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House Bills

HB 1079-S by House Committee on Local Government & Housing (originally sponsored by Representatives Simpson, Nelson, Springer, White, and Moeller; by request of Growth Management Hearings Board)

Authorizing the substitution of growth management hearings board members in the case of vacancy, disqualification, illness, or injury.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides a process for substituting a growth management hearings board member in the case of vacancy, disqualification, illness, or injury.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 15 Public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 22 LGH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1081-S by House Committee on Local Government & Housing (originally sponsored by

Representatives Wallace, Ericksen, Clibborn, Armstrong, Moeller, and Jacks)

Authorizing local improvement district financing of railroad crossing protection devices.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Allows local improvement district financing of railroad crossing protection devices.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 15 Public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 22 LGH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.

HB 1119-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Pedersen, Rodne, Goodman, and Kelley; by request of Uniform Legislation Commission)

Concerning the management of funds held by nonprofit institutions.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires a person responsible for managing and investing an institutional fund to manage and invest the fund in good faith and with the care an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would exercise under similar circumstances.

Declares that the act: (1) Applies to institutional funds existing on or established after the effective date of the act; and

(2) Modifies, limits, and supersedes the electronic signatures in global and national commerce act (15 U.S.C. Sec. 7001 et seq.), but does not modify, limit, or supersede 15 U.S.C. Sec. 7001(a), or authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices described in 15 U.S.C. Sec. 7003(b).

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 21 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 8:00 AM.

Jan 22 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive session in the House Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.

Jan 26 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1590 by Representatives Appleton, Simpson, Sells, Green, Hasegawa, Sullivan, Conway, Goodman, Nelson, Hudgins, and Ormsby

Requiring the appointment of an organized labor member with full voting rights and privileges to the governing bodies of public transportation entities.

Requires appointment of an organized labor member with full voting rights and privileges to the governing bodies of public transportation entities.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

HB 1591 by Representatives Upthegrove, Clibborn, Simpson, and Liias

Concerning the use of certain transportation benefit district funds.

Modifies provisions regarding the use of certain transportation benefit district funds.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1592 by Representatives Pedersen, Rodne, Kelley, and Kenney; by request of Secretary of State

Registering business entities and associations with the secretary of state.

Revises provisions relevant to registering business entities and associations with the secretary of state.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1593 by Representatives Appleton and Roberts

Limiting the use of juvenile prior offenses in the offender score.

Limits the use of juvenile prior offenses in the offender score.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1594 by Representatives Hudgins, Hunt, Rolfes,

Hasegawa, White, Eddy, McCoy, Wood, Conway, and Kenney

Creating the environmental cleanup opportunity grant program.

Creates the environmental cleanup opportunity grant program to assist in the effort to recruit the next generation of environmental cleanup professionals consistent with the green economy jobs growth initiative under RCW 43.330.310.

Provides that the program will be administered by the higher education coordinating board.

Authorizes the higher education coordinating board to award up to ten conditional scholarships in a twelve-month period to eligible participants from the funds appropriated to the board from the state toxics control account, or from any private donations, or any other funds given to the board for this program.

Creates the environmental cleanup opportunity grant account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1595 by Representatives Blake and Chandler

Regarding the transfer of certain state forest lands.

Finds that the revenue generated from state forest lands is a vital component of the operating budget in many rural counties. The dependence on a natural resource-based economy is especially underscored in counties with lower population levels and large holdings of public land. The high cost of compliance with the federal endangered species act on state forest lands within these smaller counties is disproportionately burdensome when compared to their total county budgets.

Declares an intent to provide sustainable revenue to smaller counties that are heavily dependent on state forest land revenues while promoting long-term protection, conservation, and recovery of marbled murrelets and northern spotted owls.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1596 by Representatives Green, Hunt, Hudgins, Williams, Rolfes, Morrell, Campbell, Roberts, Kagi, Dickerson, Goodman, Upthegrove, Simpson, Moeller, Ormsby, and Nelson

Protecting a woman's right to breastfeed in a place of public resort, accommodation, assemblage, or amusement.

Protects the right of a mother to breastfeed in a place of public resort, accommodation, assemblage, or amusement.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1597 by Representatives Springer and Hunter; by request of Department of Revenue

Concerning the administration of state and local tax programs.

Improves the administration of state and local tax programs without impacting tax collections by providing greater consistency in numerous tax incentive programs.

Revises provisions relating to the confidentiality and disclosure of tax information.

Amends statutes to improve clarity and consistency, eliminate obsolete provisions, and simplify administration.

Declares an intent to create two sets of uniform reporting requirements that apply to the existing tax preferences and that can be used in future legislation granting additional tax preferences.

Requires the legislative fiscal committees or the department of revenue to study many of the existing tax preferences and report to the legislature at least once. Because chapter 43.136 RCW (termination of tax preferences) now requires the joint legislative audit and review committee, with support from the department of revenue, to comprehensively review most tax preferences every ten years and provide a report to the legislature, a number of redundant studies by the legislative fiscal committees and the department of revenue have been eliminated. However, the department of revenue will continue to prepare summary descriptive statistics by category and report the statistics to the legislature each year.

Provides that certain provisions of the act: (1) That relate to annual surveys and annual reports apply beginning with annual surveys and annual reports due in 2010 and thereafter;

(2) Apply to return or tax information in respect to the tax imposed under chapter 83.100 RCW (estate and transfer tax act) in the possession of the department of revenue on or after a certain date;

(3) Apply both retroactively and prospectively to estates of decedents dying on or after May 17, 2005; and

(4) Apply both prospectively and retroactively beginning with taxes levied for collection in 2002 and thereafter.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1598 by Representatives Goodman, Hunt, Ormsby, Williams, Kagi, Kessler, Roberts, Upthegrove, Simpson, and Moeller

Approving the entry of Washington into the agreement among the states to elect the president by national popular vote.

Approves the entry of Washington into the agreement among the states to elect the president by national popular vote on the same terms and conditions as entered into by the states of Hawaii, Illinois, Maryland, and New Jersey.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1599 by Representatives Sullivan, Appleton, Hunt, Sells, Simpson, Conway, Williams, White, and Ormsby

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

Provides retirement benefits at an earlier age for members of certain retirement systems.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1600 by Representatives Simpson, Appleton, Conway, Hunt, Green, Sells, Sullivan, Williams, Kenney, Hasegawa, and Ormsby

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

Provides for vesting after five years of service in the defined benefit portion of certain retirement systems.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1601 by Representatives Cody, Conway, Green, Hunt, Appleton, Kagi, Sells, Simpson, Sullivan, Kenney, and Ormsby

Participating in insurance plans and contracts by separated plan 2 members of certain retirement systems.

