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### House Bills

**HB 1418-S2** by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Priest, Sullivan, Walsh, Pettigrew, Roberts, Dickerson, Quall, Seaquist, Sells, Appleton, Hunt, Haler, Pedersen, Orwall, Ormsby, Hasegawa, Conway, Kenney, Maxwell, Santos, Probst, Driscoll, Goodman, and Nelson)

Establishing a statewide dropout reengagement system.  
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Provides a statutory framework for a statewide dropout reengagement system to provide appropriate educational opportunities and access to services for students age sixteen to twenty-one who have dropped out of high school or are not accumulating sufficient credits to reasonably complete a high school diploma in a public school before the age of twenty-one.

Directs the office of the superintendent of public instruction to develop a model interlocal agreement and a model contract for the dropout reengagement system.

Authorizes but does not require school districts to offer dropout reengagement programs using the model contracts and interlocal agreements.

Expands the requirements for a child's eligibility to take the GED test.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 6 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 18 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 27 Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 16 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 19 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 10:00 AM.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 15 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 26 ED - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 28 Referred to Education Appropriations.
- Feb 2 APPE - Executive action taken by committee.  
APPE - Majority; do pass 2nd substitute bill proposed by Education.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.  
Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Education Appropriations at 8:00 AM.
- 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, 2; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 17 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 1653** by Representative Simpson; by request of Department of Ecology and Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development

Clarifying the integration of shoreline management act policies with the growth management act.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Affirms that: (1) Development regulations adopted under the growth management act to protect critical areas apply within shorelines of the state; and

(2) The adoption or update of critical area regulations under the growth management act is not automatically an update to the shoreline master program.

Provides that the act is remedial and curative in nature, and applies retroactively to July 27, 2003.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 27 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.
- Feb 11 Public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 12 LGH - Executive action taken by committee.  
LGH - Majority; do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 17 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 11 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.
- Mar 12 Returned to Rules Committee for second reading.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 11 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.
- Feb 13 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.
- Feb 15 Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 58; nays, 39; absent, 0; excused, 1.  
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 17 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 2399-S** by House Committee on Ecology & Parks (originally sponsored by Representatives Upthegrove, Rodne, Finn, Armstrong, Rolfes, Haler, Driscoll, Chase, Morrell, Maxwell, Simpson, and Hudgins)

Prohibiting and prescribing penalties for engaging in, or advertising to engage in, solid waste collection without a solid waste collection certificate.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Clarifies that operating for the hauling of solid waste for compensation includes advertising, soliciting, offering, or entering into an agreement to provide that service.

Identifies each advertisement for services as a separate violation.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 15 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ecology & Parks at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 19 EPAR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ecology & Parks at 10:00 AM.

- Jan 21 Passed to Rules Committee for 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, 97; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.  
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 17 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 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.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

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.

Allows the use of a department of natural resources annual parking and access pass to park upon improved department of fish and wildlife access facilities.

-- 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.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 17 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**HB 2496-S** by House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives White, Orwall, Chase, Dickerson, Carlyle, Upthegrove, Springer, Nelson, Simpson, Miloscia, Dunshee, and Hunt)

Modifying ballot design provisions.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Requires a ballot to have a clear delineation between the ballot instructions and the first ballot measure or office.

Requires the secretary of state to establish standards for ballot design and layout.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 3:30 PM.

Jan 15 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.

Jan 20 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, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 17 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**HB 2541-S** by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Takko, Orcutt, Kessler, Kretz, and Blake)

Promoting and fostering the success of the forest products industry. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Promoting the economic success of the forest products industry.)

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Declares it to be in the public interest to assist forest landowners in accessing market capital and financing for the ecosystem services provided to the public as a result of the protection of public resources.

Requires the department of natural resources to: (1) Develop proposals for the development of appropriate landowner conservation incentives that support forest landowners maintaining their land in forestry;

(2) Consult with individuals deemed beneficial by the department in implementing the act; and

(3) Seek federal and private funds, and in-kind contributions to complete the work in the act.

Expires these requirements on July 1, 2012.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 21 Public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 8:00 AM.

Jan 29 AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 1:30 PM.

Feb 2 Referred to General Government Appropriations.

Feb 5 APPG - Executive action taken by committee.

APPG - Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Agriculture & Natural Resources.

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 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.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 17 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**HB 2805** by Representatives Ormsby, Campbell, Williams, Van De Wege, Simpson, White, Chase, Hasegawa, Rolfes, and Conway

Regarding public works involving off-site prefabrication.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Requires a contract for any public work estimated to cost over one million dollars to contain a provision requiring the contractor to submit certain information about off-site, prefabricated, nonstandard, project-specific items produced under the terms of the contract and produced outside the state. This requirement expires December 31, 2015.

