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House Bills

HB 1312-S by House Committee on Public Safety (originally sponsored by Representatives Goodman and Moscoso)

Addressing the limited exoneration of bail forfeitures in instances where the prosecuting agency declines extradition of a defendant.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires a court, if a forfeiture has been entered against a defendant in a criminal case and the defendant is located in a jurisdiction beyond the jurisdiction of the court that ordered the bail forfeited, to remit the full amount of the bond to the surety, less the costs determined by the court to have been incurred by law enforcement in transporting, locating, apprehending, or processing the return of the defendant to the jurisdiction of the court.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety at 8:00 AM.

Feb 20 Executive action scheduled, but the motion to report the bill out of the House Committee on Public Safety at 10:00 AM failed.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety at 8:00 AM.

Jan 29 PS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety at 10:00 AM.

Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1528-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Robinson, Riccelli, Rodne, Magendanz,

DeBolt, Harris, Clibborn, Stanford, Caldier, Tharinger, Kagi, and Wylie)

Allowing authorized health care providers to prescribe epinephrine autoinjectors.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes an authorized health care provider to prescribe epinephrine autoinjectors in the name of an authorized entity.

Authorizes pharmacists, advanced registered nurse practitioners, and physicians to dispense epinephrine autoinjectors pursuant to a prescription issued in the name of an authorized entity.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.

Jan 29 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.

Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1632-S by House Committee on Public Safety (originally sponsored by Representatives Goodman, Klippert, Orwall, Hayes, Jinkins, and Wylie)

Concerning domestic violence.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies domestic violence provisions relating to: (1) Offender scores for assault of a child and criminal mistreatment; and

(2) Revising the crime of fourth degree assault.

Requires a biological sample to be collected for purposes of DNA identification analysis from an adult or juvenile convicted of assault in the fourth degree, where domestic violence was pleaded and proven, or an equivalent municipal ordinance.

Authorizes a sheriff to waive fees associated with service of a writ of habeas corpus that was issued for the return of a child when the person who was granted the

writ is, by reason of poverty, unable to pay the cost of service.

Requires the administrative office of the courts, through the Washington state gender and justice commission of the supreme court, to convene a work group to address the issue of domestic violence perpetrator treatment and the role of certified perpetrator treatment programs in holding domestic violence perpetrators accountable.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 30 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety at 11:00 AM.
- Feb 6 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety at 10:00 AM.
- Mar 16 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Law & Justice at 1:30 PM.
- Mar 31 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Law & Justice at 8:00 AM.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 15 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 20 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 29 PS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 2 Referred to General Government & Information Technology.
- Feb 5 Public hearing and executive session in the House Committee on General Government & Information Technology at 10:00 AM.

HB 1949-S by House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Pollet, S. Hunt, Gregerson, Ortiz-Self, Moscoso, Ormsby, and McBride)

Regulating the institutions of higher education, including for-profit institutions and private vocational schools, to protect students from unfair business practices.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates, within the student achievement council, the office of the ombuds serving students of for-profit degree granting institutions and private vocational schools to provide assistance to students of for-profit postsecondary institutions and private vocational schools.

Requires the council, in coordination with the workforce training and education coordinating board, to appoint an ombuds.

Requires the council, the board, and the department of licensing to work together to design and oversee a study, to be administered by the council, that objectively analyzes and makes recommendations about systemic overlaps and gaps in jurisdiction regarding for-profit degree granting institutions and private vocational schools in the state.

Authorizes the council to deny, revoke, or suspend the authorization of an institution that is found to have engaged in a substantial number of unfair business

practices or that has engaged in significant unfair business practices.

Addresses unfair business practices with regard to student loan products that fund education that benefit certain persons or entities.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Higher Education at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 29 HE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Higher Education at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 2 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2307-S by House Committee on Labor & Workplace Standards (originally sponsored by Representatives Farrell, Senn, Riccelli, Appleton, Wylie, Robinson, Tarleton, Goodman, Ormsby, Tharinger, Gregerson, Pollet, Sullivan, Stanford, Jinkins, Kuderer, Ortiz-Self, S. Hunt, Blake, Lytton, Kilduff, Fitzgibbon, Kagi, Sells, Reykdal, Walkinshaw, Rossetti, Sawyer, Orwall, Peterson, Van De Wege, McBride, Kirby, Fey, Santos, Cody, Hudgins, Bergquist, Moscoso, and Frame)

Providing reasonable accommodations in the workplace for pregnant women. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Requiring reasonable accommodations in employment for pregnancy, childbirth, or pregnancy-related health conditions.)

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/04/16)

Makes it an unfair practice for an employer to fail or refuse to make reasonable accommodation in employment for pregnancy, childbirth, or pregnancy-related health conditions.