Modifies provisions relevant to participation in insurance plans and contracts by separated plan 2 members of certain retirement systems.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1602 by Representatives Conway, Appleton, Hunt, Green, Kagi, Sells, Simpson, Sullivan, Kenney, and Ormsby

Addressing postretirement employment.

Revises eligibility requirements for postretirement employment.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1603 by Representatives Condotta, Hinkle, Haler, Chandler, Orcutt, Kristiansen, Crouse, Ross, and Armstrong

Establishing a set minimum hourly wage.

Requires every employer to pay each of his or her employees, who has reached the age of eighteen years, wages at a rate of not less than eight dollars and fifty-five cents per hour.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1604 by Representatives Condotta, Kretz, Crouse, Ross, Armstrong, and Upthegrove

Changing restrictions on firearm noise suppressors.

Allows a firearm noise suppressor if it is legally registered and possessed in accordance with federal law.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1605 by Representatives Springer, Rodne, Hinkle,

Takko, Anderson, Eddy, Liias, Sullivan, Upthegrove, and Simpson

Requiring cooperation when planning to accommodate projected population growth and the resulting development needs under the growth management act.

Authorizes two or more cities sharing common borders and located in the same county, or two or more cities sharing a common border and located within adjacent counties, in coordination with countywide and multicounty planning bodies, to agree to establish a subregion in order to address housing and employment markets that cross jurisdictional boundaries through proposed amendments to each city's comprehensive plan and to countywide planning policies and multicounty policies.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

HB 1606 by Representatives Simpson, Ericks, Flannigan, Rodne, Wood, Sullivan, and Morrell

Addressing unlawful transit conduct.

Regulates conduct while on or in a transit vehicle.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1607 by Representatives Chase, Haler, Kagi, Dunshee, Haigh, Green, Kessler, Roberts, Kenney, Rolfes, Morrell, and Ormsby

Concerning visitation rights for grandparents.

Recognizes that the recent Washington state supreme court decision in *In re Parentage of C.A.M.A.* reaffirmed that Washington's grandparent visitation statutes are unconstitutional.

Declares an intent to bring the law in line with the court's holding in that case, in order to ensure that grandparents have a viable means of petitioning the court for visitation with their grandchildren.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1608 by Representatives Williams, Campbell, Dickerson, Green, and Ormsby

Concerning the practice of interior design.

Creates a state board for registered interior designers.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1609 by Representatives Dickerson, Conway, Pettigrew, Williams, Green, Ormsby, Kagi, Dunshee, Appleton, Van De Wege, Upthegrove, Darnelle, Simpson, Hasegawa, and Nelson

Concerning family and medical leave.

Revises family and medical leave provisions.

Requires each employer, for each individual, to pay a premium of two cents per hour worked, up to a maximum of forty hours per week, to the employment security department to be deposited into the family and medical leave insurance account. Each employer may deduct from the pay

of each individual the full amount that the employer is required to pay for the individual.

Allows a business and occupation tax credit to an employer that hires a replacement worker to replace an employee who has taken family and medical leave.

Provides for submission of certain sections of the act to a vote of the people.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1610 by Representatives Takko, Ericks, Kretz, Orcutt, Kessler, Short, Crouse, Blake, Ericksen, Wood, Herrera, Kristiansen, Kenney, and Ormsby

Creating incentives for the use of biomass in renewable energy production.

Finds that: (1) Communities across the state have natural resource-based economies and rely on the use of biomass fuels to generate electricity for use in manufacturing and to serve local residents;

(2) In 2007, citizens of the state authorized a law (chapter 19.285 RCW) requiring electric utilities that serve more than twenty-five thousand customers in Washington to obtain fifteen percent of their electricity from new renewable resources by 2020 and to meet energy conservation goals;

(3) Eight other western states have renewable energy standards, but most of those other laws, unlike chapter 19.285 RCW, allow existing biomass resources to count as renewable energy resources; and

(4) By discriminating against our state's natural assets for producing renewable energy, chapter 19.285 RCW obligates local electric utilities to acquire more expensive renewable resource technologies.

Declares that chapter 19.285 RCW should be amended to preserve our low electricity costs and its economic benefits to urban and rural communities alike, and to promote further development of the low cost, climate-friendly biomass resources that form the foundation of our present and future clean energy economy.

Allows harvesters a credit against the amount of business and occupation tax otherwise due.

Exempts the use or sale of forest derived biomass used to produce electricity, steam, heat, or biofuel from the sales and use tax.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1611 by Representatives Morrell, Hinkle, Green, Ericksen, and Kelley

Concerning online access to the University of Washington health sciences library by certain health care providers.

Requires the University of Washington to provide to the department of health, by September 1st of each year, an accounting of: (1) The use of funds collected under RCW 43.70.110(3)(c) (health care provider license fees) during the prior year; and

(2) The use of the online health sciences library by each category of provider subject to RCW 43.70.110(3)(c) (health care provider license fees).

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1612 by Representatives Cody, Chase, Walsh, Clibborn, Green, Anderson, Morrell, Pedersen, Moeller, Roberts, Seaquist, Darneille, Hunter, Goodman, Carlyle, Haler, Appleton, Hudgins, Kagi, Sullivan, Maxwell, White, Kenney, Upthegrove, Simpson, Rolfes, and Ormsby

Concerning pregnancy prevention programs.

Declares an intent to help people protect themselves from unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted disease through programs that are evidence-based, economical, and consistent with RCW 28A.300.475 (the state's healthy youth act) as existing on the effective date of the act.

Authorizes state agencies to apply for sexual health education funding for programs that are medically and scientifically accurate including, but not limited to, programs on abstinence, the prevention of sexually transmitted diseases, and the prevention of unintended pregnancies.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1613 by Representatives Ormsby, Kretz, Blake, Hinkle, Pearson, Warnick, Parker, Schmick, Short, Walsh, Springer, Haler, Orcutt, Sullivan, Kristiansen, Conway, Kenney, Rolfes, and Morrell

Establishing a meat and poultry inspection program.

Finds that: (1) Several states administer state meat and poultry inspection programs at facilities for which inspection by the federal food safety inspection service of the United States department of agriculture is not readily available; and

(2) A state inspection program would support the needs of local producers who wish to sell to local consumers, aid in developing niche markets and the supply of low-volume specialty meat products, and increase the ability to supply inspected meat products at farmers markets, retail outlets, and restaurants that specialize in locally produced agricultural products.

