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SENATE	SB 5741	SB 5922	SB 5923	SB 5924
HOUSE	HB 1958	HB 2201	HB 2202	

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House Bills

HB 1958 by Representatives Harmsworth, Young, Rodne, and Stanford

Prohibiting the imposition of regional transit authority property taxes on less than a whole parcel.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 4/12/17)

Prohibits regional transit authority property taxes from being imposed on less than a whole parcel.

Requires the county treasurer to waive interest and penalties for delinquencies on property taxes imposed by a regional transit authority and collected before June 30, 2017, if the property is exempted from the tax. This requirement expires January 1, 2019.

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Feb 6 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

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

Feb 21 TR - Majority; do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.

Feb 24 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

Feb 27 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.

Mar 13 Referred to Rules 2 Consideration.

Apr 5 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Apr 12 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.

HB 2201 by Representatives Pellicciotti, Slatter, Reeves, Clibborn, Lovick, Ormsby, Pollet, Kilduff, Kloba, Orwall, Sells, Stanford, Wylie, and Senn

Concerning the collection of a motor vehicle excise tax approved by voters of a regional transit authority in 2016.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 4/12/17)

Requires a regional transit authority that includes portions of a county with a population of more than 1.5 million and that imposes a motor vehicle excise tax to: (1) Establish a market value adjustment program to be implemented by December 31, 2017; and

(2) Under the program, provide a credit against the motor vehicle excise tax due.

Requires the regional transit authority, in consultation with the department of licensing, to develop a system to issue refunds of credits with respect to vehicles for which the registrations were renewed before January 1, 2018.

Requires the department of licensing to, if it enters into a contract with a regional transit authority for the collection of a motor vehicle excise tax, and after the authority implements a market value adjustment program, clearly indicate, when notifying taxpayers of the expected tax due and when collecting the tax: (1) The amount of tax owed under current law;

(2) The amount of credit applied; and
(3) The net result.

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Apr 10 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

TR - Majority; do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 10:00 AM.

Apr 11 Placed on second reading.

Apr 12 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Amendment ruled beyond the scope and object of the bill.
Amendment ruled beyond the scope and object of the bill.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 64; nays, 33;
absent, 0; excused, 1.

HB 2202 by Representatives Manweller and Ormsby

Addressing the eligibility of emergency medical technicians for membership in the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2.

Addresses membership in the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2.

Authorizes a member who provided emergency medical services to an employer to establish credit for the service rendered on or after July 24, 2005, and before the effective date of this act, unless the service is already credited.

Requires the department of retirement systems, upon receipt of a written request, to notify the member of the cost to establish credit for the service.

Provides a benefit calculation if a member, who elected to transfer, dies or retires for disability prior to five years from their election date.

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Apr 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations
(Not Officially read and referred until
adoption of Introduction report).

Apr 14 Scheduled for public hearing and
executive session in the House
Committee on Appropriations at 10:00
AM. (Subject to change)

Senate Bills

SB 5741 by Senator King

Clarifying the collection of fuel taxes within tribal jurisdictions. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Clarifying the collection of fuel taxes on motor vehicle fuel sold by businesses owned or operated by a tribe or member of the tribe.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 4/11/17)

Honors the treaty rights of the Yakama Nation while protecting the state's interest in collecting and enforcing its fuel taxes.

Clarifies the collection of fuel taxes on motor vehicle fuel sold by businesses owned or operated by a tribe or a member of the tribe.

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Feb 6 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Feb 14 Public hearing in the Senate Committee
on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Feb 21 TRAN - Majority; do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Executive action taken in the Senate
Committee on Transportation at 1:30
PM.

Feb 23 Passed to Rules Committee for second
reading.

Mar 21 Senate Rules "X" file.

Apr 6 Moved to Rules White Sheet.
Placed on second reading by Rules
Committee.

Apr 11 Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third
Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 49; nays, 0;
absent, 0; excused, 0.

SB 5922 by Senators Schoesler, Honeyford, Miloscia,
Becker, Wilson, Angel, Bailey, Sheldon, Fain,
Warnick, and Zeiger

Concerning the management and oversight of the state capitol campus.

Establishes the state capitol executive committee and transfers certain duties from the governor to the committee with regard to the management and oversight of the state capitol campus.

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Apr 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5923 by Senators Mullet, Palumbo, Braun,
Pedersen, and Carlyle

Concerning Washington higher education tuition payment and college savings programs.

Addresses the establishment of the Washington college savings plan.

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Apr 13 First reading, referred to Higher
Education.

SB 5924 by Senators Fain and Keiser

Exchanging charitable, educational, penal, and reformatory institutions trust lands for community and technical college forest reserve lands.

Requires the department of natural resources to: (1) Exchange land within the community and technical college forest reserve for land of equal value held for the benefit of charitable, educational, penal, and reformatory institutions that is currently leased to certain community and technical colleges;

(2) Transfer the community and technical college forest reserve land that the department acquires in the exchange out of the community and technical college forest reserve; and

(3) Transfer ownership of that land to the state board for community and technical colleges to be managed for educational purposes.

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Apr 13 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.