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House Bills

HB 2776 by Representatives Dickerson, Kirby, Roach, and McDonald

Regulating home heating fuel service contracts.

Declares that the purpose of this act is to create a legal framework within which home heating fuel service contracts may be sold in this state and set forth requirements for conducting a service contract business.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 2777 by Representatives Dickerson, Kenney, Green, Cody, Appleton, Hunt, Murray, Simpson, and McDermott

Requiring minimum paid sick leave from employment.

Declares an intent to require employers to provide workers with a minimum amount of paid sick leave, to allow employers to adopt reasonable policies concerning the administration of paid sick leave, and to encourage employers to adopt or retain leave policies more generous than the minimum requirements of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2778 by Representatives Murray, Kristiansen, Dickerson, Clements, Chase, McDonald, and Dunn

Allowing tax deductions for nonprofit convention and tourism promotion corporations.

Allows tax deductions for nonprofit convention and tourism promotion corporations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2779 by Representatives P. Sullivan, Simpson, Roberts, Moeller, Dunshee, and Hudgins

Requiring vehicle headlights when windshield wipers are used.

Requires vehicle headlights when windshield wipers are used.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2780 by Representatives McDermott, Hunt, Santos, Cody, Sells, Conway, Kenney, Ormsby, Williams, Green, Dunshee, Campbell, Appleton, Chase, and Hasegawa

Authorizing additional payroll deductions for state employees.

Authorizes additional payroll deductions for state employees.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 2781 by Representatives Ahern, Takko, Rodne, O'Brien, Kretz, Roach, Sump, Crouse, Walsh, Pearson, Dunn, Strow, McCune, Holmquist, Schindler, Skinner, Cox, and Kristiansen

Providing sentence enhancements for drug offenses that also involve causing damage to a dwelling or any building.

Provides that an additional twenty-four months shall be added to the standard sentence range for any ranked offense involving a violation of RCW 69.50.401(2)(b) if the offense also involved the person causing a fire or explosion which damages a dwelling or any building.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2782 by Representatives Ahern, Strow, and McCune

Adding to the list of two strike offenses.

Adds rape of a child in the third degree and child molestation in the third degree to the list of "two strikes" offenses.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2783 by Representatives Ahern, Sump, Kretz,
Orcutt, Holmquist, Roach, Kristiansen,
McCune, and Dunn

Imposing a mandatory life sentence for certain sex offenses against children.

Imposes a mandatory life sentence for designated sex offenses against children.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2784 by Representatives McCune, Dunn, Roach, Ahern, Campbell, Buri, Morrell, Hinkle, Bailey, Strow, Kilmer, Curtis, Green, Orcutt, Chase, Kessler, Conway, Nixon, Pearson, Kristiansen, Holmquist, Rodne, McCoy, McDonald, P. Sullivan, Simpson, Springer, Lantz, Ericks, Alexander, and Linville

Providing property tax relief for senior citizens, persons retired because of physical disability, and veterans.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2785 by Representatives Quall, Tom, P. Sullivan, Hunter, Morrell, Nixon, Rodne, Roberts, Schual-Berke, Simpson, Springer, Sells, Lantz, Linville, Dunshee, and Kagi; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Authorizing alternative methods of assessment and appeal processes for the certificate of academic achievement.

Requires that, under RCW 28A.655.061, beginning in the 2006-07 school year, the superintendent of public instruction shall implement two objective alternative assessment methods for students to demonstrate achievement of the state standards in content areas in which the student did not meet the standard on the high school Washington assessment of student learning.

Provides that the alternative methods shall include: (1) A combination of a student's grades in applicable courses and the student's highest score on the high school Washington assessment of student learning; and

(2) An evaluation of a collection of work samples. The evaluation of the work samples shall be conducted at the state level or regionally under the supervision of the office of the superintendent of public instruction using uniform scoring criteria.

Directs the superintendent of public instruction to implement: (1) By June 1, 2006, a process for students to appeal the score they received on the high school assessment; and

(2) By January 1, 2007, guidelines and appeal processes for waiving specific requirements in RCW 28A.655.061 pertaining to the certificate of academic achievement and to the certificate of individual achievement for students who: (a) Transfer to a Washington public school in their junior or senior year with the intent of obtaining a public high school diploma, or (b) have special, unavoidable circumstances.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2786 by Representatives Shabro, Quall, Priest, Haler, Jarrett, Tom, Cox, Anderson, Wallace, Curtis, Talcott, Morrell, Rodne, Moeller, Schual-Berke, and P. Sullivan

Providing schools information they need regarding who has legal custody, care, or control of students for purposes of providing notice.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Juvenile Justice & Family Law.

HB 2787 by Representatives Hunter, Nixon, and Hudgins

Adding new restrictions in reading and handling identification documents.

Declares that Washington state recognizes the importance of protecting the confidentiality and privacy of an individual's personal information contained in identification documents such as driver's licenses.

Declares that machine-readable features found on driver's licenses and other similar identification documents are intended to facilitate verification of identity, not to facilitate collection of personal information about individuals, nor to facilitate the creation of private data bases of transactional information associated with those individuals.

Declares that easy access to the information found on driver's licenses and other similar identification documents facilitates the crime of identity theft, a crime that is a major concern in Washington.

Provides that use of machine-readable features on identification documents for purposes other than verification of identity constitutes an unreasonable infringement of privacy and is an unfair business practice.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2788 by Representatives McDonald, Hinkle, Schindler, and Shabro

Creating a putative father registry.

Recognizes the importance of having both a child's mother and father be a part of decisions made about a child's future.

Recognizes that many children are born out of wedlock, which demonstrates a need for an effective process to keep track of claims of paternity for these children.

Finds that the uniform parentage act of 2002 includes the creation of a paternity registry for men who wish to be notified of proceedings involving young children that they may have fathered.

Finds that the creation of a paternity registry will assist in both protecting a putative father's rights in a termination of parental rights proceeding and in facilitating infant adoptions in the state.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Juvenile Justice & Family Law.

HB 2789 by Representatives Quall, Conway, Wood, Hasegawa, Haigh, Ormsby, Murray, Chase, Kessler, Morrell, Green, Roberts, McCoy, Moeller, Simpson, Sells, Lantz, McDermott, Ericks, Hankins, Kagi, and Hudgins; by request of Governor Gregoire

Expanding apprenticeship opportunities for high school graduates.

Finds that it is in the public interest of the state to encourage and facilitate the formation of cooperative relationships between business and industry and educational institutions that provide for the development and expansion of programs of skills training and education consistent with employment needs and to make interested individuals aware of the employment opportunities presented. Therefore, the following programs shall be implemented to expand opportunities for secondary school students to prepare for technical careers and related apprenticeships: (1) Centers of excellence, which shall act as repositories and distributors of relevant information;

(2) A coordinated educational outreach program about apprenticeships; and

(3) Direct-entry programs for graduating secondary students into construction-related apprenticeships, managed by the Washington state apprenticeship and training council.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2790 by Representatives Rodne, O'Brien, Woods, Ericks, Hinkle, Kessler, Simpson, and

Darneille

Providing advisory sentencing guidelines.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2791 by Representatives Kirby and Roach

Regulating insurance overpayment recovery practices.

Establishes provisions regulating insurance overpayment recovery practices.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 2792 by Representatives Kenney, Hinkle, Kessler, Ericksen, Hasegawa, Morris, Bailey, and

Talcott

Describing how medical test sites must calculate glomerular filtration rates.

Provides that a designated test site supervisor must ensure that when the test site tests a specimen to determine a patient's serum creatinine level, the test site calculates the patient's glomerular filtration rate using information provided by the patient or the health care professional requesting the test. The test site must include the patient's glomerular filtration rate with its report to the patient's health care professional.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 2793 by Representatives Chase, Moeller, Pettigrew, Hasegawa, Morrell, and Santos

Providing incentives to recycle beverage containers.

Finds that global climate change presents an immediate challenge to the state of Washington to move away from a carbon-based economy, and reduce its use of greenhouse gas-producing fossil fuels.

Finds that beverage containers that are not recycled contribute substantially to unnecessary waste, including wasted raw materials, wasted electricity to create new containers, and litter, which takes up scarce landfill space.

Therefore, the legislature finds that increased incentives to recycle beverage containers will reduce waste and reduce the use of fossil fuels.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2794 by Representatives Chase, B. Sullivan, Dickerson, Upthegrove, Ericks, Linville, Pettigrew, Hunt, Murray, McCoy, Miloscia, Grant, Sells, Williams, Kenney, Simpson, and Kagi

Encouraging carbon dioxide mitigation.

