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House Bills

HB 2176-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Goodman, Hope, Dunshee, Kelley, and Fitzgibbon)

Extending the time to enforce civil judgments for damages caused by impaired drivers.

(DÍGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Extends the time to enforce civil judgments for damages caused by impaired drivers.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 9:00 AM.
- Jan 19 JUDI Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.

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

Jan 25 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 2221-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Orwall, Appleton, Jinkins, Pollet, Upthegrove, Roberts, and Kagi)

Creating a claim for wrongful conviction and imprisonment. (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates a claim for wrongful conviction and imprisonment.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.
- Judi Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.

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

HB 2238-S by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Wilcox, Clibborn, Armstrong, Billig, Takko, Rivers, Angel, Hinkle, Schmick, Orcutt, Johnson, Warnick, Dahlquist, Blake, and Chandler)

Regarding wetlands mitigation.

(DIĞEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Pairs required investments in compensatory environmental mitigation, including the mitigation of transportation projects, with certain existing programs that enhance or preserve riparian and aquatic resources.

Requires the forest practices board to serve as an advisory body to environmental regulatory agencies charged with approving wetland mitigation plans that contain direct payments to riparian and aquatic enhancement and conservation programs.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 24 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 10:00 AM.

HB 2255-S by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Kirby and Bailey; by request of Department of Financial Institutions)

Concerning nondepository institutions regulated by the department of financial institutions.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions relating to the regulation of consumer loan companies and check cashers and sellers.

Authorizes the director of the department of financial institutions to: (1) Require certain licensees to use a multistate licensing system; and

(2) Informally settle complaints and enforcement actions with certain licensees.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 1:30 PM
- Jan 20 Executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 1:30 PM
- Jan 23 BFS Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 6:00 PM.

HB 2317-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Cody, Jinkins, Dickerson, and Ormsby)

Financing hospitals by the health care facilities authority. (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Prohibits the total amount of outstanding indebtedness of the health care facilities authority, with respect to hospital projects, from exceeding 5.5 billion dollars at any time.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 1:30 PM.

Jan 23 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 1:30 PM.

HB 2686 by Representatives Alexander, Finn, Haler, and Angel

Regarding the structure and duties of certain boards and commissions.

Creates the gaming and liquor control commission.

Abolishes the gambling commission, the horse racing commission, the lottery commission, and the liquor control board and transfers their powers, duties, and functions to the gaming and liquor control commission.

Requires the department of enterprise services, in consultation with the office of financial management and the Washington state lottery, to establish and conduct a competitive process for the selection of a private sector entity to manage the state lottery.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2687 by Representatives Schmick, Cody, Hinkle, Bailey, Harris, Parker, and Dammeier

Providing health care purchasing options for individuals and small employers.

Expands opportunities for the purchase of affordable health care coverage outside of state-governed health care coverage programs.

- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2688 by Representatives Upthegrove, Fitzgibbon, and Cody

Creating a review process to determine whether a proposed electric generation project or conservation resource qualifies to meet a target under RCW 19.285.040.

Requires the Washington State University extension energy program, when requested by a qualifying utility that is not investor-owned or by persons proposing electric generation or conservation resource projects, to provide analysis and an advisory opinion on whether a proposed electric generation project or conservation resource qualifies to meet a target under the energy independence act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Environment.

Jan 27 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Environment at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

HB 2689 by Representatives Eddy, Springer, Anderson, Upthegrove, Sullivan, Tharinger, and Dammeier

Including the international energy conservation code as part of the state building code.

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-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2690 by Representatives Rodne, Eddy, Dammeier, and Haler; by request of Attorney General

Concerning health care claims against public hospitals arising out of tortious conduct.

Removes the exemption of health care injuries from provisions relating to claims against the state and governmental entities arising out of tortious conduct.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
Public hearing in the House Committee on
Judiciary at 8:00 AM.

HB 2691 by Representatives Chandler and Condotta

Making coverage of certain maritime service elective for purposes of unemployment compensation.

Exempts from the definition of "employment," for purposes of unemployment compensation for maritime service, certain services performed by an individual on a boat engaged in catching fish or other forms of aquatic animal life.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2692 by Representatives Orwall, Asay, Parker, Carlyle, Kelley, Hurst, Ormsby, Kagi, Dickerson, Upthegrove, Goodman, Pettigrew, Maxwell, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Moscoso, Pearson, and Kenney

Concerning the reduction of the commercial sale of sex.

Provides additional punishment for patronizing a prostitute.

Requires certain offenders to fulfill the terms of a program designed to educate them about the negative costs of prostitution.

