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House Bills

HB 2509 by Representatives Chandler, Bailey, and Pearson

Promoting workplace safety and health by enacting the blueprint for safety program.

Establishes the blueprint for safety program to improve safety for employees and lower costs for employers by assisting those employers for which the traditional safety and health model has not been effective.

Requires the department of labor and industries to design the program to promote management and labor leadership in safety and health.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2510 by Representatives Kagi, Walsh, Pedersen, Orwall, Jinkins, Dickerson, Ryu, Van De Wege, Darneille, and Roberts

Limiting government liability during preshelter care investigations of child abuse or neglect.

Requires the interests of a child to prevail, when the child's interests of basic nurture, physical and mental health, and safety conflict with the parents' interests.

Provides immunity from liability, under certain circumstances, to governmental entities, and their officers, agents, employees, and volunteers, in tort for acts or

omissions in emergent placement investigations of child abuse or neglect.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2511 by Representatives Kelley and Rodne

Adjusting when a judgment lien on real property commences.

Requires judgments of the superior court for the county in which the real estate of the judgment debtor is situated to commence upon the time of the filing by the county clerk upon the execution docket.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2512 by Representatives Harris, Kelley, Rivers, Appleton, Dahlquist, Cody, and Buys

Including pharmacists in the legend drug act.

Allows the sale, delivery, or possession of a legend drug when the drug is ordered or prescribed by a licensed pharmacist and authorized by the board of pharmacy.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2513 by Representatives Roberts, Condotta, Hurst,

Pedersen, Buys, Ryu, Kirby, and Kelley

Exempting common interest community managers from real estate broker and managing broker licensing requirements.

Exempts certain common interest community managers from the licensing requirements of real estate brokers and managing brokers.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services.

Jan 20 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

HB 2514 by Representatives Appleton, Jinkins, Bailey, Harris, Walsh, Green, Dickerson, Johnson, Rodne, Van De Wege, and Schmick

Requiring transparency for patients regarding training and qualifications of health care professionals.

Requires advertisements that name a health care professional to identify the type of license, registration, or certification held by the health care professional.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2515 by Representatives Moeller, Clibborn, Jinkins, Cody, and Schmick

Authorizing physician assistants to perform ophthalmic-related services under employment or supervision by a medical doctor or an osteopathic physician.

Authorizes the performance of ophthalmic-related services by physician assistants when under the employment of or supervision by a medical doctor or an osteopathic physician.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2516 by Representatives Pedersen, Walsh, Moeller, Jinkins, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Seaquist, McCoy, Billig, Morris, Carlyle, Darneille, Ladenburg, Maxwell, Moscoso, Stanford, Fitzgibbon, Pollet, Hudgins, Finn, Eddy, Springer, Ormsby, Wylie, Goodman, Appleton, Pettigrew, Takko, Roberts, Ryu, Cody, Hasegawa, Hunter, Hunt, Haigh, Lytton, Santos, Orwall, Hansen, Sullivan, Kenney, Reykdal, Dickerson, Kagi, Sells, Clibborn, Dunshee, Liias, and Chopp; 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 17 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2517 by Representatives Buys, Nealey, Crouse, and Hasegawa

Regarding the state building code council regulation of equipment or systems used for commercial and industrial cold storage.

Prohibits the state building code council from adopting mandates or rules relating to refrigerated warehouse heating and cooling systems or equipment used for cold storage spaces.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2518 by Representatives Buys, Nealey, Crouse, and Hasegawa

Regarding the state building code council regulation of processes and equipment used for commercial and industrial processes.

Prohibits the state building code council from regulating equipment or processes used for commercial or industrial processing or activities unrelated to the building structure.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2519 by Representatives Green, Cody, Jinkins, Wylie, Ladenburg, Hudgins, Ryu, Orwall, Upthegrove, Fitzgibbon, Moscoso, Reykdal, Clibborn, Darneille, Hasegawa, Kenney, Santos, Moeller, and Maxwell

Concerning nursing staffing practices at hospitals.

Establishes the Washington state patient safety act.

Requires the department of health to: (1) Adopt patient assignment limits; and

(2) Conduct regular audits of hospital compliance with the act and investigate complaints of violations.

Requires hospitals to: (1) Submit a staffing plan to the department of health on at least an annual basis;

(2) Implement the staffing plan developed by the nurse staffing committee and assign nursing personnel to each patient care unit in accordance with the plan; and

(3) Regularly collect information regarding nurse staffing and submit it to the department of health semiannually.

Prescribes penalties.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2520 by Representatives Ahern, Chandler, Armstrong, Johnson, Bailey, Angel, Rivers, Harris, McCune, Orcutt, Warnick, Blake, Fagan, Dammeier, and Overstreet

Concerning the assessment of property with substantial land use limitations.

