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House Bills

HB 1474-S2 by House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representative Moeller)

Requiring fees to accommodate electronic filing and disclosure of campaign finance reports.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Requires agencies, lobbyists, and lobbyists' employers to file certain reports electronically over the internet.

Assesses a one-time fee and/or annual fee on certain agencies, lobbyists, lobbyist employers, political committees, and elected officials.

Creates the public disclosure electronic filing account.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 8:00 AM.

Feb 14 Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM.

Feb 24 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 1:30 PM.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 Public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 8:00 AM.

Jan 12 SGTA - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 10:00 AM.

Jan 16 Referred to General Government Appropriations & Oversight.

HB 1652-S2 by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Frockt, Kenney, Reykdal, Rolfes, Probst, Goodman, Maxwell, McCoy, Jacks, Jinkins, Ryu, Kagi, Ladenburg, Stanford, Hasegawa, Fitzgibbon, Blake, Billig, Roberts, Clibborn, Ormsby, Moscoso, Hudgins, and Liias)

Regarding electronic impersonation.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Specifies that the tort of invasion of privacy may include the misappropriation of a person's name or likeness through social networking web sites and online bulletin boards with the intent to mislead, deceive, harass, threaten, or intimidate.

-- 2011 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 10 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.

Feb 17 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Judiciary at 10:00 AM.

Mar 9 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.

Mar 18 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 9 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.

Jan 12 JUDI - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

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

Jan 16 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1865-S by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Kirby and Bailey)

Addressing the handling of claims associated with products issued under specialty producer licenses.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions relating to the handling of claims associated with products issued under specialty producer licenses.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 8:00 AM.

Jan 13 BFS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 1:30 PM.

HB 2188-S by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Ryu and Parker)

Regulating air rescue or evacuation services.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Regulates air rescue or evacuation services.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 8:00 AM.

Jan 13 BFS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 1:30 PM.

HB 2194-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally

sponsored by Representatives Pedersen, Rodne, Goodman, and Kenney)

Modifying the manufactured/mobile home landlord tenant act and other related provisions.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises the definition of "recreational vehicle" for purposes of chapter 59.30 RCW (manufactured/mobile home communities).

Modifies provisions relating to the manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 8:00 AM.

Jan 12 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

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

Jan 16 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2196-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Eddy, Rodne, Pedersen, Nealey, Goodman, Jinkins, Kelley, and Upthegrove; by request of Uniform Laws Commission)

Adopting the uniform collaborative law act.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Adopts the uniform collaborative law act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 9 Public hearing in the House Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.

Jan 12 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

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

Jan 16 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2212-S by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Blake and Chandler; by request of Department of Ecology)

Extending the expiration date of RCW 90.90.030.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Delays the expiration of RCW 90.90.030 relating to voluntary regional agreements for providing new water for out-of-stream use, streamlining the application process, and protecting instream flow.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 Public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 1:30 PM.

Jan 13 AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 8:00 AM.

Jan 16 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2223-S by House Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications (originally sponsored by

Representatives Takko, Morris, Armstrong, and Angel; by request of Utilities & Transportation Commission)

Regarding the effective date of RCW 19.122.130, from the underground utility damage prevention act.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Changes the effective date of RCW 19.122.130 (utilities and transportation commission to contract with nonprofit entity--safety committee--review of violations).

Authorizes the safety committee to pass bylaws and provide for those organizational processes that are necessary to complete the safety committee's tasks.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 TEC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Public hearing, executive action taken in the House Committee on Technology, and Energy & Communications at 9:00 AM.

HB 2456 by Representatives Chandler, Blake, and Fagan
Regarding disclosure of information relating to agriculture and livestock.

Exempts from disclosure under the public records act, information relating to: (1) Herd inventory management for animal disease traceability;

(2) Records of international livestock importation; and

(3) Records related to the entry of prohibited agricultural products.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2457 by Representatives Kirby and Bailey

Addressing specialty producer licenses.

Revises specialty producer license provisions relating to: (1) Application for a license;

(2) Scope of license; and

(3) Maintaining a registry of vendors' locations.

Removes the definition for "communications equipment" and adds a definition for "portable electronics."

Exempts portable electronics insurance policies from certain cancellation and nonrenewal provisions.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services.

HB 2458 by Representatives Armstrong, Ross, and Johnson

Concerning the existing authority to impose a sales and use tax for public facilities districts by providing flexibility in the submittal of the sales and use tax to voters by distressed public facilities districts.

Allows an individual county or city, participating in a distressed public facilities district, to impose a voter-approved sales and use tax.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2459 by Representatives Kagi, Armstrong, and

Johnson

Authorizing the Washington state patrol to confiscate license plates from a motor carrier who operates a commercial motor vehicle with a revoked registration.

Requires the Washington state patrol or other law enforcement agency to confiscate the license plates from a motor carrier who operates a commercial motor vehicle while the vehicle registration is revoked, suspended, or canceled.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2460 by Representatives Kenney, Anderson, Dickerson, Seaquist, Condotta, and Haler

Exempting officers and employees of the Washington state institute for public policy from state civil service law.

Exempts from the state civil service law, officers and employees of the state institute for public policy.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2461 by Representative Moeller

Concerning background and qualifications statements for guardians ad litem.

Includes the results of an examination of state and national criminal identification data as a qualification for a guardian ad litem.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2462 by Representatives Moeller, Appleton, and Roberts

Regarding immunity for health care providers following end-of-life planning declarations.

Establishes the "physician orders for life sustaining treatment" form to provide emergency and end-of-life instructions to emergency medical personnel.

Provides immunity from liability to health care providers following end-of-life planning declarations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2463 by Representative Moeller

Concerning guardian reporting requirements for certain small estates.

Modifies reporting and training requirements for guardians of certain small estates.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2464 by Representatives Goodman, Rodne, Pedersen, Pearson, Hurst, Darneille, Kelley, Fagan, and Dahlquist; by request of Attorney General

Enacting the stalking protection order act.

Establishes the stalking protection order act.

Creates a stalking protection order as a remedy for victims who do not qualify for a domestic violence order of protection.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2465 by Representative Moeller

Modifying the property tax revenue limit.

Revises the definitions of "inflation" and "limit factor" for purposes of chapter 84.55 RCW (limitations upon regular property taxes).

Provides for submission of the act to a vote of the people.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2466 by Representatives Hurst, Armstrong, Kelley, Pearson, Finn, Eddy, Takko, Orcutt, Blake, Parker, Clibborn, Dammeier, Morris, Santos, and Upthegrove

Requiring the governor's signature on certain orders of adoption under the APA.

Requires the governor's signature on orders of adoption, under the administrative procedure act, filed by an agency for which the governor appoints the agency head.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2467 by Representatives Clibborn and Armstrong

Changing the member contribution rate for the Washington state patrol retirement system.