Minimizes the environmental cost of greenhouse gas emissions by encouraging mitigation for carbon dioxide.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2795 by Representatives Chase, Hasegawa, Moeller, and Conway

Limiting maximum capital and surplus accumulations by health care service contractors and health maintenance organizations.

Provides that, when annual premiums are in excess of two hundred fifty million dollars, a health care service contractor under chapter 48.44 RCW or a health maintenance organization under chapter 48.46 RCW may not accumulate capital and surplus, including risk-based capital (RBC), in excess of two months of claims expense as reported on line 18 of the quarterly statement of revenue and expenses, as existing on the effective date of this act, filed with the insurance commissioner's office.

Requires the excess to be returned to the policyholders by their choice of one of three methods: Electronic transfer; check; or reduction of next year's premium.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 2796 by Representatives Chase, Morris, Ericks, P. Sullivan, Hunt, Crouse, Clibborn, McCoy, Eickmeyer, Pettigrew, Miloscia, McCune, Grant, Sells, Williams, Moeller, Dunshee, Hasegawa, Conway, Upthegrove, Kenney, Kilmer, Linville, Hudgins, and Dunn

Including plug-in hybrid electric vehicles in motor vehicle provisions.

Requires the department to solicit the purchase of one hundred plug-in hybrid electric vehicles for use in the state motor pool by November 30, 2010.

Declares that, for purposes of this act and RCW 43.19.1905 and 43.19.570, "plug-in hybrid electric vehicle" is a hybrid vehicle that: (1) Can run for several miles on battery power alone; and

(2) Can be plugged in to the electric grid in order to recharge its batteries.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 2797 by Representatives Chase, Ericks, Pettigrew, P. Sullivan, Hunt, Roberts, McCoy, Eickmeyer,

Moeller, Miloscia, Grant, Sells, Williams, Hasegawa, Upthegrove, Kenney, Santos, Simpson, and Hudgins

Creating a Washington state energy efficiency program road map.

Requires the Washington State University energy program to conduct a study to create a Washington state energy efficiency program road map. The study must: (1) Evaluate the state's current efforts with respect to energy efficiency and conservation;

- (2) Évaluate the state's role in regional efforts to improve energy efficiency and conservation;
- (3) Evaluate the effectiveness of other jurisdictions with established programs for funding energy efficiency and conservation;
- (4) Evaluate methods for funding energy efficiency and conservation:
- (5) Identify areas where the state needs to increase energy efficiency and conservation;
- (6) Identify areas where the state could establish, expand, or fund efforts related to energy efficiency and conservation;
- (7) Identify methods and create recommended strategies to fund energy efficiency and conservation in areas where increased efforts are needed; and
- (8) Create the Washington state energy efficiency program road map containing recommended steps to be taken by the state, local governments, the Washington State University energy program, and other interested parties to establish, fund, and expand energy efficiency and conservation.

Requires the Washington State University energy program to report results and provide the Washington state energy efficiency program road map to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31, 2007.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2798 by Representatives Chase, Williams, Hasegawa, Conway, Upthegrove, Pettigrew, and Kenney

Regulating the billing practices of telecommunications companies.

Provides that a telecommunications company may not charge a customer a fee to receive a paper copy of a bill when the bill includes charges for intrastate service. For purposes of this section, "intrastate service" means a communication that originates and terminates in the state of Washington, without regard to whether the communication went through any place outside the state.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2799 by Representatives Chase, Morris, Crouse, Eickmeyer, Clibborn, P. Sullivan, Hunt, McCoy, Miloscia, Grant, Sells, Williams, McCune, Moeller, Conway, Upthegrove, Morrell, Simpson, Kilmer, Kagi, Hudgins, Dunn, and Darneille

Providing tax exemptions for solar hot water equipment.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2800 by Representatives Chase, Morris, Ericks, Pettigrew, P. Sullivan, Hunt, Clibborn, Crouse, McCoy, Miloscia, McCune, Grant, Sells, Williams, Hasegawa, Moeller, Upthegrove, Kenney, Santos, Simpson, and Darneille

Modifying voluntary green power program provisions. Revises voluntary green power program provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2801 by Representatives Chase, Morrell, Hasegawa, McCoy, Sump, Hunt, Hunter, Upthegrove, Pettigrew, Kenney, Roberts, Moeller, Santos, Schual-Berke, Simpson, Kagi, and Darneille

Authorizing removal of discriminatory provisions in the governing documents of homeowners' associations.

Finds that some homeowners' associations have governing documents that contain discriminatory covenants, conditions, or restrictions that are void and unenforceable under both the Federal Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 and RCW 49.60.224. The continued existence of these discriminatory covenants, conditions, or restrictions is contrary to public policy and repugnant to many property owners.

Declares an intent to allow homeowners' associations to remove all remnants of discrimination from their governing documents.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2802 by Representatives Takko, Dunn, Appleton,
 Wallace, McCune, Blake, Morrell, McDonald,
 Hasegawa, Kagi, and Moeller

Providing paratransit bus services for individuals with disabilities.

Provides that each public entity operating a fixed route system shall provide paratransit service to individuals with disabilities that is comparable to the level of service provided to individuals without disabilities who use the fixed route system. A paratransit service will be deemed to meet the requirements of this provision if the system provides a level of service that meets the needs of individuals with and without disabilities to a comparable extent

Provides that each public entity operating a fixed route system shall not reduce paratransit service below the level of service required by this act for any fixed route existing as of the effective date of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2803 by Representatives Green, Dickerson, Cody, O'Brien, Clibborn, Appleton, Morrell, Moeller, Santos, and Darneille

Concerning medical assistance mental health benefits.

Provides that effective July 1, 2006, the department shall offer a fee-for-service and managed care outpatient mental health benefit. The benefit shall be limited to an annual evaluation and twelve visits per year. The benefit shall be provided by providers licensed to provide mental health counseling or psychotherapy, including diagnostic evaluations. The benefit shall be offered when funds are specifically appropriated for these services.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 2804 by Representatives Conway, Holmquist, Serben, McIntire, Ahern, McDermott, Rodne, Buri, McDonald, McCune, and Dunn; by request of Office of the Lieutenant Governor

Modifying the property tax exemption for nonprofit schools and colleges.

Recognizes that independent nonprofit schools, colleges, and universities are important economic drivers in their communities, and encourages institutions to support local communities, to provide public benefit, and to respond to community expectations that they share facilities, offer programs, and attract students on par with Washington's publicly owned institutions and out-of-state schools and colleges. Further, the legislature encourages innovative programs and educational opportunities, sustainable practices, and increased use of facilities so that operations of institutions can be more cost-effective.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Higher Ed & Workforce Ed.

HB 2805 by Representatives O'Brien, Ericks, Morrell, Miloscia, and Green

Expanding provisions relating to missing persons.

Declares an intent to build upon the research and findings of the Washington state missing persons task force, assembled by the state attorney general in 2003, the United States department of justice, and others to aid in recovery of missing persons and the identification of human remains.

Requires the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, in consultation with the Washington association of county officials, the Washington association of coroners and medical examiners, the forensic investigations council, the Washington state patrol, and other interested agencies and individuals, to convene a committee to coordinate the use of the latest technology and available science to improve reporting of missing persons, to improve the communication within the state and with national data bases, to enhance the dissemination of information to other agencies and the public, and to improve reporting for missing persons and the collection and preservation of evidence.

Provides that protocols for the investigation of reported missing persons, identification of human remains, and recommended protocols for the reporting and identification of persons missing as the result of major events not limited to tsunami, earthquake, or acts of terrorism shall be endorsed by the groups named in this act who shall then seek the voluntary adoption of the same by all local law enforcement agencies, coroners, medical examiners, and

others charged with locating missing persons or identifying human remains.

Provides that any biological sample taken from a known missing person under RCW 68.50.320 shall be forwarded to the federal bureau of investigation within seventy-two hours upon receipt of the DNA samples. The crime laboratory of the state patrol will conduct nuclear DNA testing of the biological sample and, in the event additional testing is required, the mitochondrial DNA testing will be conducted through the federal bureau of investigation, as long as it is available on a timely basis and delays do not further endanger the missing person involved. If substantial delays in testing occur or federal testing is no longer available, the legislature should provide funding to implement mitochondrial technology in the state of Washington.

Requires the department of health to maintain PKU tests of infants for DNA testing in the event the infant requires identification at a later date. There shall be a repository in every county where voluntary DNA swabs are maintained.

Directs the department to establish rules governing disclosure of test materials solely for the purpose of identification of a missing person or identification of human remains and to prohibit their use for any other purpose.

