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House Bills

HB 1062-S by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Takko, Warnick, Blake, Orcutt, Ericks, and Morris)

Modifying the electrolytic processing business tax exemption.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies the electrolytic processing business tax exemption.

Delays the expiration of the public utility tax exemption for certain electrolytic processes.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 Public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 1:30 PM.

Feb 18 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 8:00 AM.

Mar 2 FIN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Finance at 8:00 AM.

Mar 5 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.

HB 1147-S by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunt, Alexander, Williams, Orwall, DeBolt, Simpson, and Hinkle)

Modifying provisions of local option taxes.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions relating to local option taxes.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 24 Public hearing in the House Committee on Finance at 8:00 AM.

Mar 2 FIN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Finance at 8:00 AM.

HB 1205-S by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Van De Wege, Rolfes, Haigh, and Williams; by request of Board For Judicial Administration)

Adding one judge to division two of the court of appeals.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Adds one judge to division two of the court of appeals.
Provides that the act shall become effective only if that judicial position is specifically funded and is referenced by division and district in an omnibus appropriations act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.

Jan 22 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.

Feb 9 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.

Feb 27 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Mar 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Mar 4 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 96; nays, 1;
absent, 0; excused, 0.

HB 1251 by Representatives Shea, Goodman, Ross, O'Brien, Rodne, Simpson, and Kelley

Addressing the release of certified abstracts of full driving records.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/5/2009)

Authorizes a court to provide a copy of a driver's abstract to an individual named in the abstract under certain conditions.

Requires the department of licensing to maintain records of driving under the influence convictions permanently.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 15 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- Jan 28 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 29 JUDI - Executive action taken by committee.
JUDI - Majority; do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 4 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 2;
absent, 0; excused, 0.

HB 1321-S by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Kenney, McCoy, Haler, Chandler, Ericks, Ormsby, Hasegawa, Pettigrew, Walsh, Klippert, and Armstrong)

Concerning the tax on cleaning up radioactive waste and other byproducts of weapons production and nuclear research and development.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to ensure that the radioactive waste clean-up business and occupation tax classification applies to all services contributing to the performance of a clean-up project at the Hanford site other than services that are routinely provided to any business, including businesses that are not engaged in clean-up activities.

Provides that the act: (1) Takes effect October 1, 2009, and applies prospectively only to activities occurring on or after October 1, 2009; and

(2) Expires July 1, 2015.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 3 Public hearing in the House Committee on Finance at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 2 FIN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Finance at 8:00 AM.
- Mar 5 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.

HB 1329-S by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Pettigrew, Conway, Kagi, Hunt, Seaquist, Sells, Priest, Kenney, Ormsby, Wood, Haigh, White, Chase, Herrera, Morrell, Liias, Green, Cody, Appleton, Hasegawa, Carlyle, Simpson, McCoy, Sullivan, Orwall, Goodman, Campbell, Hudgins, Moeller, Nelson, and Santos)

Providing collective bargaining for child care center directors and workers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the access to quality child care workforce act.

Finds that, as of 2009, the challenges posed by low wages and lack of training that the legislature identified in enacting the child care career and wage ladder persist, and the availability of quality child care in the state continues to suffer.

Creates the possibility for a new relationship between child care center directors and workers and the state.

Gives child care center directors and workers the opportunity to work collectively to improve standards in their profession and to expand opportunities for educational advancement to ensure continuous quality improvement in the delivery of early learning services.

Creates a new type of collective bargaining for child care center directors and workers so they can bargain with the state over matters within the state's purview to improve the quality of child care for the state's families.

Affords child care center directors and workers the opportunity to bargain with the state only over the state's support for child care centers, a matter of common concern to both directors and workers.

Allows child care center directors and workers to maintain full membership in the organization that represents them in their efforts to improve the quality of child care they provide to the state's children.

Provides that nothing in the act is intended to create any unfunded mandates or financial obligations on child care centers covered by the act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 27 Public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 6 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 27 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 2 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 5 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.

HB 1347-S by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Santos, Roach, Morrell, Moeller, Chase, and Roberts)

Regarding financial education.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Changes the name of the financial literacy public-private partnership to the financial education public-private partnership.