Requires a taxing district to reduce the assessed value of any property in which a portion of the property is required to be set aside for the purpose of environmental protection, critical area protection, wetland protection, salmon protection, stream or creek buffers, storm water retention,

forest preservation, aquifer protection, or any other restriction.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2521 by Representatives Finn, Roberts, and Haigh

Creating a citizens' custody review board.

Establishes a citizens' custody review board that is authorized to determine whether individuals, whom society no longer needs to hold in prison for public safety, should be released from custody.

Requires the department of corrections to: (1) Provide space in which the citizens' custody review board may meet and conduct its business; and

(2) Provide clerical assistance.

Provides that, except as otherwise restricted by federal law, an offender released pursuant to the act is subject only to the conditions of release established by the citizens' custody review board.

Requires the state institute for public policy to conduct a study of the effect of the act on recidivism and other outcomes.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2522 by Representatives Darneille, Van De Wege, and Goodman

Requiring certification of music therapists.

Requires certification of music therapists.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2523 by Representatives Bailey, Cody, and Kirby; by request of Insurance Commissioner

Regulating insurers and insurance products.

Modifies provisions relating to insurers and insurance products.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services.

Jan 20 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Business & Financial Services at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

HB 2524 by Representatives Orwall, Bailey, Hudgins, Hurst, Kenney, and Kelley; by request of Department of Veterans Affairs

Concerning military spouses or registered domestic partners occupational licensing status during deployment or placement outside Washington state.

Addresses the occupational licensing status of military spouses or registered domestic partners during deployment or placement outside the state.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

Committee relieved of further consideration.

Referred to Business & Financial Services.

HB 2525 by Representatives Taylor, Shea, Chandler, Hargrove, and Condotta

Requiring public disclosure of public sector unions' finances.

Requires employee organizations to annually provide financial disclosure information to all employees in the bargaining unit and to the general public by filing with the public employment relations commission a report containing certain information, detailed by functional spending categories, that accurately discloses its financial condition and operations for the preceding fiscal year.

Requires the public employment relations commission to determine whether a violation has occurred and issue and enforce an appropriate order.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2526 by Representatives Taylor, Shea, Chandler, Hargrove, and Condotta

Addressing public access to negotiations and records concerning public employee representatives.

Requires collective bargaining sessions with certain employee organizations to be conducted as open public meetings.

Exempts from disclosure under the public records act, records before and during the course of any collective bargaining, labor negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings that would reveal the strategy or position being taken by an agency.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2527 by Representatives Eddy, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Springer, Moscoso, Armstrong, Asay, Fitzgibbon, Liias, and Moeller

Concerning intermodal container chassis.

Addresses violations identified by a law enforcement entity on an intermodal container chassis used to move intermodal containers.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2528 by Representatives Hudgins, Van De Wege, Ladenburg, Moscoso, and Morris

Relating to the discover pass.

Introduced by title and introductory section only.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to General Government Appropriations & Oversight.

HB 2529 by Representatives Carlyle, Appleton,

Fitzgibbon, Reykdal, Lytton, Hunt, Dickerson, Finn, Hansen, and Pollet

Concerning tax expenditure reform to provide transparency and accountability in fiscal matters.

Expires all nonconstitutionally required tax expenditures that are not already subject to expiration by June 30, 2020.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2530 by Representatives Carlyle, Hunter, Reykdal, Roberts, and Pollet; by request of Department of Revenue

Improving accountability for tax preferences.

Finds that: (1) In order to make policy choices regarding the best use of limited state resources the legislature needs information to evaluate whether the continuation of existing tax preferences is in the public interest;

(2) Existing annual reports and annual surveys used to gather data from taxpayers to evaluate the effectiveness of tax incentives should be improved and consolidated into a single document to provide better information with which to evaluate the effectiveness of tax preferences, provide greater consistency for taxpayers, and simplify administration for the department of revenue; and

(3) The process for evaluating tax preferences would be strengthened by establishing a five-year expiration date for those tax preferences enacted by the legislature in the future that are subject to the annual survey; and by requiring that when the joint legislative audit and review committee recommends that a tax preference be modified or terminated immediately, the committee must include in its report to the legislative fiscal committees draft legislation to implement the recommendation.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2531 by Representatives Carlyle, Kelley, Anderson, Morris, Pedersen, Jinkins, Darneille, and Pollet

Requiring a rate of return analysis for state tax preferences.

Adds a return on investment measurement to the duties of the joint legislative audit and review committee to provide a rigorous and measurable analysis of value of each tax preference.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2532 by Representatives Carlyle, Anderson, Haler, Eddy, Orwall, Seaquist, Pedersen, Maxwell, Morris, Hansen, Springer, Haigh, and Kenney

Modifying business and occupation tax credits and other provisions of the opportunity expansion program.

Changes business and occupation tax credits on research and development expenditures.

Authorizes a business and occupation tax credit for contributions to the program administrator of the opportunity scholarship board.

