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House Bills

HB 1096-S2 by House Committee on General Government Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Hasegawa, Green, Kenney, Chase, Hudgins, and Moeller)

Enhancing small business participation in state purchasing.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/10)

Assists, to the maximum extent possible, small businesses to participate in order to enhance and preserve competitive enterprise and to ensure that small businesses have a fair opportunity to be awarded contracts or subcontracts for goods and services purchased by the state.

Requires the department of general administration, the department of transportation, and the department of information services, to facilitate the participation of small business in the provision of goods and services purchased by the departments for the use only of the respective department, to: (1) Apply certain preferences in the award of contracts for goods and services; and

(2) Give assistance to small businesses by providing technical assistance that would be reasonably expected to mitigate barriers that result from experience requirements related to the contract; allowing for alternative methods for meeting any inventory level requirements; and assisting with the required qualification application. These requirements expire December 31, 2014.

Creates the small business bidding preference account. Expires the account on July 1, 2015. Prescribes penalties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 21 Public hearing in the House Committee on Community & Economic Development & Trade at 8:00 AM.

Feb 4 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Community & Economic Development & Trade at 8:00 AM.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations at 8:00 AM.

Feb 5 APPG - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations at 1:30 PM.

Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 13 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading. 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 84; nays, 10; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE SENATE --

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

HB 1149-S2 by House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representatives Williams, Roach, Simpson, Kirby, Dunshee, Nelson, and Ormsby)

Protecting consumers from breaches of security.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/10)

Recognizes that: (1) Data breaches of credit and debit card information contribute to identity theft and fraud and can be costly to consumers; and

(2) When a breach occurs, remedial measures such as reissuance of credit or debit cards affected by the breach can help to reduce the incidence of identity theft and associated costs to consumers.

Encourages financial institutions to reissue credit and debit cards to consumers when appropriate.

Permits financial institutions to recoup data breach costs associated with the reissuance from large businesses and

card processors who are negligent in maintaining or transmitting card data.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 Public hearing in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.

Feb 17 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 8:30 AM.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 FII - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 8:00 AM.

Jan 21 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 13 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading. 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 63; nays, 31; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE SENATE --

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

HB 1317-S2 by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Kessler, Rodne, Simpson, O'Brien, Hunt, Hurst, Ormsby, Moeller, Chase, Sullivan, and Kelley)

Regarding the disclosure of public records containing information used to locate or identify employees of criminal justice agencies.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/10)

Exempts from public inspection and copying under the public records act, photographs and month and year of birth in the personnel files of criminal justice agency employees. Allows access to the news media.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 30 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 29 Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.

Feb 6 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 9:00 AM.

Feb 8 WAYS - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 9:00 AM.

Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 3.

-- IN THE SENATE --

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

HB 2427-S by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives Pearson, Hurst, Bailey, Goodman, Kirby, Chandler, Herrera, O'Brien, Warnick, Ross, Condotta, Dammeier, Shea, Klippert, Smith, Walsh, Parker, Jacks, Blake, Rodne, Williams, McCune, Campbell, Johnson, Eddy, Morrell, Kelley, Short, Maxwell, Sullivan, Conway, Roach, Kristiansen, Haler, Sells, Schmick, Ericks, Ormsby, Kretz, Moeller, and Hope; by request of Attorney General)

Ensuring punishment for domestic violence offenders.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/12/10)

Ensures that domestic violence offenders are punished accordingly and that an end to domestic violence can be achieved.

Addresses scoring for prior felony and nonfelony offenses that are domestic violence related for purposes of calculating an offender's sentence.

Defines repetitive domestic violence offense.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 10:00 AM.

Jan 13 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 1:30 PM.

Jan 18 Referred to General Government Appropriations.

Feb 4 APPG - Executive action taken by committee.

APPG - Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations at 8:00 AM.

Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 12 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 15 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2480-S2 by House Committee on General Government Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Blake, Warnick, Takko, Upthegrove, Dunshee, Hinkle, Sells, Kretz, and Ormsby; by request of Commissioner of Public Lands)

Adopting policy recommendations developed by the sustainable recreation work group.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Adopts certain policy recommendations developed by the sustainable recreation work group that are capable of being implemented in the near term and that may provide near-term benefits to sustainable recreation or additional information that may be used to improve recreational activities in the state.