Changes the member contribution rate for the Washington state patrol retirement system.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2468 by Representatives Carlyle, Pedersen, Orwall, Kenney, Ryu, Hunt, Hasegawa, Maxwell, Goodman, Roberts, Ladenburg, Moscoso, Appleton, Kagi, Green, Fitzgibbon, Darneille, Hudgins, Santos, and Pollet

Reducing criminal justice expenses by eliminating the death penalty in favor of life incarceration.

Eliminates the death penalty to reduce criminal justice expenses.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2469 by Representatives Upthegrove, Angel, Takko, and Asay

Regarding boatyard storm water treatment systems.

Addresses applications for a substantial development permit for a boatyard storm water treatment system.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Local Government.

Jan 20 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

HB 2470 by Representatives Maxwell, Dahlquist, Sullivan, Dammeier, Santos, Upthegrove, Roberts, and Pollet

Providing for educational opportunities for low-income, at-risk, and diverse students based on the recommendations of the quality education council.

Provides educational opportunities for low-income, at-risk, and diverse students based on the recommendations of the quality education council.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Before implementing revisions to the state essential academic learning requirements, ensure that a review of the revisions has been conducted; and

(2) Within available funds for school and district improvement, provide technical assistance to schools and districts specifically targeted to reduce school dropouts and improve on-time and extended high school graduation rates.

Changes the term "parent involvement coordinator" to "family engagement coordinator."

Expands the information required in a "required action plan" to include: (1) Use of the state kindergarten readiness assessment process; and

(2) Use of family engagement coordinators.

Authorizes the office of the superintendent of public instruction, to the extent permitted by federal law and regulations, to: (1) Require certain elementary schools to use the state kindergarten readiness assessment; and

(2) Require a school to use family engagement coordinators.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2471 by Representatives Goodman, Chandler, Blake, Shea, Takko, McCune, and Upthegrove

Concerning criminal background checks and other requirements applicable to the purchase and transfer of firearms.

Modifies provisions relating to requirements for purchasing and transferring firearms.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2472 by Representatives Stanford, Crouse, Moscoso, Liias, and Pollet

Giving general law enforcement authority to natural resource investigators.

Makes the department of natural resources a general authority Washington law enforcement agency.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2473 by Representatives Green, Hinkle, Johnson, Van De Wege, Ryu, and Roberts

Creating a medication assistant endorsement for certified nursing assistants who work in nursing homes.

Requires the secretary of the department of health to: (1) Beginning July 1, 2013, issue a medication assistant

endorsement to a nursing assistant-certified who meets certain requirements; and

(2) Set medication assistant endorsement fees.

Requires the nursing care quality assurance commission to: (1) Approve education and training programs and examinations for medication assistants; and

(2) Define the prescriber-ordered treatments a medication assistant is authorized to perform.

Prohibits a person, after July 1, 2013, from practicing, or representing himself or herself by any title or description, as a medication assistant without a medication assistant endorsement.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2474 by Representatives Springer, Van De Wege, and Fitzgibbon

Adjusting voting requirements for the renewal of emergency medical service levies.

Changes voting requirements for the renewal of emergency medical care and service levies.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2475 by Representatives Liias, Reykdal, Ryu, Jinkins, Orwall, Cody, Billig, Fitzgibbon, Ladenburg, Darneille, Santos, Roberts, and Pollet

Protecting consumers from deceptive billing practices for electronic text messaging.

Regulates electronic text messaging to prevent unfair billing practices.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

Jan 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

HB 2476 by Representatives Jinkins, Ladenburg, Armstrong, Clibborn, and Hargrove

Modifying the boundaries of certain heavy haul corridors.

Changes the boundaries of certain heavy haul corridors.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2477 by Representatives Zeiger, Dammeier, Wilcox, Appleton, Ladenburg, Johnson, Dahlquist, Kelley, Orcutt, and Roberts

Concerning missing endangered persons.

Requires the Washington state patrol to establish a missing endangered person clearinghouse.

Imposes duties on local law enforcement agencies relating to missing endangered persons.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2478 by Representatives Wilcox, Stanford, Zeiger, Pollet, Fagan, Eddy, Crouse, Miloscia, Fitzgibbon, Haler, Appleton, Anderson, Goodman, Liias, Billig, Probst, and Kelley

Creating higher education student auditing committees.

Requires a student auditing committee, composed of student members, to be created at each four-year institution of higher education.

Expires July 1, 2017.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 2479 by Representatives Wilcox, Johnson, Haler, Alexander, and Anderson

Expanding waivers from the one hundred eighty-day school year requirement.

Expands waivers from the one hundred eighty-day school year requirement.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2480 by Representatives Wilcox, Short, Haler, Fagan, and Schmick

Regulating the documents used in complying with the growth management act.

Requires state agencies, counties, and cities to identify the authors of documents created by the agency, county, or city in complying with the growth management act.

Prohibits the documents from being included in a record submitted to the growth management hearings board, if the agency, county, or city do not identify the author.

Prohibits the growth management hearings board from considering documents that are ineligible for submission to the board.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2481 by Representatives Goodman, Chandler, Blake, Shea, Takko, McCune, Wilcox, and Upthegrove

Changing provisions concerning concealed pistol license reciprocity.

Addresses concealed pistol license reciprocity.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2482 by Representatives Kenney, Finn, Ryu, Hasegawa, and Stanford

Designating innovation partnership zones.

Modifies provisions relating to criteria for designation as, and eligibility of funds for, an innovation partnership zone.

Expands the duties of the director of the department of commerce relating to applicants not meeting certain criteria when reapplying for designation as an innovation partnership zone.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 First reading, referred to Community & Economic Development & Housing.
 Jan 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Community & Economic Development & Housing at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

HB 2483 by Representatives Seaquist, Haler, Zeiger, and Kelley; by request of Governor Gregoire

Creating the office of the student achievement council.

Creates the student achievement council to: (1) Create ad hoc advisory committees for obtaining input from students, faculty, and higher education experts and practitioners, citizens, business and industry, and labor, and for informing their research, policy, and programmatic functions; and

(2) Provide advice to the office of the student achievement council as the office conducts its duties emphasizing the goal of increasing educational attainment.

Creates the office of the student achievement council to: (1) Set goals for increasing the educational attainment in the state and to monitor progress toward meeting those goals; and

(2) Connect the work of the superintendent of public instruction, the state board of education, the state board for community and technical colleges, the workforce training and education coordinating board, the four-year institutions of higher education, and the independent schools and colleges.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to conduct a review of the office of the student achievement council and its functions.

Establishes a joint select legislative committee on student achievement to review the work of the office of the student achievement council and make policy and budget recommendations on improving educational attainment in the state.

Abolishes the higher education coordinating board and transfers its powers, duties, and functions to the office of the student achievement council.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 First reading, referred to Higher Education.
 Jan 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Higher Education at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

HB 2484 by Representatives Eddy, Rodne, Blake, Johnson, Takko, Asay, Kelley, Hurst, Finn, and Springer

Setting employee salaries upon reallocation or layoff action.

Requires an employee, who is occupying a position that is reallocated to a class with a lower salary range or is appointed to a position due to a layoff action, to have his or her base salary determined according to the employer's salary determination policy for the class and range of the employee's new position without regard to the employee's base salary in his or her previous position.

