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### House Bills

**HB 1581-S** by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives O'Brien, Schindler, Jarrett, Dunn, Woods, McCune, Wood, Ericksen, and Rodne)

Revising the authority of a vehicle licensing subagent to recommend a successor.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Amends RCW 46.01.140 to revise the authority of a vehicle licensing subagent to recommend a successor.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 6 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 7 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 2912-S2** by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Green, Appleton, Woods, Cody, Moeller, Haigh, Conway, Lantz, Hudgins, Roberts, McCoy, Kenney, Morrell, P. Sullivan, Hasegawa, Kilmer, Simpson, and Ormsby)

Requiring that mental health professionals do private home visits in pairs and providing for other safety and violence prevention measures.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Requires that mental health professionals do private home visits in pairs and providing for other safety and violence prevention measures.

Requires that any mental health professional who engages in home visits to clients shall be provided by their employer with a wireless telephone or comparable device for the purpose of emergency communication.

Requires that any mental health professional that is dispatched on a crisis outreach visit shall have prompt

access to existing case files, if any exist, on the client they are being sent to evaluate.

Provides that annually, all community mental health employees who work directly with clients shall be provided with training on safety and violence prevention. The curriculum for the training shall be developed collaboratively among the department of social and health services, contracted mental health providers, and employee organizations that represent community mental health workers.

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 APP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 7 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 76; nays, 22; absent, 0; excused, 0.

**HB 2925-S** by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Santos, Morrell, Bailey, Cody, Hinkle, Pettigrew, Linville, and Schual-Berke)

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

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

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

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 APP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 7 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 8 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE SENATE --

- Feb 10 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**HB 2946-S** by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives P. Sullivan, Roach, Simpson, Shabro, and McCoy)

Regarding checks for employees of bureau of Indian affairs-funded schools.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that federal bureau of Indian affairs-funded schools may use the process in this act to perform record checks of their employees and applicants for employment.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 1 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 9 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 13 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

**HB 2951-S** by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Campbell, Morrell, McCune, and Green)

Creating a firearms training certificate program for retired law enforcement officers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that the purpose of this act is to establish a process for issuing firearms certificates to residents of Washington who are qualified retired law enforcement officers for the purpose of satisfying the certification requirements contained in the federal law enforcement officers safety act of 2004 (118 Stat. 865; 18 U.S.C. Sec. 926B and 926C).

Directs the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs to develop a firearms certificate form to be used by local law enforcement agencies when issuing firearms certificates to retired law enforcement officers under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

- Feb 9 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

- Feb 13 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

**HB 2964-S2** by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Talcott, Walsh, Quall, Haler, Shabro, Fromhold, Kessler, Hunt, Appleton, Lantz, Darneille, Kenney, Chase, Hasegawa, Sells, Roberts, Hunter, Moeller, McCoy, Santos, Green, and Simpson; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Creating the department of early learning.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

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 linkages and alignment between early learning programs and elementary schools and support the transition of children and families from prekindergarten environments to kindergarten;

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

(5) 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.

Provides that two years after the implementation of the department's early learning program, and every two years thereafter by July 1st, the department shall submit to the governor and the legislature a report measuring the effectiveness of its programs in improving early childhood education. The first report shall include program objectives and identified valid performance measures for evaluating progress toward achieving the objectives, as well as a plan for commissioning a longitudinal study comparing the kindergarten readiness of children participating in the department's programs with the readiness of other children, using nationally accepted testing and assessment methods. Such comparison shall include, but not be limited to, achievement as children of both groups progress through the K-12 system and identify year-to-year changes in achievement, if any, in later years of elementary, middle school, and high school education.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 APP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.

Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.  
 Feb 7 Placed on second reading.  
 Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
 Third reading, passed; yeas, 79; nays, 19; absent, 0; excused, 0.  
 -- IN THE SENATE --  
 Feb 11 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

**HB 2973-S** by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Priest, Ormsby, Kenney, Kagi, Hasegawa, P. Sullivan, Moeller, Santos, and Springer)

Creating a career and technical high school graduation option for students meeting state standards in fundamental academic content areas.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to create a rigorous, high quality career and technical high school graduation option that assures students meet state standards in fundamental academic content areas, but also reflects nationally recognized standards for the knowledge and skills needed to pursue employment and careers in technical fields, and provides students with flexibility in other areas such as social studies, health and fitness, or the arts. It is the legislature's intent that the career and technical education within the new graduation option be extensive and reflective of a significant, multiyear commitment by the student.