Requires the department of general administration to: (1) Develop standard contract language and make the language available on its web site; and

(2) Compile collected information and submit it on an annual basis to the capital projects advisory review board.

Expands the requirements for bidders on public works contracts.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 14 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 10:00 AM.

Jan 27 CL - Executive action taken by committee. CL - Majority; do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 1:30 PM.

Jan 29 Referred to Capital Budget.

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

Feb 8 CB - Executive action taken by committee. CB - Majority; do pass.

- Minority; do not pass.  
Work session and executive action taken in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 54; nays, 43; absent, 0; excused, 1.  
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 17 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.
- HB 2912-S** by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Quall, Carlyle, O'Brien, Ericks, Dunshee, Sullivan, Blake, Jacks, Hunter, and Maxwell)  
Modifying local excise taxes in counties that have pledged lodging tax revenues for the payment of bonds prior to June 26, 1975.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Requires money in certain dedicated accounts to be used for arts and heritage programs, affordable housing, public health services and human service programs provided by nonprofit organizations, tourism promotion, youth and amateur sports activities or facilities, regional centers, performing arts centers, and community preservation and development authorities.  
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 28 Public hearing in the House Committee on Finance at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 9 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.
- Feb 11 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 16 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 53; nays, 45; absent, 0; excused, 0.  
Vote on final passage will be reconsidered.  
Rules suspended.  
Returned to second reading for amendment.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 53; nays, 45; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- HB 3024-S2** by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Conway, Morrell, Van De Wege, Williams, Sullivan, Seaquist, Green, Campbell, Simpson, Wood, and Nelson)  
Providing uninterrupted meal and rest breaks for hospital employees. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Providing uninterrupted meal and rest breaks for certain employees.)  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)  
Requires certain hospitals to provide employees with certain meal breaks and rest breaks.  
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 29 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor 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 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, 63; nays, 34; absent, 0; excused, 1.  
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 17 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.
- HB 3067-S** by House Committee on Local Government & Housing (originally sponsored by Representatives Williams, Rodne, Springer, Clibborn, Liias, Upthegrove, Priest, and Wallace)  
Establishing a process for the payment of impact fees through provisions stipulated in recorded covenants.  
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/10)  
Requires local governments collecting impact fees for residential development projects to make available to applicants for certain building permits, a process by which the applicant may record a covenant against title to the property.  
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 28 Public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 1 LGH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not 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 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, 60; nays, 37;  
absent, 0; excused, 1.  
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 17 First reading, referred to Government  
Operations & Elections.
- HB 3179-S** by House Committee on Finance (originally  
Ericks)  
Concerning local excise tax provisions for counties and  
cities.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Expands the excise taxing authority of local  
governments.  
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 9 FIN - 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 Finance at  
8:00 AM.
- Feb 13 Rules Committee relieved of further  
consideration. Placed on second reading.
- Feb 16 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 51; nays, 47;  
absent, 0; excused, 0.
- HB 3188** by Representative Hunter  
Modifying the definitions of "manufacturing" and "research  
and development" for tax incentive programs for businesses  
in rural counties.  
Modifies the definitions of "manufacturing" and  
"research and development" for tax incentive programs for  
businesses in rural counties.  
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Finance.
- Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing and executive  
session in the House Committee on  
Finance at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)
- HB 3189** by Representatives Alexander, Linville,  
Dammeier, Ericks, Seaquist, Haler, Hunter,  
Warnick, Quall, Angel, Clibborn, Ross, and Hinkle  
Concerning alcohol sales in state liquor stores and contract  
liquor stores.  
Requires the liquor control board to: (1) Convert at least  
twenty state liquor stores to contract liquor stores between  
July 1, 2010, and July 1, 2012;  
(2) Convert ten state liquor stores to contract liquor  
stores on a pilot basis between July 1, 2010, and July 1 2011;  
and  
(3) Study the contracting out of the state's retail sale of  
liquor.  
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

Feb 17 Scheduled for public hearing in the House  
Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30  
PM. (Subject to change)

