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House Bills

HB 1765-S by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Chase, Newhouse, Eickmeyer, Buri, Appleton, B. Sullivan, and Dunn)

Allowing auctioneers to auction vessels without registering as a vessel dealer.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/06)

Provides that an auction company licensed under chapter 18.11 RCW and licensed as a motor vehicle dealer under chapter 46.70 RCW may sell at auction all vessels that a vessel dealer is authorized to sell, so long as the sale of vessels is incidental to the auction company's primary source of business and the length of the vessel is no greater than twenty-five feet.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

- Mar 1 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Mar 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 7 Placed on second reading suspension calendar.
- Mar 9 Committee recommendations adopted and the 1st substitute bill substituted. Placed on third reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 96; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.
-- IN THE SENATE --
First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.
- Mar 22 LCRD - Majority; do pass.
- Mar 23 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 30 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Apr 24 Referred to Rules.

- By resolution, returned to House Rules Committee for third reading.
- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
- IN THE HOUSE --
- Jan 9 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.
- Feb 6 Placed on third reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 13 Returned to second reading for amendment. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 96; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

HB 2349-S2 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Morris, Hudgins, Chase, Murray, Darneille, Dickerson, B. Sullivan, and Sells)

Providing new renewable energy standards.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that, by July 1, 2007, state agencies must purchase all available anaerobic digestion power from their local utility at the green tag rate.

Requires that, to the extent that a utility purchases power from an anaerobic digestion power producer, the utility must pay the anaerobic digester producer at the green tag rate minus marketing costs.

-- 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 8 Placed on second reading.

- Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 61; nays, 36; absent, 0; excused, 1.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

HB 2431-S by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Campbell, Morrell, Ericks, Moeller, Springer, B. Sullivan, Simpson, Green, Sells, O'Brien, and Lantz)

Requiring background checks on persons licensed as health care professionals.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires background checks on persons licensed as health care professionals.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 APP - Majority; 1st 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 14 1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 83; nays, 13; absent, 0; excused, 2.

HB 2489-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunter, Jarrett, P. Sullivan, Springer, Morrell, Tom, Simpson, Miloschia, O'Brien, Roberts, and Green)

Assisting students to graduate from high school on time.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that, for each high school student who was not successful on any or all of the content areas of the high school Washington assessment of student learning, either initially or after subsequent retakes of the assessment: (1) The school district shall prepare the student learning plan required under RCW 28A.655.061 before the end of the school year in which the assessment scores are returned;

(2) The school district shall arrange a student-led conference for the student's parent or guardian to discuss the remedial extended learning activities the district will provide under this act and explain the student's level of risk of not graduating on time if the student does not participate in remediation assistance. To the maximum extent possible, student-led conferences shall be facilitated by a teacher or counselor who has been assigned as the student's mentor for the duration of the student's enrollment in the school;

(3) If the student is in out-of-home care as defined by RCW 13.34.030, the school district shall include the student's social worker assigned from the department of social and health services in the student-led conference.

-- 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.
- Feb 6 APP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 7 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.

HB 2498-S2 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Kilmer, Buri, Morrell, Skinner, Green, Linville, McCoy, Moeller, Chase, Rodne, Conway, Haler, Morris, Ericks, and Sells)

Establishing an industry cluster-based approach to economic development.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to establish an industry cluster-based approach to economic development as a component of a statewide strategy to address economic growth and quality of life issues.

Directs the department of community, trade, and economic development, or its successor agency, to work with industry associations and organizations to identify industry clusters on a regional and statewide basis. The industry clusters may include, but are not limited to, aerospace, agriculture, food processing, forest products, business services, financial services, health and biomedical, software, transportation and distribution, and microelectronics.

Requires the department of community, trade, and economic development to report to the governor and the fiscal and economic development committees of the house and senate no later than January 1, 2008, on the results of the activities undertaken under this act.