Requires each high school or school district board of directors to adopt course equivalencies for career and technical high school courses offered to students at the high school. A career and technical course equivalency may be for whole or partial credit. Each school district board of directors shall develop a course equivalency approval procedure.

Provides that career and technical courses determined to be equivalent to academic core courses, in full or in part, by the high school or school district shall be accepted as meeting core requirements, including graduation requirements, if the courses are recorded on the student's transcript using the equivalent academic high school department designation and title. Full or partial credit shall be recorded as appropriate.

Directs the superintendent of public instruction to develop a list of approved career and technical education programs that qualify for the high school graduation option under RCW 28A.230.090. Programs on the list must meet the following minimum criteria: (1) Lead to a certificate or credential that is state or nationally recognized by trades, industries, or other professional associations as necessary for employment or advancement in that field;

(2) Require a sequenced progression of multiple courses, both exploratory and preparatory, that are vocationally intensive and rigorous; and

(3) Have a high potential for providing the program completer with gainful employment or entry into a postsecondary work force training program.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 1 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 3 Referred to Appropriations.  
 Feb 4 APP - Executive action taken by committee.  
 APP - Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Education.  
 Feb 7 Placed on second reading.  
 Feb 9 1st substitute bill substituted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
 Third reading, passed; yeas, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.  
 -- IN THE SENATE --  
 Feb 11 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

**HB 2986-S** by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Schual-Berke, Quall, Hunt, Lantz, Darneille, Kenney, Nixon, Hasegawa, and Santos)

Minimizing the release of information in student directories.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent, in the interest of student confidentiality, that school districts minimize the release of student telephone numbers and other directory information in the absence of express parental consent. The legislature finds that the nondisclosure of student telephone numbers and other directory information reduces the possibility of harassment of students and their families by organizations that received student information.

Provides that, by September 1, 2006, each school district shall adopt a policy and procedures for providing separate written notice to every public high school student and his or her parent or legal guardian. The notice shall inform the parent or legal guardian and the student: (1) Of their right to request, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7908(a) (2), that the student's directory information not be released to recruiters without the prior written consent of the student's parent or guardian or the student;

(2) That if they do not request that the student's directory information be withheld from some or all recruiters by the thirtieth day of the new school year, the school may release the student's directory information if requested to do so by a recruiter; and

(3) Of the obligation of all males between the ages of eighteen and twenty-five years to register with selective services within thirty days of their eighteenth birthday and information regarding how to register.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
 Minority; do not pass.  
 Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 3079-S** by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Conway, Cody, Sells, Dickerson, Morrell, Simpson, Schual-Berke, Hasegawa, Chase, and Santos)

Reporting on the employment status of recipients of Medicaid and the basic health plan.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the health care authority, in coordination with the department of social and health services, to prepare a report on the employment status of basic health plan enrollees under chapter 70.47 RCW.

Provides that the report must be delivered electronically to appropriate committees of the senate and house of representatives annually, commencing no later than November 15, 2006.

Directs the department of social and health services, in coordination with the health care authority, to prepare a report on the employment status of recipients of medical assistance under chapter 74.09 RCW.

Provides that the report must be delivered electronically to appropriate committees of the senate and house of representatives annually, commencing no later than November 15, 2006.

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 4 APP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 7 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 10 Placed on second reading.

**HB 3082-S** by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Rodne, Springer, Priest, Wood, Lantz, and Nixon)

Changing provisions that govern courts of limited jurisdiction.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions that govern courts of limited jurisdiction.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 13 Placed on second reading.

Feb 14 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 96; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.