Modifies the composition and duties of the partnership.

Authorizes the partnership and the office of the superintendent of public instruction to implement demonstration projects if funds are provided.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 27 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 6 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 24 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 27 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1499 by Representatives Eddy, Hudgins, Springer, Anderson, Herrera, Haler, Hasegawa, McCune, and Crouse

Concerning notice of utility facilities relocations.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/5/2009)

Requires a public agency, if the public agency is planning a project that may require a utility facility operator to relocate its utility facilities in or along the right-of-way, to notify each affected utility facility operator as soon as is practicable and include the affected utility facility operator in a preliminary design meeting during the design phase.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 22 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.
- Feb 11 Public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 19 TEC - Executive action taken by committee.
TEC - Majority; do pass with amendment(s).
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 23 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 4 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 Committee amendment adopted as amended.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 96; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.

HB 1597-S by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Springer and Hunter; by request of Department of Revenue)

Concerning the administration of state and local tax programs.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

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 --

- Feb 5 Public hearing in the House Committee on Finance at 8:00 AM.
- Mar 2 FIN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Finance at 8:00 AM.

HB 1679 by Representatives Simpson, Van De Wege, Ericks, Williams, White, Kelley, Sells, Ross, Hope, and Conway; 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.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/5/2009)

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

Provides that the participation of totally disabled members of LEOFF plan 2 in the health insurance plans administered by the health care authority is a benefit of LEOFF plan 2. The increased health benefit costs charged

by the health care authority pursuant to RCW 41.05.080(4) to offset the impact on the community-rated risk pool resulting from participation of members of LEOFF plan 2 who are totally disabled in the line of duty, spouses, and dependents shall be charged first to the LEOFF plan 2 fund. Expires July 1, 2011.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.
 Feb 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
 Feb 27 WAYS - Executive action taken by committee.
 WAYS - Majority; do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.
 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
 Mar 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
 Mar 4 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
 Mar 5 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
 Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
 Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

HB 1733-S by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Goodman, Blake, Springer, Eddy, Dunshee, Rolfes, and Kessler)

Concerning the property tax current use valuation programs.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Makes certain land used primarily for equestrian-related activities eligible for current use valuation under the open space tax program as farm and agricultural land and revises the additional tax, interest, and penalty provisions for removal from current use classification.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Finance at 8:00 AM.
 Mar 2 FIN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Finance at 8:00 AM.
 Mar 5 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.

HB 1751-S by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Kessler, Van De Wege, Takko, Kenney, Finn, Haigh, and Blake)

Concerning the time period during which sales and use tax for public facilities in rural counties may be collected.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Allows a rural county to impose the rural county sales and use tax for twenty-five years from the date the county changes the tax rate from 0.08 percent to 0.09 percent if the rate of 0.09 is first imposed before August 1, 2009.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Finance at 1:30 PM.

- Mar 2 FIN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Finance at 8:00 AM.

HB 1752-S by House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Hurst and Hunt)

Regarding the observation of election procedures.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/5/2009)

Requires major political party observers to be allowed close enough to election workers to provide meaningful monitoring of the processing of ballots, as determined by the canvassing board, including viewing individual ballots, hearing conversations between election workers, observing any modifications or duplications of ballots, and the selection of ballots for a random check.

Authorizes observers to only engage in direct conversations with those election workers identified by the county auditor.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
 Feb 20 SGTA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.
 Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
 Feb 23 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
 Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
 Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted.
 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
 Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
 Third reading, passed; yeas, 92; nays, 5; absent, 0; excused, 0.