Addresses collective bargaining for those employees.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2485 by Representatives Probst, Upthegrove, and Dahlquist

Authorizing school districts to use electronic formats for warrants.

Authorizes school districts to send orders for warrants and warrant registers in an electronic format.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 First reading, referred to Education Appropriations & Oversight.

HB 2486 by Representatives Reykdal, Jinkins, Appleton, Ladenburg, Kenney, Dickerson, Ormsby, Ryu, Pollet, Billig, Hunt, Lias, Roberts, Eddy, Wylie, Fitzgibbon, Hasegawa, Sells, Kagi, and Santos

Concerning tax reform.

Establishes the higher opportunity promise for education act by reforming tax laws.

Provides for submission of the act to a vote of the people.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2487 by Representatives Takko, Fitzgibbon, Upthegrove, Springer, and Tharinger; by request of Department of Ecology

Clarifying procedures for appealing the adoption of a local shoreline master program by ensuring consistency with existing procedural provisions of the growth management act, chapter 36.70A RCW, the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW, and the state environmental policy act, chapter 43.21C RCW.

Clarifies procedures for appealing the adoption of a local shoreline master program by ensuring consistency with existing procedural provisions of the growth management act, the administrative procedure act, and the state environmental policy act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 First reading, referred to Local Government.
 Jan 20 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

HB 2488 by Representatives Green, Ladenburg, Kelley, Dammeier, and Upthegrove

Concerning municipally produced class A biosolids.

Excludes from the definition of "turf fertilizer," for purposes of chapter 15.54 RCW (fertilizers, minerals, and limes), commercial fertilizers derived solely from organic materials or organic-based products where the phosphorus component is derived solely from class A, exceptional quality biosolids or biosolid products.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environment.

HB 2489 by Representatives Ladenburg, Kirby, Haler,

Dammeier, McCune, Green, Zeiger, Darneille, and Kelley
Creating authority for counties to exempt from property taxation new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in certain unincorporated urban centers.

Allows counties to exempt from property taxation, new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in certain unincorporated urban centers.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2490 by Representatives Carlyle, Springer, Reykdal, Stanford, Roberts, Morris, and Orcutt; by request of Governor Gregoire

Improving the business climate in this state by simplifying state and local tax and licensing systems.

Establishes the tax and licensing simplification act.

Pursues a long-term vision of a single internet portal for business licensing, registration, and tax reporting, to include both state and local governments.

Begins the tax and licensing simplification process by:
(1) Reducing the number of state business and occupation tax classifications;

(2) Requiring greater uniformity between local business and occupation taxes and the state business and occupation tax, with a goal of state-level administration of all local business and occupation taxes by January 1, 2015, or as soon thereafter as possible; and

(3) Simplifying local business licensing to facilitate the transition to mandatory issuance and renewal of local business licenses through the state's business licensing system by July 1, 2014, or as soon thereafter as possible, for cities imposing a business and occupation tax, and by January 1, 2018, or as soon thereafter as possible, for all other cities and towns that have a business licensing requirement.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2491 by Representatives Upthegrove and Orwall

Addressing when predecessor-successor relationships do not exist for purposes of unemployment experience rating.

Specifies when predecessor-successor relationships do not exist for purposes of unemployment experience rating.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2492 by Representatives Haigh, Dammeier, Maxwell, Dahlquist, Lias, Finn, and Santos

Requiring the state board of education to provide fiscal impact statements before making rule changes.

Requires the state board of education to provide fiscal impact statements before making rule changes.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Education Appropriations & Oversight.

HB 2493 by Representatives Hunt, Hope, McCoy,

Appleton, Santos, and Roberts

Making the membership of the state board of education more representative of public education.

Reconfigures the membership of the state board of education to include locally elected school directors and school district staff, as well as citizens appointed by the governor to broadly represent the interests of the state's students.

Clarifies that fiscal impact statements be required and considered by the state board of education and the legislature before board adoption of goals or policy changes.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2494 by Representatives Dunshee and Warnick; by request of Commission on State Debt

Implementing the recommendations of the commission on state debt.

Implements recommendations of the commission on state debt relating to accomplishing several objectives that improve the state's standing with regard to the amount of debt available for capital projects and the required debt service to pay for those projects.

Creates the debt advisory council to advise and make recommendations to the governor and the legislature on the level of state debt for appropriation purposes while balancing the need for funding essential capital projects, preserving future budgetary flexibility, and protecting the state's credit position and market access.

Requires budget documents to include debt service from all funds for proposed debt issuance, including alternatively financed projects for the full term of the financing.

Modifies the state treasurer's duties relating to computing general state revenues.

Provides that certain sections of the act take effect only if the proposed amendment to Article VIII, section 1 of the state Constitution, implementing recommendations of the commission on state debt, is approved by the voters at the next general election.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Capital Budget.

HB 2495 by Representatives Jinkins, Hinkle, Green, Bailey, Kelley, Moeller, and Hurst

Prohibiting pharmacists from substituting opioid analgesic drugs for an opioid analgesic drug incorporating a tamper resistance technology without verifying equivalence or obtaining the written, signed consent of the prescribing physician.

Prohibits pharmacists, under certain circumstances, from interchanging or substituting an opioid analgesic drug, brand, or generic for an opioid analgesic drug incorporating a tamper resistance technology.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2496 by Representatives Condotta, Warnick, Shea, Taylor, Fagan, Short, Ross, and Alexander

Modifying the inflationary adjustment to the minimum hourly wage.

Makes changes to the inflationary adjustment to the minimum hourly wage.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2497 by Representatives Condotta, Warnick, Shea, Taylor, Fagan, Ross, and Alexander

Regulating the minimum hourly wage of tipped employees. Establishes the rate of pay that employers must pay to the employer's tipped employees.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2498 by Representatives Condotta, Warnick, Shea, Taylor, Fagan, Short, Ross, Alexander, and Angel

Suspending the adjustment of the minimum hourly wage rate during periods of high unemployment.

Suspends certain minimum wage requirements.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2499 by Representatives Billig, Finn, Hunt, Appleton, Hasegawa, Reykdal, Liias, Ormsby, Sells, Jinkins, Fitzgibbon, Kagi, Miloscia, Kelley, Hudgins, Roberts, and Pollet

Expanding disclosure of political advertising to include advertising supporting or opposing ballot measures.

Requires political advertising costing one thousand dollars or more, supporting or opposing ballot measures sponsored by a political committee, to include certain information on the top five contributors.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2500 by Representatives Billig, Hunt, Appleton, Dickerson, Hasegawa, Reykdal, Liias, Ormsby, Sells, Fitzgibbon, Kagi, Miloscia, and Santos

Returning the initiative process to the people by enacting reforms relating to contributions to ballot measure committees.