**HB 3084-S** by House Committee on Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks (originally sponsored by Representatives B. Sullivan, Buck, Chase, and Sells)

Studying the regulation of oil and gas exploration, development, and production in the state.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that it is in the state's interest to foster oil and natural gas resources-related activities in an appropriate regulatory, technical, environmental, and financial framework, and that the existing framework does not adequately allow the state to respond to potential discoveries.

Requires the commissioner of public lands to develop recommendations to improve the regulatory, technical, environmental, and financial framework of the oil and gas industry as specified in this act by December 30, 2006. In developing statewide recommendations, the commissioner

shall assemble and consult the work group created in this act.

Creates a work group to study current state regulation of the oil and gas industry and opportunities to improve the oil and gas financial and regulatory program as specified in this act and to help the commissioner of public lands develop recommendations under this act.

Provides that, by December 30, 2006, the commissioner of public lands must submit the work group's findings, and recommendations for legislation that is necessary to implement the findings, to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature. The department of natural resources must provide technical and staff support from existing staff for the work group created by this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 NREP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 9 Placed on second reading suspension calendar.

Feb 10 Placed on second reading.

**HB 3127-S** by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Santos, Hasegawa, McCoy, P. Sullivan, McDermott, Upthegrove, Pettigrew, and Morrell)

Regarding the center for the improvement of student learning.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that expanding activity in educational research, educational restructuring, and educational improvement initiatives has produced and continues to produce much valuable information.

Finds that such information should be shared with the citizens and educational community of the state as widely as possible.

Finds that students and schools benefit from increased parental, guardian, and community knowledge of and input regarding the delivery of public education.

Finds that increased knowledge of and input regarding the public education system is particularly needed in low-income and ethnic minority communities.

Finds that the center for the improvement of student learning, created by the legislature in 1993 under the auspices of the superintendent of public instruction, has not been allocated funding since the 2001-2003 biennium, and in effect no longer exists.

Declares an intent to reactivate the center for the improvement of student learning, and to create within the center an educational ombudsman to serve as a resource center for parents and students and as an advocate for students in the public education system.

Creates within the center for the improvement of student learning the office of the education ombudsman for the purpose of providing information to school districts, school administrators, teachers, parents, students, and others regarding their rights and responsibilities with respect to the state's public elementary and secondary education system, monitoring and ensuring compliance with administrative acts, statutes, and policies relating to public elementary and secondary education, and advocating on behalf of elementary and secondary students. The education ombudsman shall be appointed by the

superintendent of public instruction and shall report to the superintendent of public instruction and the director of the center for the improvement of student learning.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to establish an education advisory committee consisting of at least eleven and no more than fifteen members appointed by the superintendent of public instruction.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 APP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Feb 7 Placed on second reading.  
Feb 13 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 57; nays, 41; absent, 0; excused, 0.

**HB 3128-S** by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Kenney, Hankins, Conway, Chandler, Wood, Condotta, Newhouse, and Springer)

Regulating the sale of wine by a society or organization.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that nothing in this act prohibits an organization qualifying under RCW 66.24.375 formed for the purpose of constructing and operating a facility to promote Washington wines from holding retail licenses on the facility property or leasing all or any portion of such facility property to a retail licensee on the facility property if the members of the board of directors or officers of the board for the organization include officers, directors, owners, or employees of a licensed domestic winery. Financing for the construction of the facility must include both public and private money.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 1 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.  
Feb 9 Placed on second reading suspension calendar.  
Feb 10 Committee recommendations adopted and the 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Placed on third reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.  
-- IN THE SENATE --  
Feb 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

**HB 3148-S** by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Darneille, and Roberts)

Concerning investigations of child abuse.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that judicial interpretation of child abuse investigation statutes has imposed potentially irreconcilable duties on the department of social and health services and governmental entities that are obligated to investigate child abuse and neglect referrals. Courts have ruled that investigators of child abuse allegations have the

obligation to protect children by removing them from unsafe homes but also have ruled that these same statutes establish an equal duty to protect the family unit, even where the parent is the alleged abuser.

