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### House Bills

**HB 2370-S** by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Green, Williams, Kessler, Kilmer, Chase, Blake, Morrell, Appleton, Moeller, Hasegawa, Murray, Linville, Conway, P. Sullivan, Springer, Takko, Lantz, Dickerson, Kenney, Fromhold, Kagi, McIntire, Ericksen, B. Sullivan, Simpson, Ericks, Sells, Upthegrove, Ormsby, McDermott, and Schual-Berke; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Funding low-income home energy assistance.

(DIGEST AS PASSED LEGISLATURE)

Provides funding for low-income home energy assistance.

Provides that due to the extraordinarily high winter energy costs, during the 2005-2007 fiscal biennium, no

more than seven million six hundred thousand dollars, as appropriated in this act, shall be payable out of the public service revolving fund to provide energy assistance to customers in accordance with the low-income energy assistance program.

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Jan 9 APP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Jan 10 Placed on second reading.

Jan 11 1st substitute bill substituted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar.

- Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.  
-- IN THE HOUSE --  
Jan 12 Speaker signed.  
-- IN THE SENATE --  
President signed.  
-- OTHER THAN LEGISLATIVE ACTION --  
Delivered to Governor.  
Governor signed.
- HB 2674** by Representatives Sommers, Crouse, Fromhold, Conway, Kenney, McCoy, Dickerson, Clibborn, Roberts, Moeller, McIntire, Hudgins, Linville, Lantz, and Upthegrove  
Creating the pension stabilization account.  
Establishes the pension stabilization account.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.
- HB 2675** by Representatives B. Sullivan, Buck, Dunn, McCoy, Moeller, and Lantz; by request of Archaeology and Historic Preservation  
Exempting certain Native American cultural resources information from public disclosure.  
Provides that records, maps, and other information identifying the location of cultural resources acquired during watershed analysis pursuant to the forests and fish report under RCW 76.09.370 in order to prevent the looting or depredation of such sites are exempt from disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.
- HB 2676** by Representatives Linville, Jarrett, Simpson, Ericksen, Ahern, Dunn, and Upthegrove  
Posting interlocal agreements in an electronic format in lieu of filing with the county auditor.  
Authorizes posting interlocal agreements in an electronic format in lieu of filing with the county auditor.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Local Government.
- HB 2677** by Representatives Sommers, McCoy, McIntire, Linville, and Lantz; by request of Office of Financial Management  
Creating the economic stability account.  
Creates the economic stability account.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.
- HB 2678** by Representatives Kagi, Kretz, B. Sullivan, and Ericks  
Reauthorizing the pollution liability insurance agency.
- Reauthorizes the pollution liability insurance agency.  
Repeals RCW 70.148.900, 70.149.900, and 82.23A.902.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.
- HB 2679** by Representatives Conway, Fromhold, Lovick, Appleton, Green, Sells, Kenney, Quall, Simpson, Moeller, and Morrell; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy  
Providing unreduced retirement benefits in the plans 2 and 3 of the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, and the school employees' retirement system.  
Provides unreduced retirement benefits in the plans 2 and 3 of the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, and the school employees' retirement system.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.
- HB 2680** by Representatives Conway, Fromhold, Lovick, Kenney, Quall, Simpson, and Moeller; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy  
Purchasing service credit in plan 2 and plan 3 of the teachers' retirement system for public education experience performed as a teacher in a public school in another state or with the federal government.  
Provides for purchasing service credit in plan 2 and plan 3 of the teachers' retirement system for public education experience performed as a teacher in a public school in another state or with the federal government.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.
- HB 2681** by Representatives Conway, Fromhold, Lovick, Green, Sells, Kenney, Quall, Simpson, Moeller, and Morrell; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy  
Establishing minimum contribution rates for the public employees' retirement system, the public safety employees' retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, and the teachers' retirement system.  
Establishes minimum contribution rates for the public employees' retirement system, the public safety employees' retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, and the teachers' retirement system.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.
- HB 2682** by Representatives Conway, Fromhold, Lovick, Kenney, Quall, Simpson, Roberts, Ormsby, and McCune; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy  
Setting contribution rates in the Washington state patrol retirement system.  
Establishes contribution rates in the Washington state patrol retirement system.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2683** by Representatives Fromhold, Conway, Lovick, Quall, Simpson, Ormsby, and Moeller; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Funding the unfunded actuarial accrued liability in plan 1 of the public employees' retirement system and plan 1 of the teachers' retirement system.

Declares an intent to provide for the systematic payment of the plan 1 unfunded actuarial accrued liability in a manner that promotes contribution rate adequacy and stability for the affected systems. This change in funding policy requires a three-year phase-in of contribution rates beginning in 2006. The phase-in rates for the plan 1 unfunded actuarial accrued liability are in addition to the phase-in rates established pursuant to RCW 41.45.062.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2684** by Representatives Fromhold, Bailey, Conway, Lovick, Green, Sells, Kenney, Quall, Simpson, Moeller, and Morrell; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Allowing vesting after five years of service in the defined benefit portion of the public employees' retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, and the teachers' retirement system plan 3.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2685** by Representatives Fromhold, Conway, Lovick, Quall, Simpson, Ormsby, and Moeller; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Making changes to general provisions in the public safety employees' retirement system.

Makes changes to general provisions in the public safety employees' retirement system.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2686** by Representatives Bailey, Fromhold, Conway, Lovick, Hunt, Kenney, Quall, Simpson, Ormsby, and Moeller; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Providing annual increases in certain retirement allowances.

Provides annual increases in certain retirement allowances.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2687** by Representatives Bailey, Conway, Fromhold, Lovick, Hunt, Nixon, Kenney, Quall, Simpson,

Ormsby, Moeller, Morrell, Upthegrove, and Hinkle; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Establishing a one thousand dollar minimum monthly benefit for certain plan 1 members of the public employees' retirement system and certain plan 1 members of the teachers' retirement system.

Provides that, beginning July 1, 2006, the minimum benefit set forth in this act, prior to adjustments set forth in this act, for a beneficiary with at least twenty years of service and who has been retired at least twenty-five years shall be one thousand dollars per month. On July 1, 2006, and each year thereafter, the minimum benefit in this provision shall be increased by three percent, rounded to the nearest cent.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2688** by Representatives Fromhold, Conway, Lovick, Kenney, Quall, Simpson, Ormsby, Moeller, and Ericks; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Addressing the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 1.

Revises provisions pertaining to the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 1.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2689** by Representatives Bailey, Conway, Fromhold, Lovick, Quall, Simpson, and Ormsby; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Addressing the public employment of retirees from the teachers' retirement system plan 1 and the public employees' retirement system plan 1.

Revises provisions pertaining to the public employment of retirees from the teachers' retirement system plan 1 and the public employees' retirement system plan 1.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2690** by Representatives Crouse, Conway, Lovick, Hunt, Green, Sells, Quall, Simpson, Moeller, and Morrell; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Permitting members of the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, the public safety employees' retirement system, plan 1 of the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system, and the Washington state patrol retirement system to make a one-time purchase of additional service credit.

Authorizes members of the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, the public safety employees' retirement system, plan 1 of the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system, and the Washington state patrol retirement system to make a one-time purchase of additional service credit.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2691** by Representatives Crouse, Fromhold, Conway, Lovick, Bailey, Kenney, and Quall; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Creating optional public retirement benefits for justices and judges.

Provides that, beginning January 1, 2007, through December 31, 2007, any member of the public employees' retirement system eligible to participate in the judicial retirement account plan under chapter 2.14 RCW may make a one-time irrevocable election, filed in writing with the member's employer, the department of retirement systems, and the administrative office of the courts, to discontinue future contributions to the judicial retirement account plan in lieu of prospective contribution and benefit provisions under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2692** by Representatives Fromhold, Crouse, Conway, Lovick, Quall, and Simpson; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Authorizing optional membership and distributions of retirement allowances for certain members of the teachers', school employees', and public employees' retirement systems.

Authorizes optional membership and distributions of retirement allowances for certain members of the teachers', school employees', and public employees' retirement systems.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2693** by Representatives Buri, Grant, Holmquist, Haler, Linville, Kretz, McCune, and Dunn

Exempting out-of-state persons from having to obtain commercial driver's licenses.

Authorizes the department to enter into reciprocal agreements with adjoining states to exempt persons from those states falling under the provisions of this act from the requirement to obtain a commercial driver's license.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**HB 2694** by Representatives Haigh, Nixon, Sump, and Hunt

Eliminating Saturday counting of ballots.

Eliminates Saturday counting of ballots.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

**HB 2695** by Representatives Haigh, Sump, and McDermott

Modifying absentee or provisional ballot notice requirements.

Revises absentee or provisional ballot notice requirements.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

**HB 2696** by Representatives Haigh, Nixon, and Sump

Modifying election recount provisions.

Revises election recount provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

**HB 2697** by Representatives Hudgins, Conway, McCoy, Kenney, Simpson, and Roberts; by request of Employment Security Department

Improving unemployment insurance collection and penalty tools.

Provides that an employer who files an incomplete or incorrectly formatted tax and wage report as required by RCW 50.12.070 shall receive a warning letter for the first occurrence. For subsequent occurrences, the employer is subject to a penalty as follows: When no contributions are due, for the second occurrence the employer is subject to a seventy-five dollar penalty, for the third occurrence the employer is subject to a one hundred fifty dollar penalty, and for the fourth occurrence and for each occurrence thereafter, a penalty of two hundred fifty dollars will be assessed.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 2698** by Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Ericks, Rodne, Nixon, Kilmer, Green, Sells, McDonald, P. Sullivan, McCoy, Simpson, Moeller, Morrell, Lantz, and Linville; by request of Attorney General

Tolling the statute of limitations for felony sex offenses.

Provides that in any prosecution for a sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, the periods of limitation prescribed in this act run from the later of the following dates: (1) The date of commission of the offense; or

(2) One year from the date on which the identity of the suspect is conclusively established by DNA testing.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2699** by Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Ericks, Rodne, Nixon, Kilmer, Green, Sells, McDonald, P. Sullivan, McCoy, Simpson, Moeller, Morrell, Lantz, Hudgins, Linville, and McCune; by request of Attorney General

Increasing penalties for crimes committed with sexual motivation.

Provides that if an offender committed the offense with sexual motivation and the offender is being sentenced for an anticipatory offense under chapter 9A.28 RCW, the following additional times shall be added to the standard

sentence range determined under this act based on the felony crime of conviction as classified under RCW 9A.28.020: (1) Two years for any felony defined under the law as a class A felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of at least twenty years, or both;

(2) Eighteen months for any felony defined under any law as a class B felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of ten years, or both;

(3) One year for any felony defined under any law as a class C felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of five years, or both;

(4) If the offender is being sentenced for any sexual motivation enhancements under this act and the offender has previously been sentenced for any sexual motivation enhancements on or after the effective date of this act, all sexual motivation enhancements under this act shall be twice the amount of the enhancement listed.

