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HB 1028-S by House Committee on (originally sponsored by Representatives Conway, Hankins, Sells, Simpson, Wood, Campbell, Santos, Green, McIntire, Morrell, Kenney, B. Sullivan, McCoy, Hasegawa, Chase and Ormsby; by request of Governor Locke)

Providing for apprenticeship utilization requirements on public works projects.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that, from January 1, 2005, and thereafter, for all public works estimated to cost one million dollars or more, all specifications shall require that no less than fifteen percent of the labor hours be performed by apprentices.

Authorizes awarding agency directors to adjust the requirements of this provision for a specific project for the designated reasons.

Applies only to public works contracts awarded by the state.

Does not apply to contracts awarded by state four-year institutions of higher education, state agencies headed by a separately elected public official, or the department of transportation.

Provides that, at the request of the senate commerce and trade committee, the house of representatives commerce and labor committee, or their successor committees, and the governor, the department of general administration and the department of labor and industries shall compile and summarize the agency data and provide a joint report to both committees. The report shall include recommendations on modifications or improvements to the apprentice utilization program and information on skill shortages in each trade or craft.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Jan 27 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1055-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Lantz, Priest and Morrell)

Enacting the Uniform Mediation Act.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Enacts the Uniform Mediation Act.
Repeals RCW 5.60.070 and 5.60.072.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Jan 27 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1528 by Representatives Kirby, Priest, Simpson, Newhouse, Cody, Serben and Schual-Berke

Changing the beginning date for the escrow accounts required of self-funded multiple employer welfare arrangements.

Changes the beginning date for the escrow accounts required of self-funded multiple employer welfare arrangements to April 1, 2006.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1529 by Representatives Moeller, Morrell, Green, Pettigrew, Chase, Hasegawa, Hudgins and Upthegrove

Eliminating the tax exemption for certain initiation fees and dues.

Amends RCW 82.08.010 to provide that "sales price" includes all initiation fees and dues received by persons engaging in amusement and recreation services under RCW 82.04.050(3)(a), physical fitness services under RCW 82.04.050(3)(g), or lodging and other services under RCW 82.04.050(2)(f).

Declares that the deduction under RCW 82.04.4282 for initiation fees and dues is not available to any person engaging in amusement and recreation services under RCW 82.04.050(3)(a), physical fitness services under RCW 82.04.050(3)(g), or lodging and other services under RCW 82.04.050(2)(f).

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1530 by Representatives Moeller, Jarrett, Appleton, Dickerson, McCoy, Chase, Dunshee, Pettigrew and Clibborn

Changing concurrency compliance options authorized by the growth management act.

Amends RCW 36.70A.070 relating to concurrency compliance options authorized by the growth management act.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 1531 by Representatives Moeller, Dickerson, Rodne and Roberts

Limiting the waiver of counsel in juvenile proceedings.

Provides that, in any proceeding in which a child has a right to the assistance of counsel under constitutional, statutory, or common law, or by court rule, the child may not waive this right except as provided in this act.

Declares that a parent, guardian, or custodian of a child may not waive the child's right to the assistance of counsel.

Provides that, in any proceeding in which a child has a right to the assistance of counsel under constitutional, statutory, or common law, or by court rule, and the child indicates a desire to waive that right, the court may not accept the waiver unless the designated conditions are met.

Declares that, in making its judgment, the court should consider evidence of the child's school performance and any testing which the school may have conducted.

Provides that, unless the court dismisses the case, if a child appears without counsel for any hearing, including a

waiver hearing, and the child has not previously waived the right to the assistance of counsel in accordance with this act, the court shall continue and the clerk shall reschedule the hearing, and the clerk shall issue a notice of the date, time, and location of the hearing at least ten days prior to the date of the hearing.

Declares that the continuance of a hearing may not be a basis for detaining the child.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Juvenile Justice & Family Law.

HB 1532 by Representatives Morrell, Campbell, Appleton, Skinner, Kenney, Tom, Darneille, Moeller, Cox, McDonald, McCoy, Chase and McDermott

Establishing an arthritis pilot project.

Declares that the purposes of this act are: (1) To create and foster a statewide pilot project that promotes public awareness and increases knowledge about the causes of arthritis, the importance of early diagnosis and appropriate management, effective prevention strategies, and pain prevention and management;

(2) To develop knowledge and enhance understanding of arthritis by disseminating underutilized but available educational materials and resources, information on research results, programs and services provided, and strategies for prevention and control to patients, health professionals, and the public;

(3) To implement and coordinate state and local pilot projects and services to reduce the public health burden of arthritis; and

(4) To provide lasting improvements in the delivery of health care for individuals with arthritis and their families, thus improving their quality of life while also containing health care costs.

Directs the department of health to contract with the arthritis foundation Washington/Alaska chapter to establish a two-year pilot project that would help reduce and prevent disability associated with arthritis by consolidating and disseminating underutilized educational materials and resources to raise public awareness, educate consumers, educate and train health professionals, teachers, and human services providers, and for other purposes.

Provides that the secretary of health shall accept grants, services, and property from the federal government, foundations, organizations, medical schools, and other entities as are available for the purposes of fulfilling the obligations of this act.

Directs the secretary of health to seek any federal waiver or waivers that are necessary to maximize funds from the federal government to implement this act.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1533 by Representatives Appleton, Bailey, Cody, Morrell, Skinner, Hinkle, Curtis and Campbell; by request of Department of Health

Revising provisions for inspection of hospitals.