Authorizes the department of natural resources to: (1) Assess use charges on individuals for the privilege of accessing certain recreation sites or assess an operation fee on individuals or organizations hosting specific events located on public lands; and

(2) Enter into agreements with the department of fish and wildlife or the United States forest service to allow a department-issued annual parking and access pass to authorize the holder access to recreational lands managed by either agency.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ecology & Parks at 10:00 AM.

Jan 15 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ecology & Parks at 8:00 AM.

Feb 5 APPG - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations at 1:30 PM.

Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 64; nays, 33; absent, 0; excused, 1.

HB 2504-S by House Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications (originally sponsored by Representatives Eddy, Morris, Van De Wege, McCoy, Haler, Chase, Armstrong, Schmick, Walsh, Hunt, Kessler, Ormsby, and Short)

Concerning minimum renewable fuel content requirements.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/10)

Changes the renewable fuel standard for biodiesel.

Eliminates the renewable fuel standard for ethanol.

Directs state agencies to make every effort to purchase biodiesel derived from locally grown, in-state feed stocks.

Exempts from disclosure under the public records act, collected biodiesel production information that can be identified to a particular business.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 14 Work session, public hearing in the House Committee on Technology, and Energy & Communications at 10:00 AM.

Jan 28 TEC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 10:00 AM.

Feb 1 Referred to Transportation.

Feb 3 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.

Feb 8 TR - Executive action taken by committee.
TR - Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Technology, Energy & Communications.

Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:15 PM.

Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 13 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 62; nays, 32; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE SENATE --

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

Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

HB 2539-S2 by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representative Uptegrove)

Optimizing the collection of source separated materials.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Increases current residential recycling rates.

Authorizes the utilities and transportation commission, upon request of a county, to approve rates, charges, or services at a discount for low-income customers.

Allows solid waste companies collecting recyclable materials to retain up to fifty percent of revenue paid to the companies for the materials.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 15 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ecology & Parks at 8:00 AM.

Jan 29 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ecology & Parks at 8:00 AM.

Feb 6 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 9:00 AM.

Feb 8 WAYS - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 9:00 AM.

Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 13 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.

Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 96; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 1.

HB 2560-S by House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally

sponsored by Representatives Orwall, Upthegrove, Quall, Simpson, Nelson, and Morrell; by request of Insurance Commissioner)

Forming joint underwriting associations.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/12/10)

Authorizes the insurance commissioner to: (1) Ensure continued availability of excess insurance to insure property at risk from, and business that is interrupted by, flood arising from the failure of a dam or from efforts to prevent the failure of a dam;

(2) Establish a temporary joint underwriting association for excess flood insurance if certain conditions are met; and
(3) Use appropriated funds as needed to establish and supervise the association.

Requires the insurance commissioner to, by rule, require insurers authorized to write property insurance in this state to form a market assistance plan to assist persons located in the geographical area protected by any dam that are unable to purchase excess flood or business interruption insurance in an adequate amount from either the admitted market or nonadmitted market.

Expires December 31, 2016.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 Public hearing in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 6:00 PM.

Jan 28 FII - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.

Feb 2 Referred to General Government Appropriations.

Feb 4 Public hearing in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations at 8:00 AM.

Feb 5 APPG - Executive action taken by committee.
APPG - Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Financial Institutions & Insurance.
Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations at 1:30 PM.

Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 12 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 66; nays, 30; absent, 0; excused, 2.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 15 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

HB 2747-S by House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Darneille, Cody, Williams, Kagi, Pedersen, Nelson, Dickerson, Hasegawa, and Chase)

Limiting the use of restraints on pregnant women or youth.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/10)

Limits the use of restraints on pregnant women or youth in certain correctional facilities, correctional institutions, juvenile facilities, and detention facilities.

Requires the secretary of the department of corrections, the secretary of the department of social and health services, the jail administrator, or the chief law enforcement officer to: (1) Provide an informational packet about the requirements of the act to appropriate staff;

(2) Post a notice containing the requirements of the act in locations where medical care is provided within the facilities; and

(3) Provide the requirements of the act to certain women and/or youth in their custody.

Requires the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, the department of corrections, the department of social and health services, the juvenile rehabilitation administration, and the criminal justice training commission to jointly develop an informational packet on the requirements of the act.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on Human Services at 1:30 PM.

Jan 28 HS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Human Services at 10:00 AM.