Allows an employer to request an employee to provide written certification from her treating health care professional regarding the need for reasonable accommodation if the need for reasonable accommodation is not apparent to a reasonable person.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Labor & Workplace Standards at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 19 LAWS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Labor & Workplace Standards at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 21 Referred to Rules 2 Review.
- Jan 28 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 4 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 52; nays, 45; absent, 0; excused, 0.
- IN THE SENATE --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2335-S2 by House Committee on General Government & Information Technology (originally sponsored by Representatives Cody, Appleton, and Jinkins)

Addressing health care provider credentialing.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Requires a health carrier to use the database selected pursuant to RCW 48.165.035 (lead organization tasks--uniform electronic process) to accept and manage credentialing applications from health care providers.

Requires a health care provider to: (1) When submitting a credentialing application to a health carrier, submit the application using that same database; and

(2) Update credentialing information as necessary to provide for the purposes of recredentialing.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 1:30 PM.

Jan 15 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.

Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on General Government & Information Technology at 3:30 PM.

Jan 29 GGIT - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on General Government & Information Technology at 8:00 AM.

Feb 4 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2375-S by House Committee on Public Safety (originally sponsored by Representatives Magendanz, Orwall, Smith, Tarleton, MacEwen, Muri, Stanford, and Wylie)

Concerning cybercrime.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the Washington cybercrime act.

Addresses the crimes of computer trespass, electronic data service interference, spoofing, electronic data tampering, and electronic data theft.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 20 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety at 1:30 PM.

Jan 29 PS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

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

Feb 2 Referred to General Government & Information Technology.

Feb 5 Public hearing and executive session in the House Committee on General Government & Information Technology at 10:00 AM.

HB 2387-S by House Committee on Public Safety (originally sponsored by Representative S. Hunt)

Concerning flamethrowing devices.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Prohibits the use or possession of a flamethrowing device without a valid flamethrowing device permit issued by the director of fire protection.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety at 8:00 AM.

Jan 29 PS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

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

Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2408-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Jinkins, Clibborn, Calder, Rodne, Robinson, Short, Johnson, Fitzgibbon, Kagi, Tarleton, and Riccelli)

Mitigating barriers to patient access to care resulting from health insurance contracting practices.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Prohibits a health plan, offered to employees and their covered dependents under chapter 41.05 RCW, and a health carrier from requiring a covered person's cost sharing, including copayments, for chiropractic, physical therapy, occupational therapy, East Asian medicine, massage therapy, or speech and hearing therapies.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 8:00 AM.

Jan 29 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.

Feb 3 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2425-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Kuderer, Schmick, S. Hunt, Chandler, Goodman, Rodne, Kilduff, Manweller, and Jinkins)

Concerning massage therapists.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Changes the term "massage practitioner" to "massage therapist."

Changes the term "animal massage practitioner" to "animal massage therapist."

Requires the department of health to issue new licenses and renewals as they become due using the new terms as appropriate.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.

Jan 29 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.

Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2435-S by House Committee on General Government & Information Technology (originally sponsored by Representatives Hudgins, S. Hunt, Tarleton, Stanford, McBride, and Bergquist)

Enhancing election reconciliation reports.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the county auditor to: (1) Make election reconciliation reports available to the public at the auditor's office;

(2) Publish the reports on the auditor's web site at the time of certification; and

(3) Submit the reports to the secretary of state at the time of certification.

Requires the secretary of state to collect the reports from each county auditor and prepare a statewide reconciliation report for each state primary and general election.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 20 Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 29 GGIT - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on General Government & Information Technology at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 4 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2439-S by House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Walsh, Senn, Johnson, Orwall, Dent, McBride, Reykdal, Jinkins, Tharinger, Fey, Tarleton, Stanford, Springer, Frame, Kilduff, Sells, Bergquist, and Goodman)

Increasing access to adequate and appropriate mental health services for children and youth.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the children's mental health work group to identify barriers in accessing mental health services for children and families and to advise the legislature on statewide mental health services for this population.

Requires the state health care authority and the department of social and health services to report to the appropriate legislative committees on the status of access to behavioral health services for children from birth through age seventeen.

Requires the state health care authority to: (1) Expand the partnership access line service by selecting a rural inclusive region of the state to offer an additional level of child mental health care support services for primary care (referred to as the PAL plus pilot program);

(2) For purposes of the PAL plus pilot program, work in collaboration with faculty from the University of Washington working on the integration of mental health and medical care; and

(3) Require universal annual screening and provider payment for depression for children ages eleven through twenty-one as recommended by the bright futures guidelines of the American academy of pediatrics.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to conduct an inventory of the mental health service models available to students in schools, school districts, and educational service districts.