Modifies opportunity expansion program provisions relating to: (1) Annual numeric targets for high-quality baccalaureate degrees; and

(2) Opportunity expansion awards.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2533 by Representatives Dammeier, Haigh, Dahlquist, Finn, Anderson, Miloscia, Fagan, Kelley, Hargrove, Eddy, Harris, Probst, Wilcox, Haler, Parker, Alexander, Taylor, Ross, Kristiansen, DeBolt, Kretz, Shea, Short, Bailey, Zeiger, Smith, Pearson, and Hurst

Prioritizing expenditures for K-12 education within the state appropriations process.

Requires all appropriations for K-12 basic education, together with appropriations for other K-12 education programs, to be enacted into law before the legislature takes executive action on other omnibus appropriations legislation.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Education Appropriations & Oversight.

HB 2534 by Representatives Lytton, Reykdal, Jinkins, Ryu, Appleton, Tharinger, Hasegawa, Ladenburg, Moscoso, Fitzgibbon, Billig, Ormsby, Maxwell, Green, Pollet, Roberts, Upthegrove, Lias, Santos, Hansen, Kenney, and Hunt

Funding all-day kindergarten.

Repeals the nonresident retail sales tax exemption on tangible personal property, digital goods, and digital codes for use outside the state.

Requires the department of revenue to annually estimate the increase in state revenue for the prior calendar year resulting from the repeal of the nonresident retail sales tax and certify the estimated amount to the state treasurer.

Creates the all-day kindergarten account.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2535 by Representatives Ladenburg, Johnson, Moscoso, Walsh, Ross, Klippert, Goodman, Nealey, Fitzgibbon, Appleton, Pollet, Green, Billig, Roberts, Kirby, Probst, Jinkins, Kagi, Lytton, Dickerson, Darneille, Santos, and Kenney

Creating a juvenile gang court.

Authorizes counties to establish and operate juvenile gang courts and requires them to track and document data regarding the criteria that led to a juvenile's admission to gang court, the successful or unsuccessful completion of juvenile gang court requirements, and subsequent criminal charges of juvenile gang court participants; and to provide the data to the administrative office of the courts.

Requires the administrative office of the courts, subject to funding for this purpose, to study the data provided by the counties.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services.

HB 2536 by Representatives Dickerson, Johnson, Goodman, Hinkle, Kretz, Pettigrew, Warnick,

Cody, Harris, Kenney, Kagi, Darneille, Orwall, Condotta, Ladenburg, Appleton, Jinkins, and Maxwell

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 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services.

HB 2537 by Representatives Santos and Maxwell; by request of Governor Gregoire

Regarding certificated employee evaluations.

Modifies provisions relating to evaluations of certain certificated classroom teachers and support personnel.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction, subject to funds appropriated for this purpose, to develop and make available a professional development program to support the implementation of the evaluation systems.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2538 by Representatives Santos and Maxwell; by request of Governor Gregoire

Reducing certain requirements affecting school districts.

Changes high school graduation requirements relating to a student completing a culminating project.

Changes the requirements for submission, by a participating school district, of the school district program plan.

Requires the state auditor to conduct fiscal and performance audits for school districts under certain circumstances.

Allows the state auditor to conduct audits: (1) To address suspected fraud or irregular conduct;

(2) At the request of the local school board of directors; or

(3) As required by federal laws or regulations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2539 by Representatives Ormsby, Parker, Billig, Armstrong, Upthegrove, Liias, Ryu, Crouse, Ahern, Hope, and Sullivan

Addressing the taxing authority of public facilities districts. Modifies provisions relating to expiration of the sales and use tax for regional centers.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2540 by Representatives Goodman, Harris, Fitzgibbon, Moscoso, and Pollet

Developing a paint stewardship program.

Creates an architectural paint recovery program that is enforced by the department of ecology.

Creates the paint product stewardship account.

Provides that the act is void if a federal law takes effect establishing a national program for the collection and recycling of architectural paints.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Environment.

HB 2541 by Representatives Darneille, Dickerson, Jinkins, Roberts, Appleton, Kagi, and Kenney

Concerning the sealing of juvenile records.

Addresses the sealing of juvenile records.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services.

HB 2542 by Representatives Darneille, Jinkins, Fitzgibbon, Appleton, Kagi, and Roberts

Making juvenile records confidential.

Requires certain official juvenile court files of alleged or proven juvenile offenders to be confidential.

Prohibits confidential juvenile offense records, maintained by any court, law enforcement agency, or state agency, including the juvenile court, local law enforcement, the Washington state patrol, and the county prosecutor's offices, from being published or distributed.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services.

HB 2543 by Representatives Klippert, Armstrong, Reykdal, Sells, Appleton, Ryu, Ormsby, Lytton, Ross, McCune, and Tharinger

Regarding state board of education rules that contain unfunded mandates.