HB 1774-S by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Haigh, Armstrong, Van De Wege, Morris, Blake, Orcutt, and Kristiansen)

Excluding certain state forest land revenues from the basic education allocation.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Excludes certain state forest land revenues from the basic education allocation.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 11 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education Appropriations at 6:00 PM.
 Feb 26 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education Appropriations at 9:00 AM.
 Mar 2 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

HB 1792-S by House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Dickerson, O'Brien, Hurst, Morrell, Orwall, Green, Dammeier, Klippert, Walsh, Kelley, and Ormsby; by request of Department of Corrections)

Establishing search and arrest authority provisions of offenders by department of corrections personnel.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/5/2009)

Provides that, for the safety and security of department of corrections' staff, an offender may be required to submit to pat searches or other limited security searches by community corrections officers, correctional officers, and other agency approved staff, without reasonable cause, when in or on department premises, grounds, facilities, or vehicles, or while preparing to enter department premises, grounds, facilities, or vehicles.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 9 Public hearing in the House Committee on Human Services at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 18 HS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Human Services at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 26 Placed on second reading suspension calendar.
- Feb 27 Placed on second reading.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

HB 1793-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Williams, Goodman, Nelson, White, Pedersen, Roberts, Upthegrove, and Eddy)

Addressing alternative student transportation.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes a safe routes to school program within the department of transportation.

Requires the department of transportation to: (1) Administer a competitive grant program for the safe routes to school program;

(2) Use grant funds to award noninfrastructure grants, which emphasize education, encouragement, and enforcement efforts, only if the grant applicant can establish that the current engineered infrastructure of the school provides adequate safe walking and biking routes within the relevant school walk boundary;

(3) Provide information, resources, outreach, training, and program evaluation support to grantees awarded grants under the grant program;

(4) Contract with a nonprofit or a consortium of nonprofits that demonstrate an expertise in alternative transportation programs and policies, including implementation of the safe routes to school program; and

(5) Coordinate evaluation methods and findings with those of the national center for safe routes to school in order to standardize program evaluation, measure Washington's progress to that of other states, and learn from safe routes to school programs across the country.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 24 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 27 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1799-S by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Campbell, Pettigrew, Moeller, Chase, and Wood)

Reducing the release of mercury into the environment.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires all state-funded public agency facilities, except public schools serving children in grades K-12, to recycle their end-of-life mercury-added general purpose lights.

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

Prohibits certain sales or purchases and deliveries of bulk mercury, including sales through the internet or sales by private parties.

Requires the department of ecology to: (1) Make every effort, to the extent practicable, to educate all persons regarding the requirements of chapter 70.95M (mercury), in preparation for its full implementation;

(2) Participate in national and global mercury forums to advocate reduction of global emissions and permanent isolation of elemental mercury;

(3) In consultation with the United States environmental protection agency, study the feasibility of the development of a national repository for mercury;

(4) In consultation with the solid waste advisory committee, conduct research and develop recommendations for the implementation and financing of a convenient and effective mercury-added general purpose light recycling program for residents, small businesses, small government agencies, charities, and schools throughout the state;

(5) In consultation with the solid waste advisory committee, consult with stakeholders, including persons who represent retailers of mercury-added general purpose lights, waste haulers, mercury-added general purpose light recyclers, mercury-added general purpose light manufacturers, cities, counties, environmental organizations, public interest organizations, and other interested parties that have a role or interest in the recycling of mercury-added general purpose lights;

(6) Assess ways for a convenient and effective statewide recycling program for mercury-added general purpose lights to be established and financed;

(7) Consider alternatives that utilize the infrastructure and system established in chapter 81.77 RCW (solid waste collection companies) when developing collection systems for general purpose mercury-added lights; and

(8) Develop a description of what could be accomplished voluntarily and what would require the adoption of rules or legislation if needed to implement the recommended statewide recycling program for mercury-added general purpose lights.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 Public hearing in the House Committee on Environmental Health at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 19 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Environmental Health at 6:00 PM.
- Mar 2 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 5 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.

HB 1802-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Hudgins, Simpson, Sullivan, and Moeller)

Concerning collector vehicles.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Allows an individual to purchase up to two collector vehicles per year that are production vehicles manufactured by a major vehicle manufacturer if certain criteria are met.

Requires the department of licensing to title and register these vehicles as collector vehicles regardless of age along with issuing collector license plates.

Exempts the collector vehicles from emissions testing in motor vehicle emissions testing areas.

Provides that the act applies to registrations due or to become due on or after January 1, 2010.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 11 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 27 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 4 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 65; nays, 32; absent, 0; excused, 0.