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

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 20 Public hearing in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 29 ELHS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 2 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2448-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Robinson, Harris, and Stanford)

Concerning the practice of certain East Asian medicine therapies.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises the definition of "East Asian medicine," for purposes of chapter 18.06 RCW (East Asian medicine practitioners), to expand the definition of "point injection therapy" to include injection of substances, limited to saline, sterile water, herbs, minerals, vitamins in liquid form, and homeopathic and nutritional substances, consistent with the practice of East Asian medicine.

States that point injection therapy does not include injection of controlled substances contained in schedules I through V of the uniform controlled substances act or steroids.

Revises the definition of "practitioner," for purposes of chapter 69.41 RCW (legend drugs--prescription drugs), to include East Asian medicine practitioners to the extent authorized under chapter 18.06 RCW.

Requires the department of health, in consultation with the East Asian medicine advisory committee, to establish by rule the definition of "point injection therapy" and adopt rules regarding substances administered as part of point injection therapy consistent with the practice of East Asian medicine.

Requires an East Asian medicine practitioner, before providing point injection therapy services, to obtain the education and training necessary to provide the service.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 20 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 29 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2450-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by

Representatives Tharinger, Short, Cody, Schmick, Jinkins, and Blake)

Allowing critical access hospitals participating in the Washington rural health access preservation pilot to resume critical access hospital payment and licensure.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Allows critical access hospitals that participate in the Washington rural health access preservation pilot to resume critical access hospital payment and licensure.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.

Jan 29 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.

Feb 3 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2458-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Parker, Cody, Riccelli, Holy, and Tharinger)

Concerning participation in the prescription drug donation program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the cancer can't charitable pharmacy act.

Authorizes a person to whom a prescription drug was prescribed to donate the prescription drug if, as determined by the professional judgment of a pharmacist, the prescription drugs were stored under required temperature conditions using the prescription drugs' time temperature indicator information and the person has completed and signed a donor form adopted by the department of health to release the prescription drug for distribution and certifying that the donated prescription drug has never been opened, used, adulterated, or misbranded.

Requires the department of health to develop a form for a person to use when releasing prescription drugs for distribution and certifying the condition of the drugs.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 8:00 AM.

Jan 29 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.

Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2511-S by House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Pike, Scott, Vick, Shea, Walsh, and Young)

Concerning child care center licensing requirements.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes licensed child care centers to serve children enrolled in kindergarten in a mixed group or classroom, excluding classrooms which serve infants not walking independently.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services at 8:00 AM.

Jan 29 ELHS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services at 10:00 AM.

Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2518-S by House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Sawyer, Walsh, Kagi, Kilduff, Zeiger, Reykdal, Frame, McBride, Ormsby, Walkinshaw, Gregerson, Bergquist, and Stanford)

Promoting the reduction of intergenerational poverty.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the Washington intergenerational poverty reduction commission to reduce intergenerational poverty.

Creates the intergenerational poverty advisory committee to assist the commission.

Requires the department of social and health services to establish and maintain a system to track intergenerational poverty, which must: (1) Identify groups that have a high risk of experiencing intergenerational poverty;

(2) Identify incidents, patterns, and trends that explain or contribute to intergenerational poverty;

(3) Assist case workers, social scientists, and government officials in the study and development of effective and efficient plans and programs to help individuals and families in the state to break the cycle of poverty; and

(4) Gather and track certain local, state, and national data on poverty.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 Public hearing in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services at 1:30 PM.

Jan 29 ELHS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services at 10:00 AM.

Feb 3 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2678-S by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Schmick, Cody, and Van De Wege)

Regulating nursing home facilities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Regulates nursing home facilities.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 Public hearing in the House Committee on Appropriations at 3:30 PM.