Provides that, unless the legislature enacts and fully funds the rule, a rule adopted by the state board of education that affects credit requirements for students beginning with the graduating class of 2016 and thereafter is voluntary if:

(1) There is a fiscal impact to the local school district; and
(2) The district files a notice of fiscal impact with the state board of education.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2544 by Representatives Liias and Fitzgibbon

Authorizing the department of commerce to approve comprehensive plans and development regulations.

Expands the duties of the department of commerce relating to approval of comprehensive plans and development regulations under the growth management act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2545 by Representatives Zeiger, Ladenburg, Dammeier, Seaquist, Angel, Dahlquist, Wilcox, Jinkins, McCune, and Kelley

Including compressed natural gas in fuel usage requirements for local governments.

Changes fuel usage requirements for local government subdivisions of the state by including compressed natural gas.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2546 by Representatives Schmick, Alexander, Hinkle, McCune, and Fagan

Requesting a waiver from maintenance of effort requirements in the medicaid program.

Requires the department of social and health services to request a waiver from the United States department of health and human services to provide lawmakers with the flexibility needed to modify the state's medicaid and children's health insurance programs.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2547 by Representatives Kelley, Appleton, Roberts, and Hurst

Authorizing the establishment and use of veterans' courts.

Authorizes counties and municipalities to establish and operate veterans' courts.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2548 by Representative Kelley

Concerning offenses against members of the military and their families.

Includes, in the list of factors that can support a sentence above the standard sentence range, that the defendant committed the offense against an active or reserve member of the United States military or naval forces, or a national guard member, or immediate family members, and the defendant committed the current offense knowing the military member was on deployment.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2549 by Representatives Taylor, Fitzgibbon, and

McCune

Regarding state bounties for invasive species.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to establish a program to assist with the eradication of invasive species by paying cash bounties, from the fish and wildlife enforcement reward account, to citizens in exchange for their participation in eradication efforts.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 2550 by Representatives Darneille, Appleton, Orwall, Jinkins, Clibborn, Kenney, Dickerson, Dunshee, Cody, and Eddy

Concerning tanning facilities.

Regulates tanning facilities.

Prescribes penalties.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2551 by Representatives Overstreet, Buys, Johnson, Fitzgibbon, and Shea

Concerning the annual gross sales limits for cottage food operations.

Repeals RCW 69.22.050 relating to annual gross sales limits for cottage food operations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 2552 by Representatives Overstreet, Anderson, Angel, Buys, Taylor, Shea, McCune, Kretz, Schmick, Short, Hargrove, Condotta, Parker, and Wylie

Requiring compensation for government required actions on private property.

Requires government authorities to provide just compensation to property owners for certain required actions on private property.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2553 by Representatives Moscoso, Liias, Upthegrove, Fitzgibbon, Reykdal, Billig, Sells, Appleton, Ryu, and Roberts

Concerning nonvoting labor members of public transportation governing bodies.

Authorizes the metropolitan transit commission, county transportation authorities, and public transportation benefit area authorities to exclude nonvoting members from attending executive sessions held for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations with labor organizations.

Prohibits the exclusion of nonvoting members from attending executive sessions addressing other matters or from attending commission or authority subcommittees and work groups.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2554 by Representatives Rodne, Pedersen, and Jinkins

Concerning the obligations of landlords and tenants with respect to carbon monoxide alarms and the disclosure of certain health-related information.

Requires landlords to: (1) Provide written notice to tenants stating whether their dwelling unit is equipped with a carbon monoxide alarm; and

(2) Provide tenants with information, provided or approved by the department of health, about the health and safety hazards associated with exposure to carbon monoxide.

Requires tenants to maintain any carbon monoxide alarm installed in their dwelling unit in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2555 by Representative Roberts

Concerning common interest community managers.

Regulates common interest community managers.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services.

HB 2556 by Representatives Morris, Eddy, Takko, Liias, Stanford, Hurst, and Tharinger

Helping ensure that eligible renewable resources creating thermal energy are eligible for renewable energy credits as defined in RCW 19.285.030.

Ensures that eligible renewable resources creating thermal energy are eligible for renewable energy credits as defined in the energy independence act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Environment.

HB 2557 by Representative Morris

Creating an additional compliance mechanism for the energy independence act by allowing the use of alternative compliance credits.

Requires the utilities and transportation commission to develop a program to offer advanced renewable resource compliance credits to qualifying utilities.

Requires the housing finance commission to convene a work group to investigate and make recommendations on: (1) The use of energy efficiency credits for energy conservation compliance purposes; and

(2) The creation of the program developed by the utilities and transportation commission.

Creates the energy independence act special account.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Environment.

HB 2558 by Representative Moeller

Establishing a theater license to sell beer, including strong beer, or wine, or both, at retail for consumption on theater premises.

Establishes a theater license to sell beer or wine, or both, at retail for consumption on theater premises.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2559 by Representatives Morris and Kelley

Expanding bribery provisions.