Requires the department to make or cause to be made an inspection of all hospitals at least every eighteen months.

Provides that surveys conducted by the joint commission on the accreditation of health care organizations or the American osteopathic association on hospitals

accredited by those bodies shall be deemed equivalent to a department survey for purposes of meeting the requirements for the survey specified in RCW 70.41.120 if the department determines that the applicable survey standards of the joint commission on the accreditation of health care organizations or the American osteopathic association are substantially equivalent to its own.

Provides that hospitals so surveyed shall provide to the department within thirty days of learning the result of a survey documentary evidence that the hospital has been certified as a result of a survey and the date of the survey.

Requires hospitals to make available to department surveyors the written reports of such surveys during department surveys, upon request.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1534 by Representatives Green, Hinkle, Cody, Morrell, Schual-Berke, Skinner, Curtis, Clibborn, Campbell and Kagi; by request of Department of Health

Identifying health care providers covered by the retired health care provider liability malpractice insurance program.

Designates health care providers covered by the retired health care provider liability malpractice insurance program.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1535 by Representatives Schual-Berke, Hinkle, Cody, Morrell, Skinner, Campbell, Darneille, Chase, Hasegawa and McDermott; by request of Department of Health

Removing state funding restrictions from the hepatitis C state plan.

Amends RCW 70.54.360 relating to removing state funding restrictions from the hepatitis C state plan.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1536 by Representatives Moeller, Hinkle, Cody, Morrell, Skinner, Campbell, Clibborn, Schual-Berke and Kenney; by request of Department of Health

Providing the secretary of health with authority to administer grants.

Provides the secretary of health with authority to administer grants.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1537 by Representatives Schual-Berke, Cody, Morrell, Hinkle, Campbell, Skinner and Curtis; by request of Department of Health

Describing when the department of health may collect a fee for infant screening services.

Designates when the department of health may collect a fee for infant screening services.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1538 by Representatives Cody, Campbell and Morrell; by request of Department of Health

Modifying hospital reporting of restrictions on health care practitioners.

Requires the chief administrator or executive officer of a hospital to report to the department when the practice of a health care practitioner is restricted, suspended, limited, or terminated based upon any action defined as unprofessional conduct under RCW 18.130.180. The chief administrator or executive officer shall also report any voluntary restriction or termination that a hospital offers or accepts in order to avoid possible hospital action against the health care practitioner.

Requires the department to forward the report to the appropriate disciplinary authority.

Provides that a hospital, its chief administrator, or its executive officer who files a report under this act in good faith is immune from suit in any civil action related to the filing or contents of the report.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1539 by Representatives Linville, Roach, Morris, DeBolt, Ericksen, Williams and Uptegrove

Making it a crime to excavate without notification near a transmission pipeline.

Declares that any person who fails to notify the one-number locator service when required under this chapter and excavates within one hundred feet of a transmission pipeline is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and subject to a fine of not more than ten thousand dollars for each offense.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1540 by Representatives Morrell, Campbell and Darneille

Allowing participation of denturists in preferred provider networks.

Authorizes participation of denturists in preferred provider networks.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1541 by Representatives Murray, Woods, Wallace, Jarrett, Ericksen, Morris, B. Sullivan, Chase, Schual-Berke, Rodne and Dickerson

Enacting the Transportation Innovative Partnerships Act.

Finds that the public-private initiatives act created under chapter 47.46 RCW has not met the needs and expectations of the public or private sectors for the development of transportation projects.

Declares an intent to phase out chapter 47.46 RCW coincident with the completion of the Tacoma Narrows

Bridge - SR 16 public-private partnership. From the effective date of this act, this chapter will provide a more desirable and effective approach to developing transportation projects in partnership with the private sector by applying lessons learned from other states and from this state's ten-year experience with chapter 47.46 RCW.

Creates the Transportation Innovative Partnerships Act for the planning, acquisition, financing, development, design, construction, reconstruction, replacement, improvement, maintenance, preservation, management, repair, and operation of transportation projects. The goals of this act are to: (1) Reduce the cost of transportation project delivery;

(2) Recover transportation investment costs;

(3) Develop an expedited project delivery process;

(4) Encourage business investment in public infrastructure;

(5) Use any fund source outside the state treasury, where financially advantageous and in the public interest;

(6) Maximize innovation; and

(7) Develop partnerships between private entities and units of government.

Declares that a transportation project may be financed in whole or in part with: (1) The proceeds of grant anticipation revenue bonds authorized by 23 U.S.C. Sec. 122 and applicable state law. Legislative authorization and appropriation is required in order to use this source of financing;

(2) Grants, loans, loan guarantees, lines of credit, revolving lines of credit, or other financing arrangements available under the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act under 23 U.S.C. Sec. 181 et seq., or any other applicable federal law;

(3) Infrastructure loans or assistance from the state infrastructure bank established by RCW 82.44.195;

(4) Federal, state, or local revenues, subject to appropriation by the applicable legislative authority;

(5) User fees, tolls, fares, lease proceeds, rents, gross or net receipts from sales, proceeds from the sale of development rights, franchise fees, rents, or any other lawful form of consideration.

Provides that, for projects with costs, including financing costs, of fifty million dollars or greater, advisory committees are required.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1542 by Representatives Lantz, Hinkle, Appleton, Rodne, Lovick, Newhouse, Buri, Darneille, Williams, McDermott, Clibborn, Schual-Berke, O'Brien, McIntire, Kagi, Hasegawa, Dickerson, Green, Kenney and Kilmer

Providing indigent defense services.

