



WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE



Legislative Digest No. 29

SIXTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

Friday, February 24, 2012

47th Day - 2012 Regular Session

SENATE	SB 6601	SB 6602	SB 6603	SB 6604	SB 6605	SB 6606	SB 6607
HOUSE	HB 2190-S	HB 2373-S2	HB 2783-S	HB 2794	HB 2795	HB 2796	HB 2797

This publication includes digest and history for bills, joint memorials, joint resolutions, concurrent resolutions, initiatives, and substitutes. Engrossed measures may be republished if the amendment makes a substantive change.

Electronic versions of Legislative Digests are available at <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/digests.aspx?year=2012>.

House Bills

HB 2190-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Clibborn, Armstrong, Billig, and Hargrove; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Making 2011-2013 supplemental transportation appropriations.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Makes 2011-2013 supplemental transportation appropriations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 16 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Feb 20 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Feb 21 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2373-S2 by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Van De Wege and Tharinger)

Concerning the state's management of its recreational resources.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions relating to the discover pass, day-use permits, and vehicle access passes.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations & Oversight at 2:00 PM.

Feb 1 Public hearing in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations & Oversight at 8:30 AM.

Feb 3 Executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the House Committee on

General Government Appropriations & Oversight at 8:00 AM.

Executive action taken in the House

Committee on General Government

Appropriations & Oversight at 1:30 PM.

Feb 6 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 10:00 AM.

Feb 20 WAYS - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.

Feb 21 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2783-S by House Committee on Environment (originally sponsored by Representatives Uptegrove, Short, and McCune)

Concerning coal transition power.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses coal transition power.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 16 Public hearing in the House Committee on Environment at 8:00 AM.

Feb 21 ENVI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Referred to Rules 2 Review.

Executive action taken in the House

Committee on Environment at 1:30 PM.

HB 2794 by Representatives DeBolt, Sullivan, Anderson, Carlyle, Kretz, Springer, Smith, Hudgins, Short, Dickerson, Angel, Darneille, Warnick, Cody, Ross, Hinkle, Kristiansen, Haler, Parker, Ladenburg, Billig, Moscoso, Hansen, Pollet, Tharinger, Jinkins, Pearson, Wylie, Hunt, Kenney, and Roberts

Narrowing a business and occupation tax deduction for banking, loan, security, and other financial businesses.

Narrows a business and occupation tax deduction for certain financial businesses.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to review the deductions provided in the act and make a recommendation as to whether the deductions should be continued or terminated immediately.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 23 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2795 by Representative Miloscia

Regarding school district audits.

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.

Makes an appropriation.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 23 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2796 by Representatives Miloscia and Green

Improving government performance.

Expands the duties of the legislative ethics board and the executive ethics board with regard to ethics and integrity.

Requires state officers and employees to attend annual ethics and integrity training.

Requires each head of agency to: (1) Develop an annual ethics and integrity plan for leadership and staff of the agency; and

(2) Create an independent advisory committee of employees and citizens.

Requires state agencies to provide electronic copies of Washington performance audit award assessments, feedback reports, and corrective action plans to the government management accountability and performance program, the joint legislative audit and review committee, and the state auditor.

Requires the house of representatives to complete Washington performance audit award assessments until a score of sixty percent is obtained.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to audit the legislative ethics board and the house of representatives' and senate's ethics and integrity programs.

Requires the state auditor to: (1) Develop a governor's integrity and ethics award program;

(2) Establish an annual assessment and performance grading program that will consist of annual performance assessments and grading state agency performance; and

(3) Audit the executive ethics board.

Changes the name of the Washington quality award council to the Washington performance audit award council.

Provides funding for the performance assessments and scorecard program.

Makes appropriations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 23 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2797 by Representatives Van De Wege, McCoy, and

Santos

Regarding the statewide high school assessment in science.

Sets aside the biology end-of-course exam as a graduation requirement until: (1) The state has the funding and resources to develop and implement a second science end-of-course or integrated science exam; or

(2) The decision is made about how to assess the next generation science standards.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 23 First reading, referred to Education.

Senate Bills

SB 6601 by Senators Delvin, King, Shin, and Hatfield

Concerning the authorization and regulation of electronic scratch ticket machines for house-banked card room establishments and providing funding for education, health and human services, and public safety.

Establishes the electronic gaming revenue act.

Authorizes electronic scratch ticket devices to house-banked card room licensees.

Grants specific authority to the state lottery commission to regulate electronic scratch ticket gambling by house-banked card rooms.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 23 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6602 by Senators Roach and Chase

Creating a child welfare transparency committee.

Creates a child welfare transparency committee within each of the six regions of the department of social and health services to review and investigate child welfare cases in which the department is currently involved, or has been involved within the last twelve months.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 23 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6603 by Senators Roach and Chase

Relating to prohibiting a child custody award to a suspect in an active murder investigation.

Introduced by title and introductory section only.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 23 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6604 by Senators Roach and Chase

Concerning background information of certain guardians ad litem.

Requires each guardian ad litem program for compensated guardians ad litem to maintain a background information record for each guardian ad litem in the program.

Requires a statement of financial affairs to be included in a guardian ad litem's background information record.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 23 First reading, referred to Human Services
& Corrections.

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

SB 6605 by Senators Roach and Chase

Requiring that child protective service workers be licensed as social workers and bonded.

Requires child protective services workers to be bonded and to be licensed in good standing in a social work classification.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 23 First reading, referred to Human Services
& Corrections.

SB 6606 by Senators Roach and Chase

Splitting the department of social and health services into several smaller, more focused agencies.

Creates the department of children and family services, the department of public welfare, and the department of medical and rehabilitative services.

Transfers powers, duties, and functions of the department of social and health services currently performed by the juvenile rehabilitation administration, and the children's administration to the department of children and family services.

Transfers powers, duties, and functions of the department of social and health services currently performed by the economic services administration to the department of public welfare.

Transfers powers, duties, and functions of the department of social and health services currently performed by the aging and disability services and health and recovery services administrations to the department of medical and rehabilitative services.

Repeals chapter 70.190 RCW (family policy council).

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 23 First reading, referred to Human Services
& Corrections.

SB 6607 by Senators Kilmer, Frockt, Kastama, Hatfield, Harper, Hargrove, Hill, Murray, Becker, Hobbs, and Hewitt

Instituting policies to reduce the central service costs of state government.

Requires the department of enterprise services to develop a state policy on the purchasing and use of cellular telephone communications devices and services, the purchasing and use of state agency mailings, the use of agency-based printing, and the acquisition of motor vehicles, to be applicable to all agencies and institutions of state government.

Requires the office of financial management and the department of enterprise services to jointly establish a work group on central services rate methodology to examine the methods by which the costs of state agency central services are allocated among the agencies and institutions of state government.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 23 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.