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### House Bills

**HB 2888** by Representatives Cody, Lovick, Stambaugh, Ryu, Goodman, Peterson, Sells, Blake, Bergquist, Gregerson, Pollet, Stonier, Valdez, Tarleton, Slatter, Jinkins, Johnson, Frame, and Ormsby

Addressing workplace bullying by making it an unfair practice to subject an employee to an abusive work environment.

Revises the state civil rights act to provide: (1) Legal recourse for employees who have been harmed by being deliberately subjected to abusive work environments; and (2) Legal incentives for employers to prevent and respond to mistreatment of employees at work.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Labor & Workplace Standards (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2889** by Representatives Young, Sawyer, Kloba, Ryu, Vick, Condotta, Jenkin, Blake, and Kirby

Concerning theater seating requirements in theaters with liquor licenses.

Removes certain requirements of a theater's premises in order to be issued a theater license to sell spirits, beer, and/or wine at retail.

Allows a theater to also have one additional theater, but with no more than three hundred seats, that may serve alcohol under the terms of the license.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Commerce & Gaming (Not Officially read and

referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2890** by Representatives Hansen, Frame, and Ormsby

Promoting successful reentry by modifying the process for obtaining certificates of discharge and vacating conviction records.

Establishes the new hope act.

Modifies the process for obtaining certificates of discharge for an offender who has completed all conditions of his or her sentence and for vacating conviction records.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Jan 23 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety at 1:30 PM.

**HB 2891** by Representatives Wilcox, Barkis, Manweller, Volz, Vick, Jenkin, and Muri

Simplifying taxes for operators of dump trucks for hire by uniformly and consistently applying the business and occupation tax rate applicable to public road construction.

Finds that dump truck operators can be subject to five separate business and occupation tax rates and the public utility tax rate when hauling for hire.

Declares an intent to simplify the taxes applicable to dump truck operators by making clear that any hauling to or from or in relation to a public road construction project is taxable at 0.484 percent.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Finance (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2892** by Representatives Lovick, Hayes, Goodman, Klippert, Tarleton, Slatter, McDonald, Frame, and Kloba

Establishing the mental health field response teams program.

Requires the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs to develop and implement a mental health field response team grant program to assist local law enforcement agencies to develop and operate mental health field response team capabilities, using mental health professionals to respond to encounters involving persons with mental health issues.

Requires the state institute for public policy, in consultation with the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, to: (1) Develop data collection and reporting guidelines for grant recipients; and

(2) Conduct a study on whether the use of mental health field response improves outcomes of interactions with persons experiencing behavioral health crises.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2893** by Representatives Hansen, Klippert, and Pettigrew

Regulating body worn cameras.

Provides a definition of "intimate image," for purposes of inspection and copying exemptions in the public records act, with regard to body worn camera recordings.

Eliminates the June 1, 2019, expiration date of chapter 10.109 RCW regarding the use of body worn cameras.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2894** by Representatives Schmick and Cody

Concerning certificate of need exemptions for certain ambulatory facilities and centers.

Prohibits the department of health from requiring a certificate of need for an ambulatory surgical facility or center wholly owned, fully operated, and used exclusively by a practice of physicians or dentists with two or fewer operating rooms and no more than two surgical specialties.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2895** by Representatives Frame, Goodman, Kagi, Ortiz-Self, Slatter, Jinkins, and Ormsby

Revising conditions under which a person is subject to exclusive adult jurisdiction and extending juvenile court jurisdiction over serious cases to age twenty-five.

Modifies provisions regarding subjecting a person to exclusive adult jurisdiction and the extension of juvenile court jurisdiction over serious cases to age twenty-five.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2896** by Representative Wylie

Concerning the transfer of moneys from transportation accounts.

Creates the bicycle and pedestrian grant account.

Requires a certain net tax amount from the motor vehicle fund to be distributed to the transportation improvement board, the county road administration board, the freight mobility investment account, the freight mobility multimodal account, and the connecting Washington account.