Provides that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, all sexual motivation enhancements under this act are mandatory, shall be served in total confinement, and shall run consecutively to all other sentencing provisions, including other sexual motivation enhancements, for all offenses sentenced under chapter 9.94A RCW. However, whether or not a mandatory minimum term has expired, an offender serving a sentence under this act may be granted an extraordinary medical placement when authorized under RCW 9.94A.728(4).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2700** by Representatives O'Brien, Ericks, Rodne, Kilmer, Green, Sells, McDonald, Kenney, P. Sullivan, McCoy, Simpson, Springer, Moeller, Morrell, Lantz, and Linville; by request of Attorney General

Revising provisions relating to community protection zones.

Declares that sections 1 through 3 and 5 of chapter 436, Laws of 2005, supersede and preempt all rules, regulations, codes, statutes, or ordinances of all cities, counties, municipalities, and local agencies regarding the same subject matter.

Repeals 2005 c 436 s 4 (uncodified); and 2005 c 436 s 6 (uncodified).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2701** by Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Ericks, Rodne, Nixon, Kilmer, Green, Sells, McDonald, McCoy, Simpson, Moeller, Morrell, Lantz, Linville, and Hudgins; by request of Attorney General

Including assault of a child in the second degree in the list of two-strike offenses.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2702** by Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Ericks, Rodne, Kilmer, Green, Sells, McDonald,

Kenney, P. Sullivan, McCoy, Simpson, Springer, Morrell, Lantz, Linville, and Hudgins; by request of Attorney General

Increasing the seriousness level for possession of depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Increases the seriousness level for possession of depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2703** by Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Ericks, Rodne, Kilmer, Green, Sells, McDonald, P. Sullivan, McCoy, Simpson, Moeller, Morrell, Lantz, and Linville; by request of Attorney General

Revising provisions relating to sex offender sentencing and disposition alternatives.

Provides that, if the conviction results from a guilty plea, the offender must, as part of his or her plea of guilty, voluntarily and affirmatively admit he or she committed all of the elements of the crime to which the offender is pleading guilty. This alternative is not available to offenders who plead guilty to the offense charged under *North Carolina v. Alford*, 400 U.S. 25, 91 S.Ct. 160, 27 L. Ed.2d 162 (1970) and *State v. Newton*, 87 Wash.2d 363, 552 P.2d 682 (1976).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2704** by Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Darneille, Kirby, Ahern, Williams, Strow, Kilmer, Green, Sells, and Morrell

Including organized retail theft in crime guidelines.

Includes organized retail theft in crime guidelines.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2705** by Representatives Hinkle, Curtis, Woods, Green, Ericks, and Tom

Increasing penalties for assaulting or injuring an emergency worker.

Provides that any person who drives a vehicle in a willful or wanton disregard for the safety of, and injures, an emergency worker performing his or her official duties at the time of the incident is guilty of reckless driving that injures an emergency worker. Violation of this provision is a class C felony punishable under chapter 9A.20 RCW.

Requires the license or permit to drive or any nonresident privilege of any person convicted of reckless driving that injures an emergency worker to be suspended by the department for not less than ninety days.

Provides that, for the purposes of this act, "emergency worker" means an emergency medical technician or a first responder as those terms are defined in RCW 18.73.030.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2706** by Representatives Hunter, Sommers, Tom, Anderson, Talcott, Quall, McIntire, Dunn, Green, Kenney, and Lantz

Regarding a more rigorous curriculum for high school graduation.

Finds that, although students are being expected to meet higher academic standards as defined by the essential academic learning requirements, there is still a gap between what is required for high school graduation and the knowledge and skills students need to be successful in college or work. This gap has been confirmed by independent analysis by such organizations as Achieve.

Provides that, to assure that a high school diploma reflects adequate preparation for the intellectual demands of adult life, the legislature intends to create the expectation that all students enroll in a recommended high school program that includes a rigorous curriculum of study in English, mathematics, science, social studies, and an academic or career and technical concentration.

Directs the higher education coordinating board to review minimum admissions standards for four-year institutions of higher education and make recommendations to the legislature by December 1, 2006, regarding when the minimum admissions standards should include completion of the recommended high school program under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Education.

**HB 2707** by Representatives Morrell, Curtis, Clibborn, Schual-Berke, and Green

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 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2708** by Representatives Schindler, Woods, Kristiansen, Roach, Bailey, Kretz, Nixon,

Holmquist, Sump, Condotta, Kessler, Dunn, Serben, Upthegrove, Armstrong, and Hinkle

Eliminating the growth management hearings boards.

Repeals provisions of chapter 36.70A RCW.

Provides that all cases pending before the growth management hearings boards on the effective date of this act are transferred to superior court. The superior courts are not bound by the precedent from prior decisions of the growth management hearings boards.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Local Government.

**HB 2709** by Representatives Sump, Ahern, Buri, Haler, Serben, Condotta, Clements, Kretz, Schindler, Roach, Dunn, Buck, Orcutt, Woods, Ericks, and McCune

Changing provisions relating to sex offenders.

Finds that: (1) Rape is one of the most terrifying and demeaning criminal acts an individual can perpetrate against another human being and the personal trauma and anguish suffered by the victims of rape and by their families can create devastating difficulties that often take a lifetime to overcome;

(2) The pain and complications caused by rape are even more severe where deadly weapons are involved, where the victim is kidnapped or receives serious physical injuries, where the perpetrator has wrongfully entered the building or vehicle where the victim is situated, or where the victim is under the age of twelve; and

(3) The severity of punishment for those who commit rape should be commensurate with the crime the perpetrators have forced upon their victims and strict penalties for such cruel and humiliating violations of a person's dignity and honor are both appropriate and just.

Declares an intent to ensure that the penalty imposed for rape in the first degree and rape of a child in the first degree is life in prison without the possibility of release so that the victims of such rape will be better able to lead lives free of fear knowing that the perpetrators of such crimes against them will never be able to harm them again.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2710** by Representatives Buck and B. Sullivan

Clarifying the process for hydraulic permit appeals.

Clarifies the process for hydraulic permit appeals.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

**HB 2711** by Representatives Kagi, Kessler, Moeller, Rodne, Lovick, McDonald, Morrell, Green, McCoy, and Clibborn

Concerning visitation rights for grandparents.

Recognizes that the recent Washington State Supreme Court decision in *In re Parentage of C.A.M.A.* found Washington's grandparent visitation statutes to be unconstitutional. It is the intent of the legislature to bring the law in line with the court's holding in that case, in order

to ensure that grandparents have a viable means of petitioning the court for visitation with their grandchildren.  
Repeals RCW 26.09.240.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Juvenile Justice & Family Law.

**HB 2712** by Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Lovick, McCoy, and Simpson; by request of Attorney General

Changing provisions relating to crimes.

Revises provisions relating to crimes.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2713** by Representatives Simpson, Woods, and Hunt  
Clarifying that state and local governing bodies may support or oppose ballot propositions.

Finds that the public benefits from an open and inclusive discussion of ballot measures, and that for twenty-five years these discussions have included the opportunity for all elected boards, councils, and commissions to vote in open public meetings in order to express their support of, or opposition to, ballot propositions affecting their jurisdictions.

Declares an intent of this act to affirm and clarify the state's long-standing policy of promoting informed public discussion and understanding of ballot propositions by allowing all state and local governing bodies, including elected boards, councils, and commissions, to adopt resolutions supporting or opposing ballot propositions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

**HB 2714** by Representatives Pettigrew, Buri, Ormsby, Ericks, Curtis, P. Sullivan, Strow, Lantz, Woods, O'Brien, Priest, Moeller, Rodne, Williams, Appleton, Jarrett, Kilmer, Hunt, and Kenney

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 12 First reading, referred to Health Care.

**HB 2715** by Representatives Ericks, Anderson, Morris, Haler, Crouse, Hankins, Nixon, Sump, P. Sullivan, Hudgins, Kilmer, Takko, Green, Sells, Clibborn, Simpson, Springer, Roberts, Ormsby, Morrell, and McIntire

Regarding the state interoperability executive committee.

Finds that local governments need to have interoperable communications to ensure the public safety and welfare of all citizens in the state of Washington. In light of recent catastrophic events around the world, including in the United States, it is now more important than ever that all responders be able to communicate clearly and without interference or malfunction.

Finds that the legislature has learned that numerous states, the federal government, and some international governments have adopted the project-25 standard for interoperable communications. Local governments in Washington have started to purchase the project-25 interoperable communication standard equipment. In order to ensure that local governments continue to make smart purchasing decisions, they need certainty that the purchases will be interoperable with state equipment and that the state will adopt the national project-25 standards. It is the intent of this act to provide certainty to local governments that a statewide project-25 interoperable communications system will be in place throughout Washington in the near future, and the investments they are making are advantageous to the original intent of interoperable communications, thus ensuring the safety and welfare of Washington's citizens.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

**HB 2716** by Representatives Fromhold, Kessler, Skinner, Haigh, Strow, Moeller, Armstrong, Conway, Curtis, Murray, Buri, Green, Ericksen, Serben, McDermott, Morrell, McIntire, Appleton, Kenney, P. Sullivan, Ormsby, and Linville

Modifying provisions relating to nursing facility medicaid payment systems.

Revises provisions relating to nursing facility medicaid payment systems.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 2717** by Representatives Schindler, O'Brien, Dunn, McCune, Miloscia, and Holmquist

Restricting mobile home park sewer-related charges.

Restricts mobile home park sewer-related charges.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Housing.

**HB 2718** by Representatives Morris, Holmquist, O'Brien, Miloscia, and Schindler

Regulating manufactured home parks or manufactured housing communities.

Designates regulations for manufactured home parks or manufactured housing communities.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Housing.

**HB 2719** by Representatives O'Brien, Schindler, Dunn, McCune, Miloscia, and Holmquist

Authorizing the conditional cancellation of delinquent property taxes on mobile homes.

Declares that the county treasurer shall cancel all delinquent taxes, owed on a mobile home, that are delinquent by more than one year if: (1) The county treasurer determines that the distraint and sale of a mobile home will cost more than the amount of delinquent taxes owed on the mobile home; and

(2) The owner of the real estate used to provide space for the mobile home: (a) Originally requests the cancellation of taxes; (b) will sell the mobile home pursuant to the foreclosure of a landlord lien under chapter 60.72 RCW; and (c) agrees to remit to the county treasurer, after the sale of the mobile home, an amount equal to the taxes delinquent for one year or less.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Housing.

**HB 2720** by Representatives Simpson, Schindler, Takko, P. Sullivan, B. Sullivan, and Woods

Revising provisions relating to water-sewer districts.

Revises provisions relating to water-sewer districts.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Local Government.

**HB 2721** by Representatives Ericks, Haler, Roberts, Morris, Takko, B. Sullivan, Hasegawa, Moeller, Simpson, Sells, Green, Ormsby, and Springer

Modifying levy lid lifts for fire protection districts.

Revises levy lid lifts for fire protection districts.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Local Government.

**HB 2722** by Representatives Ericks, Haler, Hudgins, Conway, B. Sullivan, Simpson, Hasegawa, Roberts, Moeller, Appleton, Green, Sells, Kenney, Clibborn, Ormsby, Morrell, Lantz, Upthegrove, and P. Sullivan

Prohibiting price gouging during significant disruption, emergency, or disaster.