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### Senate Bills

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- 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.  
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)  
Requires all mercury-containing lights collected in the  
state by product stewardship programs or other collection  
programs to be recycled.  
Requires producers of mercury-containing lights sold in  
or into the state for residential use to fully finance and  
participate in a product stewardship program and to pay  
annual fees to the department of ecology for the enforcement  
and administration of the act.  
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.  
Prohibits the use of state or federal prison labor for  
processing unwanted products.  
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.  
-- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Environmental Health.
- Feb 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Environmental Health at 1:30 PM.
- SB 6051-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Murray, Pflug, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, Jarrett, Eide, Kline, Fairley, Jacobsen, and McDermott)
- Removing an expiration date applicable to heritage and arts program funding. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Concerning lodging taxes.)  
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)
- Provides funding for heritage and arts programs from the hotel-motel tax in King county.  
-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
- 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.
- Mar 25 Senate Rules "X" file.  
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 11 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status. Revert to Rules White Sheet.
- Jan 28 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, 28; nays, 19; absent, 0; excused, 2.  
-- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Finance.
- SB 6244-S** by Senate Committee on Environment, Water & Energy (originally sponsored by Senators Fraser, Rockefeller, Marr, Ranker, Pridemore, Kohl-Welles, Shin, and Kline)
- Defining a green home and an energy efficient home.  
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)
- Requires the state building code council to: (1) Adopt rules to define green home and energy efficient home for certain dwelling units;  
(2) Review certain local and national green building and energy efficiency programs, standards, and codes;  
(3) Evaluate the feasibility of creating a residential energy code appendix that is consistent with the state energy code for local jurisdictions to adopt by reference; and
- (4) Identify and evaluate the impacts to local jurisdictions required to implement the act.  
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 20 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 29 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 1 EWE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. And refer to Ways & Means. On motion, referred to Rules.
- 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, 44; nays, 3; absent, 0; excused, 2.  
-- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.
- Feb 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 8:30 AM.
- SB 6267-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Rockefeller and Honeyford; by request of Department of Ecology)
- Regarding water right processing improvements.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)
- Provides the department of ecology with the necessary tools to eliminate the backlog of water right applications while retaining the staff at the department with expertise in processing permit applications.  
Creates the water rights processing account.  
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 15 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 5 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; 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.
- Feb 13 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 16 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 46; nays, 2; absent, 0; excused, 1.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

- Feb 17 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.
- Feb 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

**SB 6287** by Senators Fraser and Fairley

Concerning annexation of a city, partial city, or town to a fire protection district.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Exempts from certain voter-approved excess property taxes, the property of a city or town annexing into a fire protection district.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 8 Prefiled for introduction.
- Jan 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- Jan 25 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 28 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 1 GO - Majority; do pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.
- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.
- Feb 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

**SB 6359-S** by Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Becker, Shin, and Tom)

Promoting efficiencies including institutional coordination and partnerships in the community and technical college system.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Requires the state board for community and technical colleges to: (1) Identify potential administrative efficiencies, complementary administrative functions, and complementary academic programs based upon consultation with colleges within a regional area;

(2) Develop and adopt a detailed plan for the implementation of any identified changes that would result in cost savings while maintaining or enhancing student access and achievement;

(3) Identify adjacent college districts that can feasibly be consolidated or whose boundaries can feasibly be modified to form a multiple campus district; and

(4) Evaluate any proposed district consolidations or boundary changes as it deems advisable.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 27 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 29 HEWD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 2 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, 1; absent, 0; excused, 1.
- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 16 First reading, referred to Higher Education.
- Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Higher Education at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

**SB 6499-S** by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Murray and Haugen; by request of Department of Transportation)

Concerning the administration, collection, use, and enforcement of tolls.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses electronic toll collection and photo tolling systems, permitted methods for payment of tolls, and penalties for failure to pay a toll.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 21 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 8 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 2:00 PM.
- Feb 9 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 11 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- Feb 13 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 16 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 45; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 3.
- IN THE HOUSE --
- Feb 17 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6508-S** by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Fairley, Prentice, Pridemore, Kline,

Rockefeller, Ranker, Tom, McDermott, Gordon, and Keiser)

Changing the class of persons entitled to recoveries under a wrongful death action or survival action.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Revises provisions related to wrongful death and survival actions, persons entitled to recoveries, and liability of governmental entities under these actions.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 1:30 PM.

Feb 2 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 1:30 PM.

Feb 4 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
And refer to Ways & Means.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Referred to Ways & Means.

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 Government Operations & Elections.  
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 Work session in the House Committee on Judiciary at 8:00 AM.

Feb 11 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Feb 12 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 13 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Held on second reading.

Feb 15 Rules suspended.  
Returned to second reading for amendment.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 30; nays, 18;  
absent, 0; excused, 1.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Feb 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

Feb 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 8:00 AM.

**SB 6533-S** by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators Roach and Gordon)

Granting high school credit for learning experiences.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to provide by rule for high school credit equivalencies for physical education, visual and performing arts, and elective requirements for educational experiences selected by parents and students.