Provides that: (1) The meat and poultry inspection program established under the act enforce 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; and

(2) Products inspected under the act may be sold in intrastate commerce.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1614 by Representatives Ormsby, Priest, Rodne, Eddy, Hunt, Pettigrew, Upthegrove, Blake, Nelson, Appleton, Pedersen, Simpson, Darneille, Williams, Hudgins, Dunshee, McCoy, and Wood

Reducing the amount of petroleum pollution in storm water.

Declares an intent to impose a burden offset charge, a regulatory fee on entities that cause petroleum products to be present in the state, in order to allocate and recover the proportional costs of the public programs necessary to address the negative impacts from this substance on the state's waters.

Creates the water pollution account.

Requires the department of ecology to develop criteria for administering the program and ranking projects for funding. In developing these criteria, the department shall consult with the Puget Sound partnership. The department shall endeavor to distribute the moneys within each geographic region of the state in proportion to the severity of impacts on the state's waters from petroleum contamination.

Imposes a fee on the first possession of petroleum products that contribute to storm water pollution for the purpose of offsetting the harm caused by petroleum pollution of storm water in this state.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1615 by Representatives Liias, Campbell, Hasegawa, Upthegrove, Miloscia, Moeller, Springer, Eddy, Sells, Simpson, Flannigan, Goodman, Kenney, and Ormsby

Addressing drug overdose prevention.

Declares an intent to save lives by increasing timely medical attention to overdose victims through the establishment of limited immunity from prosecution for people who seek medical assistance in an overdose situation.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1616 by Representative Simpson

Addressing the state pension benefits of certain domestic partners.

Addresses state pension benefits of certain domestic partners.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1617 by Representatives Smith, Chandler, Eddy, Orcutt, Pearson, Ross, Bailey, Seaquist, Johnson, Armstrong, Rodne, Herrera, Van De Wege, Warnick, Kelley, Kessler, Kristiansen, and Morrell

Reducing the regulatory burden for Washington businesses.

Revises rule-making requirements to assure that the legislature can carefully review rules that impose significant requirements on citizens before the rules take effect.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1618 by Representatives White, Nelson, Hudgins, Kenney, Sullivan, Carlyle, Hasegawa, Santos, Green, Miloscia, Orwall, Pedersen, Cody, Dickerson, Liias,

Kelley, Pettigrew, Goodman, Simpson, Morrell, and Ormsby

Concerning community and surplus schools.

Creates the community schools program in the department of community, trade, and economic development to provide capital grant funds for the development of community schools and to convert empty school buildings into community facilities.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Capital Budget.

HB 1619 by Representatives White, Kenney, Sullivan, Carlyle, Nelson, Hasegawa, Liias, Green, Miloscia, Orwall, Maxwell, and Simpson

Concerning the use of capital projects funds by school districts.

Authorizes certain school district capital projects funds to be used for painting of facilities, major equipment repair, and other major preventative maintenance purposes.

Expires July 1, 2013.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Capital Budget.

HB 1620 by Representatives Kenney, Ericksen, Driscoll, Seaquist, Hunt, Armstrong, and Simpson

Establishing a community health care collaborative grant program.

Authorizes the Washington state health care authority, within funds appropriated for community health care collaborative grants, to award grants for community-based health care collaborative programs that increase access to appropriate, affordable health care for Washington residents, consistent with requirements established by the act.

Establishes the community health care collaborative grant program to further the efforts of community-based coalitions to increase access to appropriate, affordable health care for Washington residents, particularly employed low-income persons and children in school who are uninsured and underinsured.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1621 by Representatives Kirby, Bailey, Rodne, Nelson, Simpson, and Moeller

Regulating the business practices of consumer loan companies for compliance with the secure and fair enforcement for mortgage licensing act of 2008.

Regulates the business practices of consumer loan companies for compliance with the secure and fair enforcement for mortgage licensing act of 2008.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1622 by Representatives Appleton, Hunt, and Miloscia; by request of Secretary of State

Modifying voter registration provisions.

Revises provisions relating to voter registration.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1623 by Representatives Appleton and Hudgins; by request of Secretary of State

Counting absentee ballots.

Modifies provisions relating to receiving and tabulation of absentee ballots.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1624 by Representatives Appleton, Armstrong, Hunt, Alexander, Hurst, Rodne, Darneille, Herrera, Finn, Smith, and Ormsby; by request of Secretary of State

Authorizing internet voting for service voters and overseas voters.

Authorizes internet voting for service voters and overseas voters.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1625 by Representatives Green, Conway, Appleton, Seaquist, Pettigrew, Chase, Hasegawa, Wood, Moeller, Hunt, Kessler, and Rolfes

Concerning for hire vehicles and for hire vehicle operators.

Finds that taxicab, limousine, and other for hire vehicle operators are at significant risk of injury due to work-related accidents or work-related crimes that may not be covered by standard vehicle insurance policies. Since most taxicab, limousine, and other for hire vehicle business operations are independent small business franchises, their owners or operators may opt out of industrial insurance coverage without full consideration for the risk of financial exposure due to such action. As a result, health care may be provided to them at public expense or not at all, and erroneous claims may be made by health care providers for insurance coverage, against the state department of labor and industries, private businesses, or the taxicab associations in which certain municipalities require participation. For hire vehicle operators do not enjoy the benefit of the broad public policy embodied in Title 51 RCW that mandates industrial insurance protection for workers.

Declares that all taxicab, limousine, and other for hire vehicle businesses, defined in the act as urban transportation business operations, and all for hire vehicle operators are subject to mandatory industrial insurance coverage under Title 51 RCW.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1626 by Representatives Kretz, Blake, Chandler, Warnick, Van De Wege, McCune, Kessler, and Ross

Regarding wildlife interactions.

Finds that: (1) Healthy wildlife populations are a valuable and treasured public resource to the people of the state of Washington. However, as the human population increases, negative interactions between humans and wildlife will become more frequent;

(2) Interactions between humans and wildlife can have significant financial impacts on the affected landowner;

(3) The commercial agriculture, horticulture, and livestock industries are important components of the state economy that can be negatively impacted by interactions with wildlife. However, other landowners, both commercial and residential, may be faced with wildlife interactions that result in property damage;

(4) It is in the best interests of the state for the department of fish and wildlife to respond quickly to wildlife damage complaints and to work with those affected to prevent and minimize negative interactions while maintaining healthy wildlife populations; and

(5) Negative wildlife interactions can be best reduced by encouraging landowners to contribute, through their land management practices, to healthy wildlife populations and to provide access for related recreation.

Declares an intent to provide a solution where all property owners have a potential avenue to petition the state for some mitigation of the damages caused by wildlife.

Provides that the act applies prospectively only and not retroactively. The act applies only to claims that arise on or after July 1, 2010. Claims under chapter 77.36 RCW that arise before July 1, 2010, must be adjudicated under chapter 77.36 RCW as it existed before July 1, 2010.

