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### House Bills

**HB 1067-S** by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Pedersen and Rodne; by request of Washington State Bar Association)

Creating the uniform limited partnership act.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Creates the uniform limited partnership act, effective January 1, 2010.

Repeals the existing uniform limited partnership act, effective July 1, 2010.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 15 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

**HB 1254** by Representatives Schmick, Blake, Ormsby, Walsh, Sullivan, Parker, and Kretz

Creating the Washington grain commission.  
Establishes the Washington grain commission.  
Replaces the Washington wheat commission and the Washington barley commission with the Washington grain commission.  
Provides penalties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

**HB 1255** by Representatives Moeller, Sells, Upthegrove, Hudgins, Williams, Morrell, Springer, Roberts, O'Brien, Carlyle, Kenney, Liias, Green, and Wood

Eliminating the business and occupation tax deduction for initiation fees and dues.

Eliminates the business and occupation tax deduction for initiation fees and dues.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 1256** by Representatives Chase, Appleton, Miloscia, Hunt, and Nelson

Concerning state officer's and state employee's ethical conduct with regard to private gain.

Provides that the selling of merchandise or services under the terms of a contract with an official wellness program of a state agency is not a violation of the private benefit or gain provisions of the ethics law.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1257** by Representatives Goodman, Rodne, O'Brien, Simpson, and Moeller

Eliminating the requirement that courts segregate deferred prosecution files.

Eliminates the requirement that courts segregate deferred prosecution files.

- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 1258** by Representatives Appleton, Dickerson, and Kenney; by request of Sentencing Guidelines Commission  
Changing the definition of a juvenile.  
Revises the definition of "juvenile," "youth," and "child" in chapter 13.40 RCW.  
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services.
- HB 1259** by Representatives Appleton and Dickerson; by request of Sentencing Guidelines Commission  
Modifying juvenile sex and kidnapping offender registration provisions.  
Revises registration provisions relevant to juvenile sex and kidnapping offenders.  
Requires the Washington state patrol to notify, no less than annually, an offender having a duty to register under RCW 9A.44.130 for a sex offense or kidnapping offense committed when the offender was a juvenile of their ability to petition for relief from registration as provided in RCW 9A.44.140.  
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services.
- HB 1260** by Representatives Appleton and Dickerson; by request of Sentencing Guidelines Commission  
Concerning the transfer of juveniles to adult court.  
Modifies provisions relevant to the transfer of a juvenile to adult court.  
Prohibits a respondent under the age of fifteen from being transferred for adult criminal prosecution except when that respondent is charged with murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree, assault in the first degree, or an attempt to commit those crimes.  
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services.
- HB 1261** by Representatives Goodman, Moeller, Green, Williams, Pedersen, Appleton, Morrell, and Ormsby; by request of Uniform Legislation Commission  
Enacting the adult guardianship and protective proceedings jurisdiction act.  
Enacts the uniform adult guardianship and protective proceedings jurisdiction act.  
Provides that the act: (1) Modifies, limits, and supersedes the federal electronic signatures in global and national commerce act, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 7001, et seq., but does not modify, limit, or supersede section 101(c) of that act, 15 U.S.C. 7001(c), or authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices described in section 103(b) of that act, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 7003(b); and  
(2) Applies to guardianship and protective proceedings begun on or after the effective date of the act.  
Provides that sections 1 through 6 and 16 through 22 of the act apply to proceedings filed on or after January 1, 2010, regardless of whether a guardianship or protective order has been issued.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 1262** by Representatives Sells, McCoy, Upthegrove, Dunshee, Appleton, O'Brien, Williams, Conway, Chase, Roberts, Goodman, Takko, Hope, Morrell, Kenney, Miloscia, Rolfes, Sullivan, Santos, Nelson, Wood, and Moeller  
Establishing conditions for video monitoring in public schools.  
Establishes conditions for video monitoring in public schools.  
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Education.
- HB 1263** by Representatives Goodman, Rodne, and Moeller; by request of Statute Law Committee and Sentencing Guidelines Commission  
Making technical corrections to community custody provisions.  
Makes technical corrections to community custody provisions to ensure accurate sentences for offenders.  
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services.
- HB 1264** by Representatives Springer, Rodne, and Eddy  
Regarding the creation and registration of entities formed by public agencies.  
Clarifies provisions regarding the creation and registration of entities formed by public agencies.  
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 1265** by Representatives Warnick, Hinkle, Short, Ross, McCune, Johnson, Blake, Newhouse, Kretz, and Condotta  
Authorizing limited outdoor burning.  
Authorizes outdoor burning under certain conditions.  
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environmental Health.
- HB 1266** by Representatives Warnick, Chandler, Hinkle, Newhouse, Blake, Ross, Johnson, Kretz, McCune, and Condotta  
Regarding sufficient cause for the nonuse of water.  
Revises the definition of "sufficient cause" relevant to the nonuse of water.  
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.
- HB 1267** by Representatives Warnick, Chandler, Hinkle, Newhouse, Blake, Ross, Johnson, Kretz, and McCune  
Clarifying that the legislature intends that RCW 90.14.140 be liberally construed.