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2806 by Representatives McIntire, Condotta, Chase, Conway, Nixon, Buri, Dickerson, Cody, Roberts, Clibborn, Hunt, Jarrett, Moeller, Sells, Ericks, Kagi, and Darneille; by request of Governor Gregoire

Conforming Washington's tax structure to the streamlined sales and use tax agreement.

Conforms Washington's tax structure to the streamlined sales and use tax agreement.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2807 by Representatives Haigh and McDermott

Deducting union dues for state employees.

Amends RCW 41.80.100 and 41.04.230 relating to deducting union dues for state employees.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2808 by Representatives Nixon, Bailey, Ahern, Sump, Strow, Serben, Crouse, Roach, Condotta, Kristiansen, Kretz, and Schindler

Prohibiting strikes by educational employees.

Declares that it is unlawful for an employee or an employee organization, directly or indirectly, to induce, instigate, encourage, authorize, ratify, or participate in a strike.

Declares that it is unlawful for an employer to authorize, consent to, or condone a strike, to conduct a

lockout, to pay or agree to pay an employee for any day in which the employee participates in a strike, or to pay or agree to pay any increase in compensation or benefits to an employee in response to or as a result of a strike or any act that violates this act. It is unlawful for any representative of the employer to authorize, ratify, or participate in any violation of this provision.

Provides that, if a violation of this act occurs, or is imminently threatened, any citizen domiciled within the jurisdictional boundaries of the state may petition the superior court of the county in which the school district, or any part thereof, is situated for an injunction restraining the violation or imminently threatened violation.

Declares that failure to comply with any temporary or permanent injunction granted under this act is contempt of court as provided in chapter 7.21 RCW. The court may impose a penalty of up to ten thousand dollars for an employee organization or the employer, for each day during which the failure to comply continues.

Declares that nothing in this act prevents new or renewed bargaining and agreement within the scope of bargaining, as defined by this chapter, at any time. However, the parties may not agree to a provision regarding suspension or modification of any court-ordered penalty provided in this section and any such agreement is void.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2809 by Representative Nixon

Creating multiple degrees of illegal voting. Establishes multiple degrees of illegal voting.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2810 by Representatives O'Brien and Morrell

Recycling electronic products.

Establishes provisions for recycling electronic products.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2811 by Representatives O'Brien and Morrell

Creating a covered electronic device recycling program. Establishes a covered electronic device recycling

program.

Provides that, during 2014, the department shall convene a stakeholder group to evaluate the program and make recommendations to the legislature by January 1, 2015, as to whether to: (1) Continue the advanced recycling fee:

(2) Implement another financing alternative; or

(3) Determine that no outside financing mechanism is required to ensure that the system is financially solvent.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2812 by Representatives Hunter, Rodne, Quall, Nixon, P. Sullivan, Jarrett, Clibborn, Tom, Morrell, Fromhold, Roberts, Schual-Berke, Simpson, Anderson, and Kagi

Modifying school district levy provisions. Revises school district levy provisions. Repeals 2004 c 21 s 3 (uncodified).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2813 by Representatives O'Brien, Williams, Strow, and Kirby

Changing provisions relating to shopping carts.

Provides that a person who intentionally removes a shopping cart from the parking lot of a retail establishment without the permission of the establishment, is subject to liability under this act.

Provides that any statute, ordinance, or rule enacted by a political subdivision of the state dealing with shopping carts that have been removed from the parking lot of a retail establishment must meet the following criteria: (1) Impoundment of a shopping cart may only be allowed if the cart is located off the premises of the retail establishment, and: (a) The retail establishment has been given notice of the cart's location and has not retrieved the cart within five days of the notice; (b) the cart is in a location that is likely to impede emergency services. If a cart in a location that is likely to impede emergency services is impounded, the retail establishment must be given notice that the cart has been impounded; or (c) the cart does not meet the requirements of RCW 9A.56.270(2).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2814 by Representatives Simpson, Schindler, Springer, and Lantz; by request of Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development

Concerning schedules for the review of comprehensive plans and development regulations.

Finds there is a statewide interest in maintaining coordinated planning as called for in the legislative findings of the growth management act, RCW 36.70A.010. It is the intent of the legislature that smaller, slower-growing counties and cities be provided with flexibility in meeting the requirements to review local plans and development regulations in RCW 36.70A.130, while ensuring coordination and consistency with the plans of neighboring cities and counties.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2815 by Representatives Simpson, Jarrett, Springer, and Lantz; by request of Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development

Clarifying the best available science requirements to protect critical areas.

Clarifies the best available science requirements to protect critical areas.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --Jan 13 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2816 by Representatives Green, Walsh, Clibborn, Campbell, Morrell, and Santos

Creating pilot projects for dental hygienists.

Declares an intent to address the problem of access to preventive oral health care services by providing five pilot projects that allow dental hygienists to practice within the current scope of practice without the supervision of a dentist.

Establishes the access to preventive care pilot projects. The secretary of health is authorized to create five pilot projects in dentally underserved areas of the state whereby dental hygienists are authorized to practice within the current scope of practice in RCW 18.29.050, without the supervision of a dentist. These pilot projects are effective for three years after the effective date of this section. The secretary of health, in consultation with the dental hygiene examining committee, shall adopt rules to implement this act

Declares that the goals of the pilot projects are to: (1) Open access to preventive oral health care services delivered by dental hygienists;

- (2) Collect data of patients treated by dental hygienists, including age, treatments rendered, insurance coverage, if any, and patient referral to dentists;
- (3) Evaluate independently managed dental hygiene practices in increasing the patient flow to dentists, thereby improving dental care; and
- (4) Examine the ways in which the pilot projects affect access to preventive oral health care for underserved persons.

Directs the secretary of health, in consultation with the Washington state dental hygienists' association, to provide a report to the legislature by December 1, 2009, evaluating the outcome of the pilot projects.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 2817 by Representatives Sells, McCoy, Strow, Dunshee, Lovick, Jarrett, Morris, Ormsby, Morrell, Haler, O'Brien, Fromhold, Ericks, Kilmer, and B. Sullivan

Establishing technology priorities for institutions of higher education.

Recognizes the vital importance to the state's economic prosperity and the economic benefit of placing a priority on enrolling and conferring degrees upon students in the fields of engineering, technology, biotechnology, science, computer science, and mathematics.

Declares an intent to promote increased access, delivery models, enrollment slots, and degree opportunities in the fields of engineering, technology, biotechnology, sciences, computer sciences, and mathematics. It is recognized that these areas of study and training are integrally linked to ensuring that Washington state's economy can compete nationally and globally in the twenty-first century marketplace. It is also recognized that community colleges play a unique role in supporting degree attainment in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics through the development of transferable curricula and the

maintenance of viable articulation agreements with both public and private universities.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Higher Ed & Workforce Ed.

HB 2818 by Representatives McIntire, Kenney, McDermott, Hunter, Ormsby, Linville, Wood, Fromhold, Morrell, Conway, Condotta, and Springer

Improving the state of Washington's economic, cultural, and educational standing in the motion picture industry.

Declares an intent to recognize both national and international competition in the motion picture production marketplace. The legislature is committed to leveling the competitive playing field and interested in a partnership with the private sector to regain Washington's place as a premier destination to make motion pictures, television, and television commercials. While at the same time the legislature is committed to ensuring that workers in the motion picture and television industry are covered under health insurance and retirement income plans.

Directs the department to adopt criteria for an approved motion picture competitiveness program with the sole purpose of revitalizing the state's economic, cultural, and educational standing in the national and international market of motion picture production. Rules adopted by the department shall allow the program, within the established criteria, to provide funding assistance only when it captures economic opportunities for Washington's communities and businesses and shall only be provided under a contractual arrangement with a private entity.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --Jan 13 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 2819 by Representatives Lovick, Dunshee, and McCoy

Limiting passengers from riding on the outside part of vehicles.

Finds and declares that: (1) Pickup trucks are becoming increasingly popular as multipurpose vehicles and are frequently used for family transport and recreation;

- (2) Each year, a significant number of injuries and deaths occur in this state as a result of persons riding in the cargo area of pickup trucks without the use of appropriate restraint devices when doing so;
- (3) Injuries sustained by persons riding in the cargo area of pickup trucks without the use of appropriate restraint devices when doing so occur as a result both of collisions in which the pickup trucks are involved and of ejections from the pickup trucks during sudden stops, bumps, turns, or swerves where no collision occurs; and
- (4) The occupant death rate is higher in pickup trucks and small utility vehicles than in any other kind of passenger vehicle.