Returns the initiative process to the people by setting a contribution limit of one thousand six hundred dollars for ballot measure committees.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2501 by Representatives Green, Cody, Jinkins, Ryu, Lytton, Sells, Reykdal, Kirby, Van De Wege, Moeller, Darneille, Miloscia, Santos, and Roberts

Placing restrictions on mandatory overtime for employees of health care facilities.

Places restrictions on mandatory overtime for health care facility employees.

Revises the definition of "health care facility," for purposes of chapter 49.28 RCW (hours of labor), to include state veterans' homes.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2502 by Representatives Hansen and Appleton

Modifying exceptions to the compensating tax provisions for removal from forest land classification to more closely parallel open space property tax provisions.

Changes exceptions to the compensating tax provisions for removal from forest land classification to more closely parallel open space property tax provisions.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2503 by Representatives Hansen, McCoy, Moscoso, Appleton, Kelley, Springer, Green, Van De Wege, Finn, Hudgins, and Maxwell

Requiring institutions of higher education to provide early registration for eligible veterans and national guard members.

Requires institutions of higher education to have a process in place to offer early registration to students who are eligible veterans or national guard members.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 2504 by Representatives Hansen, Johnson, Stanford, Santos, Bailey, Maxwell, Angel, Warnick, Van De Wege, Moscoso, Appleton, Kelley, Hudgins, and Wilcox

Developing a state policy for cell phone use.

Requires the chief information officer to develop a policy regarding the state's cell phone use.

Requires the policy to be reviewed and approved by the technology services board.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2505 by Representatives Hansen, Liias, Van De Wege, Billig, Clibborn, Hargrove, Jinkins, Reykdal, Ladenburg, Ryu, and Kelley; by request of Department of Licensing

Making technical corrections to provisions regarding drivers' licenses, permits, and identicards.

Makes technical corrections to certain driver's license, permit, and identicard provisions.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2506 by Representatives Dammeier, Maxwell, Sullivan, Dahlquist, and Kelley

Strengthening categorical school programs based on the recommendations of the quality education council.

Strengthens categorical school programs based on recommendations of the quality education council.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2507 by Representatives Hunt and Roberts

Regarding the regulation of mercury.

Clarifies certain issues with regard to the regulation of bulk mercury.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environment.

HB 2508 by Representatives Dickerson, Reykdal, Miloscia, Liias, Green, Hudgins, Sells, Hunt, Kenney, Ormsby, and Appleton

Establishing minimum standards for sick and safe leave from employment.

Provides minimum requirements for sick and safe leave from employment.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4013 by Representatives Hasegawa, Santos, Kenney, Goodman, Ryu, Appleton, Dunshee, Pollet, Ormsby, Pettigrew, Stanford, Takko, Dickerson, Reykdal, Hunt, and Moscoso

Requesting a reduction in federal military spending by ending the war in Afghanistan.

Requests a reduction in federal military spending by ending the war in Afghanistan.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 16 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HJM 4014 by Representatives Liias, Billig, Roberts, and Pollet

Regarding the rates charged for text messaging services.

Requests regulation of rates charged for text messaging services.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.
Jan 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4226 by Representatives Dunshee and Warnick; by request of Commission on State Debt

Amending the Constitution to include the recommendations of the commission on state debt.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to include recommendations of the commission on state debt.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Capital Budget.

Senate Bills

SB 6204 by Senator Hargrove; by request of Department of Corrections

Modifying community supervision provisions.

Modifies provisions relating to community supervision.

Requires the department of corrections to recalculate the term of community custody and reset the date that community custody will end for each offender currently in confinement or serving a term of community custody.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.
Jan 17 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

SB 6205 by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, and Regala

Concerning the use of evidence-based practices for the delivery of services to children and juveniles.

Requires the department of social and health services, and other state agencies that administer funds related to juvenile offenders or the prevention, treatment, and care of recipients of children's mental health services or child welfare services, as applicable, to expend state funds on: (1) Juvenile justice programs or programs related to the prevention, treatment, or care of juvenile offenders that are evidence-based;

(2) Children's mental health programs or programs related to the prevention, treatment, or care of recipients of children's mental health services that are evidence-based; and

(3) Child welfare programs or programs related to the prevention, treatment, or care of recipients of child welfare services that are evidence-based.

Requires the department of social and health services, in collaboration with the state institute for public policy and the University of Washington evidence-based practice institute, to redirect existing funding resources as necessary to coordinate the purchase of evidence-based services and the development of a workforce trained to implement evidence-based practices.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6206 by Senators Eide, King, and Fain

Authorizing the Washington state patrol to confiscate license plates from a motor carrier who operates a commercial motor vehicle with a revoked registration.

Requires the Washington state patrol or other law enforcement agency to confiscate the license plates from a motor carrier who operates a commercial motor vehicle

while the vehicle registration is revoked, suspended, or canceled.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6207 by Senators Schoesler, Swecker, Hatfield, Hobbs, Becker, Stevens, Honeyford, Ericksen, Parlette, Hewitt, and Holmquist Newbry

Providing fiscal relief to cities and counties during periods of economic downturn by delaying new storm water requirements.

Delays new storm water requirements to provide fiscal relief to cities and counties during periods of economic downturn.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environment.

SB 6208 by Senators Schoesler and Hatfield

Regarding license fees under the warehouse act.

Increases license fees to operate as a grain dealer and to operate a terminal warehouse or a subterminal warehouse.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6209 by Senators Schoesler, Benton, Swecker, Hatfield, Hobbs, Carrell, Honeyford, Padden, and Roach

Regarding the authority of the department of fish and wildlife to prohibit the use or possession of ammunition containing lead.

Requires the fish and wildlife commission to prohibit the use or possession of ammunition on department of fish and wildlife-managed land only due to lead content where the commission finds that the prohibition is necessary and narrowly tailored to address significant and substantiated impacts to one or more wildlife populations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

SB 6210 by Senators Hobbs and Kline

Extending the time to enforce civil judgments.

Extends the time to enforce civil judgments.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
Jan 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Judiciary at 1:30 PM.
(Subject to change)

SB 6211 by Senators Ranker, Litzow, Fain, Hargrove, Kilmer, Hill, Nelson, Keiser, and Conway

Accelerating cleanup of hazardous waste sites.

Authorizes a greater emphasis in the allocation of state resources toward the cleanup and reuse of brownfield properties.

Provides more flexible funding and oversight authority for local governments guiding clean-up efforts in brownfield areas.

Changes the state's cleanup program to accelerate cleanups throughout the state.

Modifies the duties of the department of ecology relating to allocation of staffing, financial assistance, disbursement of funds, remedial action grants, and establishment of trust funds.

Authorizes a city or county to designate an area within its jurisdiction as a brownfield renewal area.

Authorizes a city, county, or port district to establish a brownfield renewal authority to guide and implement the cleanup and reuse of properties within a designated brownfield renewal area.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environment.

SB 6212 by Senators Keiser, Becker, and Conway; by request of Department of Health

Authorizing electronic communication of prescription information for controlled substances.