Provides that it is the intent of the legislature that RCW 90.14.140 be liberally construed to effectuate the purposes of that statute.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

**HB 1268** by Representatives Warnick, Chandler, Hinkle, Newhouse, Blake, Ross, Johnson, Smith, McCune, Condotta, and Kretz

Concerning the relinquishment of a water right.

Eliminates the partial relinquishment of water rights.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

**HB 1269** by Representatives Warnick, Chandler, Hinkle, Newhouse, Blake, Ross, Johnson, and McCune

Defining "crop rotation" for the purposes of RCW 90.14.140(1)(k).

Clarifies the definition of "crop rotation" for the purposes of RCW 90.14.140(1)(k).

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

**HB 1270** by Representatives Green, Cody, Dickerson, Ericksen, Upthegrove, Springer, Roberts, and Nelson; by request of Department of Social and Health Services and Health Care Authority

Permitting electronic signatures on applications for public assistance and for benefits administered by the health care authority.

Permits electronic signatures on applications for public assistance and on applications for benefits administered by the health care authority.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Children's Services.

**HB 1271** by Representatives Haigh, Finn, Crouse, Green, Lias, Springer, O'Brien, Goodman, Morris, Ormsby, Blake, VanDeWege, Moeller, Cody, Conway, Hurst, Walsh, McCune, Hinkle, Nelson, and Kenney

Regarding dispensing and administration of drugs to registered or licensed veterinary personnel.

Allows a veterinarian legally prescribing drugs to delegate to a licensed veterinary technician, while under the veterinarian's indirect supervision, certain nondiscretionary functions defined by the Washington state veterinary board of governors and used in the dispensing of legend drugs, nonlegend drugs, and controlled substances associated with the practice of veterinary medicine.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

**HB 1272** by Representatives Dunshee and White; by

request of Office of Financial Management

Concerning state general obligation bonds and related accounts.

Declares that, for the purpose of providing funds to finance the projects described and authorized by the legislature in the capital and operating appropriations acts for the 2007-2009 and 2009-2011 fiscal bienniums, and all costs incidental thereto, the state finance committee is authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the state of Washington in the sum of two billion two hundred twenty-one million dollars, or as much thereof as may be required, to finance these projects and all costs incidental thereto.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Capital Budget.

**HB 1273** by Representatives Condotta and Armstrong

Allowing counties, cities, and towns to conduct raffles under certain terms and conditions.

Allows counties, cities, and towns to conduct raffles under certain terms and conditions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 1274** by Representatives Condotta, Chandler, Crouse, and Herrera

Changing the corporate officer provisions of the employment security act.

Modifies corporate officer provisions relevant to the employment security act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 1275** by Representatives Dickerson, O'Brien, Cody, Hurst, Green, and Dammeier

Concerning the consideration of respondents' recent and past acts in involuntary commitment proceedings.

Provides that, to effectuate the legislature's goal of protecting public safety, as provided in RCW 71.05.010, within the context of the Washington state supreme court's holding in *In re Harris*, 98 Wn.2d 276 (1982), the legislature intends that a trier of fact determining whether a person presents a likelihood of serious harm has the ability to consider a respondent's recent and past acts where such acts would indicate a substantial risk to public safety.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services.

**HB 1276** by Representatives Conway, Green, Moeller, and Ormsby

Placing symphony orchestras, operas, and performing arts theaters under the jurisdiction of the public employment relations commission for purposes of collective bargaining.

Places symphony orchestras, operas, performing arts theaters, and other entertainment-based organizations under the jurisdiction of the public employment relations commission for purposes of collective bargaining.

- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.
- HB 1277** by Representatives Pearson, O'Brien, Smith, Orcutt, Dammeier, Kretz, and Simpson  
 Protecting the public from sex offenders released into the community.  
 Modifies provisions relevant to protecting the public from sex offenders released into the community.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.
- HB 1278** by Representatives Pearson and Hurst  
 Establishing a process for providing notice to a contact person in the event a person is injured and requires emergency care.  
 Directs the department of licensing to publish notice at its offices and on its web site that it provides and maintains an electronic registry where a person may enter the name of a contact person to be contacted in the event the person is in need of or receives emergency care as the result of an accident, criminal act, or other cause.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 1279** by Representatives Pearson, Kristiansen, O'Brien, and Smith  
 Increasing the seriousness level for manslaughter in the second degree.  
 Increases the seriousness level for the crime of manslaughter in the second degree.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.
- HB 1280** by Representatives Condotta, Chandler, Crouse, Kretz, Kristiansen, and Armstrong  
 Regarding the expiration of explosives licenses issued under chapter 70.74 RCW.  
 Delays the expiration of explosives licenses issued under chapter 70.74 RCW.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.
- HB 1281** by Representatives Hurst, Pearson, Appleton, O'Brien, Goodman, Orcutt, Morrell, Ormsby, Simpson, and Orwall  
 Addressing the rights of victims, survivors, and witnesses of crimes.  
 Provides that: (1) The legislature recognizes the significant concerns that many victims, survivors of victims, and witnesses of crimes have when offenders are considered for postsentence release from confinement; and  
 (2) It is the intent of the legislature to ensure that victims, survivors of victims, and witnesses of crimes are afforded the opportunity to make a statement that will be considered before the granting of postsentence release from confinement for any offender under the jurisdiction of the indeterminate sentence review board or its successor, or by the governor regarding an application for pardon or commutation of sentence.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services.
- HB 1282** by Representatives White, Rodne, Cody, and Kenney  
 Creating a school-based influenza vaccination pilot program.  
 Requires the department of health and the office of the superintendent of public instruction to jointly establish a school-based influenza vaccination pilot program using both killed vaccine and live attenuated vaccine in one urban school district and one rural school district.  
 Directs the department of health to convene a working group to plan the school-based influenza vaccination pilot program.  
 Expires July 1, 2011.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.
- HB 1283** by Representatives Rolfes, Campbell, Kretz, Upthegrove, and Ormsby; by request of Department of Health  
 Modifying provisions regarding the operators of public water supply systems.  
 Revises provisions relevant to public water supply system operators.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environmental Health.
- HB 1284** by Representatives Kelley, Ericks, Probst, Green, Smith, Sullivan, Morrell, Rolfes, Springer, Goodman, Jacks, Nelson, Simpson, Driscoll, and Orwall  
 Concerning property tax relief for senior citizens and persons retired because of physical disability.  
 Provides property tax relief for senior citizens and persons retired because of physical disability.  
 Provides that the act applies to taxes levied for collection in 2011 and thereafter.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Finance.
- HB 1285** by Representatives Kelley, Ericks, Probst, Green, VanDeWege, Williams, Sullivan, Morrell, Seaquist, Jacks, Maxwell, Simpson, Driscoll, and Orwall  
 Promoting economic development and community revitalization.  
 Expands the community revitalization program to allow local governments to finance public improvements.  
 Limits the annual aggregate amount of new local sales and use taxes that may be credited against the state tax.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Community & Economic Development & Trade.

**HB 1286** by Representatives Miloscia, Appleton, Armstrong, Hunt, Newhouse, White, Smith, Rolfes, Roberts, Nelson, Hinkle, and Ormsby; by request of Public Disclosure Commission

Prohibiting false and defamatory statements about candidates for public office.

Provides that it is the intent of the legislature to amend chapter 42.17 RCW to find that a violation of state law occurs if a person sponsors false statements about candidates in political advertising and electioneering communications when the statements are made with actual malice and are defamatory.

Finds that in such circumstances damages are presumed and do not need to be established when such statements are made with actual malice in political advertising and electioneering communications and constitute libel or defamation per se.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1287** by Representatives Morris, Bailey, Ericks, Hinkle, Sullivan, and Priest

Concerning sales and use tax exemptions in respect to aircraft used in intrastate commuter operations.

Modifies provisions relevant to sales and use tax exemptions in respect to aircraft used in intrastate commuter operations.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 1288** by Representatives Upthegrove, McCune, Simpson, Herrera, Newhouse, Armstrong, Roach, Quall, Orwall, Pettigrew, Bailey, Shea, Smith, Orcutt, Sullivan, Eddy, Johnson, Nelson, Ormsby, Kretz, and Kristiansen

Exempting the annual parental declaration of intent to home school from the public disclosure act.

Exempts from public disclosure the annual declaration of intent filed by parents under RCW 28A.200.010 for a child to receive home-based instruction.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1289** by Representatives Nelson, Upthegrove, Chase, Hasegawa, Cody, Williams, and Miloscia

Concerning campaign contributions to candidates for public lands commissioner.

Prohibits a person or entity that is regulated by, contracts with, leases to, or sells commodities to the public lands commission from, directly or indirectly, paying or using, or offering, consenting, or agreeing to pay or use any money or thing of value for or in aid of any candidate for the office of public lands commissioner.

Provides penalties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1290** by Representatives Maxwell, Rodne, Kenney, Green, Clibborn, Liias, Anderson, and Hunter

Concerning local tourism promotion areas.

Exempts the furnishing of lodging at a new lodging facility located within a tourism promotion area from the charge imposed under chapter 35.101 RCW unless the lodging business submits a petition to the legislative authority indicating that lodging furnished at the new lodging facility will be subject to the charge.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Community & Economic Development & Trade.

**HB 1291** by Representatives Maxwell, Simpson, Green, Rodne, Clibborn, Hasegawa, Ormsby, Orwall, Liias, Hudgins, Johnson, Sullivan, and Hunter

Changing library district annexation provisions.

Revises library district annexation provisions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

**HB 1292** by Representatives Newhouse, Chandler, and Simpson

Authorizing waivers from the one hundred eighty-day school year requirement in order to allow four-day school weeks.

Finds that school districts are seeking innovations to reduce operating costs and preserve limited resources for the primary purpose of student learning. Efficiencies in transportation, heat, lights, maintenance, and food expenses are possible from operating for four rather than five days per week, but current law poses a barrier to this innovation by requiring a set number of instructional days in each school year.

Declares an intent to permit school districts to seek waivers from the school year requirement in order to operate on a four-day school week, provided that adequate safeguards are put in place to prevent any negative impact on student learning.