Provides for indigent defense services.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1543 by Representatives McCune, Wallace, B. Sullivan, Moeller, Haler, Campbell, Ahern, Fromhold, Clibborn, Curtis, Linville, Takko, Lantz, Roberts, Kessler, Springer, Walsh, McCoy, Uptegrove, Priest, O'Brien, Woods, Hankins, Ericks, Buri, Tom, Dunn, Kenney, Lovick, Hinkle, Appleton, Skinner, Chase, Dickerson, Blake, Newhouse, Holmquist, Kilmer, Jarrett, Kretz, P. Sullivan, Morrell, Kagi and Hasegawa

Concerning salmon labeling requirements.

Declares that no person may sell at wholesale or retail any fresh or frozen salmon without identifying either the country in which the salmon was produced, if the salmon is a private sector cultured aquatic salmon, or the country in which the salmon was landed, if it is a commercially caught salmon. For salmon produced or landed in the United States, the label must also include the state in which the salmon was produced or landed.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 1544 by Representatives Kirby, Roach, Simpson, Newhouse, Williams, Wood, McDermott, Hinkle, Serben and Rodne

Regulating information provided to and by financial institution employers.

Provides that an employer who discloses information about a former or current employee's job performance to a prospective financial institution employer, at the specific request of that individual employer, is presumed to be acting in good faith and is immune from civil liability for such a disclosure or its consequences.

Declares that, for purposes of this act, the presumption of good faith may only be rebutted upon a showing by clear and convincing evidence that the information disclosed by the employer was knowingly false or deliberately misleading.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1545 by Representatives Curtis, Cody, Bailey, Clibborn, Skinner and Schual-Berke

Regulating adult family home staff.

Requires the department to implement, as part of the required training and continuing education, food safety training integrated into the curriculum that meets the standards established by the state board of health pursuant to chapter 69.06 RCW. Individual food handler permits are not required for persons who successfully complete the training.

Directs the department to work with the providers and resident communities to develop opportunities for licensing and quality assurance staff to become familiar with the actual environment and the daily hands-on routine of care and services in an adult family home.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1546 by Representatives Clibborn, Bailey, Cody, Skinner, Chase, Campbell, McIntire and Dickerson

Regulating naturopathic physicians.

Requires the secretary, in consultation with the naturopathic advisory committee and the Washington state board of pharmacy, to develop education and training requirements for the use of controlled substances authorized under this act. The requirements must be met by the naturopath prior to being authorized to prescribe controlled substances under this act.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1547 by Representatives Miloscia, Sells, Pettigrew, Campbell, Hasegawa, McCoy, Darneille, Chase, Schual-Berke and Kenney

Expanding programs eligible for housing assistance grants and loans.

Extends to projects that provide employment and training opportunities in Washington state certified apprenticeship programs.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Housing.

HB 1548 by Representatives Clibborn, Bailey, Hinkle, Moeller, Buri, Morrell, Skinner, Lantz, Williams, Darneille, Murray, O'Brien, Rodne and Campbell

Providing immunity from civil actions for a health professional making a good faith claim of unprofessional conduct or inability to practice safely against another health professional.

Provides immunity from civil actions for a health professional making a good faith claim of unprofessional conduct or inability to practice safely against another health professional.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1549 by Representatives Morrell, Hinkle, Clibborn, Roach, Campbell, Roberts and Green

Modifying optometry licensing requirements.

Revises optometry licensing requirements.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1550 by Representatives Santos, McCoy, P. Sullivan, McDermott, Roberts, Kagi, Hasegawa, Tom, Sells, Kenney, Kilmer and Talcott

Supporting the state achievers' scholarship program.

Declares that, in order to broaden higher education opportunities, the legislature supports the Washington state achievers' scholarship program. This program: (1) Provides mentoring to ensure academic support is available to students while in high school, encourages college enrollment, and gives assistance when enrolled in college; (2) Identifies and reduces financial barriers to college for talented, low-income students; and

(3) Leverages private funding for higher education financial assistance.

Appropriates the sum of one million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, from the general fund to the office of the superintendent of public instruction to support community volunteer mentors working with students selected as achievers' scholars.

Appropriates the sum of one million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the office of the superintendent of public instruction to support community volunteer mentors working with students selected as achievers' scholars.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1551 by Representatives Lovick, Pearson, O'Brien, Green, Darneille, Kristiansen, Morrell, B. Sullivan, Kirby, Ericks, Roberts, Flannigan, Hunt, McCoy, Chase, Hudgins, Blake, Sells, Moeller, Lantz, Miloscia, Conway, Santos, Dunshee, Shabro, Kilmer, Ahern, Skinner, Pettigrew, Takko, Kenney, Morris, Kessler, Simpson, Upthegrove, Haigh, Murray, Linville, Quall, McCune, Williams, Kagi, Walsh, Wallace, Fromhold, Armstrong, Appleton, P. Sullivan, Clibborn, Rodne, Campbell and Dickerson

Providing funds to combat methamphetamine abuse.

Appropriates the sum of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, from the general fund to Snohomish county for the purposes of funding a law enforcement and treatment pilot program. Six hundred thousand dollars would fund a ten FTE strike team pilot for twelve months (eight sheriff deputies and two sergeants) while the remaining one hundred fifty thousand dollars would be applied to treatment and other related costs.

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Appropriates the sum of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, from the general fund to Pierce county to fund extension of treatment alternatives as well as targeting the identification, arrest, and prosecution of perpetrators of methamphetamine-related crime, including but not limited to crimes such as identity theft.