Feb 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 9 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 11 1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Feb 13 Rules suspended.
Returned to second reading for amendment.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 3.

-- IN THE SENATE --

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

HB 2756-S by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Driscoll, Parker, Haler, Ormsby, Liias, Pettigrew, Kelley, Sullivan, Green, Moeller, Simpson, Darneille, Morrell, Pearson, Hurst, Chase, and Santos)

Allowing medicare supplement insurance premiums to be deducted from the calculation of disposable income for the purpose of qualifying for senior property tax programs.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Allows medigap or medicare supplement insurance premiums to be deducted from the calculation of disposable income for the purpose of qualifying for senior property tax programs.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 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.
- Feb 13 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.
- Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- HB 2777-S** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives Goodman, O'Brien, Driscoll, Kessler, Maxwell, Finn, Hurst, Williams, Appleton, Hudgins, Kelley, Ericks, Morrell, McCoy, Seaquist, Green, Carlyle, Conway, Pearson, and Simpson)
- Modifying domestic violence provisions.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/12/10)
- Improves the lives of persons who suffer from the adverse effects of domestic violence.
- Requires reasonable, coordinated measures to prevent domestic violence from occurring.
- Gives law enforcement and the courts better tools to identify violent perpetrators of domestic violence and hold them accountable.
- Increases the safety afforded to individuals who seek protection of public and private agencies involved in domestic violence prevention.
- Improves the ability of agencies to address the needs of victims and their children and the delivery of services.
- Upgrades the quality of treatment programs.
- Enhances the ability of the justice system to respond quickly and fairly to domestic violence.
- Achieves more uniformity in the decision-making processes at public and private agencies that address domestic violence by reducing inconsistencies and duplications.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 27 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 29 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 12 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 2793-S2** by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives
- Kessler, Walsh, Pedersen, Chase, Williams, Kagi, Moeller, Haigh, Nelson, and Simpson)
- Clarifying and expanding the rights and obligations of state registered domestic partners and other couples related to parentage.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)
- Clarifies and expands the rights and obligations of state registered domestic partners and other couples related to parentage.
- Establishes consistent standards and procedural safeguards for the protection of all parties involved in a gestational surrogacy contract in this state and confirms the legal status of children born as a result of these contracts.
- Requires any action taken by an agency to implement the provisions of the act to be accomplished within existing resources.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 21 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 1 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 8 WAYS - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 9:00 AM.
- Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 13 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.
- Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 59; nays, 39; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- Feb 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 3:30 PM in anticipation of other legislative action.
- HB 2886-S** by House Committee on Local Government & Housing (originally sponsored by Representatives Angel, Simpson, and Wallace)
- Concerning the adoption of rules by the building code council regarding carbon monoxide alarm installation.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/10)
- Requires the building code council to adopt rules requiring existing owner-occupied single-family residences to be equipped with carbon monoxide alarms when certain alterations, repairs, or additions requiring a building permit occur.
- Modifies the seller's disclosure statement to include information on carbon monoxide alarms.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 27 Public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 1 LGH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

- Executive action taken in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 3 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 9 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 13 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 3.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.
- HB 2913-S** by House Committee on Education Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Haigh, Priest, Quall, Haler, Kessler, Kagi, Nealey, Finn, Maxwell, Sullivan, and Kenney)
- Authorizing innovative interdistrict cooperative high school programs.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/10)
Authorizes and encourages innovative, cooperative, interdistrict high school programs for students from very small school districts.
Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to review implementation of the act.
Requires adjustment of the levy bases of certain districts to reflect each district's proportional share of student enrollment.
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 2 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 4 APPE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Education Appropriations at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 13 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 3.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- HB 2961-S2** by House Committee on Health & Human Services Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Campbell, Hurst, Morrell, Kelley, and Ormsby)
- Establishing a statewide electronic sales tracking system for the nonprescription sales of ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and phenylpropanolamine.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/10)
- Regulates the nonprescription sales of ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and phenylpropanolamine.
Requires the board of pharmacy to implement a real-time electronic sales tracking system to monitor the nonprescription sale of products in this state containing any detectable quantity of ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, phenylpropanolamine, or their salts, isomers, or salts of isomers, provided that the system is available to the state without cost to the state or retailers for accessing the system.
Prohibits the board of pharmacy from raising license or registration fees to fund rule making or implementation of the tracking system.
Requires a purchaser to electronically or manually sign a record of a sales transaction.
Requires submission of certain information to the electronic sales tracking system before completing a sale.
Exempts from public inspection and copying under the public records act, data from the electronic sales tracking system.
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 29 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 4 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health & Human Services Appropriations at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 5 APPH - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health & Human Services Appropriations at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 74; nays, 21; absent, 0; excused, 3.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.
- HB 3026-S2** by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Santos, Quall, Chase, Uptegrove, Kenney, Hunt, Nelson, Lias, McCoy, Hudgins, Simpson, and Darneille)
- Regarding school district compliance with state and federal civil rights laws.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/10)
Prohibits discrimination in Washington public schools on the basis of race, creed, religion, color, national origin, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability.
Gives the superintendent of public instruction the power to enforce and obtain compliance with the act and other state and federal laws prohibiting discrimination.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Develop rules and guidelines related to the act; and (2) Monitor local school districts' compliance with the act.