Jan 28 APP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

- Executive action taken in the House Committee on Appropriations at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.
- HB 2711-S** by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives McCabe, Walsh, Orwall, Cody, McBride, Calder, Kilduff, Wylie, Senn, Smith, Gregerson, Tarleton, Ormsby, Pollet, and Goodman)
- Increasing the availability of sexual assault nurse examiners.
- (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
- Requires the office of crime victims advocacy to study the availability of sexual assault nurse examiners throughout the state.
- Expires July 31, 2017.
- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 27 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 29 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.
- HB 2725-S** by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Rossetti, Kirby, Appleton, Ortiz-Self, and Jinkins)
- Addressing the authority of pharmacists to dispense prescription drugs.
- (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
- Authorizes a pharmacist to dispense a prescription drug to a patient with an expired prescription if certain conditions are met.
- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 26 Public hearing in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 8:00 AM.
- Jan 29 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.
- HB 2865-S** by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Cody, Harris, and Ormsby)
- Concerning hospital privileges for advanced registered nurse practitioners and physician assistants.
- (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
- Requires a hospital and other approved facilities, before granting or renewing clinical privileges or association of an advanced registered nurse practitioner or a physician assistant, to request certain information from the advanced registered nurse practitioner or the physician assistant.
- Requires the medical quality assurance commission or the board of osteopathic medicine and surgery to be advised within thirty days of the name of a physician assistant denied staff privileges, association, or employment on the basis of adverse findings.
- Requires the nursing care quality assurance commission to be advised within thirty days of the name of an advanced registered nurse practitioner denied staff privileges or association on the basis of adverse findings.
- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 29 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Executive action taken in the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.
- HB 2974** by Representatives Shea, Taylor, Young, Scott, McCaslin, and Condotta
- Prohibiting the confiscation of an individual's private real and personal property during an emergency.
- Prohibits a state agency or political subdivision, while acting in support of relief from a major disaster or emergency, from: (1) Temporarily or permanently seizing, or authorizing the seizure of, the real and personal property of a private individual; or
- (2) Prohibiting the possession or use of the real and personal property of a private individual.
- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
- HB 2975** by Representatives Shea, Taylor, Scott, McCaslin, Condotta, and Dent
- Establishing the Washington state firearms civil rights act.
- Establishes the Washington state firearms civil rights act.
- Provides that a person employed by the state or a political subdivision, or any agency thereof, and any elected or appointed officials thereof, are guilty of denial of firearms civil rights if he or she: (1) Denies the issuance or renewal of a concealed pistol license to an applicant who is qualified for the license;
- (2) Requires or requests an applicant for a concealed pistol license to provide additional information beyond what is required;
- (3) Confiscates or orders forfeiture of, without authority of state law or due process of law, a citizen's firearm or firearm parts, accessories, or ammunition;
- (4) Prohibits a seller of a firearm or firearm parts, accessories, or ammunition, without the authority of state law or due process of law, from delivering the firearm or firearm parts, accessories, or ammunition to a purchaser; or
- (5) Orders or impedes, without authority of state law or due process of law, a licensed seller to delay delivery of a firearm to a purchaser beyond the time limit.
- Adds time to the standard sentence range for a person who possesses, brandishes, or discharges a firearm while committing a crime.
- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2976 by Representatives Ormsby, Dunshee, and Van De Wege

Repealing the authority for transfers to the Clarke-McNary account.

Repeals RCW 43.88.550 (forest firefighting expenses--transfers to the Clarke-McNary fund).

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4217 by Representatives Shea, Young, Taylor, Scott, McCaslin, Condotta, and Holy

Amending the state Constitution so that judges on the supreme court serve four-year terms, with a limit of two terms.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution so that judges on the supreme court serve four-year terms, with a limit of two terms.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Senate Bills

SB 6646 by Senators Litzow, Carlyle, and Hill

Recognizing art and cultural resources as components of state environmental policy.

Recognizes the following as components of state environmental policy: Art and cultural resources such as music, dance, and theater.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Security.

SB 6647 by Senators Nelson, Hasegawa, Jayapal, Lias, Cleveland, Frockt, Rolfes, Hobbs, Billig, Carlyle, Chase, Takko, Keiser, Ranker, Darneille, McAuliffe, Fraser, Conway, Pedersen, Mullet, McCoy, and Habib

Responding to the crisis of homelessness in Washington.

Creates the homeless assistance account and requires expenditures from the account to be used only for housing assistance, support services, treatment for mental illness and/or chemical dependency, family services, and other purposes to address the state's homeless population.

Makes appropriations.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6648 by Senator Fain

Concerning benefits and exclusion within dental benefit coverage.

Prohibits health benefit plans, health care service contractors, and health carriers that offer dental benefits from denying or limiting coverage based on an individual's oral health condition.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 6649 by Senator Nelson

Concerning collection agency practices.

Revises the collection agency act.

Addresses prohibited practices of collection agencies with regard to certification that an itemization of a claim was made based on a personal review of account level documentation provided by the original creditor.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 6650 by Senator Darneille

Eliminating the manufacturing machinery and equipment exemption for methanol manufactured in part from liquid natural gas or compressed natural gas.

Provides that the manufacturing machinery and equipment sales and use tax exemption does not apply to methanol manufactured in part from liquid natural gas or compressed natural gas.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Trade & Economic Development.

SB 6651 by Senators Fain and Rivers

Ensuring equal pay for equal work by amending and enhancing enforcement of equal pay and protecting worker communications about wages.

Updates the existing state equal pay act so it reflects the equal status of all workers in the state.

Makes an appropriation to the joint legislative audit and review committee so it can review public agency pay schedules to evaluate the existence of disparities in pay in the state's public sector employment.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

Senate Joint Memorials

SJM 8023 by Senators Hobbs, Bailey, and King

Requesting that the Stanwood railway station be named "Mary Margaret Haugen Station."

Requests that the Stanwood railway station be named the Mary Margaret Haugen station.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Feb 8 Scheduled for public hearing in the
Senate Committee on Transportation at
1:30 PM. (Subject to change)