Allows the state board of education to grant waivers from the requirement for a one hundred eighty-day school year under RCW 28A.150.220 and 28A.150.250 to school districts that propose to operate one or more schools on a four-day school week for purposes of economy and efficiency as provided in the act.

Expires section 2 of the act on August 31, 2015.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Education.

**HB 1293** by Representatives Liias, Hunt, Armstrong, Miloscia, Nelson, Morrell, and Orwall

Modifying whistleblower protection provisions.

Modifies provisions relevant to whistleblower protection.

Provides that a public employee must not be prohibited or otherwise restricted in providing information or expressing opinions to state or local elected officials, or to courts or law enforcement, on matters of public concern, nor be subject to acts of retaliation because the employee has expressed such opinions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1294** by Representative Blake

Regarding energy resources under chapter 19.285 RCW.

Revises energy resources provisions relevant to chapter 19.285 RCW.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

**HB 1295** by Representatives Warnick and Uptegrove

Annexing areas used for agricultural fairs.

Declares an intent to establish clear and logical annexation procedures for the annexation of county-owned fairgrounds that are consistent with the longstanding legal requirement that these grounds may only be annexed with the consent of the majority of the board of county commissioners.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

**HB 1296** by Representatives Williams, Warnick, Goodman, McCune, Rodne, Simpson, and Kelley

Providing limitations on rental housing inspections.

Prohibits a local government from requiring or permitting a landlord to engage or hire a third party to conduct inspections or searches of dwelling units and common areas under RCW 59.18.150. A local government may not assess the cost of an inspection by a local building official under RCW 59.18.150 against the landlord or owner.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

**HB 1297** by Representatives Simpson, Orcutt, Sullivan, Warnick, and McCune

Concerning the excise taxation of bullion and rare earth metals.

Declares an intent to reimplement the original intention of the legislature and limit the business and occupation tax imposed on the business of making sales of precious metal bullion to a tax on amounts received as commissions and not to tax the activity of reforming precious metal bullion into different shapes or sizes.

Declares that the business and occupation tax applies to the markup on the sale of precious metal bullion, where the taxpayer is selling its own precious metal bullion.

Declares an intent to accord the same tax treatment to investment purchases of rare earth metals.

Provides that the act applies both retroactively and prospectively.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 1298** by Representatives O'Brien, Warnick, Williams, McCune, Rodne, Simpson, Kelley, and Ormsby

Limiting utility liens against rental property.

Limits utility liens against rental property.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

**HB 1299** by Representatives O'Brien, Warnick, Williams, McCune, Rodne, and Simpson

Concerning local government crime-free rental housing programs.

Finds that local governments, landlords, and tenants working together to provide crime-free rental housing is beneficial to the public health, safety, and welfare.

Declares an intent to provide certain requirements that a local government must follow in adopting a crime-free rental housing program and to provide landlords with a tool to stop criminal activity on their property.

Authorizes a city, town, or county to adopt and implement a local government crime-free rental housing program designed to reduce crime, drugs, and gangs on rental properties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**HB 1300** by Representatives Hurst, Dickerson, Pearson, Klippert, O'Brien, and Smith

Access to mental health information.

Directs a mental health service provider or its legal counsel to release to law enforcement officers, personnel of a county or city jail, public health officers, personnel of the department of corrections or the indeterminate sentence review board, prosecuting attorneys, attorneys retained to represent a person who is the subject of an information request under the act, or the court, upon request, information related to mental health services delivered to a person who:

(1) Is currently committed to the custody or supervision of the department of corrections or the indeterminate sentence review board under chapter 9.94A or 9.95 RCW;

(2) Has been convicted of a serious violent offense;

(3) Has been found not guilty by reason of insanity or incompetent to stand trial for a serious violent offense pursuant to chapter 10.77 RCW; or

(4) Has been civilly committed pursuant to RCW 10.77.086(4).

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services.

**HB 1301** by Representative McCune

Designating an official state Christmas tree.

Designates an official state Christmas tree.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1302** by Representatives McCune and Campbell  
 Excluding a portion of state route number 7 from the scenic system.

Excludes a portion of state route number 7 from the scenic and recreational highway system.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**HB 1303** by Representatives Moeller, Green, and Roberts

Collecting child mortality reviews into a database.

Directs the department of health to: (1) Assist local health departments to collect the reports of any child mortality reviews conducted by local health departments and enter the reports into a database to the extent that the data is not protected under RCW 70.05.170(3);

(2) Respond to any requests for data from the database to the extent permitted for health care information under chapter 70.02 RCW; and

(3) Provide technical assistance to local health departments and child death review coordinators conducting child mortality reviews and encourage communication among child death review teams. The department shall conduct these activities using only federal funding from the maternal and child health block grant and private funding.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

**HB 1304** by Representatives Springer, Orcutt, Takko, Eddy, and Herrera

Providing a limited property tax exemption for the use of facilities by artistic, scientific, and historical organizations.