-- 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 8 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 10 2nd substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 96; nays, 2; absent, 0; excused, 0.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 13 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

HB 2539-S by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Schual-Berke, Morrell, Simpson, Roberts, Moeller, and Hudgins)

Concerning disaster medical assistance teams.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that a "disaster medical assistance team" means any volunteer team designed to provide medical care during a disaster or other event and who have formed a response team under the guidance of the national disaster medical system which consists of professional and paraprofessional medical personnel and logistical and

administration personnel who have been certified by the federal government to serve on such a team.

Provides that, in the event of an emergency or disaster or if there is reasonable cause to believe that an emergency or disaster is imminent, the governor may call a Washington disaster medical assistance team into state service.

Declares that a member of a disaster medical assistance team called into state service shall be afforded all the protections of this act, including the right to workers' compensation and death benefits, if the member provides direct medical care to a victim of an emergency or disaster or provides other support services during an emergency or disaster.

Directs the department to pursue an agreement with the federal government to allow the disaster medical assistance team to use the equipment and supplies available for federal service to be used in response to a call to service by the governor. If an agreement is executed under this provision and there is any use of the federal equipment and supplies, the governor shall include a request for funds necessary to reimburse the federal government in the next budget submission to the legislature. In the event that reimbursement to the federal government is necessary prior to the adoption of the next budget, the governor may reimburse the federal government in the manner described in RCW 38.24.010.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 APP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 7 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, 1; absent, 0; excused, 1.

HB 2574-S2 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Cody, Morrell, Green, and Uptegrove)

Regarding hospital charity care and debt collection.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/06)

Provides that, for persons with no third-party coverage and with family income up to four hundred percent of the federal poverty guidelines, hospitals must provide a discount for any charges for services provided in the hospital.

Requires each hospital to provide notice to patients of its charity care policies. At a minimum, each hospital must post prominently in locations easily accessible to and visible by patients, including its web site, and in the bill sent to patients, a notice stating that charges for services to people meeting the charity care or discount criteria may be waived or reduced, and regarding the availability of charity care and how to qualify. A notice of charity care policies also may be provided to patients prior to discharge. Posted notices must be in English and also in the five languages other than English that are most frequently spoken in the hospital's service area. The notice must use clear language that would be easily understood by individuals with limited education.

Directs the department of financial institutions to establish a work group to make recommendations related to hospital patient debt repayment and collection practices. The work group shall develop standards for appropriate, predictable, and fair repayment and debt collection practices for hospitals to apply to patients who are eligible for charity care, a sliding fee schedule, or maximum charge as defined in RCW 70.170.060.

Requires the work group to include representatives of the department of licensing, the department of health, hospitals, debt collection agencies, consumers and patients, and other interested stakeholders. The work group shall submit its recommendations to the legislature by November 15, 2006.

-- 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 9 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, 60; nays, 38; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

HB 2582-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Uptegrove, Hunter, Appleton, Hasegawa, Quall, Clibborn, Simpson, Green, Ormsby, Kenney, Hudgins, and Kagi)

Expanding high school completion programs.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that the state's commitment to providing a basic education for all public school students under the age of twenty-one should continue until a student earns a diploma. Therefore the legislature intends to expand high school completion programs at community and technical colleges for older students who have not yet received a diploma but are eligible for state basic education support.

Provides that, in accordance with this act, each community or technical college shall make available courses or a program of study designed to enable students under the age of twenty-one who have completed all state high school graduation requirements except the certificate of academic achievement or certificate of individual achievement to complete their high school education and obtain a high school diploma.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 1 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 3 Referred to Appropriations.
- Feb 4 APP - Executive action taken by committee.
APP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.

Feb 7 Placed on second reading.
Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.

HB 2583-S by House Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Kenney, Cox, Conway, Hasegawa, Roberts, Appleton, Upthegrove, Morrell, Linville, Hunt, Dickerson, and Ormsby)

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

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to provide for continuous health care eligibility for part-time academic employees based on averaging workload gained during the preceding academic year.

Provides that part-time academic employees, as defined in RCW 28B.50.489, who have established eligibility as determined from the payroll records of the employing community or technical college districts, for employer contributions for benefits under this chapter and who have worked an average of half-time or more in an academic year, through employment at one or more community or technical college districts, are eligible for continuation of employer contributions for the subsequent summer quarter period including the break between summer and fall quarters.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 HEWE - 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 Placed on second reading.
Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.