Appropriates the sum of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to Pierce county to fund extension of treatment alternatives as well as targeting the identification, arrest, and prosecution of perpetrators of methamphetamine-related crime, including but not limited to crimes such as identity theft.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1552 by Representatives Chase, Skinner, Green, P. Sullivan, O'Brien, Eickmeyer, McCune, Anderson, Newhouse, Sells, Kristiansen, McCoy, Rodne, Campbell and Talcott

Waiving tuition increases for veterans of the global war on terrorism.

Provides that, subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, the governing boards of the state universities, the regional universities, The Evergreen State College, and

the community colleges may exempt veterans of the global war on terrorism from all or a portion of increases in tuition and fees that occur after the 2001-02 academic year, if the veteran could have qualified as a Washington resident student under RCW 28B.15.012(2), had he or she been enrolled as a student on September 11, 2001.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1553 by Representatives Buri, Linville, Armstrong, Grant, Condotta, Orcutt, Quall, Kretz, Wallace, Haigh, Crouse and Morrell

Describing educational visits to small agricultural employers.

Declares that any initial visit by the director, or an authorized representative, to the workplace of an agricultural employer with ten or fewer full-time equivalent employees shall be regarded as a visit for the purposes of providing occupational safety and health education for employers and employees, and offering consultation and advice.

Provides that the director, or an authorized representative, may make recommendations regarding the elimination of any hazards disclosed during the visit, and shall provide an employer with a reasonable opportunity to abate any such hazards.

Provides that the director, or an authorized representative, may require the owner to correct any hazards disclosed during the initial visit, and may require the owner to send a statement that the hazards have been abated. Alternatively, the director, or an authorized representative, may schedule a subsequent visit to ascertain whether the hazards have been abated.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1554 by Representatives Morrell, Buri, Grant, Holmquist, Newhouse, McDonald, Conway, Blake, Quall, Linville and Miloscia

Clarifying the definition of "farm and agricultural land" for purposes of current use property taxation.

Amends RCW 84.34.020 to clarify the definition of "farm and agricultural land" for purposes of current use property taxation.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1555 by Representatives Wallace, Newhouse, Haigh, Dunn, Takko, Grant, Blake, Quall, Linville, Conway, Orcutt and Kretz

Clarifying the valuation of land for monetary assessments by drainage, diking, flood control, and mosquito control districts.

Provides that every special district must use the assessed value applicable to forest land, farm and agricultural land, or open space land, under chapter 84.33 or 84.34 RCW, when the land has been designated as such and the assessed value is used as a component in determining the district assessment.

Provides that, if a district uses a fractional amount of assessed value as a component in determining the district

assessment, then a fractional amount of the value applicable to forest land, farm and agricultural land, or open space land, under chapter 84.33 or 84.34 RCW, shall be used.

Requires a mosquito control district to use the assessed value applicable to forest land, farm and agricultural land, or open space land, under chapter 84.33 or 84.34 RCW, when the land has been designated as such and the assessed value is used as a component in determining the district assessment. If a district uses a fractional amount of assessed value as a component in determining the district assessment, then a fractional amount of the value applicable to forest land, farm and agricultural land, or open space land, under chapter 84.33 or 84.34 RCW, shall be used.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 1556 by Representatives Kenney, Cox, Conway, Priest, Fromhold, Jarrett, Dunshee, Sells, Hasegawa, Ormsby, Buri, Chase, Rodne, Santos, Green and Hudgins

Requiring business and labor representation on all community college boards of trustees.

Provides that if, as of the effective date of this act, a board of trustees does not include at least one member from business and one member from labor, the governor shall fill the next vacancy or make the next new appointment with a business or labor member until the board has the composition required under this act.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1557 by Representatives Conway, Ericks, Kessler, Campbell, Blake, Simpson, Ormsby, Morrell, Chase, P. Sullivan and Kenney

Expanding membership of the electrical board by appointment of one outside line worker.

Expands membership of the electrical board by appointment of one outside line worker.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1558 by Representatives Blake, Conway, Kessler, Ericks, Simpson, Campbell and Ormsby

Applying RCW 41.56.430 through 41.56.470, 41.56.480, and 41.56.490 to employees working under a site certificate issued under chapter 80.50 RCW.

Declares that, in addition to the classes of employees listed in RCW 41.56.030(7), the provisions of RCW 41.56.430 through 41.56.470, 41.56.480, and 41.56.490 are also applicable to the operating and maintenance employees of an operating agency as defined in RCW 43.52.250 who are employed at a commercial nuclear power plant that the agency is operating under a site certificate issued before the effective date of this act under chapter 80.50 RCW.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1559 by Representatives Grant, Kirby, Fromhold, Curtis, Hunt, Hankins and Condotta

Modifying designated smoking area requirements.

Revises provisions relating to designated smoking area requirements.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1560 by Representatives Sells, Campbell, Fromhold, McCoy and Chase

Authorizing community colleges to deduct certain payments from tuition waivers.

Provides that, with regard to waivers for courses offered for the purpose of satisfying related or supplemental educational requirements for apprentices registered with the Washington state apprenticeship council or the federal bureau of apprenticeship and training, colleges may deduct the tuition owed from training contracts with apprentice organizations.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4007 by Representatives Hudgins, McCoy, Conway, Wood, Upthegrove, Kilmer, Sells, Rodne, Simpson, Morrell, Darneille, Appleton, Chase, Williams, P. Sullivan, McDermott, O'Brien, Campbell, Hasegawa and Kenney

Requesting permanent health care for veterans with war-related problems.