Provides a limited property tax exemption for the use of facilities by artistic, scientific, and historical organizations.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 1305** by Representatives Kretz, Blake, Pearson, Schmick, Short, Kristiansen, Herrera, and Condotta

Addressing unemployment compensation benefits when there is an absence from work resulting from incarceration.

Disqualifies an individual from unemployment compensation benefits beginning with the first day of the calendar week in which the individual has been discharged due to absence from work resulting from either a violation of law for which the individual was convicted and sentenced to jail or prison, or a violation of a condition of probation, community custody, community supervision, or parole for which the individual was incarcerated in jail or prison.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 1306** by Representatives Kretz, Warnick, and Short  
 Regarding open range laws on public land.

Requires written grazing privileges only: (1) In stock restricted areas or in areas that are adequately fenced to prevent livestock from running at large; and

(2) On public lands owned or managed by the department of fish and wildlife.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

**HB 1307** by Representatives Moeller, Williams, Hunt, Pedersen, Jacks, Darneille, Hudgins, Dunshee, Blake, Chase, Kenney, Haigh, Conway, Dickerson, and White

Concerning public health financing.

Declares an intent to help provide local health jurisdictions with a more stable dedicated funding system by authorizing local option revenue sources and creating a single account through which all state funding for public health will be distributed.

Declares that local health jurisdictions receiving state funds be held accountable for the use of those funds based on the minimum standards of public health protection in the state's public health improvement plan.

Authorizes a county to impose a tax on the acquisition, receipt, or possession of bottled water in the county, subject to certain requirements.

Directs the secretary of the department of health to establish a review process for determining whether a local health jurisdiction is in substantial compliance with the minimum standards for public health protection established under RCW 43.70.520.

Requires the secretary of the department of health to notify the local health jurisdiction, in writing, and the state treasurer when the secretary finds that a local health jurisdiction is not in substantial compliance with the minimum standards for public health protection established under RCW 43.70.520.

Authorizes the secretary of the department of health to exempt a local health jurisdiction from the review process if the jurisdiction is accredited by an organization whose accreditation standards meet or exceed the minimum standards for public health protection established under RCW 43.70.520.

Creates the public health improvement account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

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## Senate Bills

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**SB 5192** by Senators Jacobsen and Kline

Allowing dogs in bars.

Allows dogs in bars.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

**SB 5193** by Senators Delvin, Hewitt, Kastama, Carrell, Kilmer, Zarelli, Stevens, King, Schoesler, Swecker, Pridemore, Roach, and Holmquist

Allowing a nonresident alien to possess weapons when hunting with a Washington-licensed hunter.

Allows a nonimmigrant alien to carry or possess a weapon for the purpose of using it in the hunting of game while that person is in the act of hunting, or while on a hunting trip, while accompanied by a nondeferred Washington-licensed hunter who has held a Washington hunting license for the prior three years and is over eighteen years of age.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**SB 5194** by Senators Delvin, Holmquist, Hewitt, Honeyford, Sheldon, Hatfield, Rockefeller, Shin, and Roach

Concerning the generation of electricity in energy parks.

Declares an intent to provide the opportunity for the restoration and redevelopment of unfinished nuclear power project sites for the purpose of creating energy parks for the generation of electricity.

Excludes sales of machinery and equipment used to generate electricity in energy parks, or to sales of or charges made for labor and services rendered in respect to installing such machinery and equipment, from the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020, but only if the purchaser provides the seller with an exemption certificate in a form and manner prescribed by the department of revenue.

Expires sections 3 and 4 of the act on June 30, 2015.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

**SB 5195** by Senators Berkey, Swecker, Kauffman, Hobbs, King, Marr, Haugen, Franklin, Parlette, Schoesler, and Shin

Adopting the life settlements model act.

Adopts the life settlements model act.

Repeals the viatical settlements act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

**SB 5196** by Senators Berkey, Swecker, Kauffman, Hobbs, King, Marr, Sheldon, Haugen, Franklin, Kilmer, Shin, Kohl-Welles, and McDermott

Increasing the personal needs allowance for persons receiving state-financed care.

Finds that: (1) Through the medicaid program, state and federal government fund long-term care, mental health, and medical services for many elderly persons and people with disabilities; and

(2) A significant portion of these individuals' social security benefits is retained by the state to assist with the cost of their care.

Declares an intent to allow these individuals to retain for their own use a reasonable personal needs allowance.

Requires, effective July 1, 2011, and each fiscal year thereafter, the personal needs allowance to be adjusted for economic trends and conditions by increasing the allowance by the percentage cost-of-living adjustment for old-age, survivors, and disability social security benefits as published by the federal social security administration.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5197** by Senators Marr, Keiser, Franklin, Kohl-Welles, and McDermott; by request of Health Care Authority and Department of Social and Health Services

Permitting electronic signatures on applications for public assistance and for benefits administered by the health care authority.

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-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 5198** by Senators Hobbs, Holmquist, Hatfield, Parlette, Becker, and Honeyford

Creating customer rebates and public utility tax credits for light and power businesses and gas companies.