Requires the state treasurer to transfer from the multimodal transportation account: (1) 35,224,000 dollars each fiscal biennium to the rural mobility grant program account;

(2) 77,680,000 dollars each fiscal biennium to the regional mobility grant program account;

(3) 14,670,000 dollars to the complete streets grant program account; and

(4) 10,380,000 dollars to the bicycle and pedestrian grant account.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2897** by Representatives Morris and Tarleton

Concerning electric utility plans for distributed energy resources and transportation electrification.

Finds that legislative clarity is important for consumer-owned utilities to offer incentive programs and services in the electrification of transportation for its customers.

Declares an intent to achieve parity among electric utilities, so each utility, depending on its unique circumstances, can determine its appropriate role in the development of electrification of transportation infrastructure.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Technology & Economic Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Jan 23 Public hearing in the House Committee on Technology & Economic Development at 10:00 AM.

**HB 2898** by Representatives Kagi, Senn, Pettigrew, Sullivan, Eslick, Valdez, and Pollet

Concerning additional enrichment levy amounts to fund early learning programs.

Authorizes a school district, beginning with taxes levied for collection in 2019, to levy an additional enrichment levy dollar amount not to exceed an amount equal to twenty-five cents per thousand dollars of the assessed value of property in the school district.

Requires the additional amount to be used exclusively for the early childhood education and assistance program, the early learning programs that score at least 3.5 in the early achievers program, other high quality early learning programs approved by the department of children, youth, and families, and capital expenses if school districts have demonstrated a need for additional classroom space and if the facilities would be used primarily for high quality early learning programs.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Jan 26 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

**HB 2899** by Representatives Gregerson, Doglio, Jinkins, and Peterson

Establishing a vehicle maintenance improvement program.

Requires the department of ecology, in collaboration with the department of commerce and in concert with municipal partners around the state, to establish an ongoing vehicle maintenance improvement program with the goals of: (1) Improving vehicle owners' awareness of the importance of proper and regular vehicle maintenance;

(2) Motivating vehicle owners to conduct routine and proper vehicle maintenance; and

(3) Yielding outcomes that provide improvements to the environment, reliability of vehicle travel, and personal economy.

Makes an appropriation from the motor vehicle account to the department of ecology for the vehicle maintenance improvement program.

Creates the vehicle maintenance improvement account.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2900** by Representatives Kilduff, Eslick, Goodman, Dent, Kloba, and McCabe

Concerning violations of traffic laws that place vulnerable roadway users at increased risk of injury and death.

Assesses additional fines on persons who commit a traffic infraction against a vulnerable roadway user.

Creates the vulnerable roadway user education account.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2901** by Representatives Kraft and Pollet

Modifying the requirements of agendas posted under the open public meetings act.

Modifies open public meetings act provisions regarding the online availability of a public agency's regular meeting agenda.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to State Government, Elections & Information Technology (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HB 2902** by Representatives Wilcox, Blake, Chandler, Barkis, Griffey, DeBolt, Tharinger, Walsh, Chapman, Orcutt, and Stokesbary

Ensuring that Washington aggressively acts to open fish habitat by removing barriers under all forms of ownership.

Creates the fish passage barrier removal board, using the funds appropriated and similar amounts on an ongoing basis each year thereafter, to provide funding for fish barrier removal projects.

Makes an appropriation from the state general fund to the department of fish and wildlife for fish passage barrier removal projects.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Jan 25 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

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## Senate Bills

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**SB 6474** by Senators McCoy, Sheldon, Chase, Conway, Frockt, Hasegawa, Hunt, Kuderer, Palumbo, Rolfes, Saldaña, and Van De Wege

Creating a pilot project for tribal compact schools.

Creates a pilot project for tribal compact schools to explore and implement options in adjusting school attendance and calendar requirements for the purpose of accommodating cultural and agricultural events and replacing graduation testing requirements with culturally relevant and community-based standards.

