and use tax will be imposed under this act, state and local sales and use tax revenues that are equal to or greater than the respective state and local contributions made under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6396 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Schmidt, Pridemore, Keiser, Franklin, Thibaudeau, Spinel, and Jacobsen

Modifying the accumulation and use of sick leave accrued by part-time faculty.

Revises the accumulation and use of sick leave accrued by part-time faculty.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6397 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Schmidt, Pridemore, Jacobsen, Kline, and Shin

Providing for academic employee salary increments for community and technical colleges.

Finds that the community and technical colleges offer high quality, cost-effective instructional programs to the citizens of the state.

Finds that academic employee morale and willingness to invest in professional development, and academic employee recruitment and retention, are improved by consistent and predictable practices that provide salary increases to recognize two-year college academic employees who upgrade their skills and professional experience.

Declares an intent that state appropriations be adjusted to an amount which, together with academic employee turnover savings, provide for consistent and predictable funding of academic employee salary increases for state-funded academic employees who qualify through experience, professional development, and training pursuant to local collective bargaining.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6398 by Senator Jacobsen

Limiting the issuance of special permits for oversized vehicles.

Provides that the department shall not issue a special permit under chapter 46.44 RCW for use on public highways in urban areas during peak commute periods.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8220 by Senators Carrell, Kastama, Morton, Mulliken, Regala, Schoesler, Schmidt, Stevens, Pridemore, and Benson

Repealing a conflicting residency requirement for voting in a presidential election.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to appeal a conflicting residency requirement for voting in a presidential election.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.