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House Bills

HB 1160-S by House Committee on Environment (originally sponsored by Representatives Pike, Moeller, Fitzgibbon, Bergquist, Gregerson, Ormsby, Ryu, and Tharinger)

Stamping out litter in Washington state by increasing penalties for littering while providing additional funding to state parks.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the no litterbugs in Washington act. Increases penalties for littering and provides additional funding to state parks.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 ENVI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.

Feb 4 Referred to General Government & Information Technology.

HB 1174-S by House Committee on Environment (originally sponsored by Representatives Van De Wege, Taylor, Fitzgibbon, Senn, Shea, Magendanz, Springer, Tarleton, Ortiz-Self, Gregerson, Ormsby, Hunter, Ryu, S. Hunt, Riccelli, Stanford, Tharinger, Jinkins, Walkinshaw, Fey, Clibborn, Farrell, and Goodman)

Concerning flame retardants.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Prohibits the sale, distribution, or manufacturing of children's products or residential upholstered furniture containing certain flame retardants.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 ENVI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.

Feb 6 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2027 by Representatives Chandler and Hurst

Regulating gambling devices.

Authorizes a business, under certain circumstances, to possess gambling devices or components of authorized gambling devices without first obtaining a license if the business registers with the gambling commission.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Commerce & Gaming (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2028 by Representatives Cody and Muri

Concerning a business and occupation tax deduction for chemical dependency services provided by a health or social welfare organization.

Provides a business and occupation tax deduction to health or social welfare organizations for providing chemical dependency services.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Finance (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2029 by Representatives Fey, Jinkins, and Sawyer

Concerning population-based representation on the governing body of public transportation benefit areas.

Addresses proportional representation requirements of the governing bodies of public transportation benefit areas.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2030 by Representatives Manweller, Haler, Buys, and Shea

Establishing districts from which supreme court justices are elected.

Establishes the supreme court social justice act.

Creates districts from which supreme court justices will be elected.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2031 by Representatives Harmsworth, Blake, Scott, Buys, Vick, Zeiger, Griffey, and Young

Improving public safety by encouraging the voluntary purchase and voluntary use of firearm safety products.

Provides a sales and use tax exemption on firearm safety products.

Requires the department of revenue to provide a unique exemption code for taxpayers who file their tax return electronically to report the total amount of exempt firearm safety products sold.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2032 by Representatives Sawyer, Appleton, Fitzgibbon, Reykdal, and Ormsby

Concerning tribal-state relations.

Addresses issues of mutual concern to the tribes and the state.

Creates the joint summit council on Indian affairs which is part of the legislative branch of state government.

Creates an administrative committee that consists of the legislative members of the council.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Community
Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs
(Not Officially read and referred until
adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2033 by Representatives Goodman, Rodne, Orwall, Jinkins, Griffey, Fey, Pollet, and Ormsby

Concerning sexual assault protection orders.

Allows a final sexual assault protection order to be made permanent.

Requires the motion for renewal of an ex parte temporary or nonpermanent final sexual assault protection order to state the reasons why the petitioner seeks to renew the protection order.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2034 by Representatives Reykdal, Goodman, Kilduff, Appleton, Sells, and Ormsby

Authorizing collective bargaining for assistant attorneys general.

Gives assistant attorneys general collective bargaining rights.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Labor (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2035 by Representatives Scott, Morris, and Lytton

Lengthening the maximum terms of leases entered into by the director of enterprise services in certain counties.

Authorizes the director of the department of enterprise services to fix the terms of leases entered into in certain counties for up to sixty years.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Capital Budget (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2036 by Representative Fitzgibbon

Improving permit and approval efficiencies under the shoreline management act.

Requires the department of ecology to develop two general permits, one each for proposed development activities located east or west of the crest of the Cascade mountain range, for use by counties and cities for development proposals that are within shorelines of the state and are exempt from the substantial development permit requirements of the shoreline management act.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Local Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2037 by Representative Klippert

Requiring mental health assessments for K-12 students who were removed from school due to violence or mental health issues.

Requires school districts to require a student who was expelled, suspended, or removed from school due to reasons relating to violence or mental health issues to be assessed by an independent, private, third-party mental health professional before the student is readmitted into school.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2038 by Representatives Holy, Manweller, Rodne, Shea, Hargrove, Blake, McCaslin, Taylor, G.