Finds that concerns about tort liability arising from these conflicting duties impair investigators' ability to perform their statutory obligations. While recognizing the rights of parents and the importance of the family unit, the legislature finds that the paramount purpose of chapter 26.44 RCW is to benefit children. When the child's interests of basic nurture, physical and mental health, and safety conflict with the parents' interests, the interests of the child should prevail. In conducting investigations under this chapter, appropriate placement of the child during or immediately after the investigation shall be the department's paramount concern.

Declares that the legislature expressly intends to: (1) Overrule *Tyner v. DSHS* and other cases in which the courts have held that this chapter creates an implied right of action for parents or other caretakers who are alleged abusers;

(2) Codify the portions of the holdings in *M.W. v. DSHS* and *Roberson v. Perez* that tort liability arising out of this chapter is confined to the initial placement decision and not the manner in which the investigation was conducted;

(3) Have the interests of the parents protected through the judicial review and other procedures established pursuant to RCW 26.44.100 through 26.44.125 and chapter 13.34 RCW.

Provides that governmental entities, and their officers, agents, employees, and volunteers, are not liable in tort to alleged perpetrators of abuse or neglect for acts or omissions in investigation of reports of child abuse under chapter 26.44 RCW.

Declares that the duty to conduct a reasonable investigation of child abuse or neglect upon a referral runs only to children who are the subject of a referral under chapter 26.44 RCW and is limited to the duty to act reasonably when making a placement decision during or immediately following the investigation.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.  
Feb 10 Placed on second reading.

**HB 3150-S** by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Condotta, Linville, Kenney, Chase, Kessler, Conway, Holmquist, Morrell, Newhouse, and Armstrong)

Concerning efforts to promote the wine industry.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that nothing in this act prohibits domestic wineries and retailers licensed under chapter 66.24 RCW from jointly producing brochures and materials promoting tourism in Washington state which contain information regarding retail licensees, domestic wineries, and their products.

Declares that nothing in this act prohibits domestic wineries and retail licensees from identifying the wineries

on private labels authorized under RCW 66.24.400, 66.24.425, and 66.24.450.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 1 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 9 Placed on second reading suspension calendar.
- Feb 10 Committee recommendations adopted and the 1st substitute bill substituted. Placed on third reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

**HB 3160-S** by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Hudgins, Conway, Chase, and Simpson)

Requiring the disclosure of state outsourcing.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that it is essential that the legislature and state agencies spend tax dollars in a manner that is both responsible and consistent with the economic interests of the state and the nation. The legislature and state agencies should, therefore, consider indirect benefits that may be achieved when entering into contracts for public works, personal services, purchased services, information services, and highway design and construction. Such benefits include, but are not limited to, job creation, capital investment, and economic stimulus.

Provides that, for purposes of RCW 39.29.008, 41.06.142, and 43.19.1911, "offshore outsourcing information" means records of: (1) The locations, by country, in which work under a personal service, purchased service, or civil service contract, or any subcontract under such a contract, is performed outside the United States;

(2) The nature of the work performed under a personal service, purchased service, or civil service contract, or any subcontract under such a contract, outside the United States; and

(3) The percentage of work performed under a personal service, purchased service, or civil service contract, or any subcontract under such a contract, outside the United States.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 3 Referred to Appropriations.

**HB 3185-S** by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representative McCoy)

Concerning violations of wage payment requirements.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes the department to issue to an employer a citation and notice of assessment for a violation of a wage payment requirement. The department may order the employer to pay employees all wages owed, including interest of one percent per month on all wages owed, to the

employee. If the department determines that the violation of the wage payment requirement was a willful violation, the department also may order the employer to pay the department a civil penalty as specified in this act.

Provides that a civil penalty for a willful violation of a wage payment requirement shall be not less than five hundred dollars or an amount equal to ten percent of the total amount of unpaid wages, whichever is greater. The maximum civil penalty for a willful violation of a wage payment requirement shall be twenty thousand dollars.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 1 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 8 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 11 1st substitute bill substituted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

**HB 3188-S** by House Committee on Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks (originally sponsored by Representatives B. Sullivan, Hinkle, Dunshee, and Buck)

Transferring jurisdiction over conversion-related forest practices to local governments.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Transfers jurisdiction over conversion-related forest practices to local governments.