Declares it is therefore the purpose of this act to prohibit riding in open truck beds except in specified circumstances.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2820 by Representatives Pettigrew, Santos, Hinkle, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Chase, Holmquist, Upthegrove, and McDonald

Providing business and occupation tax relief for businesses impacted by light rail construction.

Provides business and occupation tax relief for businesses impacted by light rail construction.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2821 by Representatives Woods, Nixon, Schindler, Hankins, Bailey, Ericksen, Talcott, Buck, McCune, and Dunn

Opening high-occupancy vehicle lanes during nonpeak

Opens high-occupancy vehicle lanes during nonpeak hours.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2822 by Representatives Priest, Haler, Orcutt,
Campbell, Ericksen, Woods, Alexander,
Talcott, Kristiansen, Holmquist, Rodne, Serben, Roach,
Buri, Skinner, Schindler, Hinkle, Jarrett, McDonald, P.
Sullivan, Simpson, Walsh, Tom, Armstrong, McCune,
Shabro, and Dunn

Modifying provisions relating to taking a motor vehicle without permission.

Provides that, when a person has in his or her possession, or under his or her control, two or more stolen vehicles, he or she is presumed to know that the vehicles are stolen.

Provides that when a person has been found in possession of a stolen vehicle on two previous occasions, or has been found with a stolen vehicle under his or her control on two previous occasions, he or she is presumed to know that the third and subsequent vehicles in his or her possession, or under his or her control, are stolen.

Declares that taking a motor vehicle without permission in the first degree is a class B felony.

Establishes penalties for violations of the act.

Appropriates the sum of seven million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the state general fund to the Washington state patrol to establish and operate three regional auto theft task forces in Washington.

Appropriates the sum of three million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the state general fund to the Washington state patrol to establish and operate proaction auto theft swat units in Washington.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2823 by Representatives Lovick, Dunshee, McCoy, Santos, Simpson, and Hasegawa

Requiring a study of school district curriculum.

Declares an intent that every student in Washington should see his or her culture fully and accurately included in the public school curriculum in every grade, and that all students should learn about the cultures and histories of all of their peers in the state and the world. To make progress toward achieving this goal, the legislature requires additional information about the degree to which school districts have such a curriculum and what barriers may impede them from adopting and using such a curriculum.

Directs the college of education at the University of Washington to conduct a review of the curriculum offered by public schools in Washington. The review shall examine the degree to which the curriculum fully and accurately includes the history, contributions, and contemporary experiences of people of color. The review shall also identify barriers that may impede schools and school districts from successfully adopting and using such a curriculum.

Requires the college to submit a report to the education committees of the legislature by December 1, 2007, including findings and recommendations for strategies and policies that could improve the public school curriculum.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2824 by Representatives Lovick, McCoy, Green, and Ericks

Providing the crime of threats with a firearm against persons in places of education.

Designates the crime of threats with a firearm against persons in places of education.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2825 by Representatives Lovick and McCoy

Revising provisions relating to deferred disposition of juveniles.

Provides that a juvenile is eligible for deferred disposition unless he or she is charged with having possession or control of a firearm at any public or private elementary or secondary school premises, school-provided transportation, or areas of facilities while being used exclusively by public or private schools in violation of RCW 9.41.280(1)(a).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Juvenile Justice & Family Law.

HB 2826 by Representatives Lovick, McCoy, Green, Condotta, Springer, and Ericks

Revising provisions relating to possession of dangerous weapons on school facilities.

Revises provisions relating to possession of dangerous weapons on school facilities.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2827 by Representatives Lovick, McCoy, Green, and Ericks

Including school personnel in assault provisions.

Pertains to a person who assaults an employee, director, officer, agent, contracted service provider, or volunteer of any public or private school or public school district who is performing his or her duties or participating in a school-sponsored activity at the time of the assault, or where the assault of the employee, director, officer, agent, contracted service provider, or volunteer is reasonably related to such duties or participation in a school-sponsored activity.

Provides that assault in the third degree is a class C felony.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2828 by Representatives Morrell, Kilmer, Roach, Green, Priest, Morris, Haigh, P. Sullivan, Simpson, Moeller, Linville, Upthegrove, Orcutt, Kessler, Appleton, McCoy, McDonald, Springer, Ericks, and McCune

Providing a business and occupation credit for employers who rehire returning active duty national guard members.

Provides a business and occupation credit for employers who rehire returning active duty national guard members.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2829 by Representatives Wallace, Curtis, Haigh, Springer, Morrell, Hunt, Takko, Schual-Berke, Murray, and Moeller; by request of Department of

Licensing

Modifying provisions concerning the regulation of driver training schools.

Revises provisions concerning the regulation of driver training schools.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2830 by Representatives Quall, Bailey, Hunter, Schual-Berke, McDermott, Linville, and Kagi

Granting service credit to educational staff associates for nonschool employment.

Provides that, beginning in the 2006-07 school year, the calculation of years of service for occupational therapists, physical therapists, speech-language pathologists, audiologists, nurses, social workers, counselors, and psychologists regulated under Title 18 RCW may include experience in schools and other nonschool positions as occupational therapists, physical therapists, speech-language pathologists, audiologists, nurses, social workers, counselors, or psychologists. The calculation shall be that one year of service in a nonschool position counts as one year of service for purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2831 by Representatives Nixon and Simpson

Prohibiting the commercial use of lists obtained through the public records act.

Declares that "commercial purposes" includes, regardless of physical form or characteristic: All direct

marketing or other targeted contact of persons or businesses related to any advertisement, offer, or solicitation for anything of value. Commercial purposes does not include the broadcast or distribution of information to the general public or segments of the general public through the use of any form of news media, whether or not a fee is charged for the service, or the solicitation of votes by or on behalf of a political candidate or in favor of or in opposition to ballot measures.

Provides that a person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor punishable under RCW 9A.20.021 if he or she: (1) Uses a list obtained, either by the person himself or herself or by another person, from any state or local agency for commercial purposes or for any type of solicitation by or on behalf of a nonprofit or charitable organization, and does so knowing that the list came from or was compiled, whether by the person himself or herself or by a third party, from records obtained from a state or local government agency; or

(2) Induces another to violate this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 2832 by Representatives Condotta, Blake, Hinkle, Kristiansen, and Holmquist

Reducing the administrative cap on off-road vehicle money.

Provides that the department may retain either a maximum of five percent of fees collected or one hundred thousand dollars, whichever is less, to cover expenses incurred in the administration of chapter 46.09 RCW.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 2833 by Representatives Haigh, Eickmeyer, Green, Morris, Crouse, Armstrong, Curtis, Sump, Dunshee, and Clements

Adding members to the state board for volunteer fire fighters and reserve officers.

Adds members to the state board for volunteer fire fighters and reserve officers.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 2834 by Representatives Ericks, Hunter, Clibborn, Schual-Berke, Kagi, Green, Orcutt, Newhouse, Appleton, Haler, Campbell, Nixon, Jarrett, Ericksen, Woods, Talcott, Kristiansen, Hinkle, Holmquist, Alexander, Roach, Ahern, Schindler, McDonald, Murray, Santos, Simpson, Tom, Springer, Pearson, Linville, Bailey, and McCune

Discontinuing the nursing facility bed tax.

Repeals RCW 74.46.091, 74.46.535, 82.71.010, 82.71.020, and 82.71.030.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 2835 by Representatives Lovick, O'Brien, Wood, Miloscia, Darneille, Chase, Hasegawa, McDermott, and Linville

Revising provisions for the sale and use of projectile stunguns.

Revises provisions for the sale and use of projectile stunguns.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2836 by Representatives Sommers, Kagi, Green, and Kilmer

Creating the reading achievement account.

Creates the reading achievement account.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 2837 by Representatives O'Brien, McCune, Morris, and Dunn

Eliminating advance property tax payments for binding site plans.

Eliminates advance property tax payments for binding site plans.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2838 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Condotta, Ericksen, Talcott, Kristiansen, Holmquist, Ahern, Schindler, Alexander, Bailey, and McCune

Modifying employee wage and benefit provisions.

Provides that, by July 1, 2016, the department of labor and industries shall convene a study group to compile a report assessing the effectiveness of this act in enabling restaurateurs to provide adequate wages and benefits for all employees working in restaurants.

Requires the study group to present the report to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2016, and the report shall include recommendations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2839 by Representatives Strow, Ahern, Skinner, Ericksen, Shabro, Pearson, Haler, Orcutt, Campbell, Woods, Alexander, Talcott, Holmquist, Rodne, Serben, Roach, Buri, Schindler, Hinkle, Jarrett, Walsh, Armstrong, Bailey, McCune, and Priest

Revising methamphetamine provisions.