Finds that: (1) Washington's growing population and economy will put a strain on energy supplies and threaten the ability of the state to meet its climate policy goals unless specific steps are taken to reduce demand and utilize energy more efficiently; and

(2) Solar water heaters can provide at least one-half of the hot water needs in the average home and reduce electric or natural gas consumption with free renewable energy from the sun.

Declares an intent to facilitate the installation of solar water heating systems in homes and businesses by providing: (1) A rebate to customers who install solar water heating systems; and

(2) A tax credit to the light and power business based on the amount of solar water heating systems installed by their customers.

Finds that the rebate and tax credit has broad application for the installation of solar water heating systems in urban, rural, business, and residential locations, as well as in any climate throughout the state.

Expires December 31, 2012.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

**SB 5199** by Senators Fraser, Morton, Rockefeller, and Shin; by request of Department of Health

Modifying provisions regarding the operators of public water supply systems.

Revises provisions relevant to public water supply system operators.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.



**SB 5200** by Senator Brandland

Concerning marauding dogs.

Clarifies provisions relevant to marauding dogs.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5201** by Senators Franklin, Keiser, and Marr; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Concerning billing for medical services provided through special education programs.

Repeals statutes related to billing medicaid and private insurers for eligible medical services provided through special education programs.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 5202** by Senators Franklin, Keiser, and Marr; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Changing the implementation date and benefit design of nonsubsidized state health coverage for children.

Revises the implementation date, benefit design, and obligations of participating managed health care systems for nonsubsidized state health coverage for children.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 5203** by Senators Hobbs, Pflug, Fairley, Haugen, Swecker, Rockefeller, Tom, Marr, Pridemore, King, Delvin, Murray, Kohl-Welles, Regala, McAuliffe, McDermott, Kastama, Becker, Kline, Jarrett, Oemig, Brown, Kauffman, Fraser, Shin, Parlette, Kilmer, Brandland, and Roach

Regarding insurance coverage for autism spectrum disorders.

Requires each health plan offered to public employees and their covered dependents under chapter 41.05 RCW which is not subject to the provisions of Title 48 RCW to include coverage for the diagnosis of autism spectrum disorders and treatment of autism spectrum disorders in individuals less than twenty-one years of age.

Requires each health plan offered to the public under chapter 48.21, 48.44, or 48.46 RCW to include coverage for the diagnosis of autism spectrum disorders and treatment of autism spectrum disorders in individuals less than twenty-one years of age.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 5204** by Senators McDermott, Oemig, Kohl-Welles, Jarrett, McAuliffe, Regala, Marr, Brown, Tom, Haugen, Kline, Shin, and Pridemore

Adopting the interstate agreement for the election of the president of the United States by national popular vote.

Adopts the interstate agreement for the election of the president of the United States by national popular vote.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 5205** by Senators Hargrove, Sheldon, Fraser, and Kline; by request of Board For Judicial Administration

Adding one judge to division two of the court of appeals.

Adds one judge to division two of the court of appeals.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5206** by Senators Hatfield, Holmquist, Sheldon, and Zarelli

Modifying the electrolytic processing business tax exemption.

Modifies the electrolytic processing business tax exemption.

Directs the citizen commission for performance measurement of tax preferences to schedule the electrolytic processing business tax exemption under RCW 82.16.0421 for a tax preference review by the joint legislative audit and review committee.

Eliminates the expiration of RCW 82.16.0421.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Innovation.

**SB 5207** by Senators Regala, Stevens, Hargrove, Fraser, and Kohl-Welles

Addressing the rights of victims, survivors, and witnesses of crimes.

Provides that: (1) The legislature recognizes the significant concerns that many victims, survivors of victims, and witnesses of crimes have when offenders are considered for postsentence release from confinement; and

(2) It is the intent of the legislature to ensure that victims, survivors of victims, and witnesses of crimes are afforded the opportunity to make a statement that will be considered before the granting of postsentence release from confinement for any offender under the jurisdiction of the indeterminate sentence review board or its successor, or by the governor regarding an application for pardon or commutation of sentence.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 5208** by Senators Brandland, Kline, Hargrove, Stevens, Regala, Sheldon, Marr, Kohl-Welles, Tom, Kilmer, and Shin; by request of Attorney General

Ensuring punishment for domestic violence offenders.

Recognizes: (1) The substantial and great impact upon society, families, children, and the victims of offenses occurring between cohabitants;

(2) The continuing nature of domestic violence; and

(3) The lasting psychological trauma caused by such violence.

Finds that the prevention of domestic violence, and the proper punishment for such offenses, is a compelling state interest that has not been under current sentencing provisions. Toward this end, the act is necessary to ensure that domestic violence offenders are punished accordingly and that an end to domestic violence can be achieved.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5209** by Senators Regala, Holmquist, Kohl-Welles, Brandland, Kauffman, Stevens, Hargrove, McAuliffe, and Kline; by request of Attorney General

Concerning counseling for witnesses in civil commitment proceedings under chapter 71.09 RCW.

Makes crime victims' compensation funds available for witnesses in civil commitment proceedings.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 5210** by Senators Berkey, Holmquist, Kohl-Welles, Fairley, Regala, Honeyford, and Shin; by request of Attorney General

Concerning unsolicited goods and the promotional advertising of prizes.