Requests permanent health care for veterans with war-related problems.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

Senate Bills

SB 5151-S by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Franklin, Oke, Regala, Benton, Rasmussen, Roach, Eide, Haugen, Berkey, Kline and Fairley)

Changing the authority of a metropolitan park district to dispose of surplus property.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises the authority of a metropolitan park district to dispose of surplus property.

Provides that, for any real estate transaction proposed to result in a project that provides programming and activities for disadvantaged youth, the funding endowment for which equals or exceeds thirty million dollars, and that requires the transfer of title of surplus district property to a charitable organization as so recognized by its 501(c)(3) federal income taxation status, every metropolitan park district may, by simple majority vote of its board of park commissioners, sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of any real or personal property acquired for park or recreational purposes when such property is declared surplus for park or other recreational purposes: PROVIDED, That where the property is acquired by donation or dedication for park or recreational purposes, the consent of the donor or dedicator, his or her heirs, successors, or assigns is first obtained if the consent of the donor is required in the instrument conveying the property to the metropolitan park district.

Provides that, in the event the donor or dedicator, his or her heirs, successors, or assigns cannot be located after a reasonable search, the metropolitan park district may petition the superior court in the county where the property is located for approval of the sale. If sold, all sales shall be by public bids and sale made only to the highest or best bidder.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Jan 26 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

SB 5523 by Senators Finkbeiner, Thibaudeau, Kohl-Welles and Keiser

Modifying the authority of emergency medical technicians to administer epinephrine.

Amends RCW 18.73.250 to modify the authority of emergency medical technicians to administer epinephrine.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5524 by Senators Regala, Parlette, McAuliffe, Carrell, Prentice, Schoesler, Franklin, Kohl-Welles, Mulliken and Rasmussen

Changing school district bidding requirements.

Revises school district bidding requirements.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 5525 by Senators Oke, Kohl-Welles, Mulliken, Stevens, Parlette, Schmidt, Roach, Benton and Johnson

Requiring colored provisional ballots.

Provides that all provisional ballots and related materials, including the inner security envelope and the outer return envelope, must be printed on colored paper distinctive from regular ballots, absentee ballots, and their related materials.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5526 by Senators Oke, Stevens, Roach and Johnson

Codifying procedures for provisional ballots.

Provides that the names and addresses of provisional voters is not a matter of public record, and no one other than an election officer may contact an individual provisional voter. The election officer shall contact the voter via first class mail within forty-eight hours of discovery and shall inform the voter of relevant deadlines.

Declares that provisional or questionable ballots must not be tallied until the validity of the ballot or the voter has been confirmed and, if so, the ballots will be processed in similar manner to absentee ballots. A provisional ballot is issued to a person seeking to vote in a polling place under the following circumstances: (1) The name of the voter does not appear in the poll book and: (a) The voter's registration was canceled but the voter questions the validity of the cancellation; (b) the status of the voter's registration cannot be determined at that time; or (c) the voter is registered and assigned to another polling place or jurisdiction;

(2) The voter's name is in the poll book but there is an indication that the voter was issued an absentee ballot, and the voter wishes to vote at the polls; or

(3) Other circumstances as determined by the precinct election official.

Provides that, upon receipt of the provisional ballot, including provisional ballots from other counties or states, the auditor must investigate the circumstances surrounding the provisional ballot before certification of the primary or election. A provisional ballot cannot be counted if the registered voter did not sign either the poll book or the provisional ballot envelope.

Provides that, when the disposition of the provisional ballot determines that the provisional ballot is to be counted, the provisional ballot shall be processed in a manner similar to an absentee ballot as provided in chapters 29A.40 and 29A.60 RCW except the outer provisional ballot envelopes must be retained separately from the absentee ballot return envelopes. The manual inspection of the ballots as required in WAC 434-261-070 or its successor must also be carried out.

Directs the secretary of state to establish a free access system (such as a toll-free telephone number or an Internet web site) that any individual who casts a provisional ballot may access to discover whether the vote of that individual

was counted, and, if the vote was not counted, the reason why the vote was not counted.

Requires the secretary of state to establish and maintain reasonable procedures necessary to protect the security, confidentiality, and integrity of personal information collected, stored, or otherwise used by the free access system established under this act. Access to information about an individual provisional ballot must be restricted to the individual who cast the ballot.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5527 by Senators Morton, Mulliken, Schoesler, Carrell, Benson, Honeyford, McCaslin and Stevens

Prohibiting automatic fee increases.

Amends RCW 43.135.055 to provide that no fee may be increased through the use of an automatic escalation clause, such as by fiscal growth factor or the consumer price index, without prior legislative approval.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5528 by Senators Morton, Mulliken, Schoesler, Benson, Delvin, Honeyford, Carrell, McCaslin and Stevens

Eliminating certain fees for hydraulic works inspections.

Provides that, for any hydraulic works less than ten years old, that the department examined and approved the construction plans and specifications as to its safety when required under RCW 90.03.350, there shall be no fee charged.

Provides that for any hydraulic works more than ten years old, but less than twenty years old, that the department examined and approved the construction plans and specifications as to its safety when required under RCW 90.03.350, the fee charged shall not exceed the fee for a significant hazard dam.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 5529 by Senators Fairley and Kohl-Welles

Continuing health insurance coverage for convicted felons.