Prohibits price gouging during significant disruption, emergency, or disaster.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 2723** by Representatives Tom, Lantz, Priest, Clibborn, Shabro, Hunter, and Green

Eliminating the requirement for a seller's real estate disclosure of proximity to farming.

Repeals RCW 64.06.022.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

**HB 2724** by Representatives Hasegawa, Eickmeyer, B. Sullivan, Ericks, Ormsby, Green, and McCoy

Regulating the sale of public lands.

Provides that a public agency, as that term is defined in RCW 42.30.020, may not sell real property or otherwise permanently transfer title of real property to a private person or private entity unless the public agency can show a compelling economic development necessity justifying the sale or transfer at that time. A public agency can satisfy the compelling economic development threshold if it can demonstrate that the present act of selling the property is of a greater public benefit than holding the land as a tangible asset or an intangible future asset that may be used for a public benefit.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

**HB 2725** by Representatives Conway, Kenney, Cody, Ormsby, Miloscia, Green, McCoy, Simpson, Moeller, and Morrell

Compensating on-call workers for active duty hours under the state minimum wage act.

Authorizes compensation for on-call workers for active duty hours under the state minimum wage act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 2726** by Representatives Chase, Skinner, Kessler, Haler, Kilmer, Grant, Chandler, Blake, Clements, Linville, Newhouse, McCoy, Kristiansen, Kenney, and Wallace

Creating Washington manufacturing services in statute.

Declares an intent that the state increase its support for delivery of modernization services to small and midsize manufacturers and leverage federal and private resources devoted to such efforts. It is the further intent of the legislature that the state facilitate the delivery of modernization services and: (1) Encourage small and midsize firms to aggregate their demand for training and other modernization services, thus driving down the cost to the individual firm and securing more effective services; and

(2) Encourage large firms to support training consortia among their suppliers and validate the importance of high performance work organization and workplace learning as desirable supplier practices.

Organizes Washington manufacturing services as a private, nonprofit corporation in accordance with chapter 24.03 RCW and this act. The mission of the center is to operate a modernization extension system, coordinate a network of public and private modernization resources, and stimulate the competitiveness of small and midsize manufacturers in Washington.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

**HB 2727** by Representatives Kristiansen, Blake, Shabro, Hinkle, Condotta, B. Sullivan, and McDonald

Concerning NOVA program account grant funding.



Amends RCW 46.09.170 relating to eligibility for nonhighway and off-road vehicle activities program account grant funding.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

**HB 2728** by Representatives Campbell, Curtis, Haler, Hinkle, Condotta, Skinner, Priest, Nixon, Ericksen, Newhouse, Kilmer, Dunn, Simpson, and McCune  
Providing tax incentives for employer provided health care.

Provides tax incentives for employer provided health care.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Health Care.

**HB 2729** by Representatives O'Brien, Strow, Roberts, Talcott, Moeller, and Ericks

Providing a salary bonus for teachers who have professional certification.

Finds that the professional certification process required of new teachers and experienced teachers from out-of-state is intended to advance their teaching skills and demonstrate their ability to improve student learning.

Finds that professional certification is a rigorous and demanding process, yet the state salary schedule does not recognize these advanced skill levels. Furthermore, teachers often pay substantial costs to complete the programs, but are not reimbursed for their expenses.

Declares an intent to address these inequities by providing a bonus for all teachers who have achieved professional certification.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Education.

**HB 2730** by Representatives O'Brien, Nixon, and Hasegawa

Reducing signature requirements for minor party nominations.

Reduces signature requirements for minor party nominations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

**HB 2731** by Representatives O'Brien, Strow, and Ericks  
Regarding advanced certification and education for teachers.

Finds that advanced certification and education for teachers should focus on deepening teachers' knowledge in the academic content area in which they instruct.

Finds that current professional certification programs fail to provide adequate focus on academic content, instead offering general and often repetitive coursework in classroom management, learning theory, personal growth, and other topics. Moreover, professional certification programs vary widely depending on the college or university offering them. Professional certification does

not provide sufficient additional value to a teacher's knowledge and skills to warrant being required of all teachers.

Declares an intent to remove the mandate of professional certification for teachers and replace it with an incentive for teachers to obtain advanced education in a specific content area.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Education.

**HB 2732** by Representatives O'Brien, Santos, Ericks, Green, Roberts, Ormsby, and Moeller

Establishing a council on mentally ill offenders.

Declares that the goal of the council is to investigate and promote cost-effective approaches to meeting the long-term needs of adults and juveniles with mental disorders who are likely to become offenders or who have a history of offending. The council shall: (1) Identify strategies for preventing adults and juveniles with mental health needs from becoming offenders;

(2) Identify strategies for improving the cost-effectiveness of services for adults and juveniles with mental health needs who have a history of offending; and

(3) Identify incentives to encourage state and local criminal justice, juvenile justice, and mental health programs to adopt cost-effective approaches for serving adults and juveniles with mental health needs who are likely to offend or who have a history of offending.

Directs the department of corrections to submit a biennium budget request in an amount of not less than two hundred thousand dollars in 2007 and each biennium budget request thereafter that the council on mentally ill offenders is operating and reporting as required to support the activities and work of the council.

Appropriates the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the department of corrections for the purposes of funding the council on mentally ill offenders for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**HB 2733** by Representatives P. Sullivan, Simpson, Haler, McCoy, Schual-Berke, Curtis, Green, and Morrell

Changing the requirements for information on high school transcripts.

Revises the requirements for information on high school transcripts.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Education.

**HB 2734** by Representatives Clements, Chandler, and Condotta

Providing for disqualification from unemployment compensation due to intoxication.

Provides for disqualification from unemployment compensation due to intoxication.

- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.
- HB 2735** by Representatives Clements and O'Brien  
 Removing the expiration date from community protection zone provisions.  
 Repeals 2005 c 436 s 4 (uncodified) and 2005 c 436 s 6 (uncodified).  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.
- HB 2736** by Representatives Chase, Haler, Kretz, Buri, Crouse, Holmquist, Grant, Dunn, Schindler, and McCune  
 Providing sales and use tax exemptions for police and fire equipment.  
 Provides sales and use tax exemptions for police and fire equipment.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Finance.
- HB 2737** by Representatives Chase, Haler, Buri, Holmquist, and Grant  
 Prohibiting contracts between public hospital districts and correctional industry programs.  
 Prohibits contracts between public hospital districts and correctional industry programs.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Local Government.
- HB 2738** by Representatives Holmquist, Dunshee, Dunn, Chase, Grant, Rodne, Haler, Kessler, Kilmer, Green, Sells, Kenney, McCoy, Simpson, Roberts, Ormsby, Moeller, Morrell, Linville, Hudgins, McCune, and Hinkle; by request of Governor Gregoire  
 Developing minimum renewable fuel content requirements and fuel quality standards in an alternative fuels market.  
 Prescribes minimum renewable fuel content requirements and fuel quality standards in an alternative fuels market.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.
- HB 2739** by Representatives Orcutt, Blake, Kretz, and B. Sullivan  
 Concerning hydraulic project approvals under the forest practices act.  
 Provides for integration of the forest practices act and hydraulic project approvals by authorizing the department of natural resources to approve certain hydraulic projects.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.
- HB 2740** by Representatives Orcutt, Blake, and Kretz  
 Concerning applications for forest practices.  
 Reauthorizes the department of natural resources to have exclusive jurisdiction over all forest practices applications.  
 Repeals RCW 76.09.240.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.
- HB 2741** by Representatives Orcutt, B. Sullivan, Kretz, and Blake  
 Concerning fees charged for forest practices applications.  
 Revises fees charged for forest practices applications.  
 Reduces the fee for class IV forest practices applications so that it is equal to the fee required for all other classes of forest practice applications.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.
- HB 2742** by Representatives Clibborn, Morrell, Curtis, Moeller, Schual-Berke, and Flannigan  
 Concerning the provision of services to independent residents in a continuing care retirement community.  
 Revises the provision of services to independent residents in a continuing care retirement community.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Health Care.
- HB 2743** by Representatives O'Brien, Ericks, and Morrell  
 Expanding the crime of endangerment with a controlled substance to include the manufacturing of any type of controlled substance.  
 Provides that a person is guilty of the crime of endangerment with a controlled substance if the person manufactures, delivers, or possesses with the intent to manufacture or deliver a controlled substance in violation of chapter 69.50 RCW, upon the same premises where a child or dependent adult is present.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.
- HB 2744** by Representatives O'Brien and Ericks  
 Ensuring state immunity for certain volunteer claims based on injury or occupational disease.  
 Provides that volunteers who provide volunteer services to the department of corrections in an inmate education program or as a chaplain do not have any right of action whatsoever against the state or the department of corrections on account of an injury incurred or an occupational disease contracted in the course of that volunteer service, except as otherwise provided in Title 51 RCW.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 Held on first reading.

- HB 2745** by Representatives O'Brien, Ahern, Ericks, Nixon, Simpson, Tom, Hudgins, and McCune  
Increasing penalties for driving or physical control while under the influence.  
Increases penalties for driving or physical control while under the influence.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 2746** by Representatives Miloscia, O'Brien, Ericks, and Simpson  
Increasing the seriousness level for endangerment with a controlled substance.  
Increases the seriousness level for endangerment with a controlled substance.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.
- HB 2747** by Representatives Lovick, O'Brien, Ericks, Kilmer, Simpson, and Moeller  
Revising the model policy for disclosure of sex offender information.  
Revises the model policy for disclosure of sex offender information.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.
- HB 2748** by Representatives Miloscia, O'Brien, and Ericks  
Expanding the collection of biological samples for criminal investigations.  
Expands the collection of biological samples for criminal investigations.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.
- HB 2749** by Representatives B. Sullivan, McCoy, Upthegrove, Chase, P. Sullivan, Appleton, Eickmeyer, Newhouse, Miloscia, Dunshee, Conway, and Buck  
Concerning specialized forest products.  
Revises provisions concerning specialized forest products.  
Provides that if specialized forest products seized under this act were taken from the ceded areas of a federally recognized American Indian tribe, then the court shall offer those products to the tribe, without charge, for ceremonial, educational, or religious uses.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.
- HB 2750** by Representatives Sells, McCoy, Moeller, and Morrell  
Prohibiting the disclosure of federal social security numbers by county auditors.  
Provides that the federal social security numbers contained in the documents, records, or files the county auditor is required to maintain under chapter 65.04 RCW are exempt from disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW unless: (1) The individual to whom the federal security number is assigned gives his or her express written consent for the disclosure of his or her federal social security number; or  
(2) Such disclosure is requested by a federal, state, or local government agency.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.
- HB 2751** by Representatives Haigh, Tom, Hunt, Santos, Quall, Curtis, Wallace, Priest, and Green  
Requiring that at least one school administrator in each school district have a state superintendent certificate.  
Requires each school district board of directors to hire at least one school administrator with a state superintendent certificate who fills a senior-level administrative position within the district.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Education.
- HB 2752** by Representatives Haigh, Nixon, Armstrong, and P. Sullivan; by request of Secretary of State  
Concerning valid voter registrations.  
Provides that a voter who registers under RCW 29A.08.112 must provide a valid mailing address, and must still meet the requirement in Article VI, section 1 of the state Constitution that he or she live in the area for at least thirty days before the election.  
Provides that a person who has a traditional residential address must use that address for voter registration purposes and is not eligible to register under this provision.  
Provides that a challenge to the person's right to vote must be based on personal knowledge of one of the following: (1) The challenged voter has been convicted of a felony and the voter's civil rights have not been restored; (2) The challenged voter has been judicially declared ineligible to vote due to mental incompetency; (3)(a) The challenged voter does not live at the residential address provided, in which case the challenger must provide the challenged voter's actual residence; or (b) the residential address provided does not constitute a residence.  
Repeals RCW 29A.08.830.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