Requires each county, city, and town assuming regulation of forest practices as provided in RCW 76.09.240 (1) and (2) to adopt development regulations that: (1) Protect public resources, as defined in RCW 76.09.020, from material damage or the potential for material damage;

(2) Require appropriate approvals for all phases of the conversion of forest lands, including clearing and grading; and

(3) Are guided by the planning goals in RCW 36.70A.020 and by the purposes and policies of the forest practices act as set forth in RCW 76.09.010.

Provides that, if necessary, each county, city, or town that assumes regulation of forest practices under RCW 76.09.240 shall amend its comprehensive plan to ensure consistency between its comprehensive plan and development regulations.

Provides that, before a county, city, or town may regulate forest practices under RCW 76.09.240 (1) and (2), it shall update its development regulations as required by RCW 36.70A.130 and, if applicable, RCW 36.70A.215. Forest practices regulations adopted under RCW 76.09.240 (1) and (2) may be adopted as part of the legislative action taken under RCW 36.70A.130 or 36.70A.215.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 NREP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 3227-S** by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representative Conway)

Regulating rates of compensation for forest products harvesters or haulers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that it is in the public interest to ensure a reasonable rate of compensation for log harvesting and log hauling services and enacts this chapter to create a process whereby a system of rate setting through collective bargaining is established between large commercial landowners and log harvesters and log haulers.

Provides that, to establish rates of compensation for log harvesting and log hauling services, harvesters and haulers may join together and form cooperative associations to meet, confer, share information, and take other collective action as may be intended to support their participation in the processes contemplated by this chapter leading to the approval of rates by the utilities and transportation commission.

Provides that, in approving rates with respect to any given forest landowner, the utilities and transportation commission must consider the following criteria. Rates need not be unitary and may take into account variations in these criteria with respect to different portions of the subject land or operations thereon: (1) The harvester's or hauler's costs, including, but not limited to, wages, overhead, fuel, insurance including health insurance, pensions or other retirement costs, and the cost of replacing equipment;

(2) Environmental and highway laws or rules;

(3) The impact of the award on the competitive position of the landowner in the market area or competing market areas;

(4) A fair return on investment for all parties;

(5) The species of tree, type of machinery, topography of the site to be harvested, and method of tree harvesting involved;

(6) The amount of hauling conducted on private roads and the amount of hauling conducted on public roads including travel time from the hauling site to the delivery site and the conditions of the road; and

(7) Safety considerations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 9 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

**HB 3241-S** by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Jarrett, Fromhold, Rodne, Cox, Clibborn, Ormsby, Tom, Talcott, Haigh, Roberts, Priest, Morrell, Springer, Hunt, Green, and Santos)

Creating opportunities to obtain a diploma through college and career readiness centers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that some students will take longer to meet the state's standards for high school graduation. Older students who are not on track to graduate with their peers should be

provided an appropriate learning environment. The continued education of these students remains the paramount duty of the state of Washington until these students turn twenty-one or achieve a meaningful high school diploma.

Declares an intent to redefine the purpose and expectations of the high school diploma and provide extended learning opportunities through college and career readiness centers, funded under the basic education act, for students not on track to graduate from high school with their peers.

Requires the state board of education to develop and propose a definition of a meaningful high school diploma to be issued by public schools in Washington state. The definition must reflect that high school graduates need to be ready for success in college and ready for successful and gainful employment in the workplace. The definition must incorporate college readiness standards in at least English and mathematics as the minimum standard for high school graduation. The definition must focus on the knowledge, skills, and abilities that students are expected to demonstrate to receive a meaningful high school diploma, rather than focusing on courses, credits, and test scores.

Requires the state board of education to submit the proposed definition, along with any necessary revisions to state statutes and rules, to the education committees of the legislature by December 1, 2007.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 3 Referred to Appropriations.

**HB 3282-S** by House Committee on Select Committee on Hood Canal (originally sponsored by Representatives Eickmeyer, Green, Haigh, Appleton, Kilmer, O'Brien, Lantz, McCoy, Chase, Miloscia, Clibborn, and Ormsby)

Creating the Hood Canal aquatic rehabilitation account.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the Hood Canal aquatic rehabilitation account.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 HOOD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 3 Referred to Capital Budget.