Modifies provisions regarding unsolicited goods and services and the promotional advertising of prizes.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

**SB 5211** by Senators Sheldon, Roach, Fairley, McDermott, Parlette, Haugen, Shin, and Benton; by request of Public Disclosure Commission

Prohibiting false and defamatory statements about candidates for public office.

Provides that it is the intent of the legislature to amend chapter 42.17 RCW to find that a violation of state law occurs if a person sponsors false statements about candidates in political advertising and electioneering communications when the statements are made with actual malice and are defamatory.

Finds that in such circumstances damages are presumed and do not need to be established when such statements are made with actual malice in political advertising and electioneering communications and constitute libel or defamation per se.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 5212** by Senators Kilmer, Kline, McCaslin, Hewitt, Haugen, Shin, and Becker; by request of Washington State Bar Association

Modifying parenting plans based on the military service of a parent.

Modifies parenting plans based on the military service of a parent.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 5213** by Senators Carrell, Swecker, Stevens, and King  
Modifying voter registration provisions.

Modifies provisions relating to voter registration. Provides the documents a person may use to prove citizenship.

Requires a person to register to vote at least thirty days before an election or primary, in order to vote at that election or primary.

Requires the secretary of state and the appropriate county auditor to refer all suspected cases of certain voting-related crimes to the local prosecuting attorney.

Creates a new crime related to the receipt and return of voting ballots.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 5214** by Senators Carrell, Hobbs, Hewitt, Schoesler, Delvin, Kilmer, and Benton

Concerning military monuments.

Finds that the military and its personnel play a vital role in defending the lives and freedom of all Americans.

Declares an intent to honor the contribution of the military.

Directs the military department, in consultation with the department of transportation, to erect and maintain a monument at an appropriate location on state property near each military base in the state.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 5215** by Senators Carrell, Swecker, King, and Hewitt  
Removing the notice requirement when an attorney or private investigator requests vehicle owner information.

Eliminates the notice requirement when an attorney or private investigator requests vehicle owner information.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5216** by Senators Carrell, Brandland, Stevens, Oemig, Swecker, Pflug, King, Schoesler, Delvin, Tom, and Shin

Creating a sentence enhancement for body armor.

Creates a sentence enhancement for body armor.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5217** by Senators Carrell, Hobbs, Pflug, Swecker, Morton, Stevens, King, Schoesler, and Hewitt

Concerning expenditures for works of art.

Declares an intent to prevent misuse of taxpayer dollars, by prohibiting the expenditure of public funds on placement of works of art in: (1) The special commitment center on McNeil Island;

(2) Secure community transition facilities and other halfway houses operated by the department of social and health services to house persons subject to the community protection act of 1990; and

(3) Facilities operated by the department of corrections.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 5218** by Senators Carrell, Hargrove, Swecker, Regala, Brandland, Hewitt, King, Stevens, Schoesler, Pridemore, Delvin, Pflug, Tom, Kilmer, and Shin

Controlling computer access by residents at the special commitment center and persons released to less restrictive alternatives.

Prohibits a person committed or detained pursuant to chapter 71.09 RCW from accessing a personal computer unless the resident's individualized treatment plan states that access to a computer is necessary to bring about a positive response to a specific and certain phase or course of treatment.

Prohibits a person found eligible for conditional release to a less restrictive alternative from accessing a personal computer and accessing the internet unless the person's individualized treatment plan states that access to a computer is necessary to bring about a positive response to a specific and certain phase or course of treatment.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 5219** by Senators Carrell, Regala, Hargrove, Kline, Brandland, Swecker, Stevens, and King

Creating a legislative task force to address housing for individuals at a high risk of being homeless.

Creates a legislative task force to address housing for individuals at a high risk of being homeless.

Authorizes the task force, where feasible, to consult with individuals from the public and private sector and to ask such persons to establish advisory committees or work groups.

Directs the task force to use legislative facilities, and staff support must be provided by senate committee services and the house of representatives office of program research.

Requires the department of corrections, department of community, trade, and economic development, and department of social and health services to cooperate with the task force and provide information as the task force reasonably requests.

Provides that the expenses of the task force be paid jointly by the senate and the house of representatives.

Expires December 1, 2009.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 5220** by Senators Franklin, Stevens, Hargrove, Regala, and Murray

Regarding the designation of "social worker."

Prohibits a person from representing himself or herself as a social worker unless the person is licensed under RCW

18.225.090 as an advanced social worker or an independent clinical social worker; or has graduated with a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree from a social work educational program accredited by the council on social work education.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 5221** by Senators Tom, Honeyford, Kohl-Welles, Haugen, Kilmer, and Holmquist; by request of Department of Financial Institutions and Department of Licensing

Regarding distressed property conveyances.

Regulates distressed property conveyances.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

**SB 5222** by Senators Fraser and Brandland; by request of Governor Gregoire

Adopting a 2009-2011 capital budget.

Makes appropriations and authorizes expenditures for capital improvements.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5223** by Senators Fraser and Brandland; by request of Office of Financial Management

Concerning state general obligation bonds and related accounts.