HB 2594-S by House Committee on State Government Operations & Accountability (originally sponsored by Representatives Hasegawa, McCoy, Santos, Pettigrew, Kenney, Hudgins, Upthegrove, Hunt, O'Brien, Haigh, Kagi, and Dickerson)

Providing assistance to non-English speaking voters.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/06)

Declares that the purpose of this act is to create a task force to effectuate the legislature's intent to enact section 203 of the voting rights act.

Establishes a joint select legislative task force on increasing voter participation for single-language minority groups.

Requires the task force to report its findings, recommendations, and proposed legislation to the appropriate committees of the legislature by January 2007.

Provides that any voter who requires interpretation assistance may designate a person of his or her choice to enter the voting machine booth with him or her to provide language interpretation and to assist the voter in recording his or her vote. A person who assists with language interpretation under this provision may not be the voter's employer or be associated with the voter's union.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 10 Placed on second reading.

Feb 13 1st substitute bill substituted.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 55; nays, 43; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 15 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

HB 2595-S2 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Kenney, Cox, Hasegawa, Hankins, Roberts, McIntire, Fromhold, Kilmer, Morrell, Rodne, Santos, Clibborn, Ormsby, O'Brien, Jarrett, Walsh, Conway, Wood, Kessler, Linville, Kagi, Appleton, Green, McCoy, Blake, Lantz, Sells, Campbell, P. Sullivan, Simpson, Schual-Berke, McDonald, Haigh, Dickerson, Moeller, Springer, and Wallace)

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

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

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

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

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

Finds that the state board for community and technical colleges should examine the concept of a statewide salary allocation model and how it could be adopted for community and technical colleges. The purpose of such an allocation model would be to assure fair and functional allocation of compensation for state-funded academic employees including recognition of experience, professional development and training for, for example as is currently available to the common schools of the state.

Directs the state board for community and technical colleges to, in consultation with the various bargaining representatives of the academic employees, recommend an allocation model for the distribution of increments for experience, professional development, and training. The state board shall present its recommended allocation model to the legislature no later than January 10, 2008.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 APP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Feb 7 Placed on second reading.

Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

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

-- IN THE SENATE --

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

HB 2673-S2 by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Linville, Ericksen, P. Sullivan, Buck, Ericks, Kilmer, Kessler, Grant, Walsh, B. Sullivan, Lantz, Morris, O'Brien, Conway, Morrell, and Wallace)

Authorizing additional alternatives for local infrastructure financing.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

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

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

Requires a local government to provide a report to the department by March 1st of each year. The report shall contain the following information: (1) The amount of tax allocation revenues, taxes under section 401 of this act, and local infrastructure financing received by the local government during the preceding calendar year, and a summary of how these revenues were expended;

(2) The names of any businesses locating within the revenue development area as a result of the public improvements undertaken by the local government and financed in whole or in part with local infrastructure financing;

(3) The total number of permanent jobs created as a result of the public improvements undertaken by the local government and financed in whole or in part with local infrastructure financing;

(4) The average wages and benefits received by all employees of businesses locating within the revenue development area as a result of the public improvements undertaken by the local government and financed in whole or in part with local infrastructure financing; and

(5) That the local government is in compliance with section 203 of this act.

Directs the department to make a report available to the public and the legislature by June 1st of each year. The report shall include a list of public improvements undertaken by local governments and financed in whole or in part with local infrastructure financing, and it shall also include a summary of the information provided to the department by local governments under this act.

Provides that, beginning September 1, 2013, and continuing every five years thereafter, the joint legislative audit and review committee shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature. The report shall, at a minimum, evaluate the effectiveness of the local infrastructure financing tool program, including a project

by project review. The report that is due September 1, 2028, should also include any recommendations regarding whether or not the program should be expanded statewide and what impact the expansion would have on economic development in Washington.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 7 FIN - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 8 Placed on second reading.

Feb 14 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 89; nays, 7; absent, 0; excused, 2.