Expires section 12 of the act on July 30, 2014.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1627 by Representatives Kretz, Chandler, and Ross

Prohibiting the use of state money to purchase property for certain potential water storage sites.

Prohibits state money from being used to purchase property or easements for potential water storage sites designated under the Columbia river basin water supply development program, as identified in chapter 90.90 RCW.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1628 by Representative Kretz

Limiting the number of good cause reasons to leave work.

Limits the number of good cause reasons to leave work.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1629 by Representatives Eddy, Hasegawa, Kessler, and Springer

Providing loans to small cities for certain appeals under the growth management act.

Requires the director of the department of community, trade, and economic development to develop, by rule, a program for the loan of city costs associated with the appeal of a critical areas ordinance under chapter 36.70A RCW.

Creates the growth management appeals legal assistance account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

HB 1630 by Representatives Eddy, Springer, Hudgins, Simpson, and Hasegawa

Creating the electricity in public schools act.

Directs public educational facilities to turn off electrical lighting systems when their facilities are unoccupied in order to conserve electricity and avoid unnecessary state spending.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1631 by Representatives Clibborn and Bailey

Regulating speech-language pathology assistants.

Regulates speech-language pathology assistants.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1632 by Representatives Seaquist, Moeller, Cody, and Morrell

Regarding annual school reporting.

Finds that: (1) Improving student health fosters educational achievement and educational achievement enables student health;

(2) Research shows that rates of illness and premature death are greater for those with fewer years of education;

(3) Students who drop out are more likely to engage in criminal acts and need taxpayer-supported health and social services;

(4) Both academic achievement and health status in Washington vary significantly by income, gender, race, and ethnicity;

(5) Recent investments in medical services for children have great potential to remediate serious and persistent health conditions; and

(6) There is great promise for student health improvement and social-emotional learning in school-based efforts that coordinate school health personnel and programs with community resources through a school health advisory committee and provide community-wide visibility regarding such efforts.

Declares an intent to establish a structure to disclose efforts to improve health and social-emotional learning in Washington schools.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1633 by Representatives Conway, Kretz, Orcutt, Van De Wege, Kessler, Blake, Kristiansen, and Herrera

Providing excise tax exemptions for hog fuel used for production of electricity, steam, heat, or biofuel.

Provides excise tax exemptions for hog fuel used for production of electricity, steam, heat, or biofuel.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1634 by Representatives White, Jacks, Rolfes, Chandler, Carlyle, Lias, Crouse, Dunshee, and Conway

Regarding architects.

Revises provisions relating to architects.

Changes the name of the state board of registration for architects to the state board for architects.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1635 by Representatives Williams, Rolfes, Blake, and Green

Requiring a comprehensive lakes management strategic plan.

Finds that: (1) Freshwater lakes are vital to the state's economy and environment, and serve as a source of recreational and scenic enjoyment;

(2) Currently more than two hundred lakes, or twenty-five percent of the publicly accessible lakes within Washington state, have impaired water quality conditions or are at risk for impairment; and

(3) Legislative studies a decade ago identified several programmatic recommendations to strengthen state and local responses to degradation in the health of lakes.

Directs that a comprehensive strategy for lakes protection and restoration be developed, portions of which may be implemented within current authority and funding, and that the strategy further include recommendations for further legislative authorization and funding to achieve a comprehensive statewide lakes protection and restoration program.

Requires the department of ecology to prepare a comprehensive lakes management strategic plan to guide state programs that provide technical and financial assistance to other state agencies, local governments, special purpose districts, and nongovernmental entities for the protection and restoration of the state's freshwater lakes.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1636 by Representatives Chase, Upthegrove, Dickerson, Pedersen, Rolfes, Nelson, and Ormsby

Protecting lake water quality by reducing phosphorus from lawn fertilizers.

Finds that: (1) Phosphorus loading of surface waters can stimulate the growth of weeds and algae. This growth can have adverse environmental, health, and aesthetic effects;

(2) Lawn fertilizers contribute to phosphorus loading;

(3) Turf fertilizers containing no or very low amounts of phosphorus are readily available; and

(4) While significant reductions of phosphorus from laundry detergent and dishwashing detergent have been achieved, similar progress in reducing phosphorus contributions from turf fertilizer has not been accomplished.

Declares an intent to significantly limit the use of fertilizers containing the plant nutrient phosphorus.

Prohibits a person, under certain conditions, from applying a fertilizer containing the plant nutrient phosphorus to turf.

Prohibits a person from applying a fertilizer to an impervious surface.

Provides penalties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1637 by Representatives Orcutt, Blake, Kretz, and Herrera

Regarding the payment of compensation to small forest landowners participating in the forest riparian easement program.

Declares an intent to: (1) Allow the small forest landowner office to begin the process of calculating the compensation that may be offered to a small forest landowner who is participating in the forest riparian easement program shortly after receipt of the landowner's application; and

(2) Ensure that family forest landowners, for whom the forest riparian easement program was initially designed, are compensated under the program before all other qualifying landowners.

Requires the small forest landowner office to, by the end of the 2009-2011 fiscal biennium, use any funding specifically made available to it for these purposes from the state's capital construction budget to complete the compensation estimates for forest riparian easement applications received by the small forest landowner office before the effective date of the act. This requirement expires July 1, 2011.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1638 by Representatives Green, Seaquist, Kelley, and Kenney

Concerning colon hydrotherapy.

Provides for the licensure of persons offering colon hydrotherapy services to the public and to ensure standards of competence and professional conduct on the part of colon hydrotherapists.

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

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1639 by Representatives Hunter, Anderson, Priest, Sullivan, and Rodne

Regarding investment expenses of counties.

Defines "actual expenses" relevant to investment expenses of counties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

HB 1640 by Representatives Kessler, Armstrong, Hunt,

Sells, Alexander, Appleton, and Kenney; by request of University of Washington

Modifying disclosure requirements for private investment information received by the University of Washington consolidated endowment fund.

Declares an intent to clarify provisions governing disclosure of information related to University of Washington endowment investments, and thereby improve the university's ability to maximize the performance of its endowment portfolio.

Requires the University of Washington to disclose the names and commitment amounts of the private funds in which it is invested and the aggregate quarterly performance results for its portfolio of investments in such funds.

Exempts from public disclosure, certain financial and commercial information submitted to or obtained by the University of Washington when the information relates to investments in private funds, to the extent that such information, if revealed, would reasonably be expected to result in loss to the University of Washington consolidated endowment fund or to result in private loss to the providers of this information.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1641 by Representatives Haigh, Armstrong, Hunt, Sells, Wallace, Ormsby, and Appleton; by request of University of Washington

Regarding the University of Washington's public works contracting procedures.