Requires each health maintenance agreement issued, amended, or renewed after the effective date of this act to provide for the continuation of coverage for a convicted felon and that felon's dependents upon payment of the premium for the coverage.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 5530 by Senators Kline, Esser, Weinstein, Roach, Fairley, Franklin and Kohl-Welles

Prohibiting discrimination in life insurance based on lawful travel destinations.

Provides that no life insurer may deny or refuse to accept an application for insurance, or refuse to insure, refuse to renew, cancel, restrict, or otherwise terminate a policy of insurance, or charge a different rate for the same coverage, based upon the applicant or insured person's past or future lawful travel destinations.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 5531 by Senators Kline, Johnson, Fraser, Stevens, Haugen, Swecker, Regala, Franklin, Kohl-Welles, Benton and Shin

Providing indigent defense services.

Provides for indigent defense services.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5532 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Esser and Poulsen

Enhancing the penalties for animal cruelty.
Enhances the penalties for animal cruelty.
Repeals RCW 16.08.030.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5533 by Senators Fairley, Benton, Keiser, Benson, Kohl-Welles and Franklin

Regulating information provided to and by financial institution employers.

Provides that an employer who discloses information about a former or current employee's job performance to a prospective financial institution employer, at the specific request of that individual employer, is presumed to be acting in good faith and is immune from civil liability for such a disclosure or its consequences.

Declares that, for purposes of this act, the presumption of good faith may only be rebutted upon a showing by clear and convincing evidence that the information disclosed by the employer was knowingly false or deliberately misleading.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 5534 by Senators Poulsen, Swecker, Kohl-Welles, Weinstein, Prentice, Kline, Esser, Fairley, Oke and Benson

Clarifying city monorail transportation authority.
Clarifies city monorail transportation authority.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5535 by Senators Franklin, Brandland, Berkey, Spanel, Schoesler, Rockefeller, Delvin, Kohl-Welles, Oke and Shin

Modifying optometry licensing requirements.
Revises optometry licensing requirements.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5536 by Senators Parlette, Haugen, Poulsen, Finkbeiner, Morton, Benson, Delvin, Kline, Kohl-Welles, Mulliken and Shin

Providing for a JLARC study of the basic health plan.
Requires that the joint legislative audit and review committee shall conduct a study of the basic health plan. Part 1 of the study shall examine the extent to which basic health plan policies and procedures promote or discourage the provision of appropriate, high-quality, cost-effective care to basic health plan enrollees.

Provides that part 2 of the study must examine the characteristics of individuals enrolled in the basic health plan, and their utilization of health care services.

Appropriates the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to the joint legislative audit and review committee for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, to carry out the purposes of this act.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5537 by Senator Jacobsen

Creating the state granted lands lease program.

Declares an intent of this act to provide full compensation to the trust beneficiaries for the net present value of a long-term leasehold interest in these granted lands, and during the term of this lease to manage these lands for multiple uses and benefits.

Creates the state granted lands lease program. The program must include state granted lands for which a leasehold is executed under the provisions of this act to provide compensation for the support of the beneficiaries in the following designated trusts: (1) Common school, indemnity, and escheat;

- (2) Agricultural school;
- (3) Scientific school;
- (4) University;
- (5) Normal school;
- (6) Charitable, educational, penal, and reformatory institutions; and
- (7) State capitol.

Requires that, by December 31, 2006, the department shall develop a prioritized list of parcels suitable for inclusion in the state granted lands lease program. A prioritized list must be prepared for each category of designated trusts specified in this act. Each list must include sufficient parcels so that the aggregated acreage of parcels exceed the following acreage: (1) Common school, indemnity, and escheat, five hundred thousand acres;

- (2) Washington State University, forty thousand acres;
- (3) Agricultural school, twenty thousand acres;
- (4) Scientific school, twenty thousand acres;
- (5) Normal school, twenty thousand acres;
- (6) Charitable, educational, penal, and reformatory, twenty thousand acres; and
- (7) State capitol, twenty-five thousand acres.

Provides that, beginning July 1, 2007, the department shall execute leases for a term of at least seventy-five years for trust lands on the priority lists developed under this act. The lease agreement must include the right for automatic renewal. The calculation of full fair market compensation for renewed leases must ensure that the value of the resources on the land that were used to compensate beneficiaries in the initial lease not become a part of the calculation for compensation for the renewed lease.

Establishes the granted lands review commission.

Requires the granted lands review commission to submit a report with its recommendations to the appropriate committees of the senate and house of representatives by December 31, 2007.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5538 by Senators Prentice, Rockefeller, Doumit, Fairley, McAuliffe, Haugen, Berkey, Rasmussen, Keiser, Regala, Kline, Eide, Kohl-Welles, Brown, Thibaudeau, Franklin, Weinstein, Schmidt and Shin

Moving the early childhood education and assistance program into the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

Provides that administration and funding of this program shall be shifted to the department no later than December 1, 2005. All existing contracts with program providers entered into for the 2005-06 school year with the department of community, trade, and economic development shall remain in full force and effect and shall be the responsibility of the department. All funds designated for this program remaining at the department of community, trade, and economic development after December 1, 2005, shall be transferred to the department.

Creates a nine-member steering committee, which committee shall advise the department on the ongoing promotion and operation of the early childhood education and assistance program. This advice shall include: (1) Program standards, which shall be guided by appropriate research;

- (2) Development of partnerships among providers of early learning programs;
- (3) Development of opportunities for professional development; and
- (4) Identifying opportunities to build upon existing programs and resources by increasing program quality, connecting related services, and simplifying program administration.