- HB 2753** by Representatives Haigh, Nixon, Hunt, and Tom; by request of Secretary of State  
 Allowing electronic voter registration.  
 Authorizes electronic voter registration.  
 Repeals RCW 29A.08.230 and 29A.72.220.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.
- HB 2754** by Representatives Morrell, Campbell, Green, Haigh, Appleton, Kilmer, Darneille, Cox, Ormsby, Haler, Chase, P. Sullivan, McCoy, Wallace, Sells, Serben, Curtis, Moeller, Blake, Cody, Kenney, Conway, Ericks, Clibborn, Kessler, Simpson, and Linville  
 Creating the veterans innovations program.  
 Finds that: (1) A significant number of Washington citizens answered the call to serve our country in recent military action leaving behind families, community, employment, and education;  
 (2) Many soldiers returning to their families and communities face transition problems in areas such as family reunification, employment, education, and health;  
 (3) While the Washington state department of veterans affairs has provided services to many returning soldiers, a significant number have returned to families and communities without continuing ties to the military department or veterans' administration, but still in need of help; and  
 (4) Our state needs to honor and serve those who have protected our security and safety.  
 Appropriates the sum of ten million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the department of veterans affairs for the purposes of this act.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.
- HB 2755** by Representatives Schindler, Ahern, Holmquist, Sump, Talcott, McDonald, Crouse, Shabro, Roach, McCune, Buck, and Woods  
 Increasing sentences for specified sex offenses.  
 Increases sentences for specified sex offenses.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.
- HB 2756** by Representatives Hunter, Roach, Lovick, Woods, Wallace, Kilmer, Kessler, Williams, Nixon, Orcutt, McDonald, McCoy, Dickerson, and Schindler  
 Providing sales and use tax exemptions for certain medical and mobility enhancing equipment.  
 Provides sales and use tax exemptions for certain medical and mobility enhancing equipment.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Finance.
- HB 2757** by Representatives Kirby and Roach  
 Allowing banks and savings banks to organize as limited liability companies.  
 Provides that, notwithstanding any other provision of Title 30 RCW, if the conditions of this act are met, a bank, or a holding company of a bank, may be organized as, or convert to, a limited liability company under the Washington limited liability company act, chapter 25.15 RCW.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.
- HB 2758** by Representatives Ericks, Orcutt, Clibborn, Kessler, Nixon, Sells, McDonald, Williams, P. Sullivan, Roach, McCoy, Woods, Talcott, Haler, Simpson, Sump, Springer, Rodne, Condotta, Serben, Kristiansen, Ahern, Kretz, Linville, Tom, Armstrong, and McCune  
 Providing a tax credit for syrup sales.  
 Provides a tax credit for syrup sales.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Finance.
- HB 2759** by Representatives Ericks, Pearson, Dunshee, Sells, Roberts, and Rodne  
 Authorizing the transfer of certain real property and facilities.  
 Provides that public bodies, as defined in RCW 43.99C.020, may transfer real property and facilities acquired, constructed, or otherwise improved under chapter 43.99C RCW to nonprofit corporations organized to provide services for individuals with sensory, physical, or mental handicaps. The nonprofit corporation shall use the real property and facilities for the purpose of providing the following limited programs as designated by the department: Nonprofit group training homes, community centers, close to home living units, sheltered workshops, vocational rehabilitation centers, developmental disability training centers, and community homes for the mentally ill.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Capital Budget.
- HB 2760** by Representatives Dunn and Haler  
 Providing a specific funding mechanism for making community and technical college faculty salary increment awards.  
 Provides a specific funding mechanism for making community and technical college faculty salary increment awards.  
 -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 12 First reading, referred to Higher Ed & Workforce Ed.
- HB 2761** by Representatives Springer, Rodne, Lantz, Williams, and Moeller  
 Expanding the types of property subject to seizure and forfeiture in money laundering provisions.  
 Expands the types of property subject to seizure and forfeiture in money laundering provisions.

- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 2762** by Representatives Dickerson and Ahern  
Extending the joint task force on criminal background check processes.  
Extends the joint task force on criminal background check processes to December 31, 2006.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.
- HB 2763** by Representative Dickerson  
Ratifying the crime prevention and privacy compact.  
Ratifies the crime prevention and privacy compact.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.
- HB 2764** by Representatives Santos, Hasegawa, Pettigrew, McCoy, and Kenney  
Regarding academic requirements.  
Provides that, in order to meet state requirements and earn a certificate of academic achievement, a student must meet or exceed either the proficient or basic level on the high school Washington assessment of student learning as follows: (1) Beginning with the graduating class of 2008 and until July 31, 2010, the student must meet or exceed the proficient level in one out of three and meet or exceed the basic level in two out of three of the reading, writing, and mathematics content areas on the high school Washington assessment of student learning or an approved alternative assessment;  
(2) Beginning August 1, 2010, and until July 31, 2014, the student must meet or exceed the proficient level in two out of four and meet or exceed the basic level in two out of four of the reading, writing, mathematics, and science content areas on the high school Washington assessment of student learning or an approved alternative assessment;  
(3) Beginning August 1, 2014, and until July 31, 2017, the student must meet or exceed the proficient level in three out of four of the reading, writing, mathematics, and science content areas on the high school Washington assessment of student learning or an approved alternative assessment; and  
(4) Beginning August 1, 2017, and thereafter, a student must meet or exceed the proficient level in all four content areas of reading, writing, mathematics, and science on the high school Washington assessment of student learning or an approved alternative assessment.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Education.
- HB 2765** by Representatives Buri, Clibborn, Nixon, Cox, Serben, Kristiansen, Jarrett, Kilmer, Wallace, Woods, Moeller, and Kretz  
Limiting the posting of hazards to motorcycles to paved roadways.  
Limits the posting of hazards to motorcycles to paved roadways.
- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.
- HB 2766** by Representatives Ericksen, Buck, and Dunn  
Modifying the definition of "wildlife" and "wild animals."  
Revises the definition of "wildlife" and "wild animals."  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.
- HB 2767** by Representatives Ericksen, Holmquist, Sump, Newhouse, Dunn, Woods, Morrell, Condotta, Serben, Kristiansen, Kretz, and Armstrong  
Concerning the relinquishment of water rights.  
Declares that, for the purposes of RCW 90.14.130 through 90.14.180, "sufficient cause" shall be defined as the nonuse of all or a portion of the water by the owner of a water right for a period of five or more consecutive years where such nonuse occurs as a result of the reduced use of irrigation water resulting from crops grown for alternative fuel production of ethanol or biodiesel.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.
- HB 2768** by Representatives Ericksen, Nixon, Rodne, Anderson, Dunn, Woods, and Holmquist  
Providing tax incentives to reduce vehicular air pollution.  
Provides tax incentives to reduce vehicular air pollution.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Finance.
- HB 2769** by Representatives Ericksen and Dunn  
Encouraging the use of reclaimed water.  
Provides that, if a water right holder reclaims any of their wastewater, the amount of water reclaimed must be added to the instantaneous and annual quantities of water right embodied in a permit, certificate, or claim granted under chapter 90.03 or 90.44 RCW.  
Repeals RCW 90.46.130.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.
- HB 2770** by Representatives Ericksen, Dunn, Linville, and Holmquist  
Providing tax relief for the use of technology with reduced environmental impact.  
Declares that, in computing the tax imposed under chapter 82.04 RCW, a credit is allowed for investment related to pressurized steam pulp washing technology acquired by a paper manufacturer after the effective date of this act to be used in the manufacturing of pulp, paper, newsprint, or paperboard by the paper manufacturer.  
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 12 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

**HB 2771** by Representatives Ericksen, Dunn, Rodne, Sump, Shabro, Nixon, Clements, Buck, Orcutt, Woods, Condotta, Serben, Kristiansen, Kretz, and Armstrong

Requiring legislative review of certain rules.  
Requires legislative review of certain rules.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

**HB 2772** by Representatives Linville, Kristiansen, P. Sullivan, Grant, Haler, Morris, Ericks, Fromhold, Kessler, B. Sullivan, Kilmer, Hunter, McCoy, Simpson, Morrell, and Tom

Streamlining the administration of tax incentive programs.

Finds that the state's retail sales tax on construction discourages capital investment by new and existing Washington businesses. Without relief from the state's retail sales tax on construction, Washington businesses in certain sectors and areas will be adversely impacted. The legislature recognizes the importance of such businesses for employment and economic development in Washington state.

Reaffirms that policies providing tax incentives for manufacturing and research and development businesses in these distressed areas are essential to promote economic stimulation, economic growth, and new employment opportunities in these distressed areas.

Reaffirms that high-technology businesses are a vital and growing source of high-wage, high-skilled jobs in this state, and that the high-technology sector is a key component of the state's effort to encourage economic diversification. The legislature found that many high-technology businesses incur significant costs associated with research and development and pilot scale manufacturing many years before a marketable product can be produced, and that current state tax policy discourages the growth of these companies by taxing them long before they become profitable. The legislature reaffirms that stimulating growth of high-technology businesses early in their development cycle, when they are turning ideas into marketable products, will build upon the state's established high-technology base, creating additional research and development jobs and subsequent manufacturing facilities.

Reaffirms that state policies providing tax incentives for economic growth in the fruit and vegetable processing industry are essential.

Declares 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.

Repeals various provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 2773** by Representatives Nixon and Ericks

Changing the laws regarding prominently marked, publicly owned vehicles.

Revises the laws regarding prominently marked, publicly owned vehicles.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

**HB 2774** by Representatives Nixon and Jarrett

Regarding public records inspection and copying.

Revises provisions regarding public records inspection and copying.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

**HB 2775** by Representatives P. Sullivan, Holmquist, Morris, Kilmer, Green, Sells, Kenney, McCoy, Wallace, Springer, Ormsby, Moeller, Morrell, Linville, and Hudgins; by request of Governor Gregoire

Creating the Washington bioenergy loan program.