Revises methamphetamine provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2840 by Representatives Roach, Kirby, Pettigrew, Morrell, McCune, Pearson, Ericks, Buck, Orcutt, Kessler, Haler, Campbell, Nixon, Green, Ericksen, Woods, Alexander, Talcott, Kristiansen, Holmquist, Rodne, Serben, Buri, Skinner, Schindler, Hinkle, Jarrett, McDonald, Walsh, Springer, Sells, Armstrong, Kilmer, Bailey, Priest, Shabro, and Dunn

Increasing penalties for identity theft.
Increases penalties for identity theft.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 2841 by Representatives Orcutt, Roach, Ahern, Holmquist, Serben, Anderson, Ericksen, Nixon, Schindler, Kretz, McCune, Haler, Pearson, Woods, Alexander, Talcott, Kristiansen, Skinner, Hinkle, Condotta, Walsh, Shabro, and Dunn

Reinstating the Washington state pick-up credit for federal estate and transfer taxes.

Provides that the department may collect the generation-skipping transfer tax under this act, including interest and penalties, and shall represent this state in all matters pertaining to the same, either before courts or in any other manner. At any time after the Washington return is due, the department may file its findings regarding the amount of the tax, the federal credit, the person required to file the federal return, and all persons having an interest in property subject to the tax with the clerk of the superior court in the matter of the trust or the estate of the decedent, if any, or, if no trust, probate or administration proceedings have been commenced in any court of this state, of any superior court which has jurisdiction over the property. Such a court first acquiring jurisdiction shall retain jurisdiction to the exclusion of every other court.

Repeals RCW 83.100.046, 83.100.047, and 83.100.095.

Repeals 2005 c 516 s 1 (uncodified).

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2842 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Anderson, Quall, Tom, Chase, and Simpson

Requiring that organ donation awareness be taught in public schools.

Finds that continuing education as to the existence and maintenance of a statewide organ and tissue donor registry is in the best interest of the people of the state of Washington.

Requires organ donation awareness to be taught in the public schools of this state. Organ donation education shall include instruction explaining the organ and tissue donor registry created in RCW 68.50.635. Students shall receive such instruction at least once beginning in ninth grade.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2843 by Representatives Holmquist, Haigh, Nixon, Green, Schindler, Clements, Sump, Ahern, McDermott, Haler, Chase, Sells, McDonald, Hasegawa, Kenney, Kristiansen, Bailey, and McCune

Modifying absentee ballot envelope content. Revises absentee ballot envelope content. Provides that if the county auditor is seeking reelection, the county auditor may not place his or her name on the security envelope or return envelope.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 2844 by Representatives Holmquist, Haler, Nixon, Dunn, Ahern, McCune, McDonald, Kristiansen, Roach, Pearson, Rodne, Schindler, and Bailey

Requiring a revote if the number of ballots counted and voters credited with voting cannot be reconciled.

Requires a revote if the number of ballots counted and voters credited with voting cannot be reconciled.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 2845 by Representatives Simpson and Curtis

Regulating water availability for residential fire sprinkler suppression systems.

Establishes regulations regarding water availability for residential fire sprinkler suppression systems.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2846 by Representatives Miloscia, Hunt, Campbell, and Dunshee

Expanding campaign finance disclosure in small political subdivisions.

Declares that the reporting provisions of chapter 42.17 RCW apply to a candidate in any political subdivision if the candidate receives or expects to receive five thousand dollars or more in contributions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4032 by Representatives Upthegrove, Schual-Berke, Hasegawa, Chase, Hudgins, Simpson, and Conway

Petitioning for airline pension relief.

Requests that the United States Congress declare its support for and enact federal legislation directed at creating airline pension reform and protecting retirement benefits for all employees in the airline industry.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HJM 4033 by Representatives Nixon, Moeller, and Springer

Requesting Congress to allow states to decide whether marijuana should be used legally for medicinal purposes.

Requests that Congress amend federal drug laws to allow the states to decide for themselves whether to allow marijuana to be used for medical purposes so long as it is for personal, medicinal use only and is not bought, sold, or transferred for interstate commerce.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Health Care.

Senate Bills

SB 6485 by Senators Rasmussen, Schoesler, Sheldon, Morton, Doumit, and Delvin

Exempting the custom blending of dry fertilizer from business and occupation tax.

Exempts the custom blending of dry fertilizer from business and occupation tax.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6486 by Senators Schoesler, Jacobsen, Rasmussen, Rockefeller, Morton, Sheldon, and Delvin

Permitting commercial driver's license reciprocity agreements.

Authorizes commercial driver's license reciprocity agreements.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6487 by Senators Schoesler, Rasmussen, Roach, Morton, Schmidt, Mulliken, Carrell, Stevens, Doumit, Delvin, Benson, Esser, Johnson, Deccio, Shin, Jacobsen, Regala, Hargrove, Zarelli, Honeyford, McAuliffe, and Berkey

Prohibiting false academic credentials.

Declares that it is unlawful for a person to: (1) Grant or award a false academic credential or offer to grant or award a false academic credential in violation of this act;

- (2) Represent that a credit earned or granted by the person, in violation of this act, can be applied toward a credential offered by another person; or
- (3) Solicit another person to seek a credential or to earn a credit that is offered in violation of this act.

Provides that issuing a false academic credential is a class C felony.

Provides that knowingly using a false academic credential is a class C felony.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education. SB 6488 by Senators Franklin, Kline, Hargrove, Fairley, Weinstein, and Kohl-Welles

Creating a program for offender education.

Requires the department to create, by rule, a program to provide offenders with the opportunity to participate in programs designed to educate offenders on American citizenship and civil rights.

Requires the department to provide to offenders, before release into the community, information regarding community service providers that provide educational services to offenders.

Requires the department to work in collaboration with community service providers that provide educational services to offenders to develop a standard curriculum for education of offenders released into the community.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6489 by Senators Stevens, Benton, Benson, and Carrell

Requiring school districts to provide remedial postsecondary education or to pay for the cost.

Requires school districts to provide remedial postsecondary education or to pay for the cost.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 6490 by Senators Rasmussen and Kline

Specifying additional mitigating circumstances allowing departures from sentencing guidelines.

Specifies additional mitigating circumstances allowing departures from sentencing guidelines.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6491 by Senators Kline, Johnson, Hargrove, Esser, and Oke

Revising penalty provisions relating to taking a motor vehicle without permission.

Revises penalty provisions relating to taking a motor vehicle without permission.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6492 by Senators Kline, Franklin, Kohl-Welles, and Oke

Authorizing conversion of legal financial obligations to community restitution.

Provides that if an offender has been ordered to pay a legal financial obligation as part of a sentence and due to a change in circumstances cannot reasonably comply with the order, the court, upon motion of the offender, may order that the unpaid legal financial obligation be converted to community restitution unless the monetary obligation is for restitution, which cannot be converted. The number of hours of community restitution in lieu of the legal financial

obligation shall be converted at the rate of the prevailing state minimum wage per hour.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6493 by Senators Kline, Weinstein, Brandland, Hargrove, Oke, and Rasmussen

Revising the jurisdiction of drug courts.

Requires the prosecuting attorney and the court to comply with all federal drug court rules to the extent necessary to obtain or retain federal funds.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6494 by Senators Kline, Rasmussen, Esser, Keiser, Poulsen, and Oke

Eliminating the requirement for a seller's real estate disclosure of proximity to farming.

Repeals RCW 64.06.022.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 6495 by Senators Kline, Johnson, Brandland, and Oke

Assigning a seriousness level to selected unranked felonies.

Assigns a seriousness level to selected unranked felonies.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6496 by Senators Kline, Johnson, Hargrove, and Thibaudeau

Requiring that defendants be given notice of the possibility that an exceptional sentence may be imposed.

Provides that, at any time prior to the imposition of sentence, the sentencing judge may give notice that the circumstances presented may warrant a sentence above the standard sentencing range. The judge shall specify, in writing, which of the aggravating circumstances stated in RCW 9.94A.535 (2) or (3) appear to be present.

Provides that the defendant shall be informed at the time of the plea that: (1) The sentencing judge may decide to initiate proceedings pursuant to RCW 9.94A.535 to impose an aggravated exceptional sentence pursuant to this chapter at any time prior to the imposition of sentence; and

(2) If aggravated exceptional sentence proceedings are initiated the defendant may withdraw the plea of guilty and enter a plea of not guilty and the prosecutor shall not be bound by the plea agreement and is relieved of any obligation to comply with the terms of the plea agreement.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6497 by Senators Kline, Franklin, and Hargrove Revising felony sentence ranges.