Feb 6 CB - Executive action taken by committee.

CB - Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Select Committee on Hood Canal.

Minority; do not pass.

Feb 7 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 8 Placed on second reading.

Feb 11 1st substitute bill substituted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 2.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 14 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**HB 3287-S** by House Committee on Select Committee on Hood Canal (originally sponsored by Representatives Chase, Sump, Eickmeyer, McCoy, Walsh, and Pearson)

Studying nitrogen contributions from on-site sewage systems in Hood Canal.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that nitrogen is an important factor in creating low-dissolved oxygen in Hood Canal. The legislature further finds that inputs of nitrogen to Hood Canal from on-site sewage systems are uncertain due to insufficient data and studies. Therefore, the legislature finds that improved data on the contribution of nitrogen from on-site sewage systems to Hood Canal would allow stakeholders to focus and prioritize resources.

Directs the Puget Sound action team and the Hood Canal coordinating council to contract for a study in the Hood Canal to: (1) Improve data and knowledge of the loading of nitrogen from on-site sewage systems to ground water;

(2) Determine the local scale efficiency of nitrogen removal from on-site sewage systems; and

(3) Improve data and knowledge of the loading of nitrogen from all ground water sources to Hood Canal.

Requires the Puget Sound action team and the Hood Canal coordinating council to report their findings and recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2007.

Appropriates the sum of six hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the Puget Sound action team for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 HOOD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
 Feb 3 Referred to Appropriations.  
 Feb 4 APP - Executive action taken by committee.  
 APP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
 Feb 7 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.  
 Feb 8 Placed on second reading.  
 Feb 11 2nd substitute bill substituted.

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### House Concurrent Resolutions

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**HCR 4411-S** by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives McCoy and Santos)

Creating a joint select committee on equitable opportunity for all.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the committee to report its findings, by September 1, 2006, to the Senate committee on early learning, K-12 and higher education, and the House of Representatives committee on education and that the report shall include a determination of the actions and resources necessary to complete the action steps in this resolution, including whether existing basic education moneys can be used and the amount of additional funding needed.

- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Feb 1 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
 Minority; do not pass.  
 Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

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### Senate Bills

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**SB 6130-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Parlette, Keiser, Deccio, Hargrove, Benson, Mulliken, and Prentice)

Requiring the public employees' benefits board to develop a health savings account option for employees.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the public employees' benefits board to develop a health savings account option for employees.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
 Minority; without recommendation.  
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.  
 Feb 8 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

**SB 6145-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Zarelli, Franklin, Esser, Doumit, Benson, Pridemore, Roach, Poulsen, Schmidt, Kohl-Welles, Fairley, Kline, Weinstein, Berkey, Rasmussen, and Benton)

Providing parity for home care agency workers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires that the contribution rate paid by the department to home care agencies for health care benefits for eligible agency home care workers shall be sufficient to purchase a comparable package of medical, dental, vision, and other health care benefits as negotiated and funded in the collective bargaining agreement for individual providers of home care services.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.  
 Feb 9 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.  
 Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

**SB 6165-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Zarelli, McAuliffe, Esser, Doumit, Schmidt, Kohl-Welles, Benson, Keiser, Roach, Fairley, Weinstein, Rockefeller, Rasmussen, Franklin, Brown, and Kline)

Providing collective bargaining for family child care providers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Improves access to and the stability of quality child care through providing collective bargaining and other



representation rights for family child care providers and licensees.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 6172-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Hargrove, Thibaudeau, Shin, Weinstein, Rockefeller, Keiser, Regala, Eide, Rasmussen, and Benton)

Increasing penalties for specified sex offenses.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Enhances sex offender provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 8 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 45; nays, 3; absent, 0; excused, 1.