Expands the crime of bribery by including campaign contributions with regard to pecuniary benefits.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2560 by Representatives Chandler, Taylor, and Short

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 17 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 2561 by Representatives Alexander, Orcutt, DeBolt, Lytton, Kretz, Johnson, and Ross

Specifying options for potable water delivery to ski facilities.

Addresses potable water delivery requirements for ski facilities for purposes of the state building code.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 2562 by Representatives Alexander, Bailey, Angel, Kristiansen, Warnick, Haler, Rivers, Taylor, Dahlquist, Fagan, Klippert, McCune, and Parker

Requiring a minimum amount of operating budget reserves.

Prohibits the governor from proposing, and the legislature from enacting, any near general fund operating budget that does not set aside at least five percent of near general fund budgeted expenditures as a reserve amount.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2563 by Representatives Jinkins, Hasegawa, Ladenburg, Tharinger, Wylie, Ryu, Reykdal, Fitzgibbon, Billig, Appleton, Kagi, Ormsby, Pedersen,

Eddy, McCoy, Hunt, Pollet, Kenney, Roberts, Dickerson, Darneille, Cody, Lias, Haigh, Green, Moeller, and Santos

Establishing a state tax on capital gains.

Imposes a tax on the privilege of selling or otherwise voluntarily exchanging capital assets.

Requires the department of revenue to refund all taxes improperly paid or collected.

Requires the collected taxes to be deposited into the state general fund.

Authorizes the board of tax appeals to decide appeals relating to capital gains tax deficiencies and refunds, including penalties and interest.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2564 by Representatives Ormsby, Pettigrew, Hasegawa, Cody, Santos, and Kenney

Facilitating the sealing of certain unlawful detainer and protection order records to protect housing opportunities.

Protects housing opportunities by sealing certain unlawful detainer and protection order records.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2565 by Representatives Kirby, Harris, Dammeier, Walsh, Orwall, Kelley, Moscoso, and Zeiger

Providing for the operation of roll your own cigarette machines at retail establishments.

Deems a person a manufacturer of cigarettes, if the person operates or maintains a machine at a retail establishment that enables a person to process a product made or derived from tobacco into a roll or tube.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services.

HB 2566 by Representatives Stanford, Takko, Blake, and Hudgins

Increasing the penal sum of a surety bond required to be maintained by an appraisal management company.

Changes the penal sum of a surety bond required to be maintained by an appraisal management company, from twenty-five thousand dollars to one hundred thousand dollars.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services.

HB 2567 by Representative Fitzgibbon

Authorizing an optional system of rates and charges for conservation districts.

Authorizes the imposition of an optional system of rates and charges for conservation districts.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2568 by Representatives Kenney, Sells, Hunt, Hasegawa, Moscoso, Hudgins, Ryu, Pettigrew,

Ormsby, Santos, Reykdal, Eddy, Fitzgibbon, Upthegrove, Appleton, and Maxwell

Maintaining voluntary use of electronic employment verification systems.

Maintains the intent of federal law by ensuring that private employers retain the ability to choose whether to participate in an electronic employment verification program.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development.

HB 2569 by Representatives Orwall, Goodman, Kagi, Maxwell, Reykdal, Dickerson, Tharinger, Pollet, and Roberts

Implementing a voluntary quality rating and improvement system for child care centers and early learning programs.

Finds that a two-year field test of a voluntary quality rating and improvement system, for licensed and certified child care centers and homes and other early learning programs, has prepared the state to begin statewide implementation of the system, to the extent funds are available.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services.

HB 2570 by Representatives Goodman, Hurst, and Ross

Addressing metal property theft.

Establishes a task force on commercial and nonferrous metal property theft to formulate suggestions for state policy regarding regulation of commercial and nonferrous metal property theft.

Expires December 31, 2014.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2571 by Representatives Parker, Cody, Dammeier, Darneille, Alexander, Schmick, Orcutt, Hurst, and Kelley

Concerning waste, fraud, and abuse prevention, detection, and recovery to improve program integrity for medical services programs.

Implements waste, fraud, and abuse detection, prevention, and recovery solutions to: (1) Improve program integrity for medical services programs;

(2) Create efficiency and cost savings through a shift from a retrospective "pay and chase" model to a prospective prepayment model; and

(3) Comply with program integrity provisions of the federal patient protection and affordable care act and the health care and education reconciliation act of 2010.

Imposes duties on the state health care authority.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.
Committee relieved of further consideration.

Referred to Health & Human Services
Appropriations & Oversight.

HB 2572 by Representatives Pollet, Reykdal, Green, Blake, Finn, Appleton, Kagi, Upthegrove, Santos, Miloscia, Goodman, Ryu, Kenney, and Tharinger

Requiring training of public officials and employees regarding public records and open public meetings.