Requires the clerk of the court in which a person is convicted of patronizing a prostitute to cause to be published, in a newspaper of general circulation, a notice for each person convicted of the crime.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2693 by Representative Kirby; by request of Department of Licensing

Concerning the regulation of employment agencies. Repeals chapter 19.31 RCW (employment agencies).

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services.

Jan 27 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

HB 2694 by Representatives Fitzgibbon and Santos

Incentivizing upfront environmental planning and review.

Increases access to financial assistance through the

Increases access to financial assistance through the growth management planning and environmental review fund by allowing the fund to become a revolving loan program rather than only a grant program.

Requires the department of commerce, in awarding loans under the growth management act, to also give preference to proposals that include environmental review that addresses the impacts of increased density or intensity of comprehensive plans, subarea plans, or receiving areas designated by a city or town under the regional transfer of development rights program.

Authorizes local governments, under certain circumstances, to impose environmental fees on development activity as part of the financing for environmental review, conducted under the state environmental policy act, on a comprehensive plan or subarea plan.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2695 by Representatives Fitzgibbon and Santos

Concerning the categorical exemption of certain nonproject actions by local governments from environmental review under the state environmental policy act.

Provides categorical exemptions, from environmental review under the state environmental policy act, to amendments to certain technical codes and amendments to certain development regulations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Environment.

HB 2696 by Representative Fitzgibbon

Regarding planned actions under the state environmental policy act.

Addresses planned actions under the state environmental policy act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Environment.

HB 2697 by Representatives Ormsby and Bailey

Addressing membership on city disability boards. Addresses membership on city disability boards.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2698 by Representatives Kelley and Rivers

Addressing the notice given to owners of life insurance policies about alternative transactions.

Exempts term life insurance policies from the requirement of giving notice to owners of life insurance policies about alternative transactions.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services.

Jan 27 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

HB 2699 by Representatives Miloscia, Green, Kelley, and Santos

Revising the schedule of audits of school districts.

Subjects school districts to an examination of their financial affairs at least once every three years, however, more frequent periodic audits may occur.

Allows the state auditor, with regard to school districts, to conduct audits to address suspected fraud or irregular conduct; or at the request of the local government governing body; or as required by federal laws or regulations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2700 by Representatives Nealey, Blake, Chandler, Taylor, Warnick, Hinkle, Walsh, and Parker

Concerning certified water right examiner bonding requirements.

Requires certified water right examiners to furnish evidence of insurance or financial responsibility in a form acceptable to the department of ecology.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 2701 by Representatives Sells, Green, Appleton,

Reykdal, Stanford, Upthegrove, Ormsby, and Santos

Regarding the governor as the public employer of language access providers.

Modifies collective bargaining provisions relating to a statewide unit for language access providers who provide spoken language interpreter services for department of social and health services appointments or medicaid enrollee appointments and for department of labor and industries appointments.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2702 by Representatives Darneille, Appleton, Jinkins, Kagi, Dickerson, Hunt, and Kenney

Improving child support collections by requiring reporting of compensation and establishing an intercept program.

Requires certain persons or entities doing business in the state to report to the state support registry the hiring of any independent contractor who resides or works in the state to whom the person or entity anticipates paying compensation.

Requires the department of social and health services to develop rules to implement a gambling payment intercept program that would require cardrooms and casinos to withhold cash payments from a winning player if the player is a parent with a child support obligation in arrears.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2703 by Representatives Hinkle, Sells, Dammeier, Seaquist, Johnson, Reykdal, Ross, Hasegawa, Haler, Warnick, and Kenney

Designating Central Washington University, Eastern Washington University, and Western Washington University as state universities.

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-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 2704 by Representatives Billig, Clibborn, Armstrong, Liias, and Asay

Creating a road user future funding task force.

Creates a road user future funding task force to assist the transportation commission and the legislature in developing the policy for a new system of revenue collection for the state's roads and highways.

Expires June 30, 2023.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2705 by Representatives Sullivan and Kretz

Creating the office of legislative support services.

Creates the office of legislative support services to provide administrative and support services to the senate, the house of representatives, the joint legislative audit and review committee, the joint transportation committee, the office of the state actuary, the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee, the joint legislative systems committee, and the statute law committee.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4016 by Representatives Schmick and Blake

Requesting support for Phase II of the Columbia Basin Project.

Requests support for phase II of the Columbia basin project.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

Senate Bills

SB 5343-S2 by Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Delvin, Hatfield, Honeyford, Becker, Shin, and Schoesler)

Concerning air emissions from anaerobic digesters.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies the clean air act relating to notification of construction of new contaminant sources and exemptions for generators operating at an electric generating project.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 31 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development at 10:00 AM.

Feb 17 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development at 10:00 AM.