Declares that, for the purpose of providing funds to finance the projects described and authorized by the legislature in the capital and operating appropriations acts for the 2007-2009 and 2009-2011 fiscal bienniums, and all costs incidental thereto, the state finance committee is authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the state of Washington in the sum of two billion two hundred twenty-one million dollars, or as much thereof as may be required, to finance these projects and all costs incidental thereto.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5224** by Senator Kline

Regarding false claims against the government.

Creates the Washington state false claims act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5225** by Senators Kline and Hargrove

Concerning crimes against property.

Creates an organized retail crime task force for the purpose of monitoring the effects of raising the monetary threshold amounts differentiating the various degrees of property crimes in Washington state.

Directs the task force to: (1) Examine the impact of raising these values on the retail industry, the district and municipal courts, and the county and city offices of the prosecuting attorney; and

(2) Identify any policies or procedures which would enhance the successful investigation and prosecution of property crimes in Washington state.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5226** by Senators Kline, Franklin, Keiser, Hargrove, and Kohl-Welles

Prohibiting requests for waivers of rights of residents of long-term care facilities.

Prohibits requests for waivers of rights of residents of long-term care facilities.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 5227** by Senators Kline, Rockefeller, and Hargrove

Revising the definition of "materially false statements."

Revises the definition of "materially false statements" relevant to chapter 9A.72 RCW.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5228** by Senators Haugen and Morton

Regarding day labor construction projects and programs.

Modifies provisions relating to day labor construction projects and programs.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 5229** by Senators McAuliffe, Hobbs, Franklin, Tom, King, Pridemore, Kohl-Welles, Jacobsen, Kilmer, and Shin

Regarding the legislative youth advisory council.

Eliminates the expiration of the legislative youth advisory council.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

**SB 5230** by Senators Fairley, Regala, and Murray

Concerning physical therapists.

Allows a physical therapist to perform spinal manipulation only upon showing evidence of adequate education and training in spinal manipulation.

Requires a physical therapist to submit to the secretary of the department of health an affidavit that includes evidence of adequate education and training in spinal manipulation. A physical therapist who has graduated from an approved school of physical therapy in 2009 or later is not subject to this requirement.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 5231** by Senators Regala, Kline, Stevens, Hargrove,

and Brandland

Addressing parenting plans and residential schedules in dependency proceedings.

Authorizes the juvenile court to have concurrent original jurisdiction with the family court over parenting plans or residential schedules under chapters 26.09 and 26.26 RCW as provided for in RCW 13.34.155.

Authorizes the court hearing a dependency petition to hear and determine issues related to establishing or modifying a parenting plan under chapters 26.09 and 26.26 RCW.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 5232** by Senators Delvin, Holmquist, Hewitt, Schoesler, Carrell, King, Swecker, Pflug, Shin, Kastama, Benton, Kohl-Welles, and Roach

Protecting registered school students from sexual misconduct by school employees.

Protects registered school students from sexual misconduct by school employees.

Provides penalties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5233** by Senators Delvin, Hewitt, Schoesler, Carrell, Swecker, Parlette, Stevens, and Honeyford

Addressing county elected officials keeping offices at the county seat.

Addresses county elected officials keeping offices at the county seat.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 5234** by Senators Delvin, Hewitt, and Marr; by request of Transportation Improvement Board

Extending state route number 397 to Interstate 82.

Extends state route number 397 to Interstate 82.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 5235** by Senators Kohl-Welles, Honeyford, Holmquist, and Keiser; by request of Attorney General

Modifying motor vehicle warranty provisions.

Modifies provisions addressing motor vehicle warranties.

Provides that the act is remedial in nature and applies retroactively to the effective date of the act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

**SB 5236** by Senators Marr, Fairley, Keiser, Murray,

Tom, and Kohl-Welles; by request of Insurance Commissioner

Reducing organ transplant benefit waiting periods based upon prior creditable coverage.

Declares an intent to reduce organ transplant benefit waiting periods for covered persons who have had prior continuous coverage and have changed health carriers or health benefit plans.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 5237** by Senators Shin, Kilmer, Berkey, Kastama, Sheldon, Hobbs, Kauffman, Schoesler, Franklin, and Fraser

Requiring the development of three-year baccalaureate programs.

Finds that: (1) Some students are eager to complete a degree in the shortest time possible in order to enter the job market; and

(2) Providing a streamlined path to a baccalaureate degree would shorten the time required for students to complete a degree, improve the graduation rate, and improve accessibility for students who have proven academic abilities.

Requires the state universities, regional universities, and The Evergreen State College to develop accelerated baccalaureate degree programs that will allow academically qualified students to obtain a baccalaureate degree in three years without attending summer classes or enrolling in more than a full-time class load during the regular academic year.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

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### Senate Joint Resolutions

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**SJR 8208** by Senators Carrell, Fairley, Swecker, McDermott, and Pridemore; by request of Secretary of State

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

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

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

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### Senate Concurrent Resolutions

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**SCR 8403** by Senators Jacobsen and Shin

Creating a joint select committee concerning Latino accessibility to higher education.

Creates a joint select committee on Latino accessibility to higher education.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.