Repeals RCW 28A.215.140 and 28A.215.190.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 5539 by Senators Jacobsen, Oke, Rasmussen, Doumit, Schmidt, Benson, Kastama, Shin, Pridemore, Franklin and Roach

Creating the veterans conservation corps program.

Finds that many Washington citizens are veterans of armed forces conflicts that have important skills that may be employed in projects that help to protect and restore Washington's rivers, streams, lakes, marine waters, and open lands.

Finds that such work has demonstrated benefits for many veterans who are coping with posttraumatic stress disorder or have other mental health or substance abuse disorders related to their service in the armed forces.

Declares that it is the purpose of this act to create a program that provides state funding assistance for projects that restore Washington's waters, forests, and habitat through the primary participation of such veterans.

Appropriates the sum of five million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2007, from the state building construction account to the veterans conservation corps program account, to be expended by the salmon recovery funding board to carry out the purposes of this act.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5540 by Senators Fairley and Kline

Expanding extortionate extension of credit.

Expands extortionate extension of credit.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 5541 by Senators Carrell, Hargrove, Zarelli, Benson, Delvin and Schoesler

Authorizing agreements to allow bail bond agencies to execute bench warrants.

Provides that where approved by the local legislative body, courts of limited jurisdiction may enter into agreements with one or more licensed bail bond agencies for the purpose of executing bench warrants for an accused's failure to appear or violation of a condition of release when the accused has two or more outstanding warrants. These agreements may specify the scope of work, remuneration for services, and other charges deemed appropriate.

Requires that, upon the release of an accused on bail or on his or her personal recognizance pending trial, a court using licensed bail bond agencies shall advise the accused that his or her failure to appear or violation of the conditions of release may result in a warrant for the accused's arrest, that the warrant may be executed by a bail bond agency, and that the accused will be financially responsible for reimbursement costs to the bail bond agency.

Provides that, when a warrant is executed by a licensed bail bond agency, the court shall require the accused to pay the costs of executing the warrant.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5542 by Senators Carrell, Hargrove, Zarelli, Benson, Delvin, Schoesler and Benton

Authorizing alternative detention and rehabilitation facilities.

Authorizes a city or county to establish and maintain an alternative detention and rehabilitation facility for adult persons confined in a holding facility, detention facility, or special detention facility.

Requires the city or county to establish an objective classification system to determine those persons eligible for an alternative detention and rehabilitation facility. The city or county and its employees are immune from civil liability for damages caused by individual eligibility decisions, unless the city, county, or its employees acted with gross negligence or in bad faith.

Authorizes the city or county to establish and maintain alternative supervision or rehabilitation programs, other than those authorized in RCW 70.48.090, within the alternative detention and rehabilitation facility.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5543 by Senators Spanel, Haugen, Jacobsen, Mulliken, Roach and Rasmussen

Extending a sales and use tax exemption to the construction of facilities to be used for the conditioning of vegetable seeds.

Extends a sales and use tax exemption to the construction of facilities to be used for the conditioning of vegetable seeds.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5544 by Senators Spanel, Fairley, Brandland, Keiser, Franklin, Benson and Kohl-Welles

Creating the Washington voluntary accounts program.

Finds that many workers do not have access to an employment-based retirement plan. Workers who are unable to build up pensions and savings risk living on low incomes in their old age and are more likely to become dependent on state services.

Declares that the Washington voluntary accounts program will provide a simple and inexpensive way for workers to save for retirement and employers to offer an employee benefit.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 5545 by Senators Roach, Rasmussen, Mulliken, Kline, Honeyford, Hewitt, Stevens, Morton, Benson, Schoesler, Schmidt, Fairley, McCaslin, Carrell, Swecker, Keiser, Delvin, Deccio and Oke

Revising provisions relating to renewing a concealed pistol license by members of the armed forces.

Provides that any person who, as a member of the armed forces, including the national guard and armed forces reserves, is unable to renew his or her license because of the person's assignment, reassignment, or deployment for out-of-state military service may renew his or her license within ninety days after the person returns to this state from out-of-state military service, if the person provides the following to

the issuing authority no later than ninety days after the person's date of discharge or assignment, reassignment, or deployment back to this state: (1) A copy of the person's original order designating the specific period of assignment, reassignment, or deployment for out-of-state military service; and

(2) If appropriate, a copy of the person's discharge or amended or subsequent assignment, reassignment, or deployment order back to this state.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5546 by Senators Roach, Mulliken, Swecker, Johnson, Pflug, Finkbeiner, Stevens, Carrell, Schoesler and Benson

Requiring the opportunity for a referendum for critical areas regulations.

Requires the opportunity for a referendum for critical areas regulations.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5547 by Senators Roach and Johnson

Authorizing the dissolution of homeowners' associations.

Provides for the dissolution of homeowners' associations.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 5548 by Senators Roach, Swecker, Benson, Finkbeiner, Delvin, Mulliken, Johnson and Oke

Modifying the assessment of property with substantial land use limitations.

Provides that any taxing district that through ordinance, resolution, statute, rule, or by any other means implements any policy requiring a portion of assessed property to be set aside for the purposes 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 on the assessed property, must determine the percentage portion of the property set aside through the ordinance, resolution, statute, or rule. The taxing district must then reduce the assessed value of the property equal to the percentage of the portion determined to have been set aside through the ordinance, resolution, statute, or rule.