HB 2726-S by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Chase, Skinner, Kessler, Haler, Kilmer, Grant, Chandler, Blake, Clements, Linville, Newhouse, McCoy, Kristiansen, Kenney, and Wallace)

Creating Washington manufacturing services in statute.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

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 --

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

Feb 7 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 8 Placed on second reading.

Feb 10 1st substitute bill substituted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 13 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

HB 2780-S by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives McDermott, Hunt, Santos, Cody, Sells, Conway, Kenney, Ormsby, Williams, Green, Dunshee, Campbell, Appleton, Chase, and Hasegawa)

Authorizing additional payroll deductions for state employees.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes additional payroll deductions for state employees.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 APP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 7 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, 97; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

HB 2785-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Quall, Tom, P. Sullivan, Hunter, Morrell, Nixon, Rodne, Roberts, Schual-Berke, Simpson, Springer, Sells, Lantz, Linville, Dunshee, and Kagi; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction)

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

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires that, under RCW 28A.655.061, beginning in the 2006-07 school year, the superintendent of public instruction shall implement three 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. A student may access an alternative if the student meets applicable eligibility criteria in RCW 28A.655.061 and other eligibility criteria established by the superintendent of public instruction, including but not limited to a ninety-five percent minimum attendance criterion and required participation in remediation programs or instruction.

Declares that the primary alternative assessment method shall be a combination of the applicant's grades in applicable courses and the applicant's highest score on the high school Washington assessment of student learning, as provided in this act.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to also develop an alternative assessment method that shall be an evaluation of a collection of work samples prepared and submitted by the applicant, as provided in this act.

Provides that, for students enrolled in a career and technical education program approved under this act, the superintendent of public instruction shall develop a collection of work samples that: (1) Is relevant to the student's particular career and technical program;

(2) Focuses on the application of academic knowledge and skills within the program;

(3) Includes completed activities or projects where demonstration of academic knowledge is inferred; and

(4) Is related to the essential academic learning requirements and state standards that students must meet to earn a certificate of academic achievement or certificate of individual achievement, but also represents the knowledge and skills that successful individuals in the career and technical field of the approved program are expected to possess.

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.

Requires that, by September 2006, the superintendent of public instruction shall report the following, in detail, to the education committees of the legislature: (1) Results of the pilot testing of the alternative assessments authorized under this act;

(2) The proposed guidelines, protocols, and procedures to be used by the superintendent in implementing the alternative assessments, particularly the collection of evidence;

(3) A description of the training to be provided for school districts, educators serving on scoring panels, and teachers assisting students with collections of evidence; and

(4) Updated estimates of the number of students likely to be eligible or apply for either alternative assessment method.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 ED - 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.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 7 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.

HB 2789-S by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Quall, Conway, Wood, Hasegawa, Haigh, Ormsby, Murray, Chase, Kessler, Morrell, Green, Roberts, McCoy, Moeller, Simpson, Sells, Lantz, McDermott, Ericks, Hankins, Kagi, and Hudgins; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Expanding apprenticeship opportunities for high school graduates.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that it is in the public interest of the state to encourage and facilitate the formation of cooperative relationships between business and labor and educational institutions that provide for the development and expansion

of programs of educational skills training consistent with employment needs.

Finds that it is in the state's interest to make students aware of the educational training programs and career employment opportunities.

Requires the following to be implemented to expand opportunities for secondary school students to prepare for technical careers and related apprenticeships: (1) Centers of excellence and other colleges with a high density of apprenticeship programs shall act as brokers of relevant information and resources as provided for in this act;

(2) An educational outreach program coordinated by the Washington state apprenticeship and training council as provided for in this act; and

(3) The development of direct-entry programs for graduating secondary students, approved and overseen by the Washington state apprenticeship and training council as provided for in this act.

Provides that, subject to funding provided for the purposes of this act, the superintendent of public instruction in consultation with the Washington state apprenticeship and training council shall allocate grants on a competitive basis to up to four pilot projects to expand enrollment of secondary school students in career and technical programs that enable them to enter apprenticeships, particularly building and construction apprenticeships, upon graduation. The purpose of the pilot projects is to develop new collaborations among K-12 education and work force education providers and try new approaches to delivering instruction and career and technical education to secondary school students.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 3 Referred to Appropriations.
- Feb 4 APP - Executive action taken by committee.
APP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 7 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.