HB 1916-S by House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunt, Armstrong, Sells, Wallace, Haigh, Appleton, and Ormsby; by request of University of Washington)

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

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes the board of regents of the University of Washington and Washington State University 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.

Requires the University of Washington and Washington State University to, by January 1, 2011, provide to the legislature a summary of the projects performed under the act.

Expires June 30, 2011.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 10 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 20 Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 24 Public hearing in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 2 CB - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 1:30 PM.

HB 1939-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Takko, Armstrong, Morris, Springer, Eddy, Wood, Warnick, Ericksen, Sells, Kenney, Simpson, Moeller, Ormsby, and Wallace)

Concerning vehicle dealer documentary service fees.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires disclosure of certain information on vehicle dealer documentary service fees.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 24 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 27 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1996-S by House Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications (originally sponsored by Representatives Armstrong and Eddy)

Concerning the ability to locate underground facilities.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/4/2009)

Provides that an underground facility owner who is required to subscribe to the one-number locator service and fails to do so is liable for all damages to the owner's

underground facilities and for any other damages that occur after proper notice of a scheduled excavation through the one-number locator service. This may not be construed as requiring a person who owns underground facilities at the person's residence, farm, or place of business to subscribe to the one-number locator service.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 19 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 20 TEC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 23 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 4 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 6 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

HB 2049-S by House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Seaquist, Appleton, Hunt, Armstrong, Chandler, Chase, and Miloscia)

Concerning personnel practices regarding exempt employment.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/4/2009)

Requires the director of the department of personnel to require each state agency to report annually on the number of classified, Washington management service, and exempt employees in the agency and the change compared to the previous report, the number of bonuses and performance-based incentives awarded to agency staff, and the cost of each bonus or incentive awarded.

Requires a report compiling the data required from all agencies to be provided annually to the governor and posted for the public on the department of personnel's agency web site.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 13 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 20 SGTA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 23 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 4 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.

-- IN THE SENATE --

- Mar 6 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

HB 2116-S by House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Maxwell, Dunshee, Upthegrove, Jacks, Liias, and Simpson)

Concerning water pollution control.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/5/2009)

Authorizes the department of ecology to award federal funds as grants, forgiveness of principal, and negative interest for water pollution control revolving fund projects.

Requires the department of ecology to allocate funds for separate competitive programs relating to storm water systems, sewer systems, and septic systems prioritized on a worst case first need basis.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 19 CB - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 23 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 87; nays, 10; absent, 0; excused, 0. Vote on third reading will be reconsidered. Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0. Vote on third reading will be reconsidered. Third reading, passed; yeas, 89; nays, 8; absent, 0; excused, 0.

Senate Bills

SB 5225-S by Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Kline and Hargrove)

Concerning crimes against property.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/5/2009)

Raises the monetary threshold amounts differentiating the various degrees of property crimes in the state.

Creates an organized retail crime 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;

(2) Examine whether civil immunity should be granted for retailers who create a common database on individuals suspected of theft and who deliver the database to law enforcement agencies; and

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

Requires the sentencing guidelines commission to review the monetary threshold amounts differentiating the various degrees of property crimes in Washington state to determine whether such amounts should be modified.

Requires a court or prosecuting authority to check existing judicial information systems to determine the criminal history of the defendant before a sentence is imposed upon the defendant convicted of a crime against property.

Provides that the act applies to crimes committed on or after September 1, 2009.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 3 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 20 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 24 JUD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 3 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 31; nays, 16; absent, 0; excused, 2.

SB 5248-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Hobbs, King, McAuliffe, Brown, Kauffman, Holmquist, Tom, Shin, Hewitt, Brandland, McDermott, Jarrett, Kilmer, Haugen, and Roach)

Enacting the interstate compact on educational opportunity for military children.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Enacts the interstate compact on educational opportunity for military children.

Removes barriers to educational success imposed on children of military families because of frequent moves and deployment of their parents.

Facilitates the timely enrollment of children of military families and ensures that they are not placed at a disadvantage due to difficulty in the transfer of education records from the previous school districts or variations in entrance and age requirements.

Facilitates the student placement process through which children of military families are not disadvantaged by variations in attendance requirements, scheduling, sequencing, grading, course content, or assessment.