Finds that: (1) Washington's dependence on energy supplied from outside the state and volatile global energy markets makes its economy and citizens vulnerable to unpredictable and high energy prices;

(2) Washington's dependence on petroleum-based fuels increases energy costs for citizens and businesses;

(3) Diesel soot from diesel engines ranks as the highest toxic air pollutant in Washington, leading to hundreds of premature deaths and increasing rates of asthmas and other lung diseases;

(4) The use of biodiesel results in significantly less air pollution than traditional diesel fuels;

(5) Improper disposal and treatment of organic waste from farms and livestock operations can have a significant negative impact on water quality;

(6) Washington has abundant supplies of organic wastes from farms that can be used for energy production and abundant farmland where crops could be grown to supplement or supplant petroleum-based fuels;

(7) The use of energy and fuel derived from these sources can help citizens and business conserve energy and reduce the use of petroleum-based fuels, would improve air and water quality in Washington, reduce environmental risks from farm wastes, create new markets for farm products, and provide new industries and jobs for Washington citizens; and

(8) The bioenergy industry is a new and developing industry that is, in part, limited by the availability of capital for the construction of facilities for converting farm and forest products into energy and fuels.

Finds that it is in the public interest to encourage the rapid adoption and use of bioenergy, to develop a viable bioenergy industry within Washington state, and to support a viable agriculture industry to grow bioenergy crops. To accomplish this, the Washington bioenergy loan program is established to stimulate the construction of facilities in Washington to generate energy from farm sources or convert organic matter into fuels.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

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## Senate Bills

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**SB 6399** by Senators Kohl-Welles, Parlette, Franklin, Keiser, and Kline; by request of Employment Security Department

Improving unemployment insurance collection and penalty tools.

Provides that an employer who files an incomplete or incorrectly formatted tax and wage report as required by RCW 50.12.070 shall receive a warning letter for the first occurrence. For subsequent occurrences, the employer is subject to a penalty as follows: When no contributions are due, for the second occurrence the employer is subject to a seventy-five dollar penalty, for the third occurrence the employer is subject to a one hundred fifty dollar penalty, and for the fourth occurrence and for each occurrence thereafter, a penalty of two hundred fifty dollars will be assessed.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

**SB 6400** by Senators Prentice, McCaslin, and Benton

Regulating manufactured home parks or manufactured housing communities.

Designates regulations for manufactured home parks or manufactured housing communities.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

**SB 6401** by Senators Doumit, Jacobsen, Schoesler, Regala, Morton, and Honeyford

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 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**SB 6402** by Senators Doumit, Oke, Jacobsen, Regala, Spanel, and Shin

Creating the Columbia river safety and coastal crab mitigation work group.

Provides that the Columbia river safety and coastal crab mitigation work group shall: (1) Evaluate the safety risks from wave amplification and the impacts to the coastal crab resource of the state from the Columbia river channel improvement project, including annual maintenance at the

mouth of the Columbia river and all ocean and in river disposal activity;

(2)(a) Examine the United States army corps of engineers' responsibilities for the monitoring and mitigation of the potential impacts identified in this act; and (b) evaluate the sufficiency of the United States army corps of engineers' monitoring and mitigation plans and activities in light of its responsibilities; and

(3) Adopt recommended practices or guidelines for monitoring, dredging, or disposal activities that would help avoid, minimize, or compensate for the impacts set forth in this act, should the work group find such practices or guidelines to be necessary. The practices or guidelines must be completed by December 31, 2006.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**SB 6403** by Senators Doumit, Jacobsen, Regala, and Rockefeller

Concerning forest fire protection assessments.

Provides that, for a parcel of forest land subject to assessment under this act, the department shall annually impose a supplemental forest fire protection assessment on the owner of such a parcel where that parcel contains a structure and lies outside the boundaries of a fire protection district.

Requires the department to annually distribute one-half of all moneys received from the supplemental assessment to counties and fire protection districts for projects to improve the local infrastructure supporting fire protection and suppression activities on forest lands. The remainder of the moneys received by the department must be used in accordance with this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**SB 6404** by Senators Johnson, Esser, Keiser, Delvin, Kline, and Rasmussen; by request of Criminal Justice Training Commission

Regarding the certification of tribal police officers.

Authorizes tribal governments to voluntarily request certification for their police officers. Tribal governments requesting certification for their police officers must enter into a written agreement with the commission. The agreement must require the tribal law enforcement agency and its officers to comply with all of the requirements for granting, denying, and revoking certification as those requirements are applied to peace officers certified under chapter 43.101 RCW and the rules of the commission.

Provides that officers making application for certification as tribal police officers shall meet the requirements of this chapter and the rules of the commission as those requirements are applied to certification of peace officers. Application for certification as a tribal police officer shall be accepted and processed in the same manner as those for certification of peace officers.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 6405** by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Doumit, McAuliffe, Regala, Rasmussen, Shin, Benton, and Oke; by request of Attorney General

Imposing additional registration requirements on risk level III offenders.

Provides that all offenders who are required to register pursuant to this section who have a fixed residence and who are designated as a risk level III must report, in person, every ninety days to the sheriff of the county where he or she is registered. The report shall be on a day specified by the county sheriff's office, and shall occur during normal business hours. Failure to report as specified constitutes a per se violation of this act and is punishable as provided.

Provides that any person who has reason to believe that a person is not complying, or has not complied, with the requirements of this act and who, with the intent to assist that person in eluding a law enforcement agency that is seeking to find the person to question him or her about, or to arrest him or her for, his or her noncompliance with the requirements of this act: (1) Withholds information from, or does not notify, the law enforcement agency about the person's noncompliance with the requirements of this act, and, if known, the person's whereabouts;

(2) Harbors or attempts to harbor, or assists another in harboring or attempting to harbor, the person;

(3) Conceals or attempts to conceal, or assists another in concealing or attempting to conceal, the person; or

(4) Provides information to the law enforcement agency regarding the person with the knowledge that it is false information is guilty of a class C felony.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6406** by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Doumit, McAuliffe, Regala, Rasmussen, Benton, and Oke; by request of Attorney General

Including assault of a child in the second degree in the list of two-strike offenses.

Includes assault of a child in the second degree in the list of two-strike offenses.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6407** by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Doumit, McAuliffe, Regala, Rasmussen, Benton, and Oke; by request of Attorney General

Increasing the seriousness level for possession of depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Increases the seriousness level for possession of depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6408** by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Doumit, McAuliffe, Regala, Rasmussen, and Oke; by request of Attorney General

Tolling the statute of limitations for felony sex offenses.

Provides that in any prosecution for a sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, the periods of limitation prescribed in this act run from the later of the following dates: (1) The date of commission of the offense; or

(2) One year from the date on which the identity of the suspect is conclusively established by DNA testing.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6409** by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Doumit, McAuliffe, Regala, Rasmussen, and Oke; by request of Attorney General

Revising provisions relating to sex offender sentencing and disposition alternatives.

Provides that, if the conviction results from a guilty plea, the offender must, as part of his or her plea of guilty, voluntarily and affirmatively admit he or she committed all of the elements of the crime to which the offender is pleading guilty. This alternative is not available to offenders who plead guilty to the offense charged under *North Carolina v. Alford*, 400 U.S. 25, 91 S.Ct. 160, 27 L. Ed.2d 162 (1970) and *State v. Newton*, 87 Wash.2d 363, 552 P.2d 682 (1976).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6410** by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Doumit, McAuliffe, Regala, Rasmussen, and Benton; by request of Attorney General

Revising provisions relating to community protection zones.

Declares that sections 1 through 3 and 5 of chapter 436, Laws of 2005, supersede and preempt all rules, regulations, codes, statutes, or ordinances of all cities, counties, municipalities, and local agencies regarding the same subject matter.

Repeals 2005 c 436 s 4 (uncodified); and 2005 c 436 s 6 (uncodified).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6411** by Senators Doumit, Parlette, Pridemore, Delvin, Fraser, McAuliffe, Shin, and Kohl-Welles

Allowing six-year long collective bargaining agreements.

Authorizes six-year long collective bargaining agreements.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.



**SB 6412** by Senators Doumit, Zarelli, and Hargrove

Increasing the number of superior court judges in Clallam and Cowlitz counties.

Increases the number of superior court judges in Clallam and Cowlitz counties.

Provides that the additional judicial positions created by this act in Clallam and Cowlitz counties shall be effective only if each county through its duly constituted legislative authority documents its approval of the additional positions and its agreement that it will pay out of county funds, without reimbursement from the state, the expenses of such additional judicial positions as provided by statute.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 6413** by Senator Oke

Regarding sales of used law enforcement motor vehicles.

Provides that neither the state nor any of its political subdivisions may sell or exchange motor vehicles that have been used for law enforcement purposes before removing all equipment added to or in or on the motor vehicle that is in addition to equipment customarily in or on a motor vehicle purchased for ordinary consumer use.

Does not apply if a motor vehicle is sold or exchanged to be used for law enforcement purposes to the state or its political subdivisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6414** by Senators Pridemore and Kline

Requiring fiscal information in local tax ballot measure titles.

Requires that, if the ballot is a request for ad valorem taxing authority, the ballot title must also contain an amount set forth in terms of dollars on the ballot of the proposition to be submitted to the voters, together with an estimate of the dollar rate of tax levy that will be required to produce the dollar amount.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6415** by Senators Pridemore, McAuliffe, and Mulliken

Allowing interpreters to assist hearing impaired persons during driver's license examinations.

Authorizes interpreters to assist hearing impaired persons during driver's license examinations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6416** by Senators Keiser, Hewitt, Rockefeller, Kohl-Welles, Prentice, Finkbeiner, Parlette, Sheldon, Deccio, Shin, Esser, and Rasmussen

Prohibiting pyramid promotional schemes.

Finds that pyramid schemes, chain letters, and related illegal schemes are enterprises: (1) That finance returns to participants through sums taken from newly attracted participants;

(2) In which new participants are promised large returns for their investment or contribution; and

(3) That involve unfair and deceptive sales tactics, including: Misrepresentations of sustainability, profitability and legality of the scheme, and false statements that the scheme is legal or approved by governmental agencies.

Repeals RCW 19.102.010 and 19.102.020.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

**SB 6417** by Senators Roach, Kline, Jacobsen, Esser, Weinstein, Thibaudeau, Benson, Rasmussen, Schmidt, Carrell, Morton, Deccio, Stevens, Mulliken, McCaslin, Hargrove, and Delvin

Prohibiting sexual conduct or sexual contact with an animal.

Prohibits sexual conduct or sexual contact with an animal.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 6418** by Senators Keiser and Deccio

Adding requirements to renew initial limited licenses for dental hygienists.

Adds requirements to renew initial limited licenses for dental hygienists.

Repeals RCW 18.29.200.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 6419** by Senators Thibaudeau, Deccio, Kastama, Benson, Keiser, and McAuliffe

Creating pilot projects for dental hygienists.

Declares an intent to address the problem of access to preventive oral health care services by providing five pilot projects that allow dental hygienists to practice within the current scope of practice without the supervision of a dentist.

Provides that dental hygienists participating in the pilot projects shall not perform injections of anesthetic agents, administer nitrous oxide, or give a diagnosis for dental treatment.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 6420** by Senators Pridemore, Schmidt, Kohl-Welles, Fairley, McAuliffe, and Shin

Regarding community and technical college part-time academic employee health benefits.