Applies to taxes levied for collection in 2007 and thereafter.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5549 by Senators Hargrove and Poulsen

Providing for the allocation of conserved water rights.

Declares an intent to strongly promote conservation by providing for a fair allocation of conserved water between the water right holder implementing conservation measures and the public by administering a portion of the conserved water in the trust water program.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 5550 by Senators Hargrove, Keiser, Schoesler, Franklin, Doumit, Kohl-Welles, Parlette, Hewitt, Brown, Jacobsen, Mulliken and Shin

Expanding membership of the electrical board by appointment of one outside line worker.

Expands membership of the electrical board by appointment of one outside line worker.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5551 by Senators Hargrove, Hewitt, Schoesler, Mulliken, Parlette and Oke

Studying the minimum wage.

Directs the Washington state institute of public policy, in consultation with the employment security department, to conduct a study to address the issues impacted by the minimum wage and its annual increases in Washington state. The study should address: (1) The impact of the minimum wage on job creation and job loss, from 1990 to the present;

(2) The role of the minimum wage in maintaining the purchasing power of low-income workers in comparison to other workers;

(3) Wage compression resulting from increases in the minimum wage;

(4) Demographic analysis of persons earning eight dollars and thirty-five cents per hour or less, including race, ethnicity, gender, marital status, and family size;

(5) The extent to which the minimum wage is paid in various industries and occupations in Washington, including the number of total jobs available in those industries over the past seven years and an analysis of any causal relation between increases in the minimum wage and fluctuations in those job numbers;

(6) Differences in economic activity attributed to the minimum wage increases in comparison with similar activity in Oregon, Idaho, and other states similar in economic size and industrial base to Washington;

(7) Economic activity and wage progression in industries with large numbers of low-wage workers compared to wages paid in manufacturing, high tech, and other moderate and high-income fields in Washington;

(8) The impact of the minimum wage on state unemployment, including a comparison of state and federal unemployment rates from 1970 to the present; and

(9) A summary of the actions taken by other states regarding their minimum wage laws over the last five years.

Requires the Washington state institute of public policy to report its findings to the legislature by December 1, 2005.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5552 by Senators Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, Benton, Johnson, Shin, Carrell, Rasmussen, Mulliken and Roach

Requiring school districts to request information from employment applicants' out-of-state employers.

Directs school districts to request information from employment applicants' out-of-state employers.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 5553 by Senators Brandland, Kohl-Welles, Hargrove and Regala

Creating a pilot program for live scan devices.

Finds that creating a pilot program, by strategically placing several live-scan devices in government offices throughout the state, will help employers and prospective employees to more easily gather and transmit data for noncriminal justice purposes.

Appropriates the amount of two hundred seventy thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the state general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, to the superintendent of public instruction. The amount in this provision is provided solely to purchase a live-scan device for each educational service district, to be used for noncriminal justice purposes.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5554 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Brandland, Hargrove and Stevens

Extending and adding a member to the joint task force on criminal background check processes.

Provides for a representative from a for-profit entity that primarily serves children or vulnerable adults.

Provides that the task force shall report its findings and recommendations to the legislature by December 31, 2005.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5555 by Senator Jacobsen

Creating the state granted lands purchase program.

Declares it is the purpose of this act to establish a program that over a substantial period of time may fully compensate the trusts for their interest in these lands, and to direct that the lands transferred from granted lands trust status be managed on a multiple benefit basis.

Declares that these lands are to be held in trust for the benefit of all citizens of the state, and that these lands must be retained in public ownership for all time.

Declares an intent to initiate a review of the statutory and, if necessary, constitutional, revisions necessary to allow the funds provided for purchase of the trusts' interests in these lands to be invested in such a manner that will allow higher rates of return than has been the recent experience with the permanent funds of these trusts.

Creates the future of the statehood trusts review commission.

Requires the commission to include its analyses and recommendations in a report to the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the senate and house of representatives by December 31, 2007.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5556 by Senators Fraser, Swecker, Stevens, Rockefeller, Kline, Shin, Franklin, Regala, Pridemore, Weinstein, Hewitt, Poulsen, Morton, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, Oke, Spanel, Keiser, Jacobsen, Berkey, Prentice, Mulliken, Brown, Fairley and Rasmussen

Requiring initiatives and referenda to set forth repealed language in full.

Requires an initiative or referendum that repeals a statute to set forth the language being repealed in its entirety. Statutes repealed in violation of this act presumptively violate Article II, section 37 of the Washington state Constitution.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5557 by Senators Delvin, Stevens, Pflug, Carrell, Mulliken, McCaslin, Deccio, Parlette and Swecker

Revising provisions concerning mental health treatment for minors.

Provides that an evaluation and treatment facility may admit for evaluation, diagnosis, or treatment any minor under thirteen years of age for whom application is made by the minor's parent or guardian. The consent of the minor under the age of thirteen is not required.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

Senate Joint Memorials

SJM 8009 by Senators Morton, McCaslin, Mulliken, Stevens, Delvin, Deccio, Parlette, Schoesler, Swecker, Honeyford and Kline

Petitioning for the creation of a new state in Eastern Washington.

Requests that the Congress of the United States consent to the formation of a new state whose western boundary follows the crest of the Cascade Mountains and the western borders of Okanogan, Chelan, Kittitas, Yakima, and Klickitat counties, and whose eastern, northern, and southern boundaries are the existing state borders.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8208 by Senators Morton and Brown

Amending the Constitution to allow for adjournment after cutoff during the regular session.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to allow for adjournment after cutoff during the regular session.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 27 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