Facilitates the qualification and eligibility for enrollment, educational programs, and participation in extracurricular academic, athletic, and social activities.

Facilitates the on-time graduation of children of military families.

Provides for the adoption and enforcement of administrative rules implementing the provisions of the compact and for the uniform collection and sharing of information between and among member states, schools, and military families under the compact.

Promotes coordination between this compact and other compacts affecting military children.

Promotes flexibility and cooperation between the educational system, parents, and the student in order to achieve educational success for the student.

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

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 21 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 26 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 5 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 2 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

SB 5344-S by Senate Committee on Environment, Water & Energy (originally sponsored by Senators Ranker, Swecker, Rockefeller, Marr, Hargrove, Pridemore, Fraser, Shin, McDermott, and Kilmer)

Concerning emergency response towing vessels.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/5/2009)

Declares that the maritime industry should provide and fully fund at least one year-round emergency response tug at Neah Bay, with necessary logistical and operational support, and that any tug provided by the maritime industry pursuant to the act should meet or exceed technical performance requirements specified in the state's fiscal year 2009 contract for the Neah Bay emergency response tug.

Requires the department of ecology to monitor progress of the maritime industry in establishing and funding the emergency response system required by RCW 88.46.130. This requirement expires June 30, 2010.

Requires the director of the department of ecology, or the director's designee, to initiate discussions with the director's counterpart in the government for the Canadian province of British Columbia to explore options for Washington and British Columbia to share marine emergency response assets required under the act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 11 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 20 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 23 EWE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 24 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 44; nays, 4; absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 5433-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Regala,

Swecker, Rockefeller, Morton, Fraser, Ranker, Fairley, and Shin)

Modifying provisions of local option taxes.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions of local option taxes.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 16 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 7:45 AM.
- Feb 19 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 26 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 2 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

SB 5572-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Marr, Kohl-Welles, Zarelli, Roach, Jarrett, Swecker, Kilmer, Kline, Franklin, Rockefeller, Keiser, Benton, McAuliffe, Carrell, Pridemore, Haugen, Kauffman, Fairley, and Eide)

Providing collective bargaining for child care center directors and workers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the access to quality child care workforce act.

Finds that, as of 2009, the challenges posed by low wages and lack of training that the legislature identified in enacting the child care career and wage ladder persist, and the availability of quality child care in the state continues to suffer.

Creates the possibility for a new relationship between child care center directors and workers and the state.

Gives child care center directors and workers the opportunity to work collectively to improve standards in their profession and to expand opportunities for educational advancement to ensure continuous quality improvement in the delivery of early learning services.

Creates a new type of collective bargaining for child care center directors and workers so they can bargain with the state over matters within the state's purview to improve the quality of child care for the state's families.

Affords child care center directors and workers the opportunity to bargain with the state only over the state's support for child care centers, a matter of common concern to both directors and workers.

Allows child care center directors and workers to maintain full membership in the organization that represents them in their efforts to improve the quality of child care they provide to the state's children.

Provides that the act: (1) Is not intended to create any unfunded mandates or financial obligations on child care centers covered by the act; and

(2) Shall be in effect only if funds are specifically appropriated for this purpose.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 10 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 23 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 26 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 2 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 5 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5595-S by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, King, Marr, Honeyford, and Kohl-Welles)

Addressing the termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of franchises between new motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/5/2009)

Addresses termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of franchises between new motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers.

Provides that the act applies, in the case of motor homes, only to manufacturer-initiated termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of a franchise.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 5 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 23 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 6:00 PM.
- Feb 25 LCCP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 3 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 46; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 3.

SB 5850-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Swecker, Keiser, Franklin, Kline, Hargrove, Fraser, Tom, Regala, Prentice, McAuliffe, and Shin)

Protecting workers from human trafficking violations.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Requires domestic employers of foreign workers and international labor recruitment agencies to provide a disclosure statement to foreign workers who have been referred to or hired by a Washington employer.

Authorizes the department of labor and industries to create a model disclosure form and post the model form on its web site so that domestic employers of foreign workers and international labor recruitment agencies may download the form, or mail the form upon request.