**SB 6175-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Jacobsen; by request of Department of Natural Resources)

Concerning the regulation of surface mining.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions relating to regulation of surface mining by ensuring adequate performance security to cover reclamation costs for mines and providing fees for the operation of the surface mining program.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 9 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

**SB 6207-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Rockefeller, Morton, Poulsen, and Kline)

Reauthorizing the pollution liability insurance agency.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Reauthorizes the pollution liability insurance agency.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 6239-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Johnson, Doumit, Oke, Stevens, and Esser; by request of Attorney General)

Changing provisions relating to controlled substances.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions relating to controlled substances.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 9 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.  
2nd substitute bill substituted.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 42; nays, 0; absent, 1; excused, 6.  
-- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 11 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**SB 6319-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Regala, Brandland, Stevens, Kline, Weinstein, Doumit, Carrell, Keiser, Rockefeller, Berkey, Haugen, Fairley, Spanel, Pflug, Sheldon, Rasmussen, McAuliffe, Shin, Roach, and Benton)

Changing provisions for sex offender registration.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions for sex offender registration.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 8 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 47; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 1.  
-- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 11 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**SB 6433-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored 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.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

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.

Provides that, in order to provide funds for emergency management, preparedness, and assistance, an annual surcharge of two dollars per policy must be imposed on every homeowner's, mobile homeowner's, tenant homeowner's, and condominium unit owner's insurance policy, and an annual four-dollar surcharge shall be imposed on every commercial fire, commercial multiple peril, and business owner's property insurance policy, issued or renewed on or after the effective date of this act.

Provides that, beginning in January 2008 and biennially thereafter, the department must conduct in conjunction with the emergency management council a strategic assessment of, and issue a report on, the ability of state, local, and tribal emergency management organizations to effectively provide for all phases of comprehensive emergency management.

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

Requires the committee to provide a final report on this review by December 2008.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 8 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 11 2nd substitute bill not substituted.

**SB 6436-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Schmidt, Rockefeller, Eide, Weinstein, and Pridemore)

Transferring duties of the reconstituted state board of education.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

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 --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 6438-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Weinstein, McAuliffe, Eide, Poulsen, Schmidt, Esser, Finkbeiner, Keiser, and Kohl-Welles)

Modifying school district levy provisions.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises school district levy provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 6459-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Brandland, Thibaudeau, Spanel, Rasmussen, Kline, Parlette, and Kohl-Welles)

Supporting community-based health care solutions.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

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.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; without recommendation. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 9 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 46; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 2.

**SB 6460-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored 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.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

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).

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 8 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 42; nays, 6; absent, 0; excused, 1.
- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 11 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

**SB 6497-S** by Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Kline, Franklin, and Hargrove)

Revising felony sentence ranges.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that statutorily granted judicial discretion in sentencing has been limited by appellate court decisions requiring jury findings prior to imposing sentences above the standard sentence ranges.

Finds that expanding the sentencing ranges is the most appropriate method of increasing judicial discretion while retaining commensurate and appropriate punishment for similarly situated offenders as well as assuring the frugal use of state and local government resources.

Declares an intent to provide judges with increased discretion and decrease the need to impose exceptional sentences. The legislature further intends that sentencing courts have the authority and power to adopt suitable processes of proceeding in cases where exceptional sentences are appropriate to the extent that such procedures are mandated by the United States Constitution or Washington state Constitution.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 3 JUD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; without recommendation. On motion, referred to Ways & Means.
- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; without recommendation. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted.

**SB 6581-S** by Senate Committee on Water, Energy & Environment (originally sponsored by Senators Poulsen and Delvin)

Regarding water resource management in the Columbia river basin.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that state water resources management in the Columbia river basin must immediately initiate the development of new water supplies to meet the economic and community development needs of people and the instream flow needs of fish.

Declares that a Columbia river basin water supply development program is needed, and directs the department of ecology to aggressively pursue the development of cost-effective water supplies to benefit both instream and out-of-stream uses.

Provides that, to support the development of new water supplies in the Columbia river, the department of ecology shall work with all interested parties, including but not limited to, interested watershed planning groups working adjacent to the Columbia river and tribal governments, to develop a Columbia river water supply inventory. The inventory must include: (1) A list of potential conservation and storage projects in the Columbia river basin;

(2) Estimates of project costs and benefits;

(3) A ranking of projects from the least expensive per acre-foot to the most expensive per acre-foot;

(4) A ranking of projects from the most beneficial to fish and other instream values to the least beneficial to fish and other instream values; and

(5) A ranking of projects from the most beneficial to agriculture to the least beneficial to agriculture.