Expires August 1, 2030.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

**SB 6475** by Senators Hobbs, Palumbo, King, Wagoner, McCoy, and Liias

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

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,

2018, if the property is exempted from the tax. This requirement expires January 1, 2020.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Transportation.  
 Jan 24 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM. (Subject to change)

**SB 6476** by Senators Wagoner, Rivers, Fortunato, Angel, Takko, Wilson, Schoesler, Zeiger, Ericksen, Braun, Warnick, Becker, Short, Brown, Padden, Sheldon, Honeyford, Bailey, and Van De Wege

Establishing an exemption from background check requirements for firearms sales or transfers between concealed pistol license holders.

Exempts the following from background check requirements for firearms sales or transfers: Where the seller or transferor and the purchaser or transferee both possess a valid concealed pistol license.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

**SB 6477** by Senators Rolfes, Palumbo, Ranker, Chase, and Saldaña

Concerning the voluntary option to purchase qualified alternative energy resources.

Requires each electric utility to provide a voluntary option to purchase qualified alternative energy resources to: (1) Each of its new retail electric customers at the time service is established; and

(2) Its existing retail electric customers through the utility's web site and through quarterly mailings as a bill insert or other publication.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Energy, Environment & Technology.  
 Jan 23 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Energy and Environment & Technology at 10:00 AM.

**SB 6478** by Senator Warnick

Concerning activities attendant to operating a truck.

Exempts a "worker," as that term is used in the state industrial insurance act, in regard to his or her activities attendant to operating a truck which he or she owns and leases to a motor carrier.

Allows an exempted person to elect coverage under the state industrial insurance act in the manner provided by RCW 51.32.030.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Labor & Commerce.

**SB 6479** by Senators Conway and Chase

Concerning the training and monitoring of guardians.

Requires the department of social and health services to convene an advisory group to: (1) Develop a model program to monitor guardians appointed under chapter 11.88 RCW (appointments, qualifications, and removal of

guardians) and to provide for monitoring of both professional and lay guardians; and

(2) Develop an in-person training program for use by lay guardians across the state.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

**SB 6480** by Senators Mullet, Angel, and Braun; by request of State Treasurer

Concerning local government infrastructure.

Creates the consolidated borrowing program, operated by the state treasurer, to provide funds to political subdivisions for essential infrastructure needs.

Creates the lend Washington finance board to provide education and guidance with respect to funding options that may be available for projects that do not otherwise qualify for current state grants or loans.

Requires the state treasurer to develop a proposed plan to standardize the process for accessing state assistance by political subdivisions.

Increases the number of members on the public works board by including the state treasurer.

Creates the lend Washington program account.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.  
 Jan 25 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

**SB 6481** by Senators Brown, Palumbo, Rivers, and Wilson

Creating a sales tax deferral for construction and expenditure costs of manufacturing facilities.

Provides a sales tax deferral on the construction and expenditure costs of new, renovated, or expanded manufacturing facilities.

Expires January 1, 2028.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6482** by Senators Walsh, Palumbo, Chase, Hasegawa, and Saldaña

Allowing nonmedical home cultivation of marijuana.

Allows a person age twenty-one or over to possess no more than six marijuana plants and up to twenty-four ounces of usable marijuana harvested from plants lawfully grown on the premises of the housing unit occupied by the person in possession of the plants and marijuana.

Prohibits more than six plants from being grown or possessed on the premises of a single housing unit regardless of the number of residents living on the premises.

Allows a property owner to prohibit the cultivation of marijuana plants by a renter or lessee upon or within his or her property.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Labor & Commerce.

**SB 6483** by Senators Conway, Darneille, Keiser, and Kuderer

Revising education funding reform provisions to enhance uniformity, flexibility, and special education funding.