Requires the attorney general to develop and implement a training program regarding the legal requirements and purposes of: (1) Chapter 40.14 RCW relating to the preservation and destruction of public records;

- (2) The open public meetings act; and
- (3) The public records act.

Requires members of the governing body of a public agency to complete the open public meetings act training course.

Requires elected state officials, local officials, and persons appointed to fill a vacancy in elective office, who are subject to the requirements of the public records act, to complete a training course regarding basic open government principles, including the responsibility of state employees to preserve, disclose, and provide public records.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2573 by Representatives Hudgins, Alexander, Hunt, Armstrong, Hurst, Blake, Moscoso, and Van De

Wege

Transferring programs to the office of the attorney general.

Transfers powers, duties, and functions to the office of the attorney general as follows: (1) Programs, from the department of commerce, relating to sexual assault grants, prostitution prevention and intervention, financial fraud and identity theft crimes investigation and prosecution, and community mobilization against substance abuse;

(2) The crime victims' compensation program from the department of labor and industries;

(3) The address confidentiality program from the office of the secretary of state;

(4) Programs, from the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, relating to registered sex offender and kidnapping offender address and residency verification grants, uniform crime reporting, missing persons web site, jail booking and reporting system, sex offender web site, sex offender records retention, and Washington auto theft prevention authority;

(5) The statewide drug prosecution assistance program from the criminal justice training commission; and

(6) The program for shelters for victims of domestic violence from the department of social and health services.

Requires the public employment relations commission to review the appropriateness of the transferred collective bargaining units.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2574 by Representatives Kristiansen and Pearson

Allowing special year tabs on special license plates for persons with disabilities subject to annual vehicle registration.

Allows special year tabs for persons with disabilities on any special license plate.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2575 by Representatives Armstrong, Johnson, Rivers, Asay, Kristiansen, Overstreet, Zeiger, Hargrove, Angel, Klippert, Shea, Haler, McCune, and Parker

Limiting the use of certain transportation revenue.

Prohibits state government from diverting gas taxes and toll revenues in the motor vehicle fund and other funds to any other funds to be used for nontransportation purposes.

Requires tolls to be dedicated to the project in which the tolls are paid, ends such tolls when the project is completed, and only allows such tolls to be used for purposes consistent with Article II, section 40 of the state Constitution.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Transportation.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4015 by Representatives Hudgins, Van De Wege, Wylie, Blake, Moscoso, Ladenburg, Probst, Moeller, Stanford, Roberts, Hunt, and Pollet

Requesting adequate funding for the Columbia river gorge commission.

Requests adequate funding for the Columbia river gorge commission.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to General Government Appropriations & Oversight.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4227 by Representatives Orcutt, Alexander, Bailey, Rivers, Dahlquist, Harris, Haler, Warnick, Angel, Kristiansen, Taylor, Klippert, McCune, and Parker

Establishing a constitutional spending limit.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution establishing a constitutional spending limit.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

Senate Bills

SB 6288 by Senators Rolfes, Swecker, Hobbs, Kilmer,

Sheldon, Shin, Chase, and Conway

Creating a higher education registration priority for eligible veterans and national guard members.

Requires institutions of higher education to give students who are eligible veterans or national guard members priority during registration.

Encourages private and independent institutions of higher education to provide priority registration to eligible veterans and national guard members.

Expires July 1, 2022.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 6289 by Senators Rolfes and Kastama

Facilitating self-employment training.

Modifies provisions relating to self-employment assistance and entrepreneurial training programs.

Repeals the July 1, 2012, expiration date of chapter 248, Laws of 2007, relating to self-employment assistance.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Innovation.

SB 6290 by Senators Kilmer, Swecker, Conway, Shin, Rolfes, and Chase; by request of Department of Veterans Affairs

Concerning military spouses or registered domestic partners occupational licensing status during deployment or placement outside Washington state.

Addresses the occupational licensing status of military spouses or registered domestic partners during deployment or placement outside the state.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.

SB 6291 by Senators Harper and Carrell

Concerning the sealing of juvenile records.

Addresses the sealing of juvenile records.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

Jan 20 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6292 by Senators Harper and Carrell

Making juvenile records confidential.

Requires, under certain circumstances, official juvenile court files of alleged or proven juvenile offenders to be confidential.

Prohibits confidential juvenile offense records, maintained by a court, law enforcement agency, or state agency, including the juvenile court, local law enforcement, the Washington state patrol, and the county prosecutor's offices, from being published or distributed.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

Jan 20 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6293 by Senators Harper, McAuliffe, Shin, Rolfes, and Chase; by request of Department of Early Learning

Requiring the department of early learning to develop state early learning guidelines.

Requires the department of early learning to: (1) Develop and make widely available early learning guidelines, in partnership with the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the nongovernmental private-public partnership; and

(2) Periodically review and revise the guidelines with a committee offering broad stakeholder representation.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6294 by Senators Pridemore, Benton, and Carrell

Addressing quorum requirements for homeowners' association meetings.