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

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 29 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.

Feb 2 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 10:00 AM.

Feb 4 Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Education Appropriations at 8:00 AM.

Feb 8 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 9:00 AM.

Feb 9 WAYS - Majority; 2nd 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 3:00 PM.

Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 59; nays, 35; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE SENATE --

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

Feb 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

HB 3048-S by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Cody, Armstrong, and Pettigrew; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Concerning administration of the medicaid program. (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the governor to submit to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature: (1) A report that identifies the agency designated by the governor as the single state medicaid agency; and

(2) A plan for transferring, as necessary, the functions related to that designation.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 1 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.

Feb 8 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 9:00 AM.

Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 13 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.

Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 79; nays, 19; absent, 0; excused, 0.

HB 3141-S2 by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Pettigrew, Seaquist, Kenney, and Ormsby)

Regarding delivery of temporary assistance to needy families.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/10)

Provides subsidized employment opportunities to parents who are unable to find employment after earnest efforts at job search or education and training activities.

Reforms components of Washington's subsidized child care program by redesigning the eligibility determination process.

Requires the department of early learning to establish and implement policies in the working connections child care program to promote stability and quality of care for children from low-income households.

Requires the Washington WorkFirst subcabinet, in consultation with the governor, to: (1) Reevaluate the structure and policies of the WorkFirst program;

(2) Develop a proposal for redesigning the state's use of temporary assistance for needy families funds; and

(3) Adopt the goal of increasing the percentage of households receiving temporary assistance for needy families that move into the middle-income bracket or higher, and delineate specific program strategies within the proposal to reach that goal.

Requires the department of social and health services to establish the community jobs program for recipients of temporary assistance for needy families who have barriers to employment, lack experience and attachment to the job force, or have been unsuccessful in securing employment leading to family self-sufficiency.

Provides that the act shall be implemented within the funding appropriated in the 2009-2011 biennial budget and that no additional appropriations will be provided for its implementation.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 29 Public hearing in the House Committee on Early Learning & Children's Services at 1:30 PM.

Feb 2 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Early Learning & Children's Services at 1:30 PM.

Feb 6 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 9:00 AM.

Feb 9 WAYS - Majority; 2nd 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 3:00 PM.

Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

- Third reading, passed; yeas, 51; nays, 43; absent, 0; excused, 4.
 -- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.
- Feb 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 3:30 PM. (Subject to change)

HB 3187 by Representative Simpson

Concerning medicaid reimbursement of nursing facilities.

Requires the department of social and health services to provide documented proof to the legislature that the medicaid payment rates that it sets for nursing facilities: (1) Comply with federal standards;

- (2) Are consistent with actual costs; and
 (3) Will enlist a sufficient number of providers.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4030 by Representatives Lias, Driscoll, Johnson, Kirby, Wallace, Eddy, Maxwell, Williams, Hunt, White, Nelson, Seaquist, Walsh, Linville, Ericks, Orwall, Kagi, Wood, Van De Wege, Green, Cody, Darneille, Haigh, Morrell, Blake, Takko, Dickerson, Dunshee, Upthegrove, Kessler, Hudgins, Pedersen, Simpson, Goodman, Sells, O'Brien, Kenney, Rolfes, Springer, Hasegawa, Appleton, Kelley, Miloscia, Hope, Pettigrew, Priest, Warnick, McCune, Chase, Moeller, Campbell, Probst, Finn, Carlyle, Conway, and Clibborn

Petitioning to make the state sales tax deduction a permanent federal income tax deduction.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to make the state sales tax deduction a permanent federal income tax deduction.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Finance.