Finds that statutorily granted judicial discretion in sentencing has been limited by appellate court decisions requiring jury findings prior to imposing sentences above the standard sentence ranges.

Finds that expanding the sentencing ranges is the most appropriate method of increasing judicial discretion while retaining commensurate and appropriate punishment for similarly situated offenders as well as assuring the frugal use of state and local government resources.

Declares an intent to provide judges with increased discretion and decrease the need to impose exceptional sentences. The legislature further intends that sentencing courts have the authority and power to adopt suitable processes of proceeding in cases where exceptional sentences are appropriate to the extent that such procedures are mandated by the United States Constitution or Washington state Constitution.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6498 by Senators Roach, Stevens, Mulliken, Schoesler, Honeyford, Benton, and Delvin

Modifying election provisions.

Revises election provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6499 by Senators Roach, Stevens, Schoesler, Benton, Honeyford, and Mulliken

Putting all voters on inactive status until proof of citizenship and photo identification are provided.

Places all voters on inactive status until proof of citizenship and photo identification are provided.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6500 by Senators Haugen, McCaslin, Doumit, Benson, Shin, Esser, and Jacobsen

Extending the moorage period for sales tax exemptions for nonresident vessel purchasers.

Extends the moorage period for sales tax exemptions for nonresident vessel purchasers.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6501 by Senators Rockefeller, Poulsen, Morton, Honeyford, Fraser, Regala, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, Kline, and Keiser; by request of Governor Gregoire

Creating the Washington bioenergy loan program.

Finds that: (1) Washington's dependence on energy supplied from outside the state and volatile global energy markets makes its economy and citizens vulnerable to unpredictable and high energy prices;

(2) Washington's dependence on petroleum-based fuels increases energy costs for citizens and businesses;

(3) Diesel soot from diesel engines ranks as the highest toxic air pollutant in Washington, leading to hundreds of

premature deaths and increasing rates of asthmas and other lung diseases;

- (4) The use of biodiesel results in significantly less air pollution than traditional diesel fuels;
- (5) Improper disposal and treatment of organic waste from farms and livestock operations can have a significant negative impact on water quality;
- (6) Washington has abundant supplies of organic wastes from farms that can be used for energy production and abundant farmland where crops could be grown to supplement or supplant petroleum-based fuels;
- (7) The use of energy and fuel derived from these sources can help citizens and business conserve energy and reduce the use of petroleum-based fuels, would improve air and water quality in Washington, reduce environmental risks from farm wastes, create new markets for farm products, and provide new industries and jobs for Washington citizens; and

(8) The bioenergy industry is a new and developing industry that is, in part, limited by the availability of capital for the construction of facilities for converting farm and forest products into energy and fuels.

Finds that it is in the public interest to encourage the rapid adoption and use of bioenergy, to develop a viable bioenergy industry within Washington state, and to support a viable agriculture industry to grow bioenergy crops. To accomplish this, the Washington bioenergy loan program is established to stimulate the construction of facilities in Washington to generate energy from farm sources or convert organic matter into fuels.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6502 by Senators Roach, Kohl-Welles, Weinstein, Kline, McCaslin, Benton, and Rasmussen

Creating a statewide automated victim information and notification system.

Creates a statewide automated victim information and notification system.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6503 by Senators Finkbeiner, Poulsen, Morton, Esser, Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, Schmidt, Parlette, Rasmussen, Kline, and Keiser

Providing tax incentives for the generation of electricity using renewable resources.

Provides tax incentives for the generation of electricity using renewable resources.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6504 by Senators Berkey and Mulliken

Prohibiting public hospital district employees from serving as commissioners.

Prohibits public hospital district employees from serving as commissioners.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6505 by Senators Oke and McAuliffe

Providing drug paraphernalia provisions.

Declares it is unlawful for any person to willfully maintain or operate any business knowingly, or under circumstances where one should reasonably know, that drug paraphernalia is displayed or distributed at such business.

Declares it is unlawful for any person who is the owner of a business, an employee thereof, or who works at such business as an agent of the owner, to willfully display or distribute drug paraphernalia at such business knowingly, or under circumstances where one should reasonably know, that it is drug paraphernalia or will be used as such.

Authorizes law enforcement officers to provide verbal or written notification to any person or business that drug paraphernalia is on display or being distributed at the business.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6506 by Senators Honeyford and Morton

Limiting building permit moratoriums.

Provides that, for purposes of this act, no state, county, or city agency or authority may place a moratorium on building permits unless the department of ecology has issued a record of examination for all active and completed water right applications pending with the department in the pertinent jurisdiction.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6507 by Senators Honeyford, Poulsen, Morton, and Fraser

Concerning watershed management partnerships.

Finds that local governments, special districts, and utilities that cooperate in watershed management partnerships are acting in the public interest and in a manner that is intended to maintain healthy watershed function while sustaining growing populations and maximum beneficial use of water in the watershed over time. Therefore, it is the intent of this act to provide additional funding authority to assist watershed management partnerships with the implementation of local watershed plans.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6508 by Senators Rasmussen, Poulsen, Kline, McCaslin, Brown, Oke, Schmidt, Swecker, Finkbeiner, and Kohl-Welles; by request of Governor Gregoire

Developing minimum renewable fuel content requirements and fuel quality standards in an alternative fuels market.

Prescribes minimum renewable fuel content requirements and fuel quality standards in an alternative fuels market.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6509 by Senator Kastama

Modifying the cancellation process for public contracts. Revises the cancellation process for public contracts.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6510 by Senators Pridemore, Kastama, Doumit, Zarelli, Kline, and Benton

Modifying county lien authority. Revises county lien authority.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6511 by Senators Pridemore, Kastama, Benton, Zarelli, and Roach

Modifying disbursement of the metropolitan park district fund.

Revises disbursement of the metropolitan park district fund.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6512 by Senators Fraser, Pridemore, Honeyford, Poulsen, Mulliken, Regala, Rockefeller, Delvin, and Kline

Enhancing air quality at truck stops.

Recognizes that the air quality around idling heavy duty diesel vehicles at truck stops can contribute to unhealthy conditions. Idling vehicles not only consume up to one billion gallons of diesel fuel a year, but also contribute to air pollution by releasing fine particles, volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, and nitrogen oxides. These emissions contribute to deteriorating human health conditions, including asthma, heart disease, cancer, and aggravated allergies. Idling vehicles also contribute to driver fatigue through exposure to noise, vibration, and elevated levels of carbon monoxide and other pollutants.

Declares that Washington state seeks to encourage private entities to address this source of air pollution by providing incentives to those who provide the infrastructure and services that support the use of auxiliary power through onboard or stand-alone electrification systems.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6513 by Senators Fraser, Poulsen, Pridemore, Regala, Rockefeller, Kohl-Welles, and Kline

Requiring biomonitoring as an element of the environmental health tracking program.

Requires biomonitoring as an element of the

environmental health tracking program.

Provides that, by September 30, 2006, the department of health, in consultation with the department of ecology local health jurisdictions, shall provide recommendations to the governor and the appropriate committees of the senate and house of representatives for funding the biomonitoring program. The recommendations shall provide a proposed phase-in of the top ten highest priorities identified by the department of health's 2003 biomonitoring plan, and shall include recommendations for sharing of costs among federal, state, local, and nongovernmental entities. The department of health's implementation recommendations shall include the objective of integrating with and complementing nationwide monitoring programs.

Appropriates the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2007, from the state toxics control account to the department of health for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6514 by Senators Fraser, Poulsen, Pridemore, Regala, Rockefeller, Kohl-Welles, Kline, and Keiser

Regarding biodiesel mandates for state agencies and contractors.

Provides that, effective June 1, 2009, all state agencies are required to use a minimum of twenty percent biodiesel as compared to total volume of all diesel purchases made by the agency for the operation of the agency's diesel-powered vehicles, vessels, and equipment.

Provides that, effective June 1, 2020, all state agencies are required to use a minimum of thirty percent biodiesel as compared to total volume of all diesel purchases made by the agency for the operation of the agency's diesel-powered vehicles, vessels, and equipment.

Requires the department of general administration to, in consultation with the department of community, trade, and economic development's energy policy division, produce an inventory of large, centralized power plants at state facilities.

Requires state institutions of higher education to cooperate with the department in producing the inventory. The department shall report its findings to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2006.

Provides that, effective June 1, 2009, all state public works contracts in excess of ten million dollars shall require the winning bidder of the contract to verify that the contractor and subcontractors will use an average of twenty percent biodiesel as compared to total volume of all diesel consumed in vehicles, vessels, and equipment, used in the performance of the contract.