Declares an intent to provide and maintain a consistent delivery of health benefits to part-time academic employees who have established an ongoing employment relationship with the colleges and to prevent unnecessary and harmful lapses in health benefits coverage. To this end, the legislature intends to establish an additional eligibility status to average academic workload over an academic

year, rather than in each quarter. This is not intended to alter the continued eligibility of those who continue to maintain half-time or more in each quarter.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

**SB 6421** by Senator Kastama

Eliminating Saturday counting of ballots.  
Eliminates Saturday counting of ballots.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6422** by Senator Kastama

Modifying election recount provisions.  
Revises election recount provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6423** by Senators Haugen and Kastama

Modifying absentee or provisional ballot notice requirements.

Revises absentee or provisional ballot notice requirements.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6424** by Senators Schoesler, Rasmussen, Morton, Mulliken, and Benton

Providing a property tax exemption for land used for growing crops used in the production of biodiesel feedstock.

Provides a property tax exemption for land used for growing crops used in the production of biodiesel feedstock.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

**SB 6425** by Senators Rasmussen, Schoesler, and Morton

Encouraging enrollment in conservation programs.

Provides that a county shall not adopt development regulations under chapter 36.70A RCW that directly or indirectly preclude a person owning land from being able to qualify for enrollment of a parcel or a portion of any parcel in the conservation reserve enhancement program, or equivalent program that provides for the restoration or enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat or the improvement of water quality.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6426** by Senators Schoesler, Morton, and Delvin

Revising requirements for reciprocity of concealed pistol licenses.

Revises requirements for reciprocity of concealed pistol licenses.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 6427** by Senators Kastama, Mulliken, Morton, and Rasmussen; by request of Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development

Concerning schedules for the review of comprehensive plans and development regulations.

Finds there is a statewide interest in maintaining coordinated planning as called for in the legislative findings of the growth management act, RCW 36.70A.010. It is the intent of the legislature that smaller, slower-growing counties and cities be provided with flexibility in meeting the requirements to review local plans and development regulations in RCW 36.70A.130, while ensuring coordination and consistency with the plans of neighboring cities and counties.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6428** by Senators Pridemore, Esser, Poulsen, Morton, Schmidt, Fairley, Benson, Berkey, Regala, Kohl-Welles, Weinstein, Prentice, Kastama, Johnson, Thibaudeau, Kline, Eide, Shin, Rockefeller, Jacobsen, Haugen, Doumit, Oke, Franklin, Swecker, Carrell, Rasmussen, Spanel, Fraser, McAuliffe, Keiser, Brown, Finkbeiner, Brandland, and Benton

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 12 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

**SB 6429** by Senators Jacobsen, Oke, Haugen, Honeyford, and Rasmussen; by request of Archaeology and Historic Preservation

Exempting certain Native American cultural resources information from public disclosure.

Provides that records, maps, and other information identifying the location of cultural resources acquired during watershed analysis pursuant to the forests and fish report under RCW 76.09.370 in order to prevent the looting or depredation of such sites are exempt from disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6430** by Senators Keiser, Benton, Deccio, Roach, Thibaudeau, Zarelli, Pridemore, Franklin, and Kohl-Welles

Modifying provisions relating to nursing facility medicaid payment systems.

Revises provisions relating to nursing facility medicaid payment systems.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6431** by Senators Kastama, Roach, Kline, and Benton

Regarding the state interoperability executive committee.

Finds that local governments need to have interoperable communications to ensure the public safety and welfare of all citizens in the state of Washington. In light of recent catastrophic events around the world, including in the United States, it is now more important than ever that all responders be able to communicate clearly and without interference or malfunction.

Finds that the legislature has learned that numerous states, the federal government, and some international governments have adopted the project-25 standard for interoperable communications. Local governments in Washington have started to purchase the project-25 interoperable communication standard equipment. In order to ensure that local governments continue to make smart purchasing decisions, they need certainty that the purchases will be interoperable with state equipment and that the state will adopt the national project-25 standards. It is the intent of this act to provide certainty to local governments that a statewide project-25 interoperable communications system will be in place throughout Washington in the near future, and the investments they are making are advantageous to the original intent of interoperable communications, thus ensuring the safety and welfare of Washington's citizens.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6432** by Senators Rockefeller, Schoesler, Fraser, Pridemore, Regala, Keiser, Mulliken, Kline, Kohl-Welles, and Benton

Funding solar energy demonstration projects.

Appropriates the sum of five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to the Washington State University energy extension program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, to support the program's participation in the northwest solar tour, which annually provides public outreach and education regarding existing solar-powered facilities in Washington.

Appropriates the sum of thirty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to the Washington State University energy extension program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, to assist in the installation of the solar demonstration facility entered by the university in the national solar decathlon.

Appropriates the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to the Washington State University energy extension program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, for the purposes of sponsoring a solar decathlon in Washington state.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

**SB 6433** by Senators Kastama, Jacobsen, Poulsen, Pridemore, Rockefeller, Shin, Haugen, Rasmussen, Keiser, Regala, Thibaudeau, Franklin, McAuliffe, and Kohl-Welles

Establishing the emergency management, preparedness, and assistance account.

Declares that recognizing that all disasters are local disasters, the legislature therefore intends to strengthen local emergency response, mitigation, preparation, and coordination by establishing a stable source of funding with the intent that Washington state become the nationally recognized leader in emergency management. The funding will be dedicated to the development and coordination of local government emergency management programs by encouraging joint training, citizen and industry involvement, public education, and relationship building among local and state emergency management officials.

Requires the department to submit a report quarterly to the office of financial management and the legislative fiscal committees detailing information on the emergency management, preparedness, and assistance account, including: The amount and type of deposits into the account; the current available fund balance as of the reporting date; and the projected fund balance at the end of the biennium based on current revenue and expenditure patterns.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to study and review the performance of programs implemented under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6434** by Senators Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Franklin, and Kline

Compensating on-call workers for active duty hours under the state minimum wage act.

Authorizes compensation for on-call workers for active duty hours under the state minimum wage act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

**SB 6435** by Senators McAuliffe, Rockefeller, and Shin

Creating a certificate of academic progress.

Provides that, beginning with the high school graduating class of 2008, a certificate of academic progress shall be available to students who have completed all state and local requirements for high school graduation except obtaining a certificate of academic achievement under RCW 28A.655.061 or a certificate of individual

achievement under RCW 28A.155.045. The certificate of academic progress is not the equivalent of a high school diploma, but enables students to participate in commencement ceremonies upon meeting the criteria in this section.

Requires that, to be eligible for a certificate of academic progress, a student must: (1) Pass all state and local high school graduation requirements except for obtaining a certificate of academic achievement or a certificate of individual achievement and must have taken at least one retake;

(2) Maintain at least a ninety percent attendance level during the senior year of high school, however the school district superintendent may waive this requirement upon the student providing documentation of circumstances such as illness that warrant waiving this requirement; and

(3) Meet with counselors, teachers, and parents, as appropriate, to update the student's high school and beyond plan.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6436** by Senators McAuliffe, Schmidt, Rockefeller, Eide, Weinstein, and Pridemore

Transferring duties of the reconstituted state board of education.

Transfers duties of the reconstituted state board of education.

Declares that the purpose of this act is to address the remaining statutory responsibilities of the state board of education held before 2005. The legislature finds that some duties should be retained with the reconstituted board; many duties should be transferred to other agencies or organizations, primarily but not exclusively to the superintendent of public instruction; and some duties should be repealed. This act also corrects statutes to implement fully the transfer of responsibilities authorized in 2005.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6437** by Senators McAuliffe, Rockefeller, Schmidt, Eide, Keiser, Schoesler, Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Weinstein, Pridemore, Rasmussen, and Shin

Providing for adoption of course equivalencies for career and technical courses.

Provides for adoption of course equivalencies for career and technical courses.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6438** by Senators Weinstein, McAuliffe, Eide, Poulsen, Schmidt, Esser, Finkbeiner, Keiser, and Kohl-Welles

Modifying school district levy provisions.

Revises school district levy provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6439** by Senators Doumit, Oke, Jacobsen, Schoesler, and Delvin

Concerning coastal crab fisheries licenses.

Amends RCW 77.70.350 relating to coastal crab fisheries licenses.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**SB 6440** by Senators Kline and Johnson

Providing procedures for judicial orders concerning distraint of personal property.

Provides that if the property or any part of it is concealed in a building or enclosure, the sheriff shall publicly demand delivery of the property. If the property is not delivered and if the order of execution so directs, the sheriff shall cause the building or enclosure to be broken open and take possession of the property.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 6441** by Senators Johnson and Kline

Changing the law related to judicial orders concerning distraint of personal property.

Provides that, when there is probable cause to believe that there is property within the county subject to distraint pursuant to RCW 84.56.070 or 84.56.090, any judge of the superior court or district court in the county in which such property is located may, upon the request of the sheriff, county treasurer, or agent of the county treasurer, issue a warrant directed to the sheriff, county treasurer, or agent of the county treasurer commanding the search for and seizure of the property described in the request for warrant at the place or places described in the request for warrant.

Declares that the procedure for the issuance and execution and return of the warrant authorized by this act and for return of any property seized shall be the criminal rules of the superior court and the district court.

Provides that property seized under this act shall be disposed of as provided in RCW 84.56.070 or 84.56.090.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 6442** by Senators Shin and Schmidt

Authorizing the transfer of certain real property and facilities.

Provides that public bodies, as defined in RCW 43.99C.020, may transfer real property and facilities acquired, constructed, or otherwise improved under chapter 43.99C RCW to nonprofit corporations organized to provide services for individuals with sensory, physical, or mental handicaps. The nonprofit corporation shall use the real property and facilities for the purpose of providing the following limited programs as designated by the department: Nonprofit group training homes, community centers, close to home living units, sheltered workshops,

vocational rehabilitation centers, developmental disability training centers, and community homes for the mentally ill.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6443** by Senators Fraser and Regala; by request of Office of Financial Management

Creating the economic stability account.

Creates the economic stability account.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6444** by Senators Prentice, Doumit, Fraser, McAuliffe, Regala, Rasmussen, Shin, and Roach; by request of Office of Financial Management

Creating the pension funding stabilization account.

Creates the pension funding stabilization account.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6445** by Senators Fraser, Pridemore, Franklin, Rasmussen, and Roach; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Providing unreduced retirement benefits in the plans 2 and 3 of the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, and the school employees' retirement system.

Provides unreduced retirement benefits in the plans 2 and 3 of the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, and the school employees' retirement system.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6446** by Senators Fraser, Pridemore, Franklin, Rasmussen, and Roach; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Setting contribution rates in the Washington state patrol retirement system.

Establishes contribution rates in the Washington state patrol retirement system.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6447** by Senators Pridemore, Fraser, Franklin, Rasmussen, and Roach; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Addressing the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 1.

Revises provisions pertaining to the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 1.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6448** by Senators Mulliken, Pridemore, Fraser, Franklin, and Rasmussen; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Addressing the public employment of retirees from the teachers' retirement system plan 1 and the public employees' retirement system plan 1.