Addresses electronic communication of prescription information for certain controlled substances.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6213 by Senators Kline, Litzow, Kohl-Welles, Fain, Murray, Harper, Regala, Nelson, Keiser, Pflug, and Conway; by request of Secretary of State

Concerning the disclosure of information of an address confidentiality program participant contained in state registered domestic partnership applications and records.

Prohibits the secretary of state from making available for inspection or copying, the name and address of a program participant, who is a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, and/or stalking, contained in state registered domestic partnership applications and records.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6214 by Senators Kilmer, Kastama, and Holmquist Newbry; by request of Utilities & Transportation Commission

Correcting technical statutory cross-references in previous private infrastructure development legislation for certain provisions relating to regulatory fees for wastewater companies.

Makes technical statutory cross-reference changes relating to regulatory fees for wastewater companies.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environment.

SB 6215 by Senators Frockt, Kline, Nelson, Kohl-Welles, and Conway

Establishing an optional transportation benefit district rebate program for low-income individuals.

Allows local jurisdictions to create an optional transportation benefit district rebate program to fund rebates to low-income individuals, if they so choose.

Requires the optional rebate programs to be created and administered by the transportation benefit district authorizing certain taxes, fees, and tolls.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6216 by Senators Padden, Regala, Hargrove, Baumgartner, Kohl-Welles, and Roach

Providing immunity for nonprofit and charitable corporations that provide used eyeglasses for charitable purposes.

Provides immunity from liability to nonprofit and charitable corporations that provide used eyeglasses for charitable purposes.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6217 by Senators Holmquist Newbry, Pridemore, Schoesler, and Delvin

Regarding irrigation district administration.

Modifies irrigation district provisions relating to: (1) Exemption from publication notices when the value of the property to be sold or leased is less than ten thousand dollars;

(2) Increasing the time to fix a hearing for adding certain land to an irrigation district; and

(3) Title searches of property in irrigation districts with two hundred thousand acres or more.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6218 by Senators Frockt, Chase, Kline, Harper, Pflug, and Hobbs; by request of Washington State Bar Association

Concerning escrow licensing requirement exceptions relating to the practice of law.

Modifies exemptions to escrow licensing requirements for persons who practice law in this state.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6219 by Senators Haugen and King

Changing the member contribution rate for the Washington state patrol retirement system.

Changes the member contribution rate for the Washington state patrol retirement system.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6220 by Senators Nelson, Ranker, Rolfes, and Honeyford; by request of Utilities & Transportation Commission

Regarding the effective date of RCW 19.122.130, from the underground utility damage prevention act.

Changes the effective date of RCW 19.122.130 (utilities and transportation commission to contract with nonprofit entity--safety committee--review of violations) for purposes of the underground utility damage prevention act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

SB 6221 by Senators Haugen, Schoesler, and Hewitt

Concerning state capital funding of health and safety improvements at agricultural fairs.

Authorizes the department of agriculture, subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, to provide capital funding to local governments and nonprofit organizations, on a competitive basis, to support capital projects that make health or safety improvements to agricultural fair grounds or fair facilities.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6222 by Senators Harper, Hargrove, Holmquist Newbry, and Stevens; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Concerning employer reporting to the state support registry. Addresses requirements for employers reporting to the state support registry.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6223 by Senators Regala, Hargrove, and Stevens; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Repealing the early supplemental security income transition project.

Repeals the early supplemental security income transition project.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6224 by Senators Delvin, Holmquist Newbry, Schoesler, Honeyford, Hewitt, and Roach

Allowing hydroelectric energy generation on irrigation district facilities to qualify for renewable energy credit.

Requires the generation of electricity by an irrigation district from certain water power to be considered an eligible renewable resource that qualifies for renewable energy credit.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

SB 6225 by Senators Kline, Delvin, Carrell, and Ranker
Giving general law enforcement authority to natural resource investigators.

Makes the department of natural resources a general authority Washington law enforcement agency.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

SB 6226 by Senators Frockt, Harper, Regala, Zarelli, Fain, Hargrove, Kohl-Welles, and Keiser

Concerning authorization periods for subsidized child care.
Changes authorization periods for subsidized child care.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

Jan 17 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

SB 6227 by Senators Conway, Keiser, Carrell, Frockt, Pflug, Hargrove, Kline, and Roach

Establishing a medicaid fraud hotline.

Requires the attorney general to establish a toll-free telephone hotline, funded by the medical quality assurance commission, that is available to members of the public to report suspected medicaid fraud.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6228 by Senators Keiser, Conway, Kline, and Kohl-Welles

Making employment status discrimination an unfair labor practice.

Includes employment status as an unfair labor practice under the state civil rights act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6229 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Conway, Keiser, Nelson, Kline, Chase, and Frockt

Establishing minimum standards for sick and safe leave from employment.

Provides minimum requirements for sick and safe leave from employment.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6230 by Senators Frockt, Chase, Kilmer, Harper, Pflug, and Keiser; by request of Washington State Bar Association

Establishing social purpose corporations.

Establishes social purpose corporations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6231 by Senators McAuliffe, Conway, and Keiser

Regarding open educational resources in K-12 education.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to take the lead in developing openly licensed courseware aligned with the common core state standards and placed under a Creative Commons attribution license that allows others to

use, distribute, and create derivative works based upon the digital material, while still allowing the authors or creators to retain the copyright and to receive credit for their efforts.
Expires June 30, 2018.

Allocates one and one-half percent of the amount otherwise allocable to school districts for curriculum and textbooks under RCW 28A.150.260(8) to be allocated to the office of the superintendent of public instruction solely for the development of openly licensed courseware.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6232 by Senators Kilmer, Shin, McAuliffe, and Eide; by request of Governor Gregoire

Creating the office of the student achievement council.

Creates the student achievement council to: (1) Create ad hoc advisory committees for obtaining input from students, faculty, and higher education experts and practitioners, citizens, business and industry, and labor, and for informing their research, policy, and programmatic functions; and

(2) Provide advice to the office of the student achievement council as the office conducts its duties emphasizing the goal of increasing educational attainment.

Creates the office of the student achievement council to: (1) Set goals for increasing the educational attainment in the state and to monitor progress toward meeting those goals; and

(2) Connect the work of the superintendent of public instruction, the state board of education, the state board for community and technical colleges, the workforce training and education coordinating board, the four-year institutions of higher education, and the independent schools and colleges.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to conduct a review of the office of the student achievement council and its functions.

Establishes a joint select legislative committee on student achievement to review the work of the office of the student achievement council and make policy and budget recommendations on improving educational attainment in the state.

Abolishes the higher education coordinating board and transfers its powers, duties, and functions to the office of the student achievement council.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

Jan 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

SB 6233 by Senators Pridemore, Keiser, and Carrell

Regarding adoptees' access to information, including original birth certificates.

Modifies provisions relating to access to information, including original birth certificates, by adoptees.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6234 by Senators Honeyford and Stevens

Concerning the involuntary medication of persons committed as criminally insane.

Authorizes state hospitals to administer antipsychotic medication, without consent, to an individual who is committed as criminally insane.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

Jan 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6235 by Senators Hobbs, Benton, Prentice, Keiser, and Litzow

Regulating the licensing of escrow agents.