Provides that, effective June 1, 2020, all state public works contracts in excess of ten million dollars shall require the winning bidder of the contract to verify that the contractor and subcontractors will use an average of thirty

percent biodiesel as compared to total volume of all diesel consumed in vehicles, vessels, and equipment, used in the performance of the contract.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6515 by Senators Fraser, Oke, Morton, Poulsen, Mulliken, Pridemore, Rockefeller, Regala, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, Kline, and Keiser

Providing information on biofuels and renewable energy.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6516 by Senators Fraser, Mulliken, Pridemore, Morton, Poulsen, Rockefeller, Regala, Benton, Rasmussen, Kline, and Keiser

Providing sales and use tax exemptions to encourage the use of alternative fuels.

Provides sales and use tax exemptions to encourage the use of alternative fuels.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6517 by Senators Fraser, Poulsen, Pridemore, Rockefeller, Regala, and Kline

Creating the uniform environmental covenants act.

Finds that the national conference of commissioners on uniform state laws has developed model legislation called the uniform environmental covenants act. The act ensures that environmental covenants, recorded use restrictions negotiated in connection with hazardous waste site cleanups, and other environmental response projects are legally valid and enforceable. The uniform environmental covenants act achieves this objective by providing clear statutory standards that override court-made doctrines that do not fit such land cleanup and reuse contexts.

Finds that nothing in this act will amend or modify any local or state laws that determine when environmental covenants are required, when a particular contaminated site must be cleaned up, or the standards for a cleanup.

Declares that adoption of the uniform environmental covenants act in Washington will provide all participants in a cleanup with greater confidence that environmental covenants and other institutional controls will be effective over the life of the cleanup. This will speed cleanups of many sites and assist in the recycling of urban brownfield properties into new economic uses for the benefit of the citizens of Washington.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6518 by Senators Fraser, Mulliken, Poulsen, Honeyford, Pridemore, Regala, Kline, and

Keiser

Modifying state energy policy.

Provides that, by September 1, 2009, state agencies shall reduce energy purchases by fifteen percent from fiscal year 2005, using all practicable, cost-effective means available, including energy efficiency programs and the use of on-site renewable resources.

Provides that, by September 1st of each year, state agencies shall report their energy used in the previous fiscal year to the department of general administration.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6519 by Senators Benton, Benson, Schoesler, Carrell, Esser, Jacobsen, Pflug, Mulliken, Johnson, Honeyford, Sheldon, Roach, Kline, Oke, Rasmussen, and Keiser

Requiring sex offenders to verify twice a year that registration information is accurate.

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-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6520 by Senators Benton, Fairley, Oke, Stevens, Prentice, and Spanel

Regulating the cashing of checks by the payor institution.

Requires a payor bank to pay a check drawn on it against an account with a sufficient balance at par, without regard to whether the payee holds an account at the bank.

Does not prohibit a bank from requiring commercially reasonable verification of the payee's identity before settlement of the check.

Requires that, in addition to any remedy provided by law, the department of financial institutions shall ensure that payor banks comply with the requirements of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 6521 by Senators Benton, Berkey, Mulliken, and Stevens

Creating the direct property owner petition method of annexation for city and town annexations.

Establishes the direct property owner petition method of annexation for city and town annexations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6522 by Senators Benton, Kastama, Roach, Berkey, Benson, Zarelli, Stevens, Delvin, Honeyford, and Schmidt

Concerning campaign contributions made by out-of-state entities.

Revises provisions pertaining to campaign contributions made by out-of-state entities.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6523 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Hargrove, Benson, Roach, Fairley, Rasmussen, and Kline

Increasing the minimum age for gambling.

Increases the minimum age for gambling to twenty-one.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6524 by Senators Rasmussen, Morton, Poulsen, Rockefeller, Honeyford, and Benton

Providing incentives for conversion of landfill methane gas to liquid fuel.

Provides incentives for conversion of landfill methane gas to liquid fuel.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6525 by Senators Benton, Oke, Berkey, Mulliken, Benson, Esser, Haugen, and Sheldon; by request of Department of Transportation

Modifying transportation project design-build provisions.

Provides that, to test the applicability of the designbuild procedure on smaller projects and specialty projects, the department may conduct up to five pilot projects on projects that cost between two and ten million dollars. The department shall evaluate these pilot projects with respect to cost, time to complete, efficiencies gained, if any, and other pertinent information to facilitate analysis regarding the further use of the design-build process on projects of this size.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6526 by Senators Jacobsen, Mulliken, Berkey, Oke, Weinstein, Poulsen, and Eide; by request of Department of Transportation

Authorizing the use of automated traffic safety cameras in state highway work zones.

Authorizes the use of automated traffic safety cameras in state highway work zones.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6527 by Senators Jacobsen, Mulliken, Haugen, and Sheldon; by request of Department of Transportation

Extending the negotiation period for the Milwaukee Road trail

Extends the negotiation period for the Milwaukee Road trail to July 1, 2013.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6528 by Senators Mulliken, Kastama, Benson, Oke, Esser, Berkey, and Sheldon; by request of Department of Transportation

Permitting roadside tire chain businesses.

Authorizes the department to issue written permits authorizing permittees to install or remove tire chains on motor vehicles with the following conditions: (1) Chains may only be installed or removed at locations designated in the permit;

- (2) Permittees must comply with terms and conditions in the permit relating to the safe and orderly movement of traffic; and
- (3) Permittees may charge a fee to drivers for their services.
 - -- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6529 by Senators Swecker, Poulsen, and Rasmussen

Concerning water right application fees.

Revises provisions pertaining to water right application

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6530 by Senators Finkbeiner, Fairley, Berkey, Benton, and Kline; by request of Secretary of

Allowing electronic voter registration.

Authorizes electronic voter registration. Repeals RCW 29A.08.230 and 29A.72.220.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6531 by Senators Weinstein, Fraser, and Kline

Preserving remedies when limited liability companies dissolve.

Provides that the dissolution of a limited liability company does not take away or impair any remedy available against that limited liability company, its managers, or its members for any right or claim existing, or any liability incurred at any time, whether prior to or after dissolution, unless an action or other proceeding thereon is not commenced within three years after the effective date of dissolution. Such an action or proceeding against the limited liability company may be defended by the limited liability company in its own name.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6532 by Senators Delvin, Schoesler, Morton, and Jacobsen

Regarding Washington's academic assessment system.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to revise the Washington state accountability plan required under section 1111 of P.L. 107-110, the no child left behind act of 2001, to incorporate the following changes to the state academic assessment system: (1) Assessments administered in grades three, five, six, and eight shall assess students learning in reading, mathematics, and science as required by P.L. 107-110 without relying on subjective, open-ended extended responses to test questions; and

(2) The assessment system shall incorporate a combination of statewide and locally selected assessments, as permitted by P.L. 107-110, to provide options other than the Washington assessment of student learning for school district boards of directors to use in grades three, five, six, and eight.

Requires the superintendent to submit the proposed revised plan to the education committees of the legislature for review no later than the 2007 legislative session. After the legislature formally approves the plan through legislation or concurrent resolution, the superintendent shall submit the revised plan to the appropriate federal authorities in time to ensure locally selected assessments for use during the 2007-08 school year.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 6533 by Senators Prentice, Zarelli, Schoesler, and Benton

Providing a tax credit for syrup sales.

Provides a tax credit for syrup sales.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6534 by Senator Jacobsen

Regulating unclaimed property locators.

Finds it necessary to regulate the practice of offering to reunite the apparent owner or heirs with unclaimed property for a fee. The legislature intends that only individuals who obtain a license under this act may represent themselves in this state as heir finders or asset or unclaimed property locators.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 6535 by Senator Jacobsen

Concerning aquatic land leases.

Provides that a city with a population of five hundred thousand or greater has sixty days from the effective date of this section to negotiate a lease of aquatic lands with the department. If the city fails to negotiate the lease of aquatic

lands, the department may: (1) Impose the lease conditions of a county with a population of one million or greater; or

(2) Enforce the provisions of this act.

Provides that a city with a population of five hundred thousand or greater must agree to all department lease conditions for leased aquatic lands or the department must cancel the lease and put the lease up for bid.

Provides that, if a city with a population of five hundred thousand or greater fails to vacate the leased aquatic lands within thirty days of the lease cancellation, then the department must assess a one thousand dollar per day penalty on the city, with the funds going into the aquatic lands enhancement account, created in RCW 79.105.150.