Addresses quorum requirements for homeowners' association meetings.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 6295 by Senator Morton

Modifying certain exchange facilitator requirements.

Changes the amount of an exchange facilitator's bond from one million dollars to fifty million dollars.

Requires exchange facilitators to annually file a certified report with the attorney general detailing certain requirements and prohibits the issuance of a license to an exchange facilitator if the report is not filed.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 6296 by Senators Harper, Carrell, and Shin; by request of Washington State Patrol

Modifying background check provisions.

Modifies background check provisions relating to: (1) Requests for copies of criminal history record information; (2) Dissemination of conviction record information; (3) Restricted and unrestricted information; and (4) Retaining, on file, a copy of one's personal nonconviction data information.

Repeals the automatic fingerprint information system account.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6297 by Senators Chase and Nelson

Protecting salmon and steelhead spawning beds.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to prohibit activities that harm or disturb spawning beds of salmon and steelhead and other fish on rivers and streams where spawning activities occur.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters.

SB 6298 by Senators Chase, Nelson, Shin, Keiser, Rolfes, and Conway

Concerning labeling of foods that contain genetically engineered material.

Requires labeling for genetically engineered raw agricultural commodities and genetically engineered ingredients offered for retail sale.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6299 by Senators Chase and Conway

Removing the insurance premium tax credit under the Washington insurance guaranty association act.

Repeals the insurance premium tax credit under the Washington insurance guaranty association act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 6300 by Senators Chase, Conway, Shin, and Kohl-Welles

Encouraging educating students on the content and importance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Encourages school districts to implement a program that educates students on the content and importance of the universal declaration of human rights.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6301 by Senators Kline and Carrell

Regulating awarding of costs, including attorneys' fees, in actions challenging actions taken by professional peer review bodies.

Regulates the awarding of costs in actions challenging actions taken by a professional peer review body of health care providers.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6302 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Conway, Keiser, Kline, Pridemore, and Chase

Addressing claim files and compensation under the industrial insurance laws.

Addresses claim files and compensation under the industrial insurance laws.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6303 by Senators Nelson, Haugen, and Harper

Authorizing an optional system of rates and charges for conservation districts.

Authorizes the imposition of an optional system of rates and charges for conservation districts.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6304 by Senators Rolfes, Delvin, Benton, Hargrove, and Hatfield

Incorporating motorcycles into certain transportation planning.

Allows motorcyclists to use high-occupancy vehicle lanes.

Gives preferential parking and reduced parking charges to motorcyclists.

Exempts motorcyclists from paying toll charges for the use of express toll lanes and high-occupancy toll lanes.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6305 by Senators Rolfes, Becker, Kohl-Welles, Parlette, Keiser, and Hobbs

Providing for the operation of roll your own cigarette machines at retail establishments.

Deems a person a manufacturer of cigarettes, if the person operates or maintains a machine at a retail establishment that enables a person to process a product made or derived from tobacco into a roll or tube.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6306 by Senators Conway, Keiser, Kline, and Kohl-Welles

Increasing the penal sum of a surety bond required to be maintained by an appraisal management company.

Changes the penal sum of a surety bond required to be maintained by an appraisal management company, from twenty-five thousand dollars to one hundred thousand dollars.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6307 by Senators Prentice, Conway, Pridemore, Harper, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Kline, and Shin

Concerning nursing staffing practices at hospitals.

Establishes the Washington state patient safety act.

Requires the department of health to: (1) Adopt patient assignment limits; and

(2) Conduct regular audits of hospital compliance with the act and investigate complaints of violations.

Requires hospitals to: (1) Submit a staffing plan to the department of health on at least an annual basis;

(2) Implement the staffing plan developed by the nurse staffing committee and assign nursing personnel to each patient care unit in accordance with the plan; and

(3) Regularly collect information regarding nurse staffing and submit it to the department of health semiannually.

Prescribes penalties.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6308 by Senators Hatfield, Delvin, Hargrove, Morton, Roach, Stevens, Benton, Sheldon, Holmquist Newbry, Pridemore, Schoesler, Carrell, Shin, Kastama, and Zarelli

Removing certain requirements for motorcycle helmet use. Removes certain requirements for motorcycle helmet use.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6309 by Senators Prentice, Conway, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Kline, Pridemore, Chase, Harper, Frockt, McAuliffe, Shin, and Nelson

Requiring meals and rest breaks for certain health care workers.

Requires certain hospitals to have and maintain one or more specific mechanisms under which employees are able to, and do take, meal and rest breaks.

Prohibits a hospital from retaliating against or engaging in any form of intimidation of an employee who reports a missed break or concerns regarding the hospital's practices regarding breaks.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 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)

SB 6310 by Senators Keiser, Conway, Hargrove, Prentice, Frockt, Shin, Kohl-Welles, Nelson, Rolfes, Chase, and Kline

Creating the Washington investment trust.