Hunt, Haler, Wilcox, Ormsby, DeBolt, Harris, Hayes, Parker, Takko, Klippert, MacEwen, Fagan, Riccelli, Magendanz, Walsh, Griffey, Scott, Van Werven, Buys, Condotta, Wilson, and Short

Prohibiting the use of eminent domain for economic development.

Allows private property to be taken only for public use and the taking of private property by a public entity for economic development does not constitute a public use.

Prohibits a public entity from taking property for the purpose of economic development.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2039 by Representatives Hargrove, Reykdal, and Tharinger

Encouraging eligible students to use their state need grant and college bound scholarship awards to complete two years of education at community or technical colleges.

Requires the office of student financial assistance, when determining the budgetary cost of attending an institution of higher education for a student receiving the state need grant or college bound scholarship, to use the tuition and fee rate set by the state board for community and technical colleges until the student completes ninety quarter credit hours or sixty semester credit hours, except for students enrolled in an institution of higher education before August 1, 2015.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2040 by Representatives McCabe, Caldier, Senn, Harris, McBride, Dent, Johnson, Sells, Kagi, Kilduff, and Wilson

Initiating a campaign to increase veteran employment.

Requires the department of veterans affairs, the employment security department, and the department of commerce to consult local chambers of commerce, associate development organizations, and businesses to initiate a campaign to increase veteran employment.

Requires the department of veterans affairs to maintain a database of state agencies, local governments, local chambers of commerce, associate development organizations, and businesses that have chosen to participate in the campaign to hire veterans.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Community
Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs
(Not Officially read and referred until
adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2041 by Representatives Hansen and Pollet

Creating a pilot project on performance-based scholarships in the state need grant program.

Creates the state need grant performance-based scholarship pilot project to determine: (1) Whether additional financial aid improves student academic performance and completion rates without performance benchmarks; or

(2) If performance benchmarks need to be attached to additional financial aid in order to increase academic performance.

Requires the student achievement council, in consultation with the state board for community and technical colleges, to administer the pilot project and select two institutions of higher education, one public baccalaureate institution and one community or technical college, to participate in the pilot project.

Expires August 1, 2019.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2042 by Representatives McCabe, Cody, Harris, Dent, Fagan, McBride, Kochmar, Wilson, Johnson, Klippert, and Pike

Establishing the crime of voyeurism in the second degree. Creates the crime of voyeurism in the second degree.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2043 by Representative Schmick

Limiting the maximum fee allowed for professional guardianships.

Authorizes the superior court to allow guardianship fees and administrative costs in an amount set out in an order.

Establishes limits on the fees and costs.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2044 by Representatives Schmick, Cody, and Griffey

Concerning emergency medical services.

Allows state-licensed providers of emergency medical services to develop a community assistance referral and education services program.

Changes the term "physician's trained emergency medical service intermediate life support technician and paramedic" to "physician's trained advanced emergency medical technician and paramedic" for purposes of emergency medical service personnel provisions.

Authorizes an ambulance service to transport patients to a facility other than a hospital, such as an urgent care clinic, a mental health facility, or a chemical dependency program, as authorized in regional emergency medical services and trauma care plans.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2045 by Representative Morris

Promoting development of reliable distributed energy resources through extending and modifying an existing tax incentive for certain net metering systems, preserving the existing ground rules for net metering until net metering systems' generating capacity equals 0.5 percent of the utility's 1996 peak demand, requiring distribution resources planning, and authorizing a reliability charge and other alternatives to existing ground rules for net metering, for a utility that has achieved the existing 0.5 percent interconnection requirement for net metering systems.

Modifies the existing renewable energy investment cost recovery incentive program and improves the use of the incentive by residents, utilities, and businesses in the state. Streamlines program administration.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Technology & Economic Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2046 by Representatives Dent, Takko, Griffey, and Tharinger

Adding a definition of streams to the shoreline management act.

Adds a definition of "streams" to the shoreline management act.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Local Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2047 by Representative Vick

Providing an option for the owners of private property to be acquired for electrical transmission line sites or routes by eminent domain proceedings.