Revises provisions pertaining to the public employment of retirees from the teachers' retirement system plan 1 and the public employees' retirement system plan 1.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6449** by Senators Fraser, Pridemore, Rasmussen, Shin, and Roach; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Making changes to general provisions in the public safety employees' retirement system.

Makes changes to general provisions in the public safety employees' retirement system.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6450** by Senators Pridemore, Mulliken, Fraser, McAuliffe, and Rasmussen; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Allowing vesting after five years of service in the defined benefit portion of the public employees' retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, and the teachers' retirement system plan 3.

Allows vesting after five years of service in the defined benefit portion of the public employees' retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, and the teachers' retirement system plan 3.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6451** by Senators Fraser, Mulliken, Pridemore, McAuliffe, and Rasmussen; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Funding the unfunded actuarial accrued liability in plan 1 of the public employees' retirement system and plan 1 of the teachers' retirement system.

Declares an intent to provide for the systematic payment of the plan 1 unfunded actuarial accrued liability in a manner that promotes contribution rate adequacy and stability for the affected systems. This change in funding policy requires a three-year phase-in of contribution rates beginning in 2006. The phase-in rates for the plan 1 unfunded actuarial accrued liability are in addition to the phase-in rates established pursuant to RCW 41.45.062.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6452** by Senators Fraser, Mulliken, Pridemore, McAuliffe, and Rasmussen; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Establishing minimum contribution rates for the public employees' retirement system, the public safety employees'

retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, and the teachers' retirement system.

Establishes minimum contribution rates for the public employees' retirement system, the public safety employees' retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, and the teachers' retirement system.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6453** by Senators Mulliken, Pridemore, Fraser, Rockefeller, Franklin, and Spanel; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Establishing a one thousand dollar minimum monthly benefit for certain plan 1 members of the public employees' retirement system and certain plan 1 members of the teachers' retirement system.

Provides that, beginning July 1, 2006, the minimum benefit set forth in this act, prior to adjustments set forth in this act, for a beneficiary with at least twenty years of service and who has been retired at least twenty-five years shall be one thousand dollars per month. On July 1, 2006, and each year thereafter, the minimum benefit in this provision shall be increased by three percent, rounded to the nearest cent.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6454** by Senators Mulliken, Pridemore, Fraser, Rockefeller, Franklin, Spanel, Shin, and Roach; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Providing annual increases in certain retirement allowances.

Provides annual increases in certain retirement allowances.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6455** by Senators Fraser, Mulliken, Pridemore, Rockefeller, Spanel, and Roach; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Creating optional public retirement benefits for justices and judges.

Provides that, beginning January 1, 2007, through December 31, 2007, any member of the public employees' retirement system eligible to participate in the judicial retirement account plan under chapter 2.14 RCW may make a one-time irrevocable election, filed in writing with the member's employer, the department of retirement systems, and the administrative office of the courts, to discontinue future contributions to the judicial retirement account plan in lieu of prospective contribution and benefit provisions under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6456** by Senators Pridemore, Rockefeller, Spanel, and Roach; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Authorizing optional membership and distributions of retirement allowances for certain members of the teachers',

school employees', and public employees' retirement systems.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6457** by Senators Pridemore, Mulliken, Fraser, Rockefeller, Rasmussen, and Roach; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Permitting members of the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, the public safety employees' retirement system, plan 1 of the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system, and the Washington state patrol retirement system to make a one-time purchase of additional service credit.

Authorizes members of the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, the school employees' retirement system, the public safety employees' retirement system, plan 1 of the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system, and the Washington state patrol retirement system to make a one-time purchase of additional service credit.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6458** by Senators Pridemore, Mulliken, Fraser, Rockefeller, Franklin, and Rasmussen; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Purchasing service credit in plan 2 and plan 3 of the teachers' retirement system for public education experience performed as a teacher in a public school in another state or with the federal government.

Provides for purchasing service credit in plan 2 and plan 3 of the teachers' retirement system for public education experience performed as a teacher in a public school in another state or with the federal government.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6459** by Senators Keiser, Brandland, Thibaudeau, Spanel, Rasmussen, Kline, Parlette, and Kohl-Welles

Supporting community-based health care solutions.

Finds that: (1) Despite sustained efforts at the federal and state level, too many people in Washington remain without access to appropriate health care. Particularly alarming is the increase in the number of small business employees who are uninsured. Without a health home, many low-income and other vulnerable populations are left to inefficiently navigate a fragmented treatment system that fails to support their long-term well-being.

(2) In recent years, numerous community-based organizations have emerged around the state to address health care concerns at a local level. Through innovation and public/private collaboration, they have demonstrated great success and show even greater promise in improving health care access for local residents. Less remote than state

and federal agencies, these organizations have built on local relationships to increase the availability and affordability of services, and coordinate care, making efficient use of a wide variety of community resources to meet community needs.

(3) Many of these organizations have relied on grants from the healthy communities access program, an initiative of the United States department of health and human services that provided funding and technical assistance to support collaborative efforts at the local level to coordinate and strengthen health services for the uninsured and underinsured. The program, however, was recently discontinued, placing these local efforts at risk.

Declares that it is therefore the intent of the legislature to enhance and support the development of collaborative community-based organizations working at the local level to increase access to health care for Washington residents.

Provides that, by July 1, 2008, the board shall provide the governor and the legislature with an evaluation of the community health care collaborative grant program, describing the organizations and programs funded and the results achieved. Particularly successful programs shall be highlighted with recommendations on whether, and how, the programs could be replicated statewide. The evaluation shall also summarize any recommendations from the participating organizations regarding ways to improve the grant program and for the state to otherwise support community-based organizations working to improve access to health care for Washington residents, including any changes in state statutes or regulations.

Appropriates the sum of three million one hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the general fund to the health care authority for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, to carry out the purposes of this act. No more than one hundred thousand dollars may be used by the health care authority for administrative expenses associated with the program.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 6460** by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, McCaslin, McAuliffe, Keiser, Rasmussen, Benton, Roach, and Oke; by request of Attorney General

Increasing penalties for crimes committed with sexual motivation.

Provides that if an offender committed the offense with sexual motivation and the offender is being sentenced for an anticipatory offense under chapter 9A.28 RCW, the following additional times shall be added to the standard sentence range determined under this act based on the felony crime of conviction as classified under RCW 9A.28.020: (1) Two years for any felony defined under the law as a class A felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of at least twenty years, or both;

(2) Eighteen months for any felony defined under any law as a class B felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of ten years, or both;

(3) One year for any felony defined under any law as a class C felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of five years, or both;

(4) If the offender is being sentenced for any sexual motivation enhancements under this act and the offender has previously been sentenced for any sexual motivation

enhancements on or after the effective date of this act, all sexual motivation enhancements under this act shall be twice the amount of the enhancement listed.

Provides that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, all sexual motivation enhancements under this act are mandatory, shall be served in total confinement, and shall run consecutively to all other sentencing provisions, including other sexual motivation enhancements, for all offenses sentenced under chapter 9.94A RCW. However, whether or not a mandatory minimum term has expired, an offender serving a sentence under this act may be granted an extraordinary medical placement when authorized under RCW 9.94A.728(4).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6461** by Senators McAuliffe and Schmidt

Adopting a weighted multiple measures approach to graduation requirements.

Declares an intent to account for a student's entire high school academic history by using a weighted multiple measures approach to evaluate a student's readiness to graduate. This method recognizes all of the state's graduation requirements, considers the academic impact and benefit of each, and puts all in proper perspective. It honors a well-rounded, rigorous, and challenging educational experience that prepares our students for a changing and complex twenty-first century. It recognizes that while all students can learn at high levels, many demonstrate competencies through various strengths, learning styles, and different formats, and academically develop at different rates over time. It upholds all of the state's four learning goals throughout a student's high school tenure. It provides the opportunity to students to develop, grasp, and demonstrate many learning objectives, including those beyond the tenth grade. It will give students hope and reason to complete high school.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6462** by Senators Shin, Berkey, Rasmussen, Jacobsen, Schmidt, Swecker, Honeyford, Pflug, and Sheldon

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 12 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

**SB 6463** by Senators Fairley and Benton

Allowing banks and savings banks to organize as limited liability companies.

Provides that, notwithstanding any other provision of Title 30 RCW, if the conditions of this act are met, a bank, or a holding company of a bank, may be organized as, or convert to, a limited liability company under the Washington limited liability company act, chapter 25.15 RCW.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

**SB 6464** by Senators Delvin, McAuliffe, Hewitt, Pridemore, and Rasmussen

Expanding the baccalaureate degree program at WSU, Tri-Cities.

Provides that, beginning in the fall of 2006, the campus may admit lower division students directly. By simultaneously admitting freshmen and sophomores, increasing transfer enrollment, coadmitting transfer students, and expanding graduate and professional programs, the campus shall develop into a four-year institution of higher education serving the Tri-Cities region.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6465** by Senators McAuliffe, Berkey, Haugen, Fairley, Shin, Rockefeller, Hargrove, Rasmussen, Franklin, Thibaudeau, and Regala

Changing provisions relating to sex offenders.

Designates the crime of possessing depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct as a sex offense.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6466** by Senators Kohl-Welles, Weinstein, McAuliffe, Delvin, Finkbeiner, Brown, Rasmussen, and Kline; by request of Governor Gregoire

Creating the department of early learning.

Finds that the early years of a child's life are critical to the child's healthy brain development and that the quality of caregiving during the early years can significantly impact the child's intellectual, social, and emotional development.

Declares that the purpose of this act is: (1) To establish the department of early learning, the purpose of which is to coordinate and consolidate child care and early learning programs;

(2) To safeguard the health, safety, and well-being of children receiving child care and early learning services, which is paramount over the right of any person to provide care;

(3) To promote the development of a sufficient number and variety of adequate child care and early learning facilities, both public and private; and

(4) To license agencies and to assure the users of such agencies, their parents, the community at large and the agencies themselves that adequate minimum standards are maintained by all child care and early learning facilities.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6467** by Senators Schmidt, Haugen, Shin, Benson, Rasmussen, Benton, and Oke

Modifying the laws concerning armed forces license plates.

Amends RCW 46.16.30920 relating to armed forces license plates for members of the national guard.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6468** by Senators Johnson, Schmidt, Roach, Zarelli, Stevens, Mulliken, Carrell, Benton, Deccio, Parlette, Honeyford, Benson, Keiser, Kline, and Kohl-Welles

Requiring classroom-based civics assessments.

Finds that effective and accountable democratic government depends upon an informed and engaged citizenry, and therefore, students should learn their rights



and responsibilities as citizens, where those rights and responsibilities come from, and how to exercise them.

Provides that, beginning with the 2008-09 school year, school districts shall require students in the fourth or fifth grades, the seventh or eighth grades, and the eleventh or twelfth grades to each complete at least one classroom-based assessment in civics. The civics assessment shall be selected from a list of classroom-based assessments approved by the office of the superintendent of public instruction. Beginning with the 2008-09 school year, school districts shall annually submit implementation verification reports to the office of the superintendent of public instruction documenting the use of the classroom-based assessments in civics.

