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**SENATE** SB 5875-S SB 5881-S SB 6483-S SB 6545-S SB 6567-S

**HOUSE** HB 2802 HB 2803

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### House Bills

**HB 2802** by Representative Morris

Designating the sea hawk as the official raptor of the state of Washington.

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Mar 11 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2803** by Representatives Fitzgibbon, Fey, and Walkinshaw

Establishing a price on carbon pollution in order to fulfill the paramount duty of the state to fund basic education.

Imposes, at the time of the first taxable event and upon the first taxable person within this state, a fossil fuel carbon pollution tax upon the carbon content of fossil fuels extracted, manufactured, or introduced into this state.

Exempts the following from the tax: (1) Fossil fuels used for air or marine travel between this state and a jurisdiction outside the geographic borders of this state;

(2) Fossil fuels purchased in this state for export for use outside the state; and

(3) Fossil fuels brought into this state by means of the fuel supply tank of a motor vehicle, vessel, locomotive, or aircraft.

Requires taxes collected under the fossil fuel carbon pollution tax to be deposited in the education legacy trust account.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Mar 11 First reading, referred to Finance (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

### Senate Bills

**SB 5875-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Hill)

Concerning a surcharge for local homeless housing and assistance.

**(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)**

Extends the document recording surcharge for local homeless housing and assistance to July 1, 2016.

Requires a percentage of surcharge funds to be set aside for the use of private rental housing vouchers. If the state auditor finds that the department of commerce has failed to set aside the funds for the use of private rental housing vouchers, the department must submit a corrective action plan to the office of financial management within thirty days of receipt of the state auditor's finding.

Requires the office of financial management to monitor the department's corrective action plan and expenditures from the home security fund account for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Requires certain local governments to notify interested landlords via e-mail when funds are available for the use of private rental housing vouchers before authorizing housing for a tenant that will use a private rental housing voucher.

Requires the department of commerce to convene a stakeholder group to discuss long-term funding strategies for homeless housing programs that do not include a surcharge on document recording fees.

Requires the state auditor to conduct a performance audit of the programs funded by document recording surcharge funds.

Transfers certain reporting duties from the department of commerce to the state auditor.

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Mar 10 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 10:00 AM.  
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 6:30 PM.

- Mar 11 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 5881-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Hill)
- Prioritizing state revenue growth for education.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Establishes the kids first act.  
Requires two-thirds of the growth in state revenues in each fiscal biennium over the next decade be expended on education, including early learning, basic education, and higher education.  
Provides for submission of this act to a vote of the people.
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- Mar 10 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 10:00 AM.  
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 6:30 PM.
- Mar 11 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 6483-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Honeyford, Frockt, Dammeier, Billig, Hargrove, Kohl-Welles, Kline, and McAuliffe)
- Financing facilities to support education reform with general obligation bonds.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Provides financial assistance to school districts that need additional help to provide school facilities to meet certain educational reforms.  
Authorizes the state finance committee to issue general obligation bonds to finance certain projects and grant programs.  
Addresses modernizing STEM facilities, all-day kindergarten, and K-3 class size.  
Makes appropriations.
- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 3 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Mar 10 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 10:00 AM.  
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 6:30 PM.
- Mar 11 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 6545-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means
- (originally sponsored by Senators Braun, Rivers, Brown, and Benton)
- Extending specific aerospace tax preferences to include other types of commercial aircraft to encourage the migration of good wage jobs in the state.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Provides a preferential business and occupation tax rate, a business and occupation tax credit, and a sales and use tax deferral for the manufacturing of rotorcraft, including the components used in the manufacturing process.
- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
- Mar 10 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 10:00 AM.  
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 6:30 PM.
- Mar 11 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 6567-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Tom, Hill, Billig, Rolfes, Chase, Ranker, Hargrove, Baumgartner, Schoesler, Litzow, Fain, Ericksen, and Dammeier)
- Imposing the oil spill response tax and oil spill administration tax on crude oil received by rail.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Imposes the oil spill response tax and the oil spill administration tax for the privilege of receiving crude oil at a bulk oil terminal within this state from a tank car.
- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 27 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Mar 10 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 6:30 PM.
- Mar 11 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.