Enhances uniformity, flexibility, and special education funding by modifying education funding reform provisions relating to: Regionalization; local levies and local effort assistance; special education funding; the delay of K-3 compliance; and the learning assistance program.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

Jan 22 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 1:30 PM.

**SB 6484** by Senator Mullet

Concerning nuisance abatement.

Modifies provisions relating to nuisance abatement and foreclosures.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

Jan 25 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

**SB 6485** by Senators Warnick and Darneille

Improving access to mental health services for children and youth.

Reestablishes the children's mental health work group to: (1) Identify barriers to and opportunities for accessing mental health services for children and families; and

(2) Advise the legislature on statewide mental health services for this population.

Provides a December 30, 2020, expiration date for the work group.

Expands the duties and responsibilities of the following: (1) The state health care authority;

(2) The department of social and health services;

(3) Behavioral health organizations;

(4) Regional service areas;

(5) The department of children, youth, and families;

(6) The child and adolescent psychiatry residency program at the University of Washington; and

(7) The office of the superintendent of public instruction.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6486** by Senators Ranker, Zeiger, Palumbo, Hasegawa, Wellman, Miloscia, Keiser, Conway, Darneille, O'Ban, Sheldon, Chase, Frockt, Kuderer, and Saldaña

Expanding registered apprenticeship programs.

Requires the regulatory apprenticeship council and the workforce training and education coordinating board to:

(1) Develop a strategic plan focused on apprenticeship; and

(2) In consultation with the governor's office, collaborate with the state board for community and technical colleges, the employment security department, and the office of the superintendent of public instruction to: (a) Review existing registered apprenticeship programs; (b) analyze barriers to expansion of registered apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs; and (c) recommend policies to implement strategies that increase registered youth and adult apprenticeships.

Creates the apprenticeship work group to review the work being done by the governor's office regarding a student's preparation.

Requires the department of labor and industries, through the supervisor of apprenticeship, to employ a coordinator to do outreach to the private sector and assist industries in establishing registered apprenticeship and training programs where they do not exist.

Provides a December 31, 2018, expiration date for the apprenticeship work group.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

Jan 23 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development at 8:00 AM.

Jan 25 Scheduled for executive session in the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

**SB 6487** by Senators Darneille, O'Ban, Palumbo, Takko, Conway, Liias, and Frockt

Concerning the redevelopment of an area overlapping the boundary between two adjacent cities.

Addresses available methods for the annexation of all or a part of a city or town to another city or town and public hearings on proposed comprehensive plans.

Subjects an annexation of all or part of a city or town to potential review by a boundary review board.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Local Government.

Jan 25 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Local Government at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

**SB 6488** by Senators Carlyle, Liias, Conway, and Kuderer

Concerning ticket sales over the internet.

Prohibits a person, firm, or corporation from: (1) Reselling or engaging in the business of reselling tickets to a place of entertainment without first having procured a license from the department of licensing for each location at which business will be conducted; or

(2) Operating an internet web site or other electronic service that provides a mechanism for two or more parties to participate in a resale transaction or that facilitates resale transactions by certain means without first having procured a license from the department of licensing for each location at which business will be conducted.

- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Labor & Commerce.
- Jan 22 LBRC - Majority; without recommendation.  
And refer to Energy, Environment & Technology.  
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Labor & Commerce at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 24 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Energy and Environment & Technology at 8:00 AM in anticipation of other legislative action.
- SB 6489** by Senators Saldaña, Hobbs, King, Sheldon, Schoesler, and Padden  
Changing the baseball stadium based special license plate.  
Repeals RCW 46.18.215 (baseball stadium license plates) and creates a Seattle Mariners special license plate that will display the Seattle Mariners logo.  
Provides funds, once the state has been reimbursed for the special license plates, to InvestED to encourage secondary students who have economic needs to stay in school, return to school, or get involved within their learning community.
- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Transportation.
- SB 6490** by Senators Takko and Walsh  
Authorizing cities planning under the growth management act to impose certain real estate excise taxes by councilmatic action.  
Authorizes a city that plans under the growth management act to impose certain real estate excise taxes by councilmatic action.
- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Local Government.
- Jan 23 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Local Government at 1:30 PM.
- SB 6491** by Senators O'Ban and Darneille  
Increasing the availability of assisted outpatient behavioral health treatment.  
Modifies involuntary treatment act provisions with regard to the following: (1) Changing the term "in need of assisted outpatient mental health treatment" to "in need of assisted outpatient behavioral health treatment" and includes a person with a substance use disorder;  
(2) Less restrictive alternative treatment services;  
(3) Establishing a process for initial evaluation and filing of a petition for assisted outpatient treatment;  
(4) Designated crisis responders;  
(5) Procedures for additional treatment;  
(6) Conditional release orders; and  
(7) Revocation proceedings and court orders for detention for inpatient treatment and for assisted outpatient behavioral health treatment.
- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.
- SB 6492** by Senators O'Ban, Kuderer, Conway, Darneille, Saldaña, Padden, Hasegawa, Ranker, Keiser, Schoesler, Becker, Wilson, Warnick, Brown, Zeiger, Miloscia, Sheldon, Chase, Frockt, and Wagoner  
Concerning child sex trafficking.  
Places responsibility on a web site operator, that has a significant business purpose for marketing individuals for commercial sex purposes, for the content of advertisements featuring minors on its web site.
- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.
- Jan 23 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Law & Justice at 10:00 AM.
- SB 6493** by Senators Billig, Palumbo, Ranker, Carlyle, Hasegawa, and Kuderer  
Increasing transparency and accountability for intercollegiate athletic programs.  
Requires the board of trustees or regents of each state college and university to specifically approve, in an open public meeting, expenditures for or transfers made to its programs for intercollegiate athletic competition if the programs had an operating deficit in the previous fiscal year, and the expenditure or transfer is a new expenditure exceeding, a continuing expenditure that has increased by, or a transfer exceeding, one hundred thousand dollars.
- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.
- Jan 25 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)
- SB 6494** by Senator Hunt  
Concerning the Olympia and Tumwater school district regionalization factors.  
Finds that: (1) The Olympia, Tumwater, and North Thurston school districts are treated differently in the regionalization factors applied to school salaries under changes made to funding in the 2017 session: (a) North Thurston receiving regional adjustments of six percent; and (b) Olympia and Tumwater receiving no adjustment; and  
(2) The regionalization factors should treat them equally.
- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- SB 6495** by Senators Becker and Cleveland  
Expanding the extension for community healthcare outcomes program.  
Requires the University of Washington medical school extension for community healthcare outcomes program to

report the following to the legislative health care and fiscal committees on the program's activities: (1) The number of certain health care professionals who received training and consultation services through the program during the preceding year in mental health care, diabetes treatment, telestroke care, and chronic pain management, including opioid disorder treatment; and

(2) The number of continuing education hours that each profession could potentially accrue if continuing education credits are awarded for participation in the program.

Makes an appropriation from the general fund to the University of Washington to expand the extension for the community healthcare outcomes program.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

**SB 6496** by Senators Becker, Rivers, and Brown

Encouraging transparency within the department of social and health services.

Requires the department of social and health services to immediately contract with an independent malpractice or risk management firm to perform a review of and issue a report on the department's rules, policies, and procedures related to the scope of work and training requirements for behavioral health service providers, department behavioral health provider inspection and certification staff, and department office managers.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6497** by Senators Becker, Darneille, Fain, and Brown

Concerning the use of independent contractors to address delays in providing forensic competency evaluations.

Requires the department of social and health services to: (1) Conduct a survey of professional persons available to conduct competency evaluations in each county; and

(2) Provide a continuously updated contact information list for use by the prosecuting attorney and defense bar of each county.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6498** by Senators Becker, Fain, Rivers, Brown, Bailey, and Warnick

Concerning training and certification for community health workers.

