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House Bills

HB 1224-S by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Green, Dammeier, Cody, Appleton, Darneille, Harris, and Roberts)

Concerning a business and occupation tax deduction for amounts received with respect to mental health services.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/05/11)

Provides a business and occupation tax deduction to a health or social welfare organization on amounts received from a regional support network as compensation for mental health services provided under a government-funded program.

Expires August 1, 2016.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

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

Feb 24 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

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

Feb 25 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Mar 1 Referred to Rules 2 Consideration.

Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 92; nays, 5; absent, 0; excused, 1.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Mar 8 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 1382 by Representatives Clibborn, Maxwell, Lias,

Eddy, Hunter, and Springer; by request of Department of Transportation

Concerning the use of express toll lanes in the eastside corridor.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/05/11)

Requires the department of transportation to: (1) Develop and operate express toll lanes on Interstate 405 between the city of Bellevue on the south end and Interstate 5 on the north end;

(2) Conduct a traffic and revenue analysis for the development of a forty-mile continuous express toll lane system that includes state route number 167 and Interstate 405;

(3) Develop a corridor-wide project management plan to develop a strategy for phasing the completion of improvements in the Interstate 405 and state route number 167 corridor;

(4) Use the information from the analysis and the plan to develop a finance plan to fund improvements in the Interstate 405 and state route number 167 corridor;

(5) Consult with a committee consisting of local and state elected officials from the Interstate 405 and state route number 167 corridor and representatives from the transit agencies that operate in the Interstate 405 and state route number 167 corridor while developing the performance standards, traffic and revenue analysis, and finance plan; and

(6) Conduct ongoing education and outreach to ensure public awareness of the express toll lane system.

Creates the Interstate 405 express toll lanes operations account.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 20 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Feb 2 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Feb 8 TR - Executive action taken by committee.

TR - Majority; do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House

Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

- Feb 15 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 22 Referred to Rules 2 Consideration.
- Feb 24 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 52; nays, 46; absent, 0; excused, 0.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 8 First reading, referred to Transportation.
- HB 1409** by Representatives Appleton, Hurst, and McCoy
Authorizing the sale, exchange, transfer, or lease of public property.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/05/11)
Authorizes the sale, exchange, transfer, or lease of real or personal property to a federally recognized Indian tribe and requires the sale, exchange, transfer, or lease to retain any existing lease agreements, easements, and public access provisions in place at the time of the transaction.
-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 20 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.
- Feb 10 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 16 SGTA - Executive action taken by committee. SGTA - Majority; do pass. Minority; do not pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 17 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 1 Referred to Rules 2 Consideration.
- Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 63; nays, 34; absent, 0; excused, 1.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 8 First reading, referred to Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.
- HB 1487-S** by House Committee on Labor & Workforce Development (originally sponsored by Representatives Springer and Condotta)
Concerning claims management by retrospective rating plan employers and groups.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/05/11)
Authorizes retrospective rating plan employers and groups who administer their plans with an approved claims administrator to assist the department of labor and industries in the processing of claims when approved by the department.
Requires an employer, when a retrospective rating plan employer or group or its representative communicates with a medical provider, to provide to the worker and send to the claim file a copy of any written communication received and a memorandum describing any oral communication.
Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to study certain impacts on the workers' compensation system.
Expires July 1, 2016.
-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 8 Public hearing in the House Committee on Labor & Workforce Development at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 16 LWD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on Labor & Workforce Development at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 17 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 3 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 70; nays, 27; absent, 0; excused, 1.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 8 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.
- HB 1546-S2** by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Hargrove, Hunt, Dammeier, Pettigrew, Liias, Smith, Anderson, Fagan, Kretz, Dahlquist, Angel, Zeiger, Jinkins, and Finn)
Authorizing creation of innovation schools and innovation zones in school districts.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)
Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to develop a process for school districts to apply to have one or more schools within the district designated as an innovation school.
Authorizes the superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education to grant waivers of state statutes and administrative rules for designated innovation schools and innovation zones.
Authorizes the superintendent of public instruction, at the request of a school district, to petition the United States department of education or other federal agencies to waive federal regulations necessary to implement an innovation school or innovation zone.
Expires June 30, 2019.
-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 8 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 17 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 23 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 25 WAYS - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; without recommendation. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

- Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 1 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 7 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 94; nays, 2; absent, 0; excused, 2.
- HB 1635-S** by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Upthegrove, Clibborn, Eddy, Armstrong, Liias, Rivers, Angel, Van De Wege, Wilcox, Maxwell, Rolfes, Finn, Sullivan, Dammeier, Orwall, Warnick, and Moscoso)
- Concerning the administration of exams for and issuance and renewal of certain drivers' licenses and identicards.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/05/11)
- Authorizes school districts that offer a traffic safety education program and driver training schools licensed by the department of licensing to administer the portions of the driver licensing examination that test the applicant's knowledge of traffic laws and the ability to safely operate a motor vehicle.
- Increases the fee for, and changes the frequency for renewal of, drivers' licenses, identicards, commercial drivers' licenses, and motorcycle endorsements.
- Authorizes the department of licensing to: (1) Allow certain entities that have entered into a contract with the department to administer the motorcycle endorsement examination; and
- (2) Waive five dollars of a renewal fee if a person renews his or her driver's license through the mail or through online services.
- Establishes the driver licensing examination advisory committee within the department of licensing to facilitate communication in connection with the transition to driver training schools and school districts administering portions of the driver licensing examination and to monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the transition.
- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 10 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 24 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 25 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 3 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 8 First reading, referred to Transportation.
- HB 1650-S** by House Committee on Education Appropriations & Oversight (originally sponsored by Representatives Hasegawa, Kenney, Santos, McCoy, Moscoso, Sells, Carlyle, Reykdal, Seaquist, Jacks, Probst, Maxwell, and Ormsby)
- Changing state need grant eligibility provisions.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
- Modifies eligibility requirements for state need grants.
- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 3 Public hearing in the House Committee on Higher Education at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 7 Public hearing in the House Committee on Higher Education at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 9 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Higher Education at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education Appropriations & Oversight at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 21 APPE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on Education Appropriations & Oversight at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 25 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 1 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 2 1st substitute bill substituted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 77; nays, 20; absent, 0; excused, 1.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 4 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.
- HB 1789-S2** by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Goodman, Pedersen, Roberts, and Miloscia)
- Addressing accountability for persons driving or being in physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)
- Modifies alcohol violation provisions relating to: (1) Day-for-day credit for the time period in which a person kept an ignition interlock device installed;
- (2) Requirement to install ignition interlock device for reckless driving, negligent driving, or participation in a deferred prosecution program;
- (3) Alcohol monitoring same time period as mandatory license suspension or revocation;
- (4) Limitations on eligibility for the deferred prosecution program;
- (5) Prior offenses with regard to vehicular homicide and vehicular assault; and
- (6) Enhancements to the standard sentence range for vehicular homicide.
- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 14 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 17 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 22 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.

- Feb 24 TR - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 25 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 1 Referred to Rules 2 Consideration.
- Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 7 2nd substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 96; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.
- HB 1826-S** by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Orcutt, Sells, McCune, Rolfes, Angel, and Hurst)
Providing taxpayers additional appeal protections for value changes.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Provides taxpayers with additional appeal protections for changes to property values.
-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 15 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 24 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 25 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 1 Referred to Rules 2 Consideration.
- Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 7 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 96; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.
- HB 1902-S** by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Goodman, and Stanford)
Concerning a business and occupation tax deduction for amounts received with respect to child welfare services.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/05/11)
Provides a business and occupation tax deduction to a health or social welfare organization on amounts received as compensation for providing child welfare services under a government-funded program.
-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 16 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 24 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 25 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 1 Referred to Rules 2 Consideration.
- Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 98; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 8 First reading, referred to Transportation.
- HB 1922-S** by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Shea, Taylor, and McCune)
Requiring certain vehicles to submit to inspection and weight measurement upon entering the state. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Requiring certain vehicles to stop at a port of entry upon entering the state.)
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/05/11)
Requires certain vehicles transporting cattle in certain counties in Eastern Washington, upon entering the state, to immediately stop at a port of entry which is operated by the Washington state patrol.
Requires the Washington state patrol to provide a one-time written notification of these requirements to affected carriers known to have previously entered the state in certain counties in Eastern Washington.
-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 23 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 24 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 25 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 1 Referred to Rules 2 Consideration.
- Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 2; absent, 0; excused, 1.
-- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 8 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.
- HB 1952-S2** by House Committee on General Government Appropriations & Oversight (originally sponsored by Representatives Uptegrove, Short, Fagan, and McCune)
Streamlining the state environmental policy act process.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/05/11)
Creates categorical exemptions under the state environmental policy act for: (1) Certain types of construction (expires December 31, 2012);
(2) Certain temporary farmers markets and mobile food vendors; and
(3) Certain electric utility-related actions.

Requires the department of ecology to initiate rule making to adopt categorical exemptions and exemption levels consistent with the act.

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

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 17 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Environment at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations & Oversight at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 21 APPG - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations & Oversight at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 23 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 3 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.
- Mar 5 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 2; absent, 0; excused, 1.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 8 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

HB 1967-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Fitzgibbon, Armstrong, Liias, Nealey, Clibborn, Billig, Frockt, and Reykdal)

Concerning public transportation systems.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/05/11)

Modifies provisions relating to the time period for preparation of six-year transit development plans and annual reports on the status of the state's public transportation systems.