Authorizes the board of regents of the University of Washington to enter into any number of contracts with one or more persons, companies, or entities for the planning, design, renovation, erection, remodeling, demolition, or construction of university buildings and facilities, or improvements thereto, using a small works roster process for projects with an estimated cost of up to one million dollars, and a design-build process, design-bid-build process, or general contractor-construction manager process for projects with an estimated cost in excess of one million dollars.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1642 by Representatives Conway, Green, Wood, Moeller, Williams, Cody, Morrell, Sullivan, Kenney, Simpson, and Hudgins

Regarding meal and rest periods for employees of health care facilities.

Requires employees of health care facilities to be provided scheduled and uninterrupted meal and rest periods of a duration no less than specified in rules adopted by the department of labor and industries under chapter 49.12 RCW (industrial welfare) or as otherwise agreed to be provided by the employer, whichever is longer in duration.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1643 by Representatives Sells, Moeller, Quall, Wallace, Simpson, Haigh, Dickerson, and Ormsby

Regarding harassment, intimidation, and bullying policies and practices at regional universities.

Requires each regional university to adopt or amend a policy that prohibits the harassment, intimidation, or bullying of any student or staff member.

Provides penalties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1644 by Representatives Maxwell, Miloscia, Clibborn, Ormsby, Hurst, Green, and Orwall

Concerning reconveyances of deeds of trust.

Revises provisions regarding reconveyances of deeds of trust.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1645 by Representatives McCune and Haler

Designating English as the official language of the state.

Designates English as the official language of the state of Washington.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1646 by Representatives Sullivan, Priest, Kenney, Morrell, and Ormsby

Making adjustments pertaining to the high school Washington assessment of student learning in mathematics and science.

Makes adjustments to the high school Washington assessment of student learning in mathematics and science.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1647 by Representatives Driscoll, Morrell, Green, Clibborn, Moeller, Williams, Wood, Simpson, Kenney, and Ormsby

Concerning administrative procedures for payors and providers of health care services.

Finds that: (1) The health care system in the nation and in Washington state costs nearly twice as much per capita as other industrialized nations; and

(2) The fragmentation and variation in administrative processes prevalent in our health care system contribute to the high cost of health care, putting it increasingly beyond the reach of small businesses and individuals in Washington.

Declares an intent to: (1) Establish streamlined and uniform procedures for payors and providers of health care services in the state; and

(2) Foster a continuous quality improvement cycle to simplify health care administration.

Directs the department of social and health services, the department of labor and industries, and the health care authority to cooperate with the insurance commissioner and

adopt the processes, guidelines, and standards to streamline health care administration pursuant to the act.

Directs the insurance commissioner to designate one or more lead organizations to coordinate development of processes, guidelines, and standards to streamline health care administration and to be adopted by payors and providers of health care services operating in the state.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1648 by Representatives Hope, Lias, O'Brien, Rodne, Haler, Priest, Kelley, Smith, and Morrell

Increasing state contracts with veteran-owned businesses.

Recognizes the unique sacrifices made by veterans and the substantial challenges that returning veterans face after a period of military duty away from home. Recognizes further that veterans who own private businesses may face particular hardships as a direct result of their military service.

Declares an intent to mitigate economic damage to veteran-owned businesses as a result of military service, and to provide opportunities to them in recognition of the outstanding service they have given to their country.

Directs the department of veterans affairs to: (1) Report to the legislature by December 2010 and December of each even-numbered year thereafter outlining the progress made in implementing this act;

(2) Develop a procedure for certifying veteran-owned businesses and maintain a list of veteran-owned businesses on the department's public web site;

(3) Adopt rules necessary to implement this act; and

(4) Collaborate with, and assist agencies in, implementing outreach to veteran-owned businesses.

Directs state agencies to: (1) Perform outreach to veteran-owned businesses in collaboration with the department of veterans affairs to increase opportunities for veteran-owned businesses to sell goods and services to the state;

(2) Keep a record of all procurement contracts awarded to veteran-owned businesses as required by the department; and

(3) Report by October 2010 and October of each even-numbered year thereafter to the department on the progress made.

Requires the department of general administration to identify in its vendor registry all vendors that are veteran-owned businesses as certified by the department of veterans affairs.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1649 by Representatives Hope, Kagi, Kristiansen, Van De Wege, and Hasegawa

Including financial education in social studies courses required for high school graduation.

Directs the state board of education to convene a temporary work group to examine available financial literacy and personal financial education learning standards and to recommend a set of standards for adoption by the superintendent of public instruction.

Directs the superintendent of public instruction to adopt essential academic learning requirements and grade level expectations for financial literacy and personal financial education based on the recommendations from the state board of education.

Directs the state board of education to amend the high school graduation requirement to include instruction in financial literacy and personal financial education.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Education.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4202 by Representatives Hudgins, Hunt, Green, Williams, Kessler, Goodman, Uptegrove, Moeller, and Ormsby

Amending the Constitution to allow seventeen year olds to vote in a primary if they will be eighteen years old by the next general election, and the primary is being held to select the candidates for the November general election.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to allow seventeen year olds to vote in a primary under certain conditions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

Senate Bills

SB 5063-S by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senator Jacobsen)

Concerning the burial of pet remains.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires a cemetery authority to allow the burial of pet remains in the same cemetery in which the pet's owner is buried if certain conditions are met.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 10:00 AM.

Jan 26 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5288-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Regala, and Shin)

Reducing the categories of offenders supervised by the department of corrections.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Decreases the categories of offenders supervised by the department of corrections.

- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 20 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 26 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 5507** by Senators Marr and Brown
Protecting sole source aquifers by providing sewer utility service to mobile home parks.
Protects sole source aquifers by providing sewer utility service to mobile home parks.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- SB 5508** by Senator Honeyford
Regarding errors in local voters' pamphlets.
Requires notification by an election officer when a material error occurs in a local voters' pamphlet.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- SB 5509** by Senators Marr, Kauffman, and Shin
Clarifying rental car company charges, surcharges, and fees to be included in rental car agreements.
Declares that: (1) There are car rental agreements entered into between car rental companies and their customers that include fees in addition to the rental rate and taxes; and
(2) It is the intent of the legislature that such fees be clearly and separately stated in such agreements.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.
- SB 5510** by Senators Stevens, Hargrove, Swecker, and Shin
Regarding notification in dependency matters.
Requires the department of social and health services or other supervising agency to provide written notice to a child's parents, before a hearing on the disposition of a dependency petition, that concurrent permanency planning in dependency matters will occur along with an explanation of what concurrent planning is.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.
- SB 5511** by Senators Prentice, Hobbs, Oemig, and Shin; by request of Department of Revenue
Making changes affecting city-county assistance account distributions in response to the recommendations of the joint legislative audit and review committee.
- Makes changes affecting city-county assistance account distributions in response to recommendations of the joint legislative audit and review committee.
Provides that the act applies both prospectively and retroactively to March 1, 2009.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.
- SB 5512** by Senators Marr, Parlette, Pflug, and Murray
Requiring financial parity for oral and intravenous or injected chemotherapy treatment costs.
Requires financial parity for oral and intravenous or injected chemotherapy treatment costs.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.
- SB 5513** by Senators Jarrett, Swecker, Delvin, Marr, Kilmer, and Tom
Concerning law enforcement authority that relates to civil infractions and unlawful transit conduct.
Regulates conduct while on or in a transit vehicle.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.
- SB 5514** by Senators Franklin, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, and Jacobsen
Concerning the practice of interior design.
Creates a state board for registered interior designers.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.
- SB 5515** by Senators Parlette, Becker, Schoesler, Kastama, Marr, Brandland, and Hewitt
Modifying and adding definitions related to school district employee benefits.
Revises and adds definitions regarding school district employee benefits.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.
- SB 5516** by Senators Franklin, Kline, Kohl-Welles, Regala, Fraser, Kauffman, and Shin
Addressing drug overdose prevention.
Declares an intent to save lives by increasing timely medical attention to overdose victims through the establishment of limited immunity from prosecution for people who seek medical assistance in an overdose situation.
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 5517** by Senators Jacobsen, Schoesler, Hobbs,

Honeyford, Shin, Marr, Hatfield, Morton, King, Parlette, Delvin, and Haugen

Establishing a meat and poultry inspection program.

Finds that: (1) Several states administer state meat and poultry inspection programs at facilities for which inspection by the federal food safety inspection service of the United States department of agriculture is not readily available; and

(2) A state inspection program would support the needs of local producers who wish to sell to local consumers, aid in developing niche markets and the supply of low-volume specialty meat products, and increase the ability to supply inspected meat products at farmers markets, retail outlets, and restaurants that specialize in locally produced agricultural products.

Provides that: (1) The meat and poultry inspection program established under the act enforce 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; and

(2) Products inspected under the act may be sold in intrastate commerce.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 5518 by Senators Pridemore, Rockefeller, Fairley, Marr, McDermott, Regala, Fraser, Murray, Jarrett, Shin, and Kohl-Welles

Reducing the amount of petroleum pollution in storm water.

Declares an intent to impose a burden offset charge, a regulatory fee on entities that cause petroleum products to be present in the state, in order to allocate and recover the proportional costs of the public programs necessary to address the negative impacts from this substance on the state's waters.

Creates the water pollution account.

Requires the department of ecology to develop criteria for administering the program and ranking projects for funding. In developing these criteria, the department shall consult with the Puget Sound partnership. The department shall endeavor to distribute the moneys within each geographic region of the state in proportion to the severity of impacts on the state's waters from petroleum contamination.

Imposes a fee on the first possession of petroleum products that contribute to storm water pollution for the purpose of offsetting the harm caused by petroleum pollution of storm water in this state.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

SB 5519 by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, and Regala

Reforming competency evaluation and restoration procedures.

Revises provisions regarding competency evaluation and restoration procedures relevant to mental illness and the criminally insane.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5520 by Senator Jacobsen

Requiring agencies to provide truthful information to legislators.

Requires agencies to provide truthful information to legislators.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5521 by Senator Jacobsen

Concerning the property taxation and valuation of standing trees within urban growth area boundaries.

Provides a property tax exemption on any standing tree on real property located in an urban growth area boundary if the taxpayer provided the county assessor with certain documentation.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5522 by Senators Hobbs, McDermott, Swecker, Fairley, Roach, Pridemore, Tom, Shin, and Kohl-Welles; by request of Secretary of State

Authorizing internet voting for service voters and overseas voters.

Authorizes internet voting for service voters and overseas voters.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5523 by Senators Hobbs, Pridemore, and Tom

Providing public retirement benefits for employees of the supreme court, court of appeals, or superior, district, or municipal courts.

Provides public retirement benefits for employees of the supreme court, court of appeals, superior courts, district courts, and municipal courts.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5524 by Senators Rockefeller and Marr

Modifying vehicle impoundment notice requirements.

Revises notification requirements with regard to vehicle impoundment.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5525 by Senators Carrell, Hargrove, Stevens, Regala, Brandland, Kauffman, and McAuliffe

Concerning rental vouchers to allow release from state institutions.

Authorizes the term of the sentence of certain offenders committed to a correctional facility operated by the department of corrections to be reduced by earned release time in accordance with procedures that shall be developed and adopted by the correctional agency having jurisdiction in which the offender is confined.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5526 by Senators Fairley, Roach, Zarelli, Murray, Kilmer, Shin, and Kohl-Welles; by request of University of Washington

Modifying disclosure requirements for private investment information received by the University of Washington consolidated endowment fund.

Declares an intent to clarify provisions governing disclosure of information related to University of Washington endowment investments, and thereby improve the university's ability to maximize the performance of its endowment portfolio.

Requires the University of Washington to disclose the names and commitment amounts of the private funds in which it is invested and the aggregate quarterly performance results for its portfolio of investments in such funds.

Exempts from public disclosure, certain financial and commercial information submitted to or obtained by the University of Washington when the information relates to investments in private funds, to the extent that such information, if revealed, would reasonably be expected to result in loss to the University of Washington consolidated endowment fund or to result in private loss to the providers of this information.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5527 by Senators Fraser, Brandland, Murray, Kilmer, Zarelli, and Shin; by request of University of Washington

Regarding the University of Washington's public works contracting procedures.

Authorizes the board of regents of the University of Washington to enter into any number of contracts with one or more persons, companies, or entities for the planning, design, renovation, erection, remodeling, demolition, or construction of university buildings and facilities, or improvements thereto, using a small works roster process for projects with an estimated cost of up to one million dollars, and a design-build process, design-bid-build process, or general contractor-construction manager process for projects with an estimated cost in excess of one million dollars.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5528 by Senator Hargrove

Making technical nonsubstantive corrections to the initial point of contact program established in chapter 496, Laws of 2007.

Makes technical nonsubstantive corrections to the initial point of contact program established in chapter 496, Laws of 2007 relating to dissolution proceedings and legal separation.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5529 by Senators Jarrett and King

Regarding architects.

Revises provisions relating to architects.