Mar 22 Public hearing in the House Committee on Environment at 1:30 PM.

Mar 24 Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Environment at 8:00 AM.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Water & Rural Economic Development at 10:00 AM.

Jan 23 AWRD - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the Senate
Committee on Agriculture and Water &
Rural Economic Development at 10:00
AM

Jan 24 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6078-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters (originally sponsored by Senators Ranker, Swecker, Regala, Kline,

Schoesler, Fain, Kilmer, Harper, Shin, Litzow, Fraser, Keiser, Conway, Hargrove, and Rolfes)

Implementing efficiencies in the management of the state's natural resources.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the departments of agriculture, ecology, fish and wildlife, and natural resources, the recreation and conservation office, the Puget Sound partnership, the conservation commission, and the parks and recreation commission, in consultation with the office of financial management, to develop and effectuate an ongoing process to identify, analyze, and, where appropriate, implement opportunities to achieve efficiencies in or improve the effectiveness of agency operations and resource management.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 11 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources & Marine Waters at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 18 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources & Marine Waters at 9:00 AM.
- Jan 19 ENRM Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Jan 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6092-S by Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Schoesler, Hatfield, Becker, Hobbs, and Shin)

Regarding the dairy products commission.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Changes the composition of the dairy products commission and the commission's districts and boundaries.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Water & Rural Economic Development at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 17 Executive action taken in the Senate
 Committee on Agriculture and Water &
 Rural Economic Development at 1:30
 PM.
- Jan 19 AWRD Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6105-S by Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Parlette, Hatfield, Conway, Becker, Keiser, and Shin)

Concerning the prescription monitoring program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Exempts veterinarians from data submission requirements of the prescription monitoring program.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 19 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 1:30 PM.

- Jan 23 HEA Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second
 - reading.
- Jan 25 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

SB 6120-S by Senate Committee on Environment (originally sponsored by Senators Nelson, Swecker, Harper, Hargrove, Kohl-Welles, Fraser, Kastama, Pridemore, Rolfes, Frockt, Ranker, Regala, Shin, Tom, Kline, Chase, Keiser, and Conway)

Concerning children's safe products.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Prohibits manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers from manufacturing, selling, offering for sale, distributing for sale, or distributing for use in this state, a children's product containing TRIS (as defined in section 1 of the act) in amounts greater than fifty parts per million in any component.

Requires certain manufacturers of children's products whose product contains TRIS to submit an alternatives assessment to the department of ecology.

Requires the department of ecology to provide technical assistance to a manufacturer required to conduct an alternatives assessment that requests assistance.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 17 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 20 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Environment at 9:00 AM.
- Jan 23 ENV Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 And refer to Ways & Means.
 Minority; do not pass.
 Referred to Ways & Means.
- Jan 26 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM. (Subject to change)

SB 6467 by Senators Hobbs, Shin, Swecker, Haugen, Rolfes, Fraser, Prentice, Kohl-Welles, and McAuliffe

Making Japanese-Americans interned during World War II eligible for former prisoner of war license plates.

Authorizes Japanese-Americans interned during World War II, who are registered owners of a motor vehicle, to apply to the department of licensing for former prisoner of war license plates.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 25 First reading, referred to Transportation.
- Jan 26 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM. (Subject to change)

SB 6468 by Senators Kilmer, Schoesler, Tom, Murray, Harper, Conway, and Shin

Requiring state research universities to adopt policies governing investment of university funds, consistent with the uniform prudent management of institutional funds act, and requiring annual investment performance reports.

Requires the regents of each state research university to: (1) Adopt policies that govern investments of university funds; and

(2) Provide for the preparation of a publicly available investment performance report.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 6469 by Senators Hill, Chase, McAuliffe, Kastama, and Tom

Regulating fire hydrant services provided by local governments.

Affirms the authority of water-sewer districts, and cities and towns operating waterworks systems, to provide fire hydrant services and finance the cost of these services through adopted rate systems.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.

SB 6470 by Senators McAuliffe and Chase

Authorizing benefit charges for the enhancement of fire protection services.

Authorizes certain cities and towns to fix and impose a benefit charge, for enhancement of fire protection services, on personal property and improvements to real property.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.

SB 6471 by Senators Rolfes and Ericksen

Concerning license plates on the front of vehicles.

Requires the director of the department of licensing to furnish to persons making satisfactory application for a vehicle registration, one license plate if the registered owner of the vehicle requests only one license plate for the rear of the vehicle.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6472 by Senators Harper, Honeyford, Kline, and Shin

Concerning disclosure of carbon monoxide alarms in real estate transactions.

Revises real estate seller disclosure forms to include carbon monoxide alarms.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 6473 by Senators Kastama, Chase, Conway, Shin, and Kohl-Welles

Concerning shared work.