Creates the Washington investment trust as a legacy institution that amasses sufficient capital reserves to address opportunities now and in the future.

Creates the Washington investment trust commission as the primary governing authority of the trust.

Creates the trust transition board and the investment trust advisory board.

Exempts the trust from payment of all fees and taxes levied by the state or any of its subdivisions.

Requires the director of the department of financial institutions to: (1) Independently examine the trust, including its safety and soundness and loaning standards, in the same manner as a state-chartered bank; and

(2) Establish and use similar enforcement mechanisms, such as those used to regulate state-chartered banks, to ensure the safety and soundness of the trust.

Requires the trust to pay the director of the department of financial institutions for reasonable costs of examinations.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 6311 by Senators Haugen, Hobbs, Honeyford, Hatfield, and Hargrove

Requiring proof of concept for water resource mitigation alternatives for human domestic needs in rural areas.

Requires the department of ecology to work collaboratively to examine potential alternatives for increasing the amount of water otherwise allocated to rural homeowners and businesses under the water resources act.

Requires the department of health, the department of fish and wildlife, and the state building code council to assist the department of ecology in developing viable alternatives that clearly address the needs of homeowners and the home building industry to make these options practical, economical, and safe.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

Jan 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Water & Rural Economic Development at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6312 by Senators Haugen, Hobbs, Honeyford, Hatfield, Hargrove, and Shin

Promoting job creation by ensuring access to human domestic water for home construction.

Reaffirms statutory policy that, in rural areas not served by a public water system, water for homes be readily available and thereby encourages jobs in, and stimulus to, the home construction industry, which produces revenues to support state and local governmental programs and services, including environmental and habitat improvements funded by state and local governments.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

Jan 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Water & Rural Economic Development at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6313 by Senators Haugen, Hobbs, Honeyford, Hatfield, and Hargrove

Providing consistency in water resource terminology and policy.

Clarifies existing statutes relating to water resource terminology and policy.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

Jan 19 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Water & Rural Economic Development at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6314 by Senators McAuliffe, Rolfes, Chase, Pridemore, and Shin

Regarding the statewide high school assessment in science.
Sets aside the biology end-of-course exam as a graduation requirement until the state has the funding and resources to develop and implement a second science end-of-course or integrated science exam or until the decision is made about how to assess the next generation science standards.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6315 by Senators Frockt, Kohl-Welles, Kline, Chase, Keiser, Regala, and Nelson

Concerning the fair tenant screening act.

Addresses the costs of and notification requirements for tenant screening under the residential landlord-tenant act.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 6316 by Senators Delvin, Morton, and Regala

Exempting vehicles owned and managed by the law enforcement bureau of the department of fish and wildlife from the state's motor vehicle transportation service.

Exempts the law enforcement bureau of the department of fish and wildlife from the state's motor vehicle transportation service.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.

SB 6317 by Senators Frockt, McAuliffe, Keiser, Rolfes, and Harper

Establishing a statewide plan for implementing revised teacher and principal evaluation systems to support continuous professional growth based on the development work of pilot school districts.

Establishes a statewide implementation plan with common definitions and performance descriptions, professional development opportunities, and an evaluation schedule whereby all teachers and principals in the state receive a comprehensive new evaluation no later than the 2016-2017 school year.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6318 by Senators Frockt, Murray, and Keiser

Facilitating statewide implementation of revised teacher and principal evaluation systems through professional development and training.

Reaffirms the legislature's commitment to full statewide implementation of revised evaluation systems in the 2013-2014 school year.

Provides professional development and training opportunities that are cost-effective and accessible online.

Creates the expectation that teachers, principals, and superintendents dedicate a portion of their continuing education to improving their understanding of and capacity for high quality teaching and school leadership.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6319 by Senators McAuliffe, Harper, Chase, Pridemore, Delvin, Schoesler, Rolfes, Holmquist Newbry, Honeyford, Conway, and Shin

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

SB 6320 by Senators McAuliffe, Pridemore, Harper, Chase, Schoesler, Delvin, Holmquist Newbry, Honeyford, and Keiser

Regarding state board of education rules that contain unfunded mandates.

Provides that, unless the legislature enacts and fully funds the rule, a rule adopted by the state board of education that affects credit requirements for students beginning with the graduating class of 2016 and thereafter is voluntary if:

(1) There is a fiscal impact to the local school district; and
(2) The district files a notice of fiscal impact with the state board of education.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6321 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Regala, Chase, Harper, Nelson, Keiser, Frockt, and Kline

Facilitating the sealing of certain unlawful detainer and protection order records to protect housing opportunities.

Protects housing opportunities by sealing certain unlawful detainer and protection order records.

-- 2012 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 First reading, referred to Judiciary.