Expands the definition of "escrow" for purposes of the escrow agent registration act.

Exempts from the consumer loan act, persons or entities licensed under the escrow agent registration act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 6236 by Senators Becker, Carrell, and Keiser

Authorizing the presentation of claims for payment for pathology services to direct patient-provider primary care practices.

Authorizes clinical laboratories or physicians providing anatomic pathology services for patients in this state to present a claim, bill, or demand for payment for these services to certain direct patient-provider primary care practices.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6237 by Senators Keiser, Conway, Kline, Frockt, and Becker

Creating a career pathway for medical assistants.

Changes the designation of health care assistant to medical assistant.

Provides minimum requirements for entry-level medical assistants.

Requires the department of health to establish a career ladder so that medical assistants can, through experience and education, increase their skills and the procedures in which they are permitted to assist.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6238 by Senators Brown, Delvin, Shin, McAuliffe, and Ranker

Revising provisions concerning regulation of aviation biofuels production.

Supports the development of commercial-scale aviation biofuels production facilities in the state by facilitating and streamlining the permitting process for new facilities and the expansion of existing facilities and providing access to low-cost financing through the issuance of revenue bonds.

Requires the housing finance commission to: (1) Issue bonds for financing project costs of facilities;

(2) Make or purchase loans for financing the facilities; or

(3) Enter into financing documents relating to the repayment of those loans or the provision of, or security for, debt service on the bonds.

Requires Innovate Washington to convene a sustainable aviation biofuels work group.

Terminates the work group on June 30, 2015.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

Jan 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources & Marine Waters at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6239 by Senators Murray, Pflug, Hobbs, Litzow, Kohl-Welles, Ranker, Tom, Harper, Pridemore, Keiser, Kline, Regala, Eide, Rolfes, McAuliffe, Brown, Nelson, Chase, Fraser, Frockt, Conway, Kilmer, and Prentice; by request of Governor Gregoire

Concerning civil marriage and domestic partnerships.

Ends discrimination in marriage based on gender and sexual orientation.

Requires the secretary of state to notify certain same-sex domestic partners that the state law on the rights and responsibilities of state registered domestic partners will change in relation to certain same-sex registered domestic partners.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.

SB 6240 by Senators Regala, Hargrove, Kline, Carrell, and Harper

Modifying provisions relating to orders of disposition for juveniles.

Modifies provisions relating to orders of disposition for juveniles.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6241 by Senators Pridemore, Keiser, Harper, and Nelson

Limiting prescription drug cost-sharing obligations and out-of-pocket expenses.

Requires health carriers that provide coverage for prescription drugs to provide a single limit on out-of-pocket expenses in all of their health plans.

Requires the insurance commissioner to annually adjust the out-of-pocket limits.

- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.
- SB 6242** by Senators Hobbs and Litzow
 Addressing specialty producer licenses.
 Revises specialty producer license provisions relating to: (1) Application for a license;
 (2) Scope of license; and
 (3) Maintaining a registry of vendors' locations.
 Removes the definition for "communications equipment" and adds a definition for "portable electronics."
 Exempts portable electronics insurance policies from certain cancellation and nonrenewal provisions.
- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.
- SB 6243** by Senators Ranker, King, Haugen, Eide, and Roach; by request of Washington State Patrol
 Concerning being under the influence with a child in the vehicle.
 Modifies provisions relating to driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug with a child under the age of sixteen in the vehicle.
- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 6244** by Senators Haugen, King, and Eide; by request of Washington State Patrol
 Modifying the use of funds in the fire service training account.
 Adjusts the functions of the fire service training account to include the use of money in the account for the maintenance, operations, and capital projects of the state fire training academy.
- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.
- SB 6245** by Senators Ranker, King, Haugen, Eide, and Nelson; by request of Washington State Patrol
 Concerning unlawful ferry conduct.
 Addresses the crime of unlawful ferry conduct and provides that the crime is a misdemeanor.
- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.
- SB 6246** by Senators McAuliffe, Eide, Nelson, and Rolfes
 Strengthening categorical school programs based on the recommendations of the quality education council.
 Strengthens categorical school programs based on recommendations of the quality education council.
- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- SB 6247** by Senators McAuliffe and King
 Changing the duties of the quality education council and the state board of education.
 Transfers, from the quality education council to the state board of education, the tasks of: (1) Recommending an implementation schedule for the reforms, goals, and priorities for the educational system; and
 (2) Certain reporting requirements.
- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- SB 6248** by Senators Harper, Carrell, Pridemore, Litzow, Hill, Kilmer, and Ericksen
 Concerning nonresident vessel permits and taxation.
 Modifies provisions relating to nonresident vessel permits and taxation.
 Expires July 1, 2015.
- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.
- SB 6249** by Senators Kohl-Welles, Regala, McAuliffe, Keiser, Murray, and Conway
 Concerning tanning facilities.
 Regulates tanning facilities.
 Prescribes penalties.
- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.
- SB 6250** by Senators Regala, Carrell, Conway, Kilmer, Becker, Roach, and Kastama
 Clarifying the definition of leasehold interest.
 Revises the definition of "leasehold interest" for purposes of chapter 82.29A RCW (leasehold excise taxes).
- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.
- SB 6251** by Senators Kohl-Welles, Delvin, Eide, Chase, Pflug, Conway, Kline, Ranker, Stevens, Fraser, Regala, Nelson, Roach, and Frockt
 Regulating advertising of commercial sexual abuse of a minor.
 Addresses the crime of advertising commercial sexual abuse of a minor and provides that the crime is a class C felony.
- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 6252** by Senators Kline, Zarelli, Kohl-Welles, Shin, Conway, Eide, Chase, Delvin, Litzow, Stevens, Fraser, Pflug, Regala, Nelson, Keiser, and Roach
 Addressing commercial sexual abuse of a minor and promoting prostitution in the first degree.

Revises the definition of "criminal profiteering," for purposes of the criminal profiteering act, to include commercial sexual abuse of a minor.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6253 by Senators Eide, Kline, Regala, Shin, Kohl-Welles, Litzow, Chase, Stevens, Nelson, Keiser, Roach, and Conway

Concerning seizure and forfeiture of property in commercial sexual abuse of a minor and promoting prostitution in the first degree crimes.

Addresses the seizure and forfeiture of property in the crimes of commercial sexual abuse of a minor and promoting prostitution in the first degree.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6254 by Senators Delvin, Hargrove, Kohl-Welles, Roach, Conway, Pflug, Ericksen, Carrell, Schoesler, Fain, Baumgartner, Fraser, Padden, Regala, Kline, Shin, Litzow, Eide, Chase, Stevens, Nelson, and Keiser

Changing promoting prostitution provisions.