Senate Bills

SB 5543-S by Senate Committee on Environment, Water & Energy (originally sponsored by Senators Pridemore, Oemig, Rockefeller, Fairley, Murray, Kline, Keiser, Shin, Regala, Franklin, McAuliffe, Fraser, Ranker, and Kohl-Welles)

Reducing the release of mercury into the environment.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires all mercury-containing lights collected in the state by product stewardship programs or other collection programs to be recycled.

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

Requires producers of mercury-containing lights sold in or into the state to participate in a product stewardship program.

Requires product producers to play a significant role in financing no-cost collection and processing programs for mercury-containing lights.

Prohibits the sale or purchase and delivery of bulk mercury.

Requires the department of ecology to publish certain information on its web site regarding product stewardship programs.

Creates the product stewardship programs account.
 Prescribes penalties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 28 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 3:30 PM.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 10:00 AM.

- Feb 5 EWE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

And refer to Ways & Means.

Minority; do not pass.

Referred to Ways & Means.

Executive action taken in the Senate

Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 8:00 AM.

- Feb 8 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

- Feb 9 WM - Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Environment, Water & Energy.

Minority; do not pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Executive action taken in the Senate

Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

- Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 37; nays, 9; absent, 0; excused, 3.

- Feb 17 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Environmental Health at 1:30 PM in anticipation of other legislative action.

SB 6424-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Regala and Fairley; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Concerning local excise tax authorities for counties and cities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides counties and cities with more local excise tax flexibility.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 21 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 3:30 PM.

- Feb 2 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 9 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.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 39; nays, 9; absent, 0; excused, 1.
- SB 6433-S** by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection (originally sponsored by Senators Honeyford, Parlette, Holmquist, and Stevens)
Modifying home inspector licensing requirements.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Extends the time for certain home inspectors to apply for a license or license renewal without meeting instruction and training requirements.
Authorizes the home inspector advisory licensing board to approve programs of classroom instruction that may be taken by applicants to meet their qualifications of licensure.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 26 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 4 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 5 LCCP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 45; nays, 2; absent, 0; excused, 2.
- Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 8:00 AM in anticipation of other legislative action.
- SB 6468-S** by Senate Committee on Environment, Water & Energy (originally sponsored by Senators Kauffman, Rockefeller, Pridemore, Berkey, and Kline)
Coordinating the weatherization and structural rehabilitation of residential structures.
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/12/10)
Requires the department of commerce to: (1) Prioritize weatherization, energy efficiency activities, and structural repair of residential structures to facilitate the expeditious allocation of funds from federal energy efficiency programs; and
- (2) Develop policies to ensure prudent, cost-effective investments are made in homes and buildings requiring energy efficiency, repair, and rehabilitation improvements that will maximize energy savings and extend the life of a home.
Allocates future distributions of energy-related federal jobs stimulus funding to strengthen certain federal energy efficiency programs and coordinates certain energy retrofit and rehabilitation improvements to increase the number of structures qualifying for assistance under these multiple state and federal energy efficiency programs.
Changes the name of the low-income weatherization assistance account to the low-income weatherization and structural rehabilitation assistance account.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 3 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 4 EWE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 12 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 47; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.
-- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.
- SB 6504-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Hargrove; by request of Department of Labor & Industries)
Modifying provisions of the crime victims' compensation program.
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/13/10)
Reduces benefits under the crime victims' compensation program.
Creates the crime victims' compensation account and requires certain moneys from inmate accounts and criminal profiteering recovery actions to be deposited into the account.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 21 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 4 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 8 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 9 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.

- Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
 Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 31; nays, 15; absent, 0; excused, 3.
 -- IN THE HOUSE --
 Feb 15 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.
- SB 6515-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kastama, Kilmer, and Shin; by request of Washington State Department of Commerce)
 Refocusing the department of commerce, including transferring programs.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)
 Transfers certain powers, duties, and functions of the department of commerce to the department of social and health services, the department of health, the utilities and transportation commission, the office of financial management, the department of labor and industries, the department of general administration, and the criminal justice training commission.
 Abolishes the municipal research council and transfers its powers, duties, and functions to the department of commerce.
 Requires the department of commerce to: (1) Examine agricultural commodity commissions and collaborate with industry sector and cluster associations on legislation that would enable industries to develop self-financing systems; and
 (2) For programs it has identified as being appropriate for placement in a different agency, prioritize their placement in a separate division; examine mechanisms by which the separate division can operate as an independent division with a semiautonomous division director and a policy-making oversight board; and examine whether the separate division could operate as a separate agency and the process by which this could best occur.
 -- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 27 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 8:00 AM.
 Feb 3 Executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Innovation at 8:00 AM.
 Feb 4 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 10:00 AM.
 Feb 9 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.
 Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee. 2nd substitute bill substituted.
- Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 45; nays, 3; absent, 0; excused, 1.
 -- IN THE HOUSE --
 Feb 12 First reading, referred to Community & Economic Development & Trade.
 Feb 17 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 8:00 AM in anticipation of other legislative action. Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Community & Economic Development & Trade at 8:30 AM. (Subject to change)
- SB 6561-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, McCaslin, Regala, and Stevens)
 Restricting access to juvenile offender records.
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/13/10)
 Declares an intent to eventually automatically restrict access to juvenile offender records at age eighteen provided the offender meets certain requirements.
 Recognizes that because of information technology differences in the computer systems used by the various agencies that would be involved this goal cannot currently be accomplished without a significant fiscal impact. The legislature intends that the agencies involved begin to work together to achieve this goal in the near future.
 -- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 29 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 8:00 AM.
 Feb 4 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 3:30 PM.
 Feb 8 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
 Feb 9 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.
 Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
 Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 41; nays, 4; absent, 0; excused, 4.
 -- IN THE HOUSE --
 Feb 15 First reading, referred to Judiciary. Committee relieved of further consideration. Referred to Human Services.
 Feb 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Human Services at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)
- SB 6575-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means

(originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Kline, Franklin, and McDermott)

Concerning the recommendations of the joint legislative task force on the underground economy.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Implements recommendations of the joint legislative task force on the underground economy.

Authorizes the director of the department of labor and industries to reduce fines for a contractor who fails to register under certain circumstances.

Directs the department of labor and industries to approve or conduct contractor training classes.

Increases the contract price under which taxes due and owing from a contractor are a lien prior to all other liens.

Prescribes penalties.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 10:00 AM.

Feb 2 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 1:30 PM.

Feb 5 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.

Feb 8 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Feb 9 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 10 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Feb 13 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 34; nays, 13; absent, 0; excused, 2.

Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 8:00 AM in anticipation of other legislative action.

SB 6579-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Swecker, Haugen, Oemig, Rockefeller, Jacobsen, Marr, Hatfield, Eide, and Fraser)

Improving the efficiency, accountability, and quality within state information systems.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the information systems improvement committee to: (1) Develop a series of recommendations for improving information technology and systems across state and local governments and determine how to maximize the state investment in these areas;

(2) Leverage the work of existing groups, efforts, and studies to avoid duplication of efforts;

(3) Develop an action plan using a collaborative and inclusive process, in order to build consensus and support for the recommendations;

(4) Create a governance subcommittee to make recommendations on information technology planning,

funding strategies, portfolio ownership and management, and decision processes;

(5) Develop a dispute resolution process to resolve conflicts; and

(6) Identify pilot projects to test the recommendations developed by the subcommittees.

Expires March 31, 2012.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 8:00 AM.

Feb 1 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 1:30 PM.

Feb 3 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Feb 4 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Feb 8 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; without recommendation. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 12 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.

Feb 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 10:00 AM in anticipation of other legislative action.

SB 6610 by Senators Hargrove and McAuliffe; by request of Governor Gregoire

Concerning the assessment and treatment of certain persons with mental illnesses. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Improving procedures relating to the commitment of persons found not guilty by reason of insanity.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/13/10)

Requires the secretary of the department of social and health services to establish an independent public safety review panel to advise the secretary and the courts, with respect to persons who have been found not guilty by reason of insanity, with recommendations: (1) For a change in commitment status;

(2) To allow furloughs or temporary leaves accompanied by staff; or

(3) To permit movement about the grounds of the treatment facility.

Requires the institute for public policy, in collaboration with the department of social and health services and other applicable entities, to undertake a search for validated mental health assessment tools.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 15 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 8:00 AM.