Requires a school district board of directors to grant high school credit for certain educational experiences selected by parents and students.

-- 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.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 12 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 16 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0;  
absent, 0; excused, 1.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Feb 17 First reading, referred to Education.

Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.  
(Subject to change)

**SB 6562-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Tom, Delvin, Regala, Murray, Hargrove, and King)

Regarding higher education accountability and access.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses tuition-setting authority, operating fees, and institutional performance agreements for institutions of higher education.

Creates the committee on higher education performance and authorizes the committee to approve performance agreements.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 20 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development at 3:30 PM.

Feb 3 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development 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 Made eligible to be placed on 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, 29; nays, 19; absent, 0; excused, 1.  
-- IN THE HOUSE --  
Feb 16 First reading, referred to Higher Education.
- 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.  
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)  
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.  
Requires the office of financial management's operating budget instructions to agencies to include collecting additional information for proposed information technology projects.  
Requires the governor's budget to include an information technology plan.  
Requires the office of financial management to institute a method of accounting for information technology-related expenditures.  
Requires the director of financial management to direct the collection of additional information on information technology projects and submit an information technology plan.  
Requires the information services board to coordinate with the office of financial management to develop contracting standards for information technology acquisition and purchased services and work with state agencies to ensure deployment of standardized contracts.  
Expires the committee on 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.  
-- IN THE HOUSE --  
Feb 16 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.  
Feb 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)
- SB 6656-S** by Senate Committee on Environment, Water & Energy (originally sponsored by Senators Murray, Rockefeller, Fraser, and Shin)  
Implementing a pilot program for energy conservation services.  
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)  
Establishes a pilot financing mechanism for energy conservation services for cities and towns located within the electric service territories of Tacoma Public Utilities, Seattle City Light, and Puget Sound Energy that will: (1) Enable local governments to expand and improve existing energy conservation and energy efficiency loan programs to aid the private and nonprofit sectors in undertaking residential, commercial, and industrial energy efficiency upgrades;  
(2) Lead to reductions in household energy bills;  
(3) Provide incentives for the creation of new family-wage jobs in construction, manufacturing, and installation of energy-saving products;  
(4) Encourage investments by the utility sector in a cleaner environment;  
(5) Decrease the need for new power plant construction; and  
(6) Increase energy security.  
Expires June 30, 2015.  
-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 26 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 10:00 AM.  
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 15 1st substitute bill substituted.  
Floor amendment(s) adopted.  
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
Third reading, passed; yeas, 44; nays, 2; absent, 0; excused, 3.  
-- IN THE HOUSE --  
Feb 16 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

Feb 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 8:30 AM.

**SB 6724-S** by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Kauffman, Eide, Berkey, Murray, Shin, and Keiser)

Allowing employees of a school district or educational service district to share leave with employees in another agency. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Addressing the shared leave program.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Allows school district or educational service district employees to share leave with employees in another agency.

Establishes shared leave a state employee is eligible to receive as follows: (1) 261 days for an employee with fewer than ten years of service;

(2) 522 days for an employee with at least ten but fewer than twenty years of service; and

(3) 783 days for an employee with twenty or more years of service.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 1 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 10:00 AM.

Feb 2 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 1:30 PM.

Feb 4 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. 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, 45; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

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

Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing and executive session in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

**SB 6726-S2** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Marr, Kohl-Welles, Ranker, Murray, McDermott, Keiser, Prentice, Kauffman, Kline, Kilmer, Fraser, and Pridemore)

Establishing a work group on language access services.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the office of financial management to establish a working group on language access services to develop a plan to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of language access services.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 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 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.

Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted. 2nd substitute bill not substituted. 1st substitute bill substituted.

Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

**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.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Directs the legislature to convene a work group 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.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Feb 16 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 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.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

Provides a property tax exemption for: (1) An aircraft that is owned by certain nonprofit organizations and used to provide emergency medical transportation services; and

(2) A private aircraft used exclusively for medivac flights from islands in this state.

-- 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.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Feb 16 First reading, referred to Finance.

**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.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/10)

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;

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

(4) Successfully completes one occupational credit as defined in WAC 180-51-060.

-- 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.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Feb 16 First reading, referred to Education.

Feb 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.  
(Subject to change)

**SB 6858** by Senators Zarelli, Pflug, King, Hewitt, Stevens, Delvin, Schoesler, and Parlette

Providing for ample funding for basic education.

Shifts a portion of school funding from local levies to the state property tax levy to provide ample, stable, and dependable funding for basic education.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.