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House Bills

HB 3377 by Representatives Hunter, Linville, Green, and Ormsby

Funding the Neah Bay rescue tug.

Makes an appropriation from the oil spill response account to the department of ecology for the purposes of funding a standby emergency response tugboat at Neah Bay.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 26 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3378 by Representatives Kessler, O'Brien, Blake, and Takko

Concerning the use of county sales and use taxes for emergency preparedness by voter approval.

Provides for the use of county sales and use taxes for emergency preparedness by voter approval.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 28 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3379 by Representatives Ericksen and Pearson

Reducing the authority of the state board of health with regard to inspection intervals and operation and maintenance requirements of small on-site sewage systems.

Reduces the authority of the state board of health with regard to inspection intervals and operation and maintenance requirements of small on-site sewage systems.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 29 First reading, referred to Select Committee on Environmental Health.

Senate Bills

SB 6111-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Hobbs, Poulsen, Jacobsen, and Tom)

Creating a wave and tidal energy work group. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Concerning generating electricity from tidal and wave energy.)

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of ecology to establish a wave and tidal energy work group.

Requires the work group to organize and facilitate a stakeholder review of issues relating to the siting and operation of tidal and wave energy projects.

Requires the work group to provide a report from the stakeholders and agencies, together with any recommendations for environmental analysis and administrative or legislative changes, to the governor and appropriate committees of the senate and house of representatives by December 31, 2008.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 22 Public hearing in committee.

Feb 26 Executive session in committee.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 28 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 29 2nd substitute bill substituted.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 45; nays, 3; absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 6423-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Brown, Hewitt, Kohl-Welles, and McAuliffe)

Strengthening the tax credit and modifying the governing board of a Washington motion picture competitiveness program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Changes the tax credit for, and modifies the governing board of, the Washington motion picture competitiveness program.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 28 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 29 1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 47; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.

SB 6626-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Kastama, Rasmussen, Regala, Franklin, Marr, Carrell, and Shin)

Creating a sales and use tax deferral program for eligible investment projects in community empowerment zones.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Creates a sales and use tax deferral program for eligible investment projects in community empowerment zones.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 28 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 29 2nd substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 6828-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Marr, Prentice, Zarelli, Schoesler, Hobbs, Kilmer, Shin, and Rasmussen)

Concerning the excise taxation of the aerospace industry.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that the comprehensive tax incentives in the act are intended to more comprehensively address the cost of doing business in Washington state compared to locations in other states for a larger segment of the aerospace industry cluster.

Provides definitions for "aerospace products" and "aerospace services".

Provides for a business and occupation tax calculation for persons classified as certain federal aviation repair stations.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 28 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 29 1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 44; nays, 4; absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 6954 by Senators Jacobsen and Rasmussen

Establishing a meat and poultry inspection program.

Establishes a meat and poultry inspection program that enforces requirements that are at least equal to those imposed under federal law including the federal meat inspection act, the poultry products inspection act, and the humane methods of slaughter act.

Provides that products inspected may be sold in intrastate commerce, and in interstate commerce only if allowed by federal law.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 29 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.