Requires the secretary of the department of transportation to designate an employee in each region to be responsible for integrating public transportation into all state transportation planning and programming activities and fostering greater partnerships between the state and public transportation providers.

Requires new state facilities to be sited in areas adequately accessible by transit service.

Provides that it is the intent of the legislature that: (1) The office of financial management collaborate with the department of transportation, the Washington state transit association, and state and local agencies with public transportation-related responsibilities to establish objectives and performance measures for the department of transportation and other state and local agencies with public transportation-related responsibilities to ensure that public transportation system performance at local, regional, and state government levels progresses toward the attainment of certain policy goals; and

(2) The department of transportation not charge state agencies airspace leases for the use of highway right-of-way for transit facilities.

Declares that facilities such as park and ride lots and transit centers are facilities and services of statewide significance.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 22 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 24 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 25 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 1 Referred to Rules 2 Consideration.
- Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 64; nays, 34; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 8 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2002-S by House Committee on Labor & Workforce Development (originally sponsored by Representatives Sells, Ryu, Ormsby, and Kenney)

Concerning industrial insurance employer wage subsidies and reimbursements for light duty or transitional work.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/05/11)

Modifies temporary total disability provisions relating to employers providing light duty or transitional work. Expires July 1, 2016.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

- Mar 4 LWD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Placed on second reading. Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Labor & Workforce Development at 8:00 AM.
- Mar 5 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 54; nays, 43; absent, 0; excused, 1.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Mar 8 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

HB 2014 by Representatives Hunt, Hasegawa, Appleton, Reykdal, Jinkins, Moscoso, Goodman, Dickerson, Fitzgibbon, Kagi, and Kenney

Concerning liquor license fees.

Modifies provisions relating to liquor license fees.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

- Mar 8 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

Senate Bills

SB 5039-S by Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Murray, Keiser, Hatfield, Pridemore, Conway, and Chase)

Concerning insurance coverage of tobacco cessation treatment in the preventative benefit required under the federal law.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/05/11)

Provides that certain group or individual plan contracts must: (1) Provide coverage for certain preventive health services without imposing cost sharing; and

(2) Cover a minimum of two courses of treatment in a twelve-month period for certain tobacco cessation treatments.

Provides a contingent expiration date.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 20 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 1:30 PM.

Jan 27 Executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 1:30 PM.

Feb 7 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 1:30 PM.

Feb 8 HEA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 10 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Mar 1 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 3 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Mar 5 Third reading, passed; yeas, 28; nays, 21;
absent, 0; excused, 0.
-- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 8 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

SB 5242 by Senators Hargrove, Pflug, Kline, Regala, Harper, Carrell, Keiser, Nelson, Sheldon, Conway, and Shin

Addressing motorcycle profiling.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/05/11)

Requires the criminal justice training commission to ensure that issues related to motorcycle profiling are addressed in basic law enforcement training and offered to in-service law enforcement officers in conjunction with existing training regarding profiling.

Requires local law enforcement agencies to add a statement condemning motorcycle profiling to existing policies regarding profiling.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

Feb 2 Public hearing and executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.

Feb 4 JUD - Majority; do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 10 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 5 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0;
absent, 0; excused, 1.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 8 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

SB 5457-S by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators White, Shin, Murray, Kohl-Welles, Harper, Nelson, Keiser, Prentice, Kline, and McAuliffe)

Providing a congestion reduction charge to fund the operational and capital needs of transit agencies.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes King county, under certain circumstances, to impose an annual congestion reduction charge of up to twenty dollars per vehicle.

Expires December 31, 2014.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 21 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Feb 24 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.

Feb 25 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Mar 1 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 7 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 26; nays, 23;
absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 8 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5566 by Senators Kohl-Welles and Kline; by request of Governor Gregoire

Concerning long-term disability for injured workers and costs to the workers' compensation program. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Reforming workers' compensation through authorization of voluntary settlements, creation of a return to work subsidy program, and authorization of a study of occupational disease.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/05/11)

Modifies workers' compensation provisions.

Authorizes parties to an allowed claim for benefits to enter into a voluntary settlement agreement.

Requires the department of labor and industries to: (1) Contract for an independent study of voluntary settlement agreements approved by the board of industrial insurance appeals;

(2) Contract with an independent entity to study occupational disease claims in the workers' compensation system;

(3) Contract for an independent study of return to work provisions; and

(4) Create a Washington stay-at-work account which shall be funded by assessments of employers insured through the state fund for the costs of certain payments and for the cost of creating a reserve for anticipated liabilities.

Makes wage subsidies and other incentives available to employers insured with the department of labor and industries to encourage employers at the time of injury to provide light duty or transitional work for their workers.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 31 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

Feb 1 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 1:30 PM.