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

- Feb 3 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 6:00 PM.
- Feb 5 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
On motion, referred to Ways & Means.
Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 8 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 9 WM - Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Human Services & Corrections.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 13 1st substitute bill not substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 45; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 4.
-- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Human Services.
- Feb 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Human Services at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)
- SB 6639-S** by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Brown, Stevens, Gordon, and Shin; by request of Department of Corrections)
Creating alternatives to total confinement for nonviolent offenders with minor children.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Creates alternatives to total confinement for nonviolent offenders with minor children.
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 4 Public hearing and executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 5 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 12 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 46; nays, 2; absent, 0; excused, 1.
- SB 6733-S** by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senator King)
Creating a task force to review allocation of court-related involuntary commitment costs. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Creating a work group to review allocation of court-related involuntary commitment costs.)
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
- Creates a legislative task force to review appropriate allocation of responsibility for court-related costs and fees associated with involuntary commitment hearings.
Expires June 1, 2011.
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 4 Public hearing and executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 5 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 47; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.
- SB 6737-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Marr, Brown, and McCaslin)
Providing an exemption from property tax for aircraft used to provide air ambulance services for nonprofits. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Providing an exemption from property tax for aircraft used to provide air ambulance services.)
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Provides a property tax exemption for aircraft that are owned by certain nonprofit organizations and used to provide emergency medical transportation services.
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 2 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 9 WM - Majority; 1st 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.
- Feb 11 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- Feb 12 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 45; nays, 1; absent, 2; excused, 1.
- SB 6762** by Senators Fraser, Haugen, and Kline
Regarding compliance with the state environmental policy act in the consideration of cumulative impacts and the assumption of lead agency status when the same agency is the sponsor of the project.
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/12/10)
Requires an environmental impact statement to be prepared for certain proposed actions that are closely related enough to be considered a single action.

Requires discussion of cumulative impacts in the statement.

Addresses lead agency status with regard to initiation and implementation of a proposal.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 25 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.
- Feb 3 Public hearing, executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Environment, and Water & Energy at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 4 EWE - Majority; do pass. Minority; do not pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 12 Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 47; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.
- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 15 First reading, referred to Ecology & Parks.
- Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing and executive session in the House Committee on Ecology & Parks at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6778-S by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Shin, Kauffman, and Kline)

Establishing an alternative route to a high school diploma. (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Allows a student, as an alternative to high school graduation requirements, to receive a high school diploma if the student: (1) Successfully completes the minimum credits for admission to a public four-year institution of higher education adopted by the higher education coordinating board, which includes meeting the required college academic distribution requirements;

(2) Earns a cumulative average grade of at least a three on a four-point scale, for certain required courses; and

(3) Completes a culminating project and a high school and beyond plan according to rules adopted by the state board of education.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 Public hearing, executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 10:00 AM. Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 6:00 PM.
- Feb 5 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; without recommendation. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 10 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 35; nays, 12; absent, 0; excused, 2.

- Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM in anticipation of other legislative action.

SB 6800-S by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators Kline, McAuliffe, Jacobsen, and Gordon)

Regarding discrimination in public schools.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes the office of the superintendent of public instruction to review, process, and refer appropriate complaints from victims of discrimination in public schools based on certain state and federal laws prohibiting discrimination.

Requires complaints referred by the office of the superintendent of public instruction to be submitted to the appropriate state or federal investigative and enforcement agency.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 3 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 4 Executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 10:00 AM. Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 6:00 PM.
- Feb 5 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6857 by Senator Jacobsen

Establishing the student financial assistance board by eliminating the higher education coordinating board and transferring its functions to various entities.

Abolishes the higher education coordinating board and transfers its powers, duties, and functions pertaining to: (1) Student financial assistance to the student financial assistance board;

(2) The adoption of statewide gender equity rules, adoption of minimum college admission standards, program approval, branch campus expansion, the education cost study, and the purchase or lease of major off-campus facilities to the office of financial management; and

(3) Degree-granting institutions, approval of health sciences and services authorities, and the approval of veterans' programs to the workforce training and education coordinating board, unless and until the governor designates an alternate state approving agency for purposes of approving veterans' programs.

Requires the council of presidents to produce every two years, jointly with the state board for community and technical colleges and the workforce training and education coordinating board, an assessment of the number and type of higher education and training credentials required to match employer demand for a skilled and educated workforce.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 15 First reading, referred to Higher Education
& Workforce Development.