Requires physicians, psychologists, mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists, and social workers to undergo one-time instruction on human trafficking that is culturally sensitive and that teaches methods of recognizing victims of human trafficking, including minor victims, what services are available for these victims, and where to report potential trafficking situations.

Requires the medical quality assurance commission, the examining board of psychology, and the mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists, and social workers advisory committee to develop the instruction within existing resources.

Authorizes the commission, board, and committee to collaborate with a local university or college and community organizations with experience in assisting or providing services to victims of human trafficking.

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

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 3:30 PM.

Feb 24 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 1:30 PM.

Feb 27 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

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

Minority; without recommendation. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

SB 5854-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Pridemore, Ranker, Rockefeller, Marr, Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Kline, Murray, and Keiser)

Reducing climate pollution in the built environment.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of community, trade, and economic development to develop and implement a strategic plan for enhancing energy efficiency in and reducing greenhouse gas emissions from homes, building, districts, and neighborhoods.

Directs the department of community, trade, and economic development and the state building code council to convene a work group to inform the initial development of the strategic plan.

Requires the state energy code to accelerate construction of increasingly energy efficient homes and buildings that help achieve the broader goal of building zero fossil-fuel

greenhouse gas emission homes and buildings by the year 2031.

Requires the state building code council to adopt state energy codes from 2013 through 2031 that incrementally move towards achieving seventy percent reduction in annual net energy consumption.

Requires qualifying utilities to: (1) Maintain records of the energy consumption data of all nonresidential and qualifying public agency buildings to which they provide service;

(2) Create an energy benchmark for each reporting public facility using a portfolio manager;

(3) Report to the department of general administration, the environmental protection agency national energy performance rating for each reporting public facility included in the technical requirements for this rating; and

(4) Link all portfolio manager accounts to the state portfolio manager master account to facilitate public reporting.

Requires the department of community, trade, and economic development to recommend to the legislature a methodology to determine an energy performance score for residential buildings and an implementation strategy to use such information to improve the energy efficiency of the state's existing housing supply.

Requires the department of general administration to: (1) Establish a state portfolio manager master account;

(2) Select a standardized portfolio manager report for reporting public facilities;

(3) Make the standard report of each reporting public facility available to the public through the portfolio manager web site;

(4) Develop a technical assistance program to facilitate the implementation of a preliminary audit and the investment grade energy audit and design the program to utilize audit services provided by utilities or energy services contracting companies when possible; and

(5) Conduct a review of facilities not covered by the national energy performance rating, and based on this review, develop a portfolio of additional facilities that require preliminary energy audits.

Provides that sections 3, 5, 7, and 8 of the act shall be in effect only during fiscal periods in which specific appropriations are provided referencing the act or chapter number and the relevant section number.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 11 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 3:30 PM.

Feb 20 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 8:00 AM.

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

Minority; do not pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Public hearing and executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Mar 5 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5865-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means

(originally sponsored by Senators Kauffman, Roach, McAuliffe, Hobbs, Kline, and Shin)

Requiring a report on early learning services for low-income families.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to: (1) Review and compare the state early childhood education and assistance program and the federal head start program;

(2) Evaluate the latest research and information on early childhood development, beginning with the work completed by the Washington state institute for public policy under chapter 25, Laws of 2003 1st sp. sess., and identify any new innovations that may further improve the quality of state-supported early learning programs, resulting in improved outcomes for low-income children and their families;

(3) Seek training or technical assistance from the appropriate regional office of federal head start in order to maximize nonstate resources; and

(4) Solicit input from other program providers and the early learning advisory council.

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

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 11 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 8:00 AM.

Feb 16 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 1:30 PM.

Feb 24 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.

Mar 2 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Minority; without recommendation. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

SB 5895-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Tom, Kohl-Welles, Fraser, and McDermott)

Addressing residential real property construction improvements through warranty protections, legal remedies, third-party inspections, contractor registration requirements, worker certification standards, and bonding requirements.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that: (1) There is inadequate protection for consumers in the area of residential construction; and

(2) A significant amount of the problems in the construction of new residential real property, or the substantial remodel of existing residential real property, pertain to water intrusion and unstable foundations and develop from poor installation of roofing, siding, framing, foundations, doors, and windows.