Requires the Columbia river water supply inventory to consider long-term trends in water supply and demand, rely on existing project data already completed by local planning groups, and supplement existing information as necessary to develop a useful inventory.

Requires the department of ecology to complete the first Columbia river water supply inventory by November 15, 2006, and shall update the inventory annually thereafter.

Makes appropriations to carry out the purposes of the act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 WEE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

And refer to Ways & Means.

Referred to Ways & Means.

Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 13 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

**SB 6630-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kline, Prentice, Keiser, Fairley, Regala, McAuliffe, and Kohl-Welles)

Establishing the community protection program for persons with developmental disabilities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that the department of social and health services is providing a structured, therapeutic environment for persons who are eligible for placement in the community protection program in order for them to live safely and successfully in the community while minimizing the risk to public safety.

Approves of steps already taken by the department to create a community protection program within the division of developmental disabilities.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 46; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 2.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Feb 14 First reading, referred to Children & Family Services.

**SB 6711-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Eide, Brown, Fairley, and McAuliffe)

Establishing a statewide online business training and entrepreneurial curriculum.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the department of community, trade, and economic development to: (1) Contract for the development, distribution, and promotion of an entrepreneurial and small business development online curriculum;

(2) Establish the curriculum course content in coordination with: The state microenterprise association; the small business development center; universities and community and technical colleges with small business assistance programs; the work force training and education coordinating board; and other public and private entrepreneurial and small business assistance centers in the state;

(3) Complete the curriculum content as soon as possible, but no later than December 31, 2006, and complete the online curriculum by no later than June 30, 2007;

(4) Make the curriculum free of charge and available for use by individuals and all public and private entrepreneurial development and small business assistance centers throughout the state;

(5) Promote curriculum use by providing electronic and printed informational materials on the curriculum to public and private entrepreneurial development and small business assistance centers throughout the state;

(6) Ensure curriculum accessibility by including in the curriculum contract the use of web links to the curriculum on state public and private web sites that small business owners and entrepreneurs use in establishing and incorporating their businesses; and

(7) Complete online links to the curriculum on state public and private web sites by December 31, 2007.

Appropriates the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the department of community, trade, and economic development to carry out the purposes of this act.

- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

**SB 6713-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Eide, Brown, Fairley, Keiser, and Kohl-Welles)

Authorizing the development of self-employment assistance programs.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that the establishment of a self-employment assistance program would assist unemployed individuals and create new businesses and job opportunities in Washington state. The department shall inform individuals identified as likely to exhaust regular unemployment benefits of the opportunity to enroll in commissioner-approved self-employment assistance programs.

Provides that an unemployed individual is eligible to participate in a self-employment assistance program if it has been determined that he or she: (1) Is otherwise eligible for regular benefits as defined in RCW 50.22.010;

(2) Has been identified as likely to exhaust regular unemployment benefits under a profiling system established by the commissioner as defined in P.L. 103-152; and

(3) Is enrolled in a self-employment assistance program that is approved by the commissioner, and includes entrepreneurial training, business counseling, technical assistance, and requirements to engage in activities relating to the establishment of a business and becoming self-employed.

- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

**SB 6724-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Parlette, Keiser, Delvin, Fraser, Roach, Kohl-Welles, and Rasmussen; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board)

Addressing death benefit payments for law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system, plan 2.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses death benefit payments for law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system, plan 2.

- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 9 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

- Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

**SB 6823-S** by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development (originally sponsored by Senator Kohl-Welles; by request of Liquor Control Board)

Modifying provisions relating to the distribution of beer and wine.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions relating to the distribution of beer and wine.

- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 3 LCRD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
On motion, referred to Ways & Means.
- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 8 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.

**SB 6896** by Senators Prentice, Doumit, Brown, Regala, Rockefeller, and Kohl-Welles

Providing for state funding stabilization.

Provides for state funding stabilization.

- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 14 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.