HB 2812-S by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunter, Rodne, Quall, Nixon, P. Sullivan, Jarrett, Clibborn, Tom, Morrell, Fromhold, Roberts, Schual-Berke, Simpson, Anderson, and Kagi)

Increasing the levy base for school districts.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises school district levy provisions.

-- 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 9 1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 62; nays, 36; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE SENATE --

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

HB 2860-S by House Committee on Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade (originally sponsored by Representatives Grant, Newhouse, Hankins, Haler, Walsh, and McCune)

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 of water conserved to the most expensive per acre-foot;

(4) A ranking of projects from the most beneficial to fish to the least beneficial to fish; 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.

Directs 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 provisions of the act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 EDAT - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 3 Referred to Capital Budget.
- Feb 6 CB - Executive action taken by committee.
CB - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
- Feb 7 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 8 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted.

HB 2867-S by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives

Kenney, Haler, Grant, Hankins, Cox, Sells, Roberts, Fromhold, Armstrong, Walsh, Skinner, and Newhouse)

Regarding expansion of WSU Tri-Cities into a four-year institution.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the Washington State University Tri-Cities branch campus to develop a plan for expanding into a four-year institution and to identify new degree programs and course offerings focused on areas of specific need in higher education that exist in southeastern Washington.

Provides that, beginning in the fall of 2007, the Washington State University Tri-Cities branch campus may begin, subject to approval by the higher education coordinating board, admitting lower-division students directly into programs beyond the biotechnology field that are identified in its plan as being in high need in southeastern Washington.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 3 APP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 7 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 9 1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 0.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 11 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

HB 2914-S2 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Roberts, Haler, Darneille, Kagi, Dickerson, Morrell, Hankins, Green, and Simpson)

Regarding compliance with certification standards for providers of residential services and support to persons with developmental disabilities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions for compliance with certification standards for providers of residential services and support to persons with developmental disabilities.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 APP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do 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, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

HB 2962-S by House Committee on Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks (originally sponsored by Representatives Blake, Buck, and Takko)

Concerning coastal crab fisheries licenses.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Amends RCW 77.70.350 relating to coastal crab fisheries licenses.

Requires that, by December 31, 2010, the department must, in cooperation with the coastal crab fishing industry, evaluate the effectiveness of this act and, if necessary, recommend any statutory changes to the appropriate committees of the senate and house of representatives.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

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

HB 2992-S by House Committee on Juvenile Justice & Family Law (originally sponsored by Representatives Moeller, Darneille, Hasegawa, and Dunn)

Notifying parents, guardians, and custodians when a juvenile is taken into custody.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that parents have a fundamental interest in knowing if their child has been taken into police custody for questioning and where their child is being held. Because a parent or guardian is most often in a position to provide a juvenile with guidance in matters of great importance to a juvenile, it is the intent of the legislature to assist parents in their ability to aid and guide their children when making important legal decisions, including the decision to waive legal rights during custodial interrogations. It is also the intent of the legislature to provide children in police custody the opportunity to seek and receive consultation with his or her parents.

Provides that, when a law enforcement officer takes a juvenile into custody, the officer must make reasonable attempts to notify a parent, guardian, or custodian that the juvenile is in custody and where the juvenile is being held.

Finds that parents have a fundamental interest in knowing if their child has been taken into police custody for questioning and where their child is being held.

Provides that, when a law enforcement officer takes a juvenile into custody, a reasonable attempt must be made to notify a parent, guardian, or custodian that the juvenile is in custody and where the juvenile is being held.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 24 JJFL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 6 Referred to Rules 2 Consideration.

HB 3017-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Springer, P. Sullivan, Uptegrove, Chase, Morrell, Simpson, Sells, Schual-Berke, Green, Kilmer, B. Sullivan, Linville, and Hasegawa; by request of Governor Gregoire and Commissioner of Public Lands)

Placing restrictions on condemnation and sale of condemned property by state and local governments.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that members of the public have expressed concern regarding a recent United States supreme court decision, *Kelo v. New London* (No. 04-108 (June 23, 2005)), which upheld, under the United States Constitution, a Connecticut city's exercise of eminent

domain. It is the intent of the legislature to recognize, reaffirm, and support existing Washington case law under Article I, section 16 of the state Constitution, that prohibits the condemnation of private property other than for certain public purposes pursuant to law.