Includes in the crime of promoting prostitution in the first degree, compelling a person with a mental disability, that renders the person incapable of consent, to engage in prostitution or profits from prostitution.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6255 by Senators Fraser, Kline, Eide, Kohl-Welles, Shin, Litzow, Chase, Stevens, Pflug, Regala, Nelson, Keiser, Roach, Conway, Holmquist Newbry, and Frockt

Concerning victims of human trafficking and promoting prostitution.

Addresses the offense of prostitution when the offense is committed as a result of having been a victim of trafficking, promoting prostitution in the first degree, or trafficking in persons under the trafficking victims protection act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6256 by Senators Conway, Delvin, Roach, Chase, Kohl-Welles, Eide, Litzow, Fraser, Stevens, Pflug, Regala, Nelson, Keiser, and Holmquist Newbry

Adding commercial sexual abuse of a minor to the list of criminal street gang-related offenses.

Revises the definition of "criminal street gang-related offense," for purposes of the sentencing reform act, to include commercial sexual abuse of a minor.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6257 by Senators Roach, Conway, Swecker, Fraser, Pflug, Kohl-Welles, Eide, Delvin, Stevens,

Padden, Regala, Chase, Tom, Kastama, Haugen, Litzow, Brown, Kline, Shin, Nelson, and Keiser

Addressing sexually explicit performance.

Includes in the crime of promoting commercial sexual abuse of a minor, a person knowingly advancing a sexually explicit performance of a minor.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6258 by Senators Stevens, Carrell, Kohl-Welles, Fraser, Delvin, Regala, and Roach

Concerning unaccompanied persons.

Revises the definition of "negligent treatment or maltreatment," for purposes of chapter 26.44 RCW (abuse of children), to include: (1) A physical search without probable cause of a child that involves the act of touching certain areas, such as touching through clothing; or

(2) The act of a parent in allowing a child under the age of fourteen to be transported unaccompanied by a parent or adult responsible for the child's care.

Expands the definition for the crime of luring to include ordering, luring, or attempting to lure a minor or a person with a developmental disability away from any area or structure constituting a bus terminal, airport terminal, or other transportation terminal.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6259 by Senators Shin, Kline, Pflug, Regala, Eide, Kohl-Welles, Litzow, Chase, Stevens, Fraser, Nelson, Roach, and Conway

Addressing restitution for human trafficking and prostitution.

Requires mandatory restitution for the crimes of human trafficking, promoting prostitution in the first degree, and promoting commercial sexual abuse of minors, regardless of extraordinary circumstances.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6260 by Senators Delvin, Kohl-Welles, Regala, Roach, Conway, Carrell, Shin, Eide, Ericksen, Litzow, Chase, and Stevens

Revising registration requirements and fees charged for various criminal offenses.

Assesses a three thousand dollar fee for certain violations of trafficking crimes.

Revises the definition of "sex offense" to include a second or subsequent violation of promoting prostitution in the first degree, promoting prostitution in the second degree, or patronizing a prostitute.

Adds to penalties for certain violations of promoting prostitution in the first or second degree, permitting prostitution, and patronizing a prostitute.

Prohibits a court from suspending payment of all or part of certain fees if an offender entered into a statutory or nonstatutory diversion agreement.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6261 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Hargrove, Stevens, and Regala

Requiring notification of release of a person following dismissal of charges based on incompetence to stand trial.

Requires certain facilities, conducting a civil commitment evaluation that makes a determination to release a person instead of filing a civil commitment petition, to provide written notification to the prosecuting attorney within twenty-four hours of the determination.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

Jan 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6262 by Senators Parlette, Kilmer, Benton, Murray, Brown, King, Hewitt, Becker, and Morton; by request of Commission on State Debt

Implementing the recommendations of the commission on state debt.

Implements recommendations of the commission on state debt relating to accomplishing several objectives that improve the state's standing with regard to the amount of debt available for capital projects and the required debt service to pay for those projects.

Creates the debt advisory council to advise and make recommendations to the governor and the legislature on the level of state debt for appropriation purposes while balancing the need for funding essential capital projects, preserving future budgetary flexibility, and protecting the state's credit position and market access.

Requires budget documents to include debt service from all funds for proposed debt issuance, including alternatively financed projects for the full term of the financing.

Modifies the state treasurer's duties relating to computing general state revenues.

Provides that certain sections of the act take effect only if the proposed amendment to Article VIII, section 1 of the state Constitution, implementing recommendations of the commission on state debt, is approved by the voters at the next general election.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6263 by Senators Ranker, Hargrove, Delvin, Litzow, Swecker, Rolfes, Schoesler, Kilmer, Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Hobbs, and Hatfield

Facilitating marine management planning.

Facilitates marine management planning.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

Jan 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources & Marine Waters at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6264 by Senators Ranker, Hargrove, Tom, Swecker,

Frockt, Litzow, Rolfes, Schoesler, Fraser, and Kohl-Welles
Establishing the center for marine innovation.

Creates the Washington center for marine innovation to promote innovation in and education involving the development, design, manufacturing, and repair and refit of commercial and recreational marine watercraft, equipment, and alternative fuel.

Creates the marine innovation account.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

Jan 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources & Marine Waters at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6265 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Delvin, Keiser, Pflug, and Regala

Addressing the medical use of cannabis.

Regulates the medical use of cannabis through nonprofit patient cooperatives, collective gardens, local government regulation of nonprofit patient cooperatives and collective gardens, security requirements for the transportation of cannabis, affirmative defense and arrest and prosecution protections, establishment of a voluntary registry within the department of health, and modification of the state institute for public policy study.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6266 by Senators Shin, Delvin, Kastama, Kline, McAuliffe, Hatfield, Haugen, Swecker, Regala, Roach, Fraser, Chase, Rolfes, Stevens, Kohl-Welles, Pridemore, and Conway

Creating a statewide database of disability accommodation resources.

Requires Central Washington University to create, coordinate, designate, and recommend the use of a statewide database of student disability accommodation equipment, software, and resources owned by each school district and institution of higher education.

Requires school districts, institutions of higher education, and community and technical colleges to report currently owned and inventoried student disability accommodation equipment, software, and resources in the database.

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

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 6267 by Senators Shin, Delvin, Kastama, Kline, McAuliffe, Hatfield, Haugen, Swecker, Roach, Regala, Kilmer, Fraser, Rolfes, Chase, Kohl-Welles, Stevens, Pridemore, and Conway

Creating a task force on improving access to higher education for students with disabilities.

Creates a legislative task force on improving access to higher education for students with disabilities.

Expires July 1, 2014.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6268 by Senators Swecker, Sheldon, Schoesler, Roach, Tom, and Hobbs

Achieving efficiencies in the stocking of trout in freshwater areas to enhance recreational fishing opportunities.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to annually use at least fifty percent of all operating moneys expended to produce or obtain trout for purposes of stocking freshwater areas to enhance recreational fishing opportunities on contracts with registered aquatic farmers.

Requires the state auditor to complete a comprehensive audit of the department of fish and wildlife's program to produce, obtain, and stock freshwater areas with trout to enhance recreational fishing opportunities. This requirement expires June 30, 2014.