Authorizes a property owner, when his or her property is proposed to be acquired for the construction of a site or route for an electrical transmission line by eminent domain proceedings, to require the condemnor to condemn a fee interest in any amount of contiguous land that the property owner wholly owns in undivided fee and elects in writing to transfer to the condemnor.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2048 by Representatives Santos and Pettigrew

Concerning the division of large first-class school districts.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to convene educational service districts to analyze options and make recommendations for a clear legal framework and process for dividing a school district that has more than thirty-five thousand students into two districts.

Prohibits a first-class school district from comprising more than thirty-five thousand students or from having more than five members on its board of directors.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2049 by Representatives Santos, Appleton, and Pollet

Supporting the development of affordable housing in urban areas.

Requires state and local governmental entities to: (1) Identify and catalog publicly owned real property within an urban development area that is underutilized or otherwise no longer suitable for government purposes; and

(2) Provide the inventories to the department of

commerce by November 1st each year.

Creates the affordable housing land bank within the department of commerce and allows property in the land bank to be leased to eligible organizations for the construction or operation of a housing project or development that dedicates at least eighty percent of its units to provide affordable housing.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Community
Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs
(Not Officially read and referred until
adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2050 by Representative Pettigrew

Establishing the small business enhancement program.

Creates the small business enhancement program within the office of minority and women's business enterprises to facilitate opportunities for business growth and increased job development, spur entrepreneurship and leadership, and increase the number and quality of certified business enterprises qualifying for contracts with state and local governments.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Technology & Economic Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2051 by Representatives Farrell, Tarleton, Pollet, Robinson, Gregerson, Ryu, Orwall, Walkinshaw, Appleton, and Kagi

Concerning the provision of time and assistance for tenants to relocate due to a rent increase or change of use of the residential unit.

Authorizes certain cities, towns, counties, and municipal corporations to require, after reasonable notice to the public and a public hearing, up to ninety days' written notice for a change in rent exceeding ten percent of a tenant's current rent.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2052 by Representatives Young, Fey, Caldier, Shea,

Orcutt, Hayes, Scott, and Moscoso

Establishing a task force to evaluate the efficacy of contracting with a private enterprise to provide services and the collection of tolls on the Tacoma Narrows bridge.

Creates the legislative task force on the Tacoma Narrows bridge public-private partnership and requires the task force to review and take testimony on whether it would be cost-effective for the department of transportation to lease the property upon which the Tacoma Narrows bridge toll booths are located to the private sector to provide services and collect tolls.

Expires July 1, 2016.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2053 by Representatives Young, Taylor, Short, Harmsworth, Shea, G. Hunt, McCaslin, Scott, Vick, Pike, Griffey, Hargrove, Buys, and Wilson

Requiring compensation for government required actions on private property.

Requires government authorities to provide just compensation to property owners when land use ordinances, regulations, or policies adopted pursuant to the growth management act or as part of a land use permitting decision place certain restrictions on the property owner.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2054 by Representatives Young, Magendanz, Riccelli, Buys, and Van De Wege

Establishing community service standards for individuals receiving unemployment benefits.

Specifies that an unemployed individual is eligible to receive waiting period credits or benefits with respect to any week in his or her eligibility period only if the commissioner of the employment security department finds that, with respect to claims that have an effective date on or after August 30, 2015, the individual performs, for every four weeks of unemployment benefits received, at least: (1) Twenty hours of community service; or

(2) Fifteen hours of community service as a volunteer firefighter.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Labor (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2055 by Representatives Johnson, S. Hunt, Walsh, Van De Wege, Haler, Appleton, Hawkins, Robinson, Zeiger, Sawyer, Wilson, Clibborn, Scott, Kagi, Buys, Fagan, and Tharinger

Concerning statements on ballot measures in voters' pamphlets.

Modifies provisions relating to explanatory statements and fiscal impact statements for ballot measures.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to State Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4007 by Representatives Morris and Smith

Encouraging the successful negotiation of the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership between the United States and the European Union.

Encourages the successful negotiation of the transatlantic trade and investment partnership between the United States and the European Union.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Technology & Economic Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4211 by Representatives Manweller, Haler, Shea, and Buys

Amending the Constitution to provide for supreme court districts.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to provide for supreme court districts.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Senate Bills

SB 5037-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators O'Ban and Sheldon)

Modifying organized retail theft provisions.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Includes, in the crime of organized retail theft, the theft of property with a cumulative value of at least seven hundred fifty dollars from a mercantile establishment with no less than six accomplices and at least one electronic communication made or received seeking participation in the theft in the course of planning or commission of the theft.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.