Feb 21 LCCP - Majority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

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

Mar 3 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 5 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 34; nays, 15; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 8 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

SB 5596-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Parlette, Zarelli, Becker, and Hewitt)

Requiring the department of social and health services to submit a demonstration waiver request to revise the federal medicaid program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of social and health services to submit a request to the centers for medicare and medicaid services' innovation center and, if necessary to achieve certain objectives, a section 1115 demonstration waiver request to the federal department of health and human services to revise the medical assistance program as codified in Title XIX of the federal social security act.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 14 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 1:30 PM.

Feb 21 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 1:30 PM.

Feb 25 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 8:00 AM.

Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 12:30 PM.

Feb 28 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 7 2nd substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 49; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 8 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

SB 5647 by Senators Fraser, Honeyford, Rockefeller, Morton, Shin, and Chase; by request of Department of Ecology

Modifying the Columbia river basin management program.
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/05/11)

Provides that the Columbia river basin water supply development account is intended to fund projects using tax exempt bonds.

Authorizes expenditures from the Columbia river basin water supply development account to be used to develop pump exchanges.

Creates the Columbia river basin taxable bond water supply development account and the Columbia river basin water supply revenue recovery account.

Addresses the use of funds from the accounts with regard to the allocation of water supplies secured through the development of new storage facilities.

Requires two-thirds of the water made available through reoperation of Sullivan lake to be used to supply or offset out-of-stream uses in certain counties.

Requires the department of ecology, within existing resources and in consultation with stakeholders, to evaluate options for aggregating projects to achieve the instream and out-of-stream allocation under section 4 of the act.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

Feb 9 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 1:30 PM.

Feb 16 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 1:30 PM.

Feb 17 EWE - Majority; do pass.

Feb 18 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 5 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 49; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 8 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

Mar 11 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural

Resources at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 5688-S by Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Marine Waters (originally sponsored by Senators Ranker, Swecker, Rockefeller, Litzow, Shin, and Kline)

Concerning shark finning activities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Makes unlawful trade in shark fins: (1) In the first degree, a class C felony; and

(2) In the second degree, a gross misdemeanor.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 14 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Marine Waters at 1:30 PM.

Feb 21 NRMW - 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 Natural Resources & Marine Waters at 1:30 PM.

Mar 7 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

1st substitute bill substituted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 47; nays, 0; absent, 1; excused, 1.

SB 5730 by Senator Rockefeller

Authorizing mileage-based automobile insurance. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Concerning usage-based automobile insurance.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/04/11)

Exempts certain usage or mileage-based insurance information from public inspection.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

Feb 15 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Housing & Insurance at 10:00 AM.

Feb 16 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Housing & Insurance at 1:30 PM.

Feb 17 FIHI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

And refer to Ways & Means.

Minority; without recommendation.

On motion, referred to Rules.

Mar 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 4 1st substitute bill not substituted.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 46; nays, 3; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 7 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services.

SB 5769-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Rockefeller, Pridemore, Kohl-Welles, White, Chase, Murray, Ranker, Regala, Fraser, Shin, and Kline)

Regarding coal-fired electric generation facilities.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/05/11)

Provides for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from large coal-fired baseload electric power generation facilities.

Ensures appropriate cleanup and site restoration upon decommissioning of any facilities in the state.

Provides assistance to host communities planning for new economic development and mitigating the economic impacts of the closure of these facilities.

Requires the governor, on behalf of the state, to enter into a memorandum of agreement with the owners of certain coal-fired baseload facilities.

Requires owners of certain facilities to demonstrate during the facility's operation that sufficient funding will be available for closure and postclosure activities.

Requires the community economic revitalization board and the public works board to solicit qualifying projects to plan, design, and construct public facilities and public works projects needed to attract new industrial and commercial activities in areas impacted by the closure or potential closure of certain facilities.

Requires the utilities and transportation commission, on the petition of an electrical company, to approve or disapprove a purchase power agreement for acquisition of coal transition power and the recovery of related acquisition costs.

Exempts an applicant for a natural gas-fired generation plant, to be constructed in a county with certain coal-fired electric generation facilities, from the provisions of chapter 80.70 RCW (carbon dioxide mitigation).

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Feb 11 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 8:00 AM.

Feb 18 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 8:00 AM.

Feb 24 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

Feb 25 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 in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 8:00 AM.

Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 12:30 PM.

Mar 2 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Mar 3 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Mar 5 2nd substitute bill substituted.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 36; nays, 13; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 8 First reading, referred to Environment.

SB 5869 by Senators Tom, Becker, and Ericksen

Requiring insurance benefits with wellness incentives for public employees.

Requires the employee benefit design developed by the public employees' benefits board to incorporate wellness incentives.

Requires contracts for school employees' health benefits to incorporate wellness incentives.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Mar 8 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.