Creates the collaborative for the advancement of community health workers to enhance the understanding and use of community health workers.

Requires the collaborative to: (1) Be hosted and lead by the University of Washington and be convened by July 1, 2018;

(2) Design training and qualification requirements for community health workers; and

(3) Review and identify best practices from existing state and counties' certification and training programs.

Requires the department of health to conduct a sunrise review under chapter 18.120 RCW to evaluate the creation of a community health worker credential and the scope of practice of the profession.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

**SB 6499** by Senators Brown, Takko, and Warnick

Creating the building business ecosystems act.

Establishes the building business ecosystems act.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Economic Development & International Trade.

Jan 25 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Economic Development & International Trade at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

**SB 6500** by Senators Saldaña, Fortunato, and Billig

Concerning transportation network companies.

Regulates transportation network companies.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Jan 22 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

**SB 6501** by Senator Baumgartner

Exempting athletic and fitness facilities from sales and use taxes.

Provides a sales and use tax exemption to athletic and fitness facilities.

Expires January 1, 2029.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6502** by Senators Dhingra, Darneille, Kuderer, and Saldaña

Concerning eligibility for the essential needs and housing support and the aged, blind, or disabled assistance programs.

Modifies eligibility for the essential needs and housing support program and the aged, blind, or disabled assistance program to improve housing stability for people with disabilities and seniors.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 6503** by Senators Dhingra, Palumbo, Frockt, Carlyle, Darneille, Hasegawa, and Kuderer

Implementing child support pass-through payments.

Requires the department of social and health services, effective October 1, 2018, to pass through child support: (1) In an amount that does not exceed one hundred dollars per month collected on behalf of a family; or

(2) In the case of a family that includes two or more children, an amount that is not more than two hundred dollars per month.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.  
Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 1:30 PM.

**SB 6504** by Senator Fortunato

Removing the requirement that a vehicle pass on the left-hand side.

Allows a vehicle to overtake and pass a vehicle on the right-hand side of the roadway.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6505** by Senators Rivers, Wilson, Cleveland, and Palumbo

Concerning zoning regulations relating to accessory dwelling units.

Authorizes a local government to allow the development and placement of accessory apartments within or outside urban growth areas.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Local Government.

**SB 6506** by Senators Rivers, Becker, and Fain

Concerning improving diversity in clinical trials.

Requires the Washington state review board to establish a diversity in clinical trials program to encourage participation in clinical trials of drugs and medical devices by persons who are members of demographic groups that are underrepresented in clinical trials.

Requires state entities that conduct clinical trials of drugs or medical devices, including the University of Washington, to adopt a policy concerning the identification and recruitment of persons who are members of underrepresented demographic groups to participate in clinical trials.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

**SB 6507** by Senators Rivers and Becker

Concerning mandatory minimum sentences for the possession or use of a firearm during the commission of a felony.

Requires an offender convicted of a felony or an attempt to commit a felony to be sentenced to the following minimum terms of total confinement if the offender was armed with a firearm regardless of whether the use of a weapon is an element of the felony: (1) Ten years if he or she possessed a firearm;

(2) Twenty years if he or she discharged the firearm resulting in injury to a person; or

(3) Life if he or she discharged the firearm resulting in death to a person and he or she was over the age of eighteen.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

**SB 6508** by Senators Rivers, Rolfes, Kuderer, and Saldaña

Concerning highly capable students.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to:

- (1) Confirm that each local educational agency has policies and procedures to allow for the identification of children who are highly capable;

- (2) Require school districts to have highly capable systems and procedures that are clearly stated and implemented by the school districts;

- (3) Require principals, counselors, administrators, and members of the multidisciplinary selection committee to attend at least three hours of professional development each biennium about the needs of highly capable students;

- (4) Disseminate guidance on referral, screening, assessment, selection, and placement best practices; and

- (5) Monitor the school districts' compliance.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.