Changes the name of the state board of registration for architects to the state board for architects.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5530 by Senators Hobbs and Benton

Creating the guaranteed asset protection waiver model act.

Creates the guaranteed asset protection waiver model act.

Authorizes the insurance commissioner to take action that is necessary or appropriate to enforce the act and to protect guaranteed asset protection waiver holders in this state.

Creates the guaranteed asset protection waiver account.

Provides that the act is applicable to all guaranteed asset protection waiver agreements entered into on or after January 1, 2010.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 5531 by Senators Regala, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Kauffman, Kline, Oemig, Pridemore, Tom, and Franklin

Modifying provisions relating to consumer protection act violations.

Revises provisions regarding violations of the consumer protection act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5532 by Senator Keiser

Modifying the administration and disciplining authority of the Washington state veterinary board of governors.

Revises the administration and disciplining authority of the Washington state veterinary board of governors.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 5533 by Senators Rockefeller, Honeyford, Morton, Fraser, and Shin; by request of Department of Ecology

Regarding the adjudication of water rights.

Modifies provisions regarding the adjudication of water rights.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Environment,
Water & Energy.

SB 5534 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Kline, Fairley,
McDermott, Regala, Hargrove, Fraser, and
Kauffman

Changing requirements for the restoration of the right to
vote for people convicted of felonies.

Restores the right to vote for a person convicted of a
felony if certain conditions are met.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Government
Operations & Elections.

SB 5535 by Senators Shin and Fairley

Creating the acupuncture quality assurance commission.

Creates the Washington state acupuncture quality
assurance commission.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health & Long-
Term Care.

SB 5536 by Senator Oemig

Using ranked choice voting in primary elections.

Provides a process and describes procedures for ranked
choice voting in primary elections.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Government
Operations & Elections.

SB 5537 by Senator Fraser; by request of Office of
Financial Management

Eliminating the statutory debt limit.

Provides one debt limit by eliminating the statutory debt
limit.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5538 by Senators McAuliffe, Kauffman, Hobbs,
Shin, Keiser, Murray, Fraser, Kilmer, and Kohl-
Welles

Regarding employment opportunities at institutions of
higher education.

Declares an intent to: (1) Provide faculty and college
excellence for Washington citizens by increasing the
number of full-time, tenured academic employee positions
at community and technical colleges and by enabling
academic employees who hold part-time positions to have
greater assurance of continuing employment; and

(2) Develop a planning process through which the
community and technical colleges and the state board for
community and technical colleges suggest a long-term
strategic plan and timeline for faculty conversions.

Directs each community and technical college, in close
collaboration with the exclusive bargaining representative
for faculty, to create a conversion plan to increase the
number of full-time tenured faculty positions.

Requires each community and technical college, subject
to collective bargaining, to establish a process: (1) Under
which part-time and full-time nontenured faculty members,
after successful completion of an evaluation period, receive
timely notice of and priority consideration, consistent with
other institutional and state policies, for academic
employment assignments for which they are qualified in
their discipline in coming academic terms; and

(2) For ensuring that qualified internal applicants
receive priority consideration for attaining a tenure-track
position when one becomes available such as prior
notification of job openings before they are posted outside
of the institution or a job interview for positions where
minimum requirements have been met.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education
& Workforce Development.

SB 5539 by Senators Oemig, Jarrett, McAuliffe, Pflug,
and Tom

Regarding investment expenses of counties.

Defines "actual expenses" relevant to investment
expenses of counties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Government
Operations & Elections.

SB 5540 by Senators Pridemore, Hargrove, Marr, Shin,
and Haugen

Establishing high capacity transportation corridor areas.

Establishes high capacity transportation corridor areas.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5541 by Senators Keiser, Delvin, Parlette, and Kohl-
Welles; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement
Board

Providing access to catastrophic disability medical
insurance under plan 2 of the law enforcement officers' and
firefighters' retirement system.

Provides access to catastrophic disability medical
insurance under plan 2 of the law enforcement officers' and
firefighters' retirement system.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5542 by Senators Franklin, Delvin, and Kohl-Welles;
by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

Providing a minimum retirement allowance for members of
the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement
system plan 2 who were disabled in the line of duty before
January 1, 2001.

Provides a minimum retirement allowance for a member
of the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement
system plan 2 who was disabled in the line of duty before
January 1, 2001.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5543 by Senators Pridemore, Oemig, Rockefeller, Fairley, Murray, Kline, Keiser, Shin, Regala, Franklin, McAuliffe, Fraser, Ranker, and Kohl-Welles

Establishing the product stewardship recycling act for mercury-containing lights.

Creates the product stewardship recycling act for mercury-containing lights.

Finds that: (1) Convenient and environmentally sound product stewardship programs for mercury-containing lights that include collecting, transporting, and recycling mercury-containing lights will help protect Washington's environment and the health of state residents; and

(2) Product producers should finance and provide these programs.

Requires all government, commercial, industrial, and retail facilities and office buildings to recycle their end-of-life mercury-containing general purpose lights.

Requires all residents and other generators to recycle their end-of-life mercury-containing general purpose lights.

Requires every producer of a covered product sold in or into Washington state to participate in a product stewardship program for that product.

Requires a producer, group of producers, or stewardship organization to pay all administrative and operational costs associated with their program.

Directs product stewardship programs to collect, free of charge, unwanted products from covered entities for reuse, recycling, processing, or final disposition.

Authorizes the department of ecology or its designee to inspect, audit, or review audits of processing and disposal facilities used to fulfill the requirements of a product stewardship program.

Prohibits a product stewardship program from using federal or state prison labor for processing unwanted products.

Prohibits, as of the implementation date for the covered product, a producer, wholesaler, retailer, or other person from selling or offering for sale that product to any person in this state unless the producer is participating in a product stewardship program under a plan approved by the department of ecology.

Directs the department of ecology to provide, on its web site, a list of all producers participating in product stewardship programs it has approved and a list of all producers it has identified as noncompliant with the act.

Requires all producers whose products are included in the act to pay the department of ecology ten thousand dollars annually no later than January 1st of each year for each covered product category sold in or into the state.

Creates the product stewardship programs account.

Provides that nothing in the act: (1) Changes or limits the authority of the utilities and transportation commission to regulate collection of solid waste, including curbside collection of residential recyclable materials, nor does the act change or limit the authority of a city or town to provide such service itself or by contract under RCW 81.77.020; and

(2) Changes the requirements of any entity regulated under chapter 70.105 RCW to comply with the requirements under chapter 70.105 RCW.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

SB 5544 by Senators McDermott, Fairley, Kline,

Kastama, Hobbs, Kilmer, Pridemore, and Kohl-Welles

Concerning affordable housing incentive programs.