Requires the employment security department to expand its efforts in marketing shared work compensation plans.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6474 by Senators Keiser and Fain

Changing sales tax sourcing from destination based to origin based if congress does not enact legislation requiring remote sellers to collect sales tax.

Changes sales tax sourcing from destination based to origin based.

Takes effect January 1, 2014, if congress does not pass legislation by July 1, 2013, requiring remote sellers to collect the retail sales tax, use tax, or other similar tax from states to which they sell, but do not have a physical presence in such state.

Requires the department of revenue to provide notice to certain parties of whether the contingency occurs.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6475 by Senators Hobbs, Kohl-Welles, Honeyford, and Holmquist Newbry

Changing the criteria for the beer and wine tasting endorsement for grocery stores.

Modifies requirements for grocery stores with regard to a beer and wine tasting endorsement.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6476 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Conway, Nelson, Keiser, and Chase

Regulating plumbing contractors.

Regulates plumbing contractors.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

Jan 26 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6477 by Senators Conway, Holmquist Newbry, and Kohl-Welles

Concerning spirits sampling in former contract liquor stores. Requires the liquor control board to allow spirits sampling in former contract liquor stores for the purpose of promoting the sponsor's products.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6478 by Senators Fraser, Schoesler, Prentice, Honeyford, Chase, Keiser, Roach, and Shin

Asserting that submission of DNA markers to a database be accessible only to qualified laboratory personnel.

Addresses the collection of biological samples for DNA identification analysis from adults lawfully arrested for the

commission of any criminal offense constituting a ranked felony or gross misdemeanor violation of certain orders.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6479 by Senators Swecker and Haugen

Making technical corrections to certain vehicle and vessel title and registration provisions.

Reconciles and conforms amendments, to certain vehicle and vessel title and registration provisions, made in chapter 161, Laws of 2010 and chapter 171, Laws of 2011 with other legislation passed during the 2010 and 2011 legislative sessions; and provides technical amendments.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6480 by Senators King, Schoesler, and Holmquist Newbry

Protecting employers who pay the prevailing wage on public works.

Protects certain employers from claims that the employer paid an incorrect rate of wage.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6481 by Senator Becker

Concerning the expiration of provisions related to managed health care systems' participation in the basic health plan.

Changes the expiration, from July 1, 2016, to July 1, 2014, of provisions relating to participation of managed health care systems in the basic health plan.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6482 by Senators Nelson, Conway, Kohl-Welles, Chase, McAuliffe, and Keiser

Assessing a two percent tax on millionaires to fund the paramount duty trust fund and reduce class sizes in grades kindergarten through fourth.

Assesses a two percent marginal tax on annual income exceeding one million dollars.

Establishes a new state trust fund dedicated to meeting the paramount duty for the education of all children.

Requires only taxpayers with adjusted gross income of one million dollars or more to file a tax return with the department of revenue.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6483 by Senators King, Holmquist Newbry, Honeyford, Parlette, and Padden

Addressing criminal activities occurring at rental properties. Provides landlords and law enforcement with the tools to identify and expeditiously remove, from rental property, squatters, gang influences, and those engaged in criminal activities.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6484 by Senators Hatfield, Morton, and Shin

Regarding livestock inspections.

Exempts certain individual private sales of unbranded dairy breeding cattle from mandatory livestock inspection.

Prohibits the department of agriculture from exempting payment of the livestock inspection fee where a mandatory livestock inspection is conducted.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6485 by Senators Fain, Holmquist Newbry, Hill, Litzow, Schoesler, Honeyford, Ericksen, Hargrove, and Hewitt

Limiting the exceptions to the general rule of several or proportionate liability.

Enacts reforms that create a more equitable distribution of liability based upon one's proportionate share of fault.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6486 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Conway, Chase, Keiser, Harper, Prentice, Nelson, Pridemore, Kline, Murray, and Frockt

Granting collective bargaining for postdoctoral researchers at certain state universities.

Grants collective bargaining for postdoctoral researchers at the University of Washington and Washington State University.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6487 by Senators Frockt, Nelson, Conway, Rolfes, Shin, Pridemore, and Hobbs

Concerning intermodal container chassis.

Addresses violations identified by a law enforcement entity on an intermodal container chassis used to move intermodal containers.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8223 by Senators Kilmer, Schoesler, Tom, Murray, Harper, Conway, Shin, and McAuliffe

Amending the Constitution to provide clear authority to state research universities to invest funds as authorized by law, including investment in stocks or bonds issued by any company.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to provide clear authority to state research universities to invest funds as authorized by law, including investment in stocks or bonds issued by any company.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --Jan 25 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.