Recognizes, reaffirms, and supports the restrictions on the use of eminent domain to take private property for private use, as set forth in chapters 8.04, 8.08, 8.12, 8.16, and 8.20 RCW and in the Washington state supreme court's decisions such as *Hogue v. Seattle*, 54 Wn.2d 799, 341 P.2d 171 (1959); *Miller v. Tacoma*, 61 Wn.2d 374, 378 P.2d 464 (1963); *In re Petition of Seattle*, 96 Wn.2d 616, 638 P.2d 549 (1981); and *State ex rel. Washington State Convention & Trade Center v. Evans*, 136 Wn.2d 811, 966 P.2d 1252 (1998). Consistent with these decisions, it is the intent of the legislature that state and local governments shall not appropriate or acquire any real property for the primary purpose of economic development without the consent of the property owner.

Provides that, if a county determines, within seven years after the date the property is transferred to the county, that all or a portion of real property or an interest in real property that was acquired through condemnation or the threat of condemnation is no longer necessary for a public purpose and should be sold, the former owner shall have a repurchase right as provided in this act. "Former owner" means the person or entity from whom the county acquired title and that person's or entity's successors or assigns to the property or property interest subject to the repurchase right.

Directs the office of financial management, working in consultation with state and local governments and private utilities and corporations that acquire property through eminent domain, to develop and provide recommendations to the legislature by December 1, 2006, regarding the definition of "economic development" as set forth in RCW 8.04.070, 8.08.020, and 8.12.030 and regarding the appropriate statutory provisions for providing a repurchase right to the former owner of land that has been condemned by a state or local government or a private utility or corporation, where the condemning entity has decided to sell the condemned land.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 3 Referred to Capital Budget.
- Feb 7 CB - Executive action taken by committee.
CB - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 3098-S2 by House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives McDermott, Talcott, and Quall)

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 6 CB - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
- Feb 7 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 8 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 92; nays, 6; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 11 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

HB 3115-S by House Committee on Children & Family Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Darneille, Talcott, Morrell, Green, McDonald, Ormsby, Simpson, and Roberts)

Establishing a foster parent critical support and retention program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that: (1) Foster parents are able to successfully maintain placements of children who are sexually reactive, physically assaultive, or who have other high-risk behaviors when they are provided with proper training and support. Lack of support contributes to placement disruptions and multiple moves between foster homes.

(2) Young children who have experienced repeated early abuse and trauma are at high risk for behavior later in life that is sexually deviant, if left untreated. Placement with a well-trained, prepared, and supported foster family can break this cycle.

Establishes a foster parent critical support and retention program to retain foster parents who care for children who act out sexually, are physically assaultive, or have other high-risk behaviors. The foster parent critical support and retention program is to be implemented under the division of children and family services' contract and supervision. A contractor must demonstrate experience providing in-home case management to foster homes that are licensed through the division of children and family services.

Provides that, under the foster parent critical support and retention program, foster parents who care for children who act out sexually and/or physically or have other high-risk behaviors shall receive: (1) Twenty-four/seven emergency assistance;

(2) Assessment of risk and development of a safety and supervision plan;

(3) Home-based foster parent training utilizing evidence-based models;

(4) Ongoing support groups; and

(5) Referral to community services.

Appropriates the sum of two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the division of children and family services for direct services for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 CFS - 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 Placed on second reading.
 Feb 9 2nd substitute bill substituted.

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.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/06)

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.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to report to the legislature by September 1, 2007, and thereafter biennially, regarding the effectiveness of the center for improvement of student learning, how the services provided by the center for improvement of student learning have been used and by whom, and recommendations to improve the accessibility and application of knowledge and information that leads to improved student learning and greater family and community involvement in the public education system.