Requires the department to submit a report to the legislature by January 1, 2007, reporting on the status of this act in order to ensure that the intent of the legislature is carried out.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 6536 by Senators Jacobsen and Benton

Regarding the legislative youth advisory council. Deletes the expiration date of June 30, 2007.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6537 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Parlette, Hewitt, Honeyford, Keiser, and McAuliffe; by request of Liquor Control Board

Modifying requirements for the direct sale of wine to Washington state consumers.

Provides that the holder of a license to manufacture wine issued by this state or another state may ship its wine to a person who is a resident of Washington and is twenty-one years of age or older for that person's personal use and not for resale.

Requires that, before wine may be shipped by a domestic winery or an out-of-state winery to a person who is a resident of Washington, the winery must: (1) Obtain a wine shipper's permit under procedures prescribed by the board by rule and pay a fee established by the board, if the winery is located outside the state; or

(2) Be licensed as a domestic winery by the board and have paid the annual license fee.

Repeals RCW 66.12.190, 66.12.200, 66.12.210, and 66.12.220.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6538 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Parlette, and Keiser; by request of Liquor Control Board

Regulating flavored malt beverage.

Establishes requirements for regulating flavored malt beverage.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development. SB 6539 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Parlette, and Keiser; by request of Liquor Control Board

Changing the formula cap on spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licenses.

Revises the formula cap on spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licenses.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6540 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Parlette, and Keiser; by request of Liquor Control Board

Concerning the processing of liquor licenses.

Establishes provisions regarding the processing of liquor licenses.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6541 by Senators Prentice and Zarelli

Regarding appeal bond requirements against signatories of the tobacco master settlement agreement.

Declares an intent to place a maximum limit on the appeal bond a master settlement agreement signatory or a successor or affiliate of a master settlement agreement signatory can be required to post in litigation in order to stay execution of the judgment without being forced into bankruptcy while it exercises its right to appeal an adverse judgment.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6542 by Senators Mulliken, Rasmussen, Schoesler, Sheldon, Morton, Shin, Delvin, and Honeyford

Exempting farming services from business and occupation tax.

Exempts farming services from business and occupation tax.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6543 by Senators Haugen and Benton

Modifying provisions for the cosmetology apprenticeship program.

Revises provisions for the cosmetology apprenticeship program.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6544 by Senator Eide

Authorizing increased public facility construction funding by the community economic revitalization board.

Authorizes increased public facility construction funding by the community economic revitalization board.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

SB 6545 by Senators Sheldon, Esser, Benson, and Haugen; by request of Washington State Patrol

Removing the minimum height requirement for the attachment of vehicle license plates.

Deletes the minimum height requirement for the attachment of vehicle license plates.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6546 by Senators Weinstein, Sheldon, and Haugen; by request of Washington State Patrol

Providing state conformity with federal safety standards for mopeds.

Provides state conformity with federal safety standards for mopeds.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6547 by Senators Weinstein and Haugen; by request of Washington State Patrol

Clarifying procedures for sound and video recordings by law enforcement officers.

Clarifies procedures for sound and video recordings by law enforcement officers.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6548 by Senators Jacobsen, Oke, and Weinstein; by request of Washington State Patrol

Modifying procedures for applications for title reissuance when a vehicle has been declared a total loss.

Provides that a vehicle that has been rebuilt after surrender of the certificate of ownership to the department under RCW 46.12.070 due to the vehicle's destruction as a total loss is not required to be presented for a physical inspection when the registered owner of the vehicle at the time of the vehicle's destruction or declaration as a total loss retains possession of the vehicle and applies for title reissuance.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6549 by Senators Benson, Jacobsen, Mulliken, and Berkey; by request of Washington State Patrol

Modifying commercial vehicle provisions.

Revises commercial vehicle provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6550 by Senators Kastama, Esser, Berkey, and Eide; by request of Department of Licensing

Modifying provisions concerning the regulation of driver training schools.

Revises provisions concerning the regulation of driver training schools.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6551 by Senators Esser, Sheldon, and Berkey; by request of Department of Licensing

Modifying the definition of limousine.

Revises the definition of limousine.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6552 by Senators Benson, Haugen, Mulliken, Berkey, and Sheldon; by request of Department of Licensing

Modifying commercial driver's license provisions. Revises commercial driver's license provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6553 by Senators Haugen, Benson, Jacobsen, and Benton

Changing the department of transportation's regions.

Provides that, every ten years, beginning December 1, 2006, the secretary shall present to the legislative transportation committees of the house of representatives and senate a proposed reorganization of the department's regions. If appropriate, the reorganization proposal shall recommend new regional boundaries, determined geographically, accounting for projects and other workload funded in the next sixteen years. Where appropriate, projects along the same corridor shall be kept within a single region.

Declares an intent that this act will result in periodic reviews of the department of transportation's regional boundaries. The department should review resources and outputs (such as projects and maintenance work) within each region and determine if changes to regional boundaries would benefit the department and, therefore, the public. As growth and other economic changes occur in Washington state, it may be appropriate to change the size and/or number of departmental regions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6554 by Senators Rasmussen, Johnson, and Kline

Including organized retail theft in crime guidelines. Includes organized retail theft in crime guidelines.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6555 by Senators Prentice, Haugen, Mulliken, Berkey, Kastama, and Rasmussen

Providing research and services for special purpose districts.

Directs the municipal research council to contract for the provision of research and services to special purpose districts. A contract for at least three FTEs shall be made with a state agency, educational institution, or private consulting firm, that in the judgment of council members is qualified to provide such research and services.

Declares that research and services to special purpose districts shall consist of: (1) Studying and researching issues relating to special purpose district government; and

(2) Furnishing legal, technical, consultative, and field services to special purpose districts concerning issues relating to special purpose district government.

Requires that the activities, programs, and services of the municipal research council to special purpose districts shall be carried on in cooperation with the associations representing the various special purpose districts. Services to special purpose districts shall be based upon the moneys appropriated to the municipal research council from the special purpose district research services account under this

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6556 by Senators Oke, Rasmussen, Kastama, and Schmidt

Concerning funding for state parks.

Provides that, on June 30th of each odd-numbered year, the state treasurer shall transfer from the general fund to the state parks renewal and stewardship account created in RCW 79A.05.215 the sum of eight million dollars.

Provides that the commission may not charge, on a system-wide basis, fees for park day-use access or parking. Fees for park day-use access or parking may only be charged when the proceeds are dedicated to deferred maintenance or capital projects within the park at which the fees are charged.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 6557 by Senators Kohl-Welles and Keiser

Modifying the taxation of motion picture and video production services.

Revises the taxation of motion picture and video production services.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6558 by Senators Brown, Hewitt, Eide, Kohl-Welles, Benson, McAuliffe, Benton, Kline, and Keiser

Improving the state of Washington's economic, cultural, and educational standing in the motion picture industry.

Declares an intent to recognize both national and international competition in the motion picture production marketplace. The legislature is committed to leveling the competitive playing field and interested in a partnership with the private sector to regain Washington's place as a premier destination to make motion pictures, television, and television commercials. While at the same time the legislature is committed to ensuring that workers in the motion picture and television industry are covered under health insurance and retirement income plans.

Directs the department to adopt criteria for an approved motion picture competitiveness program with the sole purpose of revitalizing the state's economic, cultural, and educational standing in the national and international market of motion picture production. Rules adopted by the department shall allow the program, within the established criteria, to provide funding assistance only when it captures economic opportunities for Washington's communities and businesses and shall only be provided under a contractual arrangement with a private entity.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6559 by Senators Delvin, Fairley, Benton, Keiser, Brandland, Benson, Schmidt, Berkey, McAuliffe, and Kline

Providing tax credits for contributions to low-income housing efforts.

Provides tax credits for contributions to low-income housing efforts.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

Senate Joint Memorials

SJM 8030 by Senators Kline, Regala, Mulliken, Esser, Pflug, Swecker, Franklin, Rockefeller, Poulsen, and Kohl-Welles

Calling on the President to provide a solution to the crisis in Sudan.

Calls on the President to provide a solution to the crisis in Sudan.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SJM 8031 by Senator Jacobsen

Requesting federal action on inventoried roadless areas.

Requests that the federal government, by legislation or by regulation, either reinstate the protections of the 2001 roadless rule for all inventoried roadless areas or adopt a streamlined process by which states can opt to retain the protections of the 2001 roadless rule for inventoried roadless areas within their boundaries.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

SCR 8415 by Senator Pridemore

Calling for a second Major League Baseball Team.

Resolves that a Joint Select Committee on Securing a Second Major League Baseball Team for the Pacific Northwest is created.

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