Modifies the common law implied warranty of habitability to provide that this warranty may not be contractually disclaimed, waived, modified, or limited.

Establishes a worker certification requirement for those doing construction work in the areas of roofing, siding, framing, foundations, doors, and windows.

Requires a construction professional involved in the construction of new residential real property, or the substantial remodel of existing residential real property, to warrant that the work and any part thereof, will be suitable for the ordinary uses of real property of its type.

Requires any person applying for a building permit for construction of a residential building or substantial remodel to submit building enclosure design documents to the appropriate building department prior to the start of construction or substantial remodel.

Requires a registered contractor, by or against whom a petition in bankruptcy has been filed, to notify the department of labor and industries of the proceedings in bankruptcy, including the identity and location of the court in which the proceedings are pending, within ten days of the filing.

Requires the department of labor and industries to contract for consultant services to develop recommendations to the legislature on the education, experience, and examination requirements of the program to certify workers engaged in the installation of roofing, siding, framing, foundations, doors, and windows. This requirement expires December 31, 2009.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 3:30 PM.

Feb 23 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 10:00 AM.

Feb 26 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

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

Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Mar 3 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Mar 4 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

SB 5916-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Rockefeller, Kauffman, Pridemore, Keiser, Marr, Hatfield, Delvin, Honeyford, Schoesler, and Hewitt)

Authorizing the department of information services to engage in high-speed internet adoption, deployment, and digital inclusion activities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Declares it is essential that the legislature authorize a broadband programs management structure and an advisory council capable of developing and ensuring the implementation of statewide broadband strategies.

Provides that the authority for overseeing broadband adoption and deployment efforts in the state is vested in the department of information services.

Authorizes the department of information services to apply for and oversee implementation of federally funded or mandated broadband programs and to adopt rules to administer the programs.

Requires the department of information services to reconvene the high-speed internet work group previously established by chapter 262, Laws of 2008. The work group is renamed the advisory council on digital inclusion and is an advisory group to the department of information services.

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

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 10:00 AM.

Feb 18 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 8:00 AM.

Feb 25 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Mar 2 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Mar 5 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5941-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Oemig, Kastama, Jarrett, McAuliffe, Marr, Hobbs, and Tom)

Regarding a comprehensive education data improvement system.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes a comprehensive education data improvement system for financial, student, and educator data to monitor student progress, assure educator quality, monitor and analyze the costs of programs, provide for financial integrity and accountability, and have the capability to link across these various data components by student, by class, by teacher, by school, by district, and statewide.

Provides independent review and evaluation of a comprehensive education data improvement system by assigning the review and monitoring responsibilities to the education data center and the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee.

Establishes a data governance group within the educational data center to assist in the design and implementation of an education data improvement system for financial, student, and educator data.

Requires the office of financial management to take all actions necessary to secure federal funds to implement the act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 10:00 AM.

Feb 18 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 6:00 PM.

Feb 27 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

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

Minority; do not pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

SB 5943-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Fairley, Regala, McAuliffe, Jarrett, Tom, Brandland, Kauffman, Kline, Delvin, and Shin)

Requiring performance-based contracts for the provision of child welfare services.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the child welfare transformation design committee to establish the mechanism to design, in collaboration with the department of social and health services, the transition to performance-based contracts in the delivery of child welfare services.

Expires the committee on July 1, 2013.

Provides that the act shall be in effect only if funds are specifically appropriated for this purpose.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 13 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 8:00 AM.

Feb 23 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 6:00 PM.

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

Minority; do not pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Public hearing and executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

SB 5945-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Franklin, and Kohl-Welles)

Creating the Washington health partnership plan.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the Washington health partnership to attain the following goals: (1) By 2012, every resident of this state shall have access to affordable, comprehensive health care services;

(2) Services shall be provided through the private health care sector;

(3) The health reform plan shall maintain and improve choice of health care providers and high quality health care services in this state; and

(4) The health reform plan shall include cost-containment strategies that retain and assure affordable coverage for all Washingtonians.