Appropriates the sum of twenty-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 superintendent of public instruction.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6469** by Senators Thibaudeau, Keiser, Haugen, Franklin, Brown, Jacobsen, McAuliffe, Spanel, Kline, and Kohl-Welles

Creating a blue ribbon commission on health care cost and access.

Requires that, by December 1, 2006, the blue ribbon commission on health care cost and access shall develop a sustainable five-year plan to substantially improve access to affordable health care for all Washington residents. The plan shall: (1) Be based on explicit, measurable goals reflecting a realistic assessment of the current status of Washington's health care system, the medical treatment and services to which all Washington residents should have access, and the financial and other resources available to provide them;

(2) Identify the most significant factors contributing to increasingly inaccessible and unaffordable health care and health care insurance in Washington state;

(3) Include a list of strategies prioritized by their likelihood to cost-effectively address these factors and achieve the identified goals;

(4) Identify what must be done, by whom, and by when to assure implementation of each of the listed strategies, including any necessary changes in statute or administrative rule;

(5) Estimate the cost to the responsible party of implementing the listed strategies;

(6) Build a foundation for subsequent long-term plans to assure on-going access for all Washington residents to affordable health care.

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 6470** by Senators Shin, Deccio, Schmidt, Sheldon, Jacobsen, Rasmussen, and Mulliken

Creating Washington manufacturing services in statute.

Declares an intent that the state increase its support for delivery of modernization services to small and midsize

manufacturers and leverage federal and private resources devoted to such efforts. It is the further intent of the legislature that the state facilitate the delivery of modernization services and: (1) Encourage small and midsize firms to aggregate their demand for training and other modernization services, thus driving down the cost to the individual firm and securing more effective services; and

(2) Encourage large firms to support training consortia among their suppliers and validate the importance of high performance work organization and workplace learning as desirable supplier practices.

Organizes Washington manufacturing services as a private, nonprofit corporation in accordance with chapter 24.03 RCW and this act. The mission of the center is to operate a modernization extension system, coordinate a network of public and private modernization resources, and stimulate the competitiveness of small and midsize manufacturers in Washington.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

**SB 6471** by Senators Zarelli, Hewitt, Sheldon, Parlette, Brandland, Stevens, Morton, Finkbeiner, Schmidt, Pflug, Esser, Carrell, Mulliken, Schoesler, Benton, Deccio, Oke, Honeyford, Johnson, and Roach

Implementing a proposed constitutional amendment creating a rainy day reserve fund.

Implements a proposed constitutional amendment creating a rainy day reserve fund.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6472** by Senators Rasmussen and Carrell

Requiring school districts to adopt policies for the retention and promotion of students.

Requires that, beginning with the 2006-07 school year, all school boards shall adopt a policy, or amend any existing local policy, regarding promotion and retention of pupils.

Requires the district policy to be adopted at a public meeting of the school board and shall: (1) Provide for parental notification when a pupil is identified as being at risk of retention. This notice shall be provided as early in the school year, and as early in their school careers, as practicable. The policy shall provide a pupil's parent or guardian the opportunity to consult with the teacher or teachers responsible for the decision to promote or retain the pupil; and

(2) Indicate the manner in which opportunities for remedial instruction are available to pupils who are recommended for retention or who are identified as being at risk for retention.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6473** by Senators Poulsen, Morton, and Rockefeller

Eliminating the requirement that telecommunications companies file price lists.

Eliminates the requirement that telecommunications companies file price lists.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

**SB 6474** by Senators Regala, Poulsen, Morton, Kline, and Kohl-Welles

Modifying provisions related to the model toxics control act.

Revises provisions related to the model toxics control act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

**SB 6475** by Senators McAuliffe, Schmidt, Eide, Weinstein, Haugen, Berkey, Kastama, Shin, Kohl-Welles, and Rasmussen; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Authorizing alternative methods of assessment and appeal processes for the certificate of academic achievement.

Requires that, under RCW 28A.655.061, beginning in the 2006-07 school year, the superintendent of public instruction shall implement two objective alternative assessment methods for students to demonstrate achievement of the state standards in content areas in which the student did not meet the standard on the high school Washington assessment of student learning.

Provides that the alternative methods shall include: (1) A combination of a student's grades in applicable courses and the student's highest score on the high school Washington assessment of student learning; and

(2) An evaluation of a collection of work samples. The evaluation of the work samples shall be conducted at the state level or regionally under the supervision of the office of the superintendent of public instruction using uniform scoring criteria.

Directs the superintendent of public instruction to implement: (1) By June 1, 2006, a process for students to appeal the score they received on the high school assessment; and

(2) By January 1, 2007, guidelines and appeal processes for waiving specific requirements in RCW 28A.655.061 pertaining to the certificate of academic achievement and to the certificate of individual achievement for students who: (a) Transfer to a Washington public school in their junior or senior year with the intent of obtaining a public high school diploma, or (b) have special, unavoidable circumstances.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6476** by Senators Roach, Pflug, Johnson, Carrell, Stevens, Benson, Delvin, Schoesler, Schmidt, Mulliken, and Benton

Providing for active monitoring of nonpersistent offenders.

Declares an intent to require the use of electronic monitoring with global positioning capability to supervise

the most dangerous sex offenders, if an offender is released back into the community.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 6477** by Senators Roach, Benson, Stevens, Benton, Johnson, Esser, and Honeyford

Creating a work group to study volunteer amateur radio emergency communications.

Requires the work group to submit a written report to the governor and to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature by December 1, 2006. The report shall include, but not be limited to, recommendations for regulating ham radio antenna heights in urban areas; for a credential to indicate that the person holding it is a trained and qualified emergency worker within the context of chapter 38.52 RCW; and for encouraging the expansion of the ham radio network so that ideally there are no inhabited areas of the state without communication links for use in emergencies.

Appropriates the sum of five hundred dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the military department for the purposes of reimbursing the expenses of participating in and attending meetings of the work group that are incurred by the private citizens serving as representatives of the ham radio community, to whom no other compensation is provided.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 6478** by Senators Regala, Hargrove, McAuliffe, Keiser, and Rasmussen

Creating sexual assault protection orders.

Provides that a petition for a sexual assault protection order may be filed by a person: (1) Who is a victim of nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration, including a single incident of nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration; or

(2) On behalf of any of the following persons who is a victim of nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration: (a) A minor child; (b) a vulnerable adult as defined in RCW 74.34.020; or (c) any other adult who, because of age, disability, health, or inaccessibility, cannot file the petition.

Declares that any person may seek relief under this act by filing a petition with a court alleging that the person has been the victim of nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration committed by the respondent.

Provides that there shall exist an action known as a petition for a sexual assault protection order.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 6479** by Senators Regala, McAuliffe, and Kline

Revising the privilege for sexual assault advocates.

Revises the privilege for sexual assault advocates.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 6480** by Senators Kohl-Welles, Haugen, Brown, and Keiser; by request of Department of Transportation

Eliminating the department of transportation's exemption from the public works apprenticeship utilization requirements.

Eliminates the department of transportation's exemption from the public works apprenticeship utilization requirements.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

**SB 6481** by Senators Jacobsen, Weinstein, and Fairley

Penalizing persons who violate rules concerning the use of toxic shot to hunt waterfowl.

Provides that, in addition to the criminal penalties set forth in this act, if a person violates a rule requiring the use of nontoxic shot to hunt waterfowl, upon conviction: (1) The court shall require a payment of one thousand dollars as a criminal wildlife penalty assessment that must be paid to the clerk of the court and distributed to the state treasurer for deposit in the fish and wildlife enforcement reward account; and

(2) The department shall revoke the hunting license of the person and order a suspension of small game hunting privileges for two years.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**SB 6482** by Senators Honeyford, Mulliken, Schoesler, Finkbeiner, Esser, and Delvin

Providing funds for energy assistance.

Provides funds for energy assistance.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

**SB 6483** by Senators Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, Franklin, Haugen, Berkey, Keiser, Kline, Regala, Eide, Brown, Thibaudeau, Schmidt, Spanel, and Shin; by request of Governor Gregoire

Expanding apprenticeship opportunities for high school graduates.

Finds that it is in the public interest of the state to encourage and facilitate the formation of cooperative relationships between business and industry and educational institutions that provide for the development and expansion of programs of skills training and education consistent with employment needs and to make interested individuals aware of the employment opportunities presented. Therefore, the following programs shall be implemented to expand opportunities for secondary school students to prepare for technical careers and related apprenticeships: (1) Centers of excellence, which shall act as repositories and distributors of relevant information;

(2) A coordinated educational outreach program about apprenticeships; and

(3) Direct-entry programs for graduating secondary students into construction-related apprenticeships, managed by the Washington state apprenticeship and training council.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SB 6484** by Senators Doumit, Swecker, Hargrove, Rasmussen, Schoesler, Morton, Keiser, Eide, Hewitt, Mulliken, Parlette, and Benton

Providing local assistance for state narcotics task forces.

Declares an intent to provide an annual combined level of state and federal funding for multijurisdictional drug task forces and local government drug prosecution assistance at a minimum of four million dollars.

Provides that three pilot enforcement areas shall be established for a period of four fiscal years, beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2010, with one in the southwestern region of the state, comprising of Pacific, Wahkiakum, Lewis, Grays Harbor, and Cowlitz counties; one in the southeastern region of the state, comprising of Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, and Asotin counties; and one in the northeastern part of the state, comprising of Stevens, Ferry, Pend Oreille, and Lincoln counties. The counties comprising a specific pilot area will coordinate with each other to establish and implement a regional strategy to enforce illegal drug laws.

Declares an intent to provide funding of no less than one million five hundred seventy-five thousand dollars annually.

Requires the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, the Washington association of prosecuting attorneys, and the Washington association of county officials to jointly develop measures to determine the efficacy of the programs in the pilot area. These measures will include comparison of arrest rates before the implementation of this act and after, reduction of recidivism, and any other factors that are determined to be relevant to evaluation of the programs. The organizations named in this section will present their findings to the legislature by December 1, 2008.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

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### Senate Joint Memorials

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**SJM 8028** by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Thibaudeau, McCaslin, and Kline

Requesting Congress to allow states to decide whether marijuana should be used legally for medicinal purposes.

Requests Congress to allow states to decide whether marijuana should be used legally for medicinal purposes.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

**SJM 8029** by Senators Schoesler, Morton, Delvin, and Mulliken

Requesting Congress to repeal the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act.

Requests Congress to repeal the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

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### Senate Joint Resolutions

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**SJR 8221** by Senators Haugen and Rasmussen

Authorizing the legislature to enact certain homestead exemptions from property taxation.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution authorizing the legislature to enact certain homestead exemptions from property taxation.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SJR 8222** by Senators Zarelli, Doumit, Hewitt, Sheldon, Parlette, Rasmussen, Stevens, Johnson, Finkbeiner, Schmidt, Pflug, Schoesler, Carrell, Esser, Mulliken, Benton, Deccio, Brandland, Honeyford, Oke, Benson, and Roach

Establishing a rainy day reserve fund.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution establishing a rainy day reserve fund.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.