Revises affordable housing incentive program provisions.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 5545 by Senators Regala, Kastama, Jacobsen, and Shin

Authorizing a local sales and use tax for parks and recreation, trails, and open space allocation.

Authorizes a local sales and use tax for parks and recreation, trails, and open space allocation.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Innovation.

SB 5546 by Senators Haugen, Kauffman, and Keiser

Regarding parental or guardian access to juvenile records.

Allows a parent, guardian, or custodian access to information or records pertaining to the mental health treatment of a juvenile under certain circumstances.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5547 by Senators Hargrove, Pflug, McAuliffe, Oemig, Marr, Fairley, Kauffman, Franklin, Parlette, Carrell, Haugen, Kilmer, Jarrett, Pridemore, Shin, Kohl-Welles, Murray, Regala, and Keiser

Concerning respite care.

Requires the department of social and health services to provide respite services based on the department's assessment for a family member who resides with and is the primary care provider who provides personal care in the home to an adult with developmental disabilities.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5548 by Senators Haugen, Jarrett, Fraser, and Shin

Requiring project improvements, including public transportation infrastructure improvements, to be credited against the imposition of impact fees.

Requires project improvements, including public transportation infrastructure improvements, to be credited against the imposition of impact fees.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5549 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Kline, Keiser, Franklin, Kauffman, and Fraser

Concerning the termination of month to month or other periodic residential tenancies governed by the residential landlord-tenant act.

Revises notification requirements for terminating month-to-month or other periodic residential tenancies governed by the residential landlord-tenant act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 5550 by Senators McAuliffe, Rockefeller, Kastama, Franklin, Kauffman, and Fraser

Requiring a minimum of three years' notice on closures or conversions of mobile home parks and manufactured housing communities.

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Jan 26 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 5551 by Senators Franklin, Keiser, Kastama, Marr, Murray, McDermott, Shin, McAuliffe, Fairley, Kline, Pridemore, Oemig, Regala, Kauffman, and Kohl-Welles

Regarding recess periods for elementary school students.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to collaborate with the statewide parent-teacher organization to conduct and report the results of a survey of Washington elementary schools to determine the current availability of recess for elementary students and the perceptions of the importance of recess in Washington elementary schools.

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Jan 26 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5552 by Senators Franklin, Murray, Keiser, Marr, Kline, and Kohl-Welles

Modifying restrictions on children riding motorcycles.

Prohibits a person from transporting a child who is at least five years old but less than twelve years old on a motorcycle or motor-driven cycle whose feet do not rest firmly on passenger foot rests and who is either not sufficiently supported by a firmly affixed passenger back rest or is not using a handgrip mechanism.

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Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5553 by Senators Kilmer, Delvin, Kastama, Shin, Hobbs, Marr, Tom, McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, and Pridemore

Promoting economic development through promoting innovation and the commercialization of technologies.

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Authorizes the Washington technology center to accept gifts, grants, donations, sponsorships, or contributions from any federal, state, or local government agency or program or any private source and expend the same for any activity consistent with its duties and purpose.

Requires the University of Washington to contract with the Washington technology center for the expenditure of state- appropriated funds for the operation of the center.

Creates the investing in innovation account.

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Jan 26 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Innovation.

SB 5554 by Senators Kilmer, Hobbs, Kastama, King, Jarrett, Marr, McAuliffe, Shin, and Pridemore

Regarding the job skills program.

Modifies provisions concerning the job skills program.

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Jan 26 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Innovation.

SB 5555 by Senators Kilmer, Shin, King, Marr, Jarrett, McAuliffe, Hobbs, Tom, and Kohl-Welles

Establishing a lifelong learning account steering committee.

Requires the workforce training and education coordinating board to: (1) Establish a state lifelong learning account steering committee to develop a policy framework to establish a statewide lifelong learning account program, identify technical and budget issues along with recommendations on how to resolve them, study methods for continuing outreach to workers, employers, and foundations willing to participate in and fund lifelong learning accounts, explore career advising options including online tools, and design a performance accountability system; and

(2) Consistent with the policies established by the steering committee, plan and develop the financial infrastructure required for a statewide lifelong learning account program.

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Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5556 by Senators Kilmer, Carrell, and Kauffman

Prohibiting the reduction of toll penalties for infractions detected through the use of a photo enforcement system.

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Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5557 by Senator Pridemore

Adopting the recommendations of the citizen commission for performance measurement of tax preferences.

Adopts the recommendations of the citizen commission for performance measurement of tax preferences to clarify the legislative intent of certain deductions and exemptions.

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Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5558 by Senators Holmquist, Hewitt, Pflug, Carrell, King, Schoesler, and Swecker

Repealing the 2007 family and medical leave insurance act.

Repeals the 2007 family and medical leave insurance act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 5559 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Jacobsen, Regala, and Fraser

Increasing hunting safety.

Requires a youth hunter under the age of sixteen to be accompanied by a nondeferred Washington-licensed hunter who has held a Washington hunting license for the prior three years, and who is over eighteen years of age.

Requires a youth hunter under the age of sixteen to complete a course in hunter education training within two years of purchasing the youth hunter's first hunting license in Washington.

Directs the department of fish and wildlife to: (1) Create and maintain a user-friendly web site that shows major recreation areas that are also used for hunting and the appropriate hunting seasons so that the public can access this information; and

(2) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for these requirements, place signs that include information regarding hunting seasons on its lands that are used for both recreation and hunting.

Directs the department of natural resources, subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this requirement, to place signs that include information regarding hunting seasons on its lands that are used for both recreation and hunting.

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Jan 26 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5560 by Senators Ranker, Swecker, Brown, Hargrove, Pridemore, Marr, Kilmer, Rockefeller, Kauffman, Haugen, Eide, Hobbs, Kohl-Welles, Jarrett, Fraser, Jacobsen, and Murray

Regarding state agency climate leadership.

Finds that: (1) In chapter 14, Laws of 2008, the legislature established greenhouse gas emission reduction limits for Washington state, including a reduction of overall emissions by 2020 to emission levels in 1990, a reduction by 2035 to levels twenty-five percent below 1990 levels, and by 2050 a further reduction below 1990 levels. Based upon estimated 2006 emission levels in Washington, this will require a reduction from present emission levels of over twenty-five percent in the next eleven years;

(2) State government activities are a significant source of emissions; and

(3) State government should meet targets for reducing emissions from its buildings, vehicles, and all operations that demonstrate that these reductions are achievable and cost-effective and will help to promote innovative energy efficiency technologies and practices.

Requires all state agencies to reduce energy consumption and exceed the statewide greenhouse gas emission limits established in RCW 70.235.020.

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Jan 26 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.