Requires the department of social and health services to: (1) Submit a request to the federal department of health and human services to expand and revise the medical assistance

program as codified in Title XIX of the federal social security act;

(2) Submit a Title XXI state plan amendment or waiver to the federal department of health and human services to allow Title XXI children to participate in the department's employer-sponsored program, as may be necessary;

(3) Require families to enroll in available employer-sponsored coverage when it is cost-effective for the state to do so, to the extent allowable under federal law;

(4) Continue to submit applications for the family planning waiver program; and

(5) Submit a request to the federal department of health and human services to amend the current family planning waiver program.

Requires the department of ecology, in collaboration with the department of social and health services, to maximize the use of federal funds, including section 317 of the federal public health services act direct assistance as well as federal funds that may become available under the American recovery and reinvestment act, in order to continue to provide immunizations for low-income, nonmedicaid eligible children up to three hundred percent of the federal poverty level in state-sponsored health programs.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 10:00 AM.

Feb 24 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 6:00 PM.

Feb 27 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Mar 2 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Mar 5 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5973-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kauffman, McAuliffe, Oemig, Shin, Hobbs, Kohl-Welles, and Kline)

Closing the achievement gap in K-12 schools.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Requires disaggregation of all student data-related reports required by the superintendent of public instruction under Title 28A RCW (common school provisions) by at least the following subgroups of students: White, Black, Hispanic, American Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian, Pacific Islander/Hawaiian Native, low income, transitional bilingual, migrant, special education, and students covered by section 504 of the federal rehabilitation act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. Sec. 794).

Requires the professional educator standards board to convene a working group with expertise in a wide array of cultures and cultural contexts to identify a list of model standards for cultural competency and make recommendations to the education committees of the

legislature on the strengths and weaknesses of those standards.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to provide guidance to school districts where data indicates significant achievement gaps among subgroups of students and for large numbers of those students.

Requires the center for improvement of student learning to work in collaboration with the commissions on Asian-American affairs, Hispanic affairs, and Asian-Pacific American affairs and representatives from the five achievement gap study groups commissioned in 2008 to review the challenges and solutions addressed by the five achievement gap study groups' reports and develop a plan for implementation of strategies intended to address the achievement gap.

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

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 10:00 AM.

Feb 25 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 8:00 AM.

Feb 27 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Mar 2 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

SB 6015-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Murray, Delvin, and Marr)

Creating the position of the director of commercialization and innovation within the office of the governor.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the position of the director of commercialization and innovation within the office of the governor for the purposes of advising the governor on how best to promote innovation in the development and commercialization of proprietary technology, consistent with the state's comprehensive economic development plan (the Washington innovation economy).

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

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 10:00 AM.

Feb 25 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 8:00 AM.

Feb 27 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Mar 2 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

SB 6038-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser and Kohl-Welles)

Concerning the basic health plan.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)
Revises the basic health plan to enable unemployed workers to maintain their health and avoid the risk of financial hardship related to unpaid medical bills as they search for new employment.
Provides that the act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 23 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 1:30 PM.

Feb 24 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 6:00 PM.

Feb 27 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Mar 2 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

SB 6120 by Senators Haugen, Swecker, and Fraser

Creating a state property tax levy dedicated to parks.
Requires the state in each year, subject to the limitations in RCW 84.55.010, to levy for collection in the following year for the support of the state parks a tax of one cent per thousand dollars of assessed value upon the assessed valuation of all taxable property within the state adjusted to the state equalized value in accordance with the indicated ratio fixed by the department of revenue. Revenue from the state parks levy shall be deposited into the state parks renewal and stewardship account and the revenue from the levy may only be used for deferred and preventive maintenance, historical preservation, renovation, and repair of existing state park facilities and land.
Provides for submission of the act to a vote of the people.
Provides that the act applies to taxes levied for collection in 2010 through 2014.
Expires July 1, 2015.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Mar 6 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

Senate Joint Memorials

SJM 8015 by Senators McAuliffe and Keiser

Petitioning the President and Secretary of Education to commence proceedings to engage the nation with an awakening dialogue about our education system.
Petitions the President and Secretary of Education to commence proceedings to engage the nation with an awakening dialogue about our education system.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Mar 6 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.