Exempts the department of fish and wildlife from certain competitive contracting provisions.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

SB 6269 by Senators Becker, Tom, Swecker, Shin, Schoesler, Sheldon, Delvin, Holmquist Newbry, Keiser, Hargrove, Padden, Regala, Stevens, Parlette, Hewitt, Hill, and Conway

Regarding higher education coordination.

Finds that: (1) In 2011, the legislature abolished the higher education coordinating board and created a council for higher education;

(2) Over the years additional duties have been given to the higher education coordinating board, which has diluted the board's resources; and

(3) The legislature intends for the new council for higher education to refocus on the core function of higher education coordination and be a trusted source of information for policymakers.

Transfers powers, duties, and functions of the higher education coordinating board, except for matters pertaining to student financial aid, to the council for higher education.

Transfers powers, duties, and functions of the higher education coordinating board, pertaining to student financial aid, to the office of student financial assistance.

Creates a joint higher education committee to provide legislative oversight of the council for higher education.

Requires the education data center to: (1) Annually develop information on the approximate amount of state support that students receive; and

(2) Determine and transmit amounts constituting approved undergraduate and graduate educational costs to the several boards of regents and trustees for the state institutions of higher education.

Provides that the director of the office of student financial assistance shall serve at the pleasure of the council for higher education.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

Jan 18 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

SB 6270 by Senators Becker, Keiser, Sheldon, Haugen, Shin, Parlette, Fain, Delvin, Schoesler, Carrell, Holmquist Newbry, Honeyford, Morton, and Kline

Providing that health care professional licensees may not be required to participate in any public or private third-party reimbursement program.

Prohibits a licensee, subject to the uniform disciplinary act, from being required to participate in any public or private third-party reimbursement program as a condition of licensure.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6271 by Senators Becker, Haugen, Swecker, Hatfield, Shin, Fain, Sheldon, Delvin, Schoesler, Honeyford, and Morton

Removing state and local protections for the Mazama pocket gopher.

Prohibits the fish and wildlife commission from classifying the Mazama pocket gopher as a threatened or endangered species.

Prohibits cities and counties from applying critical areas ordinances to protect the Mazama pocket gopher.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

SB 6272 by Senators Stevens, Benton, Morton, Roach, Delvin, Schoesler, Honeyford, Ericksen, and Carrell

Recognizing the right to protection.

Establishes the Washington right to protection act.

Addresses the constitutional rights of law-abiding citizens.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6273 by Senators Stevens and Schoesler

Eliminating mandatory allocations under Initiative Measure No. 728.

Addresses the elimination of mandatory allocations under Initiative Measure No. 728.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6274 by Senators Stevens, Benton, Morton, Delvin, Schoesler, Honeyford, Roach, and Holmquist Newbry

Exempting a firearm, a firearm accessory, or ammunition manufactured and retained in Washington from federal regulation under the commerce clause of the Constitution of the United States.

Establishes the Washington firearms freedom act. Exempts from regulation under the commerce clause of the United States Constitution, firearms, firearms accessories, and ammunition that is manufactured and retained in this state.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6275 by Senators Rolfes and Kastama

Removing the expiration date from the self-employment assistance program.

Repeals the July 1, 2012, expiration date of the self-employment assistance program in chapter 50.20 RCW.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Innovation.

SB 6276 by Senators Conway, Keiser, and Pridemore

Requiring certification of music therapists.

Requires certification of music therapists.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6277 by Senators Conway, Becker, Kastama, Schoesler, Kilmer, Kohl-Welles, and Regala

Creating authority for counties to exempt from property taxation new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in certain unincorporated urban centers.

Allows counties to exempt from property taxation, new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in certain unincorporated urban centers.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 6278 by Senators Hobbs and Schoesler; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Regarding provisional school employees' contracts.

Addresses provisional employee status and nonrenewal of employment contracts for school district employees.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6279 by Senator Nelson

Improving water quality to support shellfish resources.

Authorizes the department of ecology to analyze and implement, where appropriate, pollutant credit and trading mechanisms as an element of water clean-up plans for impaired water bodies supporting shellfish resources.

Requires a report on the progress of implementing elements of the governor's shellfish initiative as they relate to improving water quality.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Environment.

SB 6280 by Senators Carrell, Swecker, Conway, Holmquist Newbry, and Parlette

Concerning robberies of pharmacies.

Includes robbery of a pharmacy in the crime of robbery in the first degree.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6281 by Senators Fraser, Benton, and McAuliffe

Concerning the regulation of event personnel.

Addresses exemptions from the requirements of chapter 18.170 RCW (security guards) relating to guest services by unlicensed persons at an organized event.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6282 by Senators Fraser, Benton, and McAuliffe

Revising requirements for the registration of international student visitor exchange programs.

Revises certain requirements for the registration of international student visitor exchange programs.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.

SB 6283 by Senators Regala, Kline, Murray, Chase, Kohl-Welles, Fraser, Keiser, Harper, and Nelson

Reducing criminal justice expenses by eliminating the death penalty in favor of life incarceration.

Eliminates the death penalty to reduce criminal justice expenses.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6284 by Senators Kline, Harper, Litzow, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, and Hargrove

Reforming Washington's approach to certain nonsafety civil traffic infractions by authorizing a civil collection process for unpaid traffic fines and removing the requirement for law enforcement intervention for the failure to appear and pay a traffic ticket.

Authorizes a civil collection process for unpaid traffic fines.

Removes the requirement for law enforcement intervention for the failure to appear and pay a traffic ticket.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6285 by Senators Kline, Nelson, Ranker, Stevens, and Fraser

Concerning the use of geothermal resources.

Provides greater conformity with the state's geothermal resources statutes and the federal statutes defining geothermal resources.

Clarifies that ownership of geothermal resources resides with the surface owner unless the interest is otherwise reserved or conveyed.

Encourages and fosters the development of geothermal resources.

Clarifies the respective regulatory roles of state agencies.

Creates the geothermal account.

Gives responsibility to the state treasurer for distribution of funds from the geothermal account to the county of origin.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

SB 6286 by Senators Kline, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, and Fraser

Revising the statutory powers of the attorney general.

Revises the attorney general's statutory powers.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6287 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Roach, Pridemore, Kline, and Conway

Establishing completion rate requirements for apprenticeship training programs in certain construction trades as part of apprenticeship utilization requirements.

Establishes completion rate requirements for apprenticeship training programs in certain construction trades.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

Jan 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8221 by Senators Parlette, Kilmer, Benton, Murray, Brown, King, Hewitt, Becker, and Morton; by request of Commission on State Debt

Amending the Constitution to include the recommendations of the commission on state debt.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to include recommendations of the commission on state debt.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

Senate Joint Memorials

SJM 8012 by Senator Stevens

Claiming state sovereignty under the Tenth Amendment.

Claims state sovereignty under the Tenth Amendment.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.

SJM 8013 by Senator Stevens

Requesting that Congress amend the 17th amendment of the United States Constitution.

Requests congress to amend the 17th amendment of the United States Constitution.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 First reading, referred to Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.