Requires the state board of education to establish an education ombudsman for all common school students in this state. The purpose of the education ombudsman is to provide information to parents, students, and others regarding their rights and responsibilities with respect to the state's public elementary and secondary education system, to monitor and ensure compliance with

administrative acts, statutes, and policies relating to public elementary and secondary education, and to advocate on behalf of elementary and secondary students.

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

-- 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.
 -- IN THE SENATE --
 Feb 15 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

HB 3179-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Murray and Woods; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Refining the roles of the transportation commission and department of transportation.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises the roles of the transportation commission and department of transportation.

Repeals RCW 44.75.030 and 44.75.040.

-- 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 3207-S by House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representative Santos)

Creating community preservation authorities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the community preservation authority program. Provides that, by August 1, 2006, legislators and staff from the appropriate committees of the house of representatives and the senate, together with representatives of the governor's office and the department of community, trade, and economic development, shall recommend to the legislature statutory and budget actions to support implementation of a community preservation authorities program beginning with the 2007-2009 biennium.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 6 CB - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; without recommendation.
 Feb 7 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
 Feb 10 Placed on second reading.
 Feb 13 1st substitute bill substituted.
 Floor amendment(s) adopted.

- Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 59; nays, 39; absent, 0; excused, 0.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- HB 3222-S** by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Pettigrew, Haler, Chandler, Kretz, Hinkle, Kristiansen, Holmquist, and Linville)
Modifying excise tax exemptions for the handling and processing of livestock manure.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Revises excise tax exemptions for the handling and processing of livestock manure.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 7 FIN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 8 Placed on second reading.
- Feb 11 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 77; nays, 21; absent, 0; excused, 0.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 13 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.
- HB 3287-S2** by House Committee on Appropriations (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 2ND 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.

- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 4 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.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 96; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 14 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

Senate Bills

- SB 6635-S** by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Franklin, Benton, Zarelli, Stevens, Honeyford, and Rasmussen)
Changing provisions relating to adoption.
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/14/06)
Provides that when considering whether a placement option is in a child's best interests, the department or agency may consider the cultural, ethnic, or racial background of the child and the capacity of prospective adoptive parents to meet the needs of a child of this background if: (1) A particular child presents specific compelling special circumstances; and
(2) Consideration of the child's cultural, ethnic, or racial background is the only way to achieve the best interest of that child.
Directs the department to create standardized training to be provided to all department or agency employees involved in the placement of a child to assure compliance with Title VI of the civil rights act of 1964 and the multiethnic placement act of 1994, as amended by the interethnic adoption provisions of the small business job protection act of 1996.
Requires the department to, in consultation with adoption advocates, representatives of adoption agencies, adoption attorneys, child-placing agencies, birth and adoptive parents and adoptees, federally recognized tribes, and representatives of the superior court judges, review the fees associated with children adopted out of the foster care system who are dependents of the state of Washington. The review shall include a determination of whether fees or any other factors are barriers to adoptions of children out of the foster care system. The department shall brief the legislature by December 1, 2006, on recommendations related to reducing any barriers that may exist pertaining to the adoption of children who are dependents of the state of Washington.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 3 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
On motion, referred to Ways & Means.
- Feb 7 WM - Majority; 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 14 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 44; nays, 4; absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 6823-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (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 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions relating to the distribution of beer and wine.

-- 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, 48; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.
- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 11 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 6897 by Senators Roach, Fairley, Rasmussen, and Pflug

Creating a "Multiple Sclerosis" special license plate.

Provides that, in cooperation with the department, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society shall create and design, and the department shall issue, a special license plate displaying the National Multiple Sclerosis Society logo that may be used in lieu of regular or personalized license plates for vehicles required to display one or two vehicle license plates, excluding vehicles registered under chapter 46.87 RCW, upon terms and conditions established by the department. The special license plate created under this act shall be exempt from review by the special license plate review board and the provisions of RCW 46.16.725 and 46.16.745, except as provided in this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6898 by Senators Fraser, Brandland, Prentice, and Zarelli

Authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds.

Authorizes state general obligation bonds for correctional facilities and the Columbia river basin water supply development program.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.