Feb 4 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5072-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice

(originally sponsored by Senator Honeyford)

Modifying the crime of failing to summon assistance.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Expands the crime of failing to summon assistance.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 6 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5093-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Brown, Hewitt, Mullet, and Sheldon)

Creating the nuclear energy education program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the nuclear energy education program to promote the benefits of nuclear energy by educating students and science teachers in grades eight through twelve.

Requires the program to be administered by the director of the Washington State University extension energy program.

Creates the Washington nuclear energy education account.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.

Feb 4 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5880 by Senators Padden, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Conway, Chase, and Hasegawa

Enacting the Washington human trafficking reporting act. Establishes the Washington human trafficking reporting act.

Requires persons employed in the following industries or public services to undergo training in identifying and reporting victims of human trafficking: Spas, hotels, bars, nightclubs, strip clubs, tattoo parlors, truck stops, restaurants, retail stores in malls, internet advertisement or dating services, convenience stores, hospital staff, abortion clinics, schools, and child protective services.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5881 by Senators Pearson, Chase, and Hasegawa

Providing a group fishing permit for certain programs for at-risk youth.

Requires the director of the department of fish and wildlife to issue a group fishing permit on a seasonal basis to state or local agencies or nonprofit organizations operating a program for at-risk youth.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to also provide, without charge, any applicable catch record cards.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5882 by Senators Liias, McCoy, Conway, Miloscia,

Hasegawa, and Chase

Concerning education and training for building officials.

Ensures that code officials have access to current training on the most recent code updates.

Imposes a fee of two dollars on each building permit issued by a county or a city.

Creates the code officials apprenticeship and training account.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 5883 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Padden, Keiser, Conway, Chase, and Hasegawa

Requiring that human trafficking information be posted in public restrooms.

Requires establishments that maintain restrooms for use by the public to post, in all restrooms of the establishment, a notice which may be in a variety of languages and include toll-free telephone numbers a person may call for assistance, including numbers for the national human trafficking resource center and the state office of crime victims advocacy.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5884 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Darneille, Padden, Keiser, Conway, Chase, and Hasegawa

Concerning the trafficking of persons.

Designates the office of crime victims advocacy as the single point of contact in state government regarding the trafficking of persons.

Creates the Washington state clearinghouse on human trafficking as an information portal to share and coordinate statewide efforts to combat the trafficking of persons.

Transfers the duties of the office of community development to the office of crime victims advocacy with regard to the state task force against the trafficking of persons.

Delays, until June 30, 2017, the expiration of the commercially sexually exploited children statewide coordinating committee.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5885 by Senators Conway, Keiser, Hasegawa, and Chase

Enhancing the safety of employees working for western state hospital and eastern state hospital through collective bargaining and binding interest arbitration.

Addresses collective bargaining and binding interest arbitration for employees working for western state hospital and eastern state hospital.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 5886 by Senator King

Concerning the 1063 block replacement project.

Declares an intent to coordinate the consideration of the authorization of the new office building at 1063 Capitol Way South in Olympia with the consideration and development of the transportation budget.

Reappropriates the sum of ten million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the state building construction account--state to the department of enterprise services for the continued development of the 1063 block replacement project.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5887 by Senators Pearson and Ranker

Lengthening the maximum terms of leases entered into by the director of enterprise services in certain counties.

Authorizes the director of the department of enterprise services to fix the terms of leases entered into in certain counties for up to sixty years.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Security.

SB 5888 by Senators O'Ban and Miloscia

Concerning near fatality incidents of children who have received services from the department of social and health services.

Requires the department of social and health services to: (1) Notify the office of the children and family ombuds in the event of a near fatality of a child who is or has been in the care of or receiving child welfare services from the department or a supervising agency within three months preceding the near fatality;

(2) Conduct a review of the near fatality; and

(3) Conduct a review of a social worker's and his or her supervisor's files and actions taken during an initial report of alleged child abuse or neglect, when certain conditions exist and there is a subsequent allegation of abuse or neglect resulting in a near fatality within one year of the initial allegation that is screened in and open for investigation by child protective services.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5889 by Senators O'Ban and Miloscia

Concerning timeliness of competency evaluation and restoration services.

Addresses performance targets and maximum time limits for the completion of accurate and reliable evaluations of competency to stand trial and admissions for inpatient restoration services related to competency to proceed or stand trial for adult criminal defendants.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5890 by Senators Rolfes, Hargrove, and Frockt

Concerning an educational employee salary allocation schedule.

Phases in a revised statewide salary allocation schedule for certificated instructional staff.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to conduct or contract for a comparative labor market analysis of salaries and other compensation for school district employees.

Authorizes school districts to use local funds for salaries of certificated instructional staff.

Addresses eligibility for certificated instructional staff to receive cost-of-living increases.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5891 by Senator Angel

Prohibiting the sale and commercial display of human remains.

Prohibits the sale for profit of human remains and the commercial display for advertising or other benefit.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5892 by Senator Ericksen

Encouraging reliable distributed solar energy.

Prohibits an applicant, beginning January 1, 2016, from receiving a certification for an investment cost recovery incentive.

Authorizes an individual, business, educational institution, utility, or local governmental entity or administrator of a community solar project to apply to the department of revenue for authorization of the utility serving the situs of the system to remit an annual investment cost recovery incentive for each economic development kilowatt-hour.

Provides mechanisms for low-cost financing of energy systems on the distribution side of the electricity grid.

Addresses the deployment of solar energy systems and qualified solar energy systems to encourage energy independence by customers.

Prohibits a solar energy service company from engaging in business as a solar energy service company in this state without first registering with the utilities and transportation commission.

Provides a public utility tax credit to a utility in an amount equal to certain investment cost recovery incentive payments.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Energy, Environment & Telecommunications.

SB 5893 by Senators Fain, Mullet, Litzow, Liias, and Hargrove

Addressing the nonemployee status of athletes in amateur sports.

Excludes athletes who play in an amateur sports league, club, or association from the definition of "employee," for purposes of industrial welfare provisions, the Washington industrial safety and health act, and the minimum wage act.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 5894 by Senators Sheldon, Warnick, King, and Padden

Addressing unlawful activities on certain properties.

Includes, in the crime of criminal trespass in the first degree, a person who is a tenant by sufferance, or resides at a rental property and is not listed as a tenant on a rental agreement or as a guest, and who refuses to surrender possession of the premises to the owner or vacate the property.

Creates the crime of criminal trespass of a dwelling in foreclosure.

Authorizes an owner or agent of the owner, who has demanded a tenant by sufferance to vacate the owner's property, to request law enforcement to remove the tenant by sufferance as a trespasser.

Requires a law enforcement agency that has found that a tenant or other resident of a dwelling unit is engaged in criminal street gang activity or human trafficking, or has been called to a rental property to investigate criminal street gang activity or human trafficking, to make an attempt to discover the identity of the landlord and notify the landlord of the criminal street gang activity or human trafficking.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5895 by Senators Conway, Keiser, Hasegawa, Kohl-Welles, Fraser, Cleveland, and Chase

Concerning employers' responsibility for the medical assistance costs of employees.

Establishes the employer responsibility for medical assistance costs of employees act of 2015.

Extends an employer responsibility penalty to employers with employees covered by medical assistance.

Ensures that employees who receive health care coverage through medical assistance are protected from possible retaliation by their employer for seeking or obtaining that coverage.

Helps pay the nonfederal share of costs for medical assistance, improves reimbursement to the providers who care for medical assistance clients, and supports the safety net of county hospitals and community clinics that provide care for the remaining uninsured adult workers.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 5896 by Senators Fraser, Parlette, Hatfield, Mullet, Warnick, and Conway

Concerning the distribution of liquor revenues to local jurisdictions.

Addresses liquor revolving fund distributions to local jurisdictions.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5897 by Senators Cleveland, Darneille, McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, and Chase

Requiring costs for the examination of a suspected victim of assault of a child to be paid by the state.

Prohibits the costs incurred by an institution for the examination of a suspected victim of assault of a child from being billed or charged directly or indirectly to the suspected victim of the assault.

Requires those costs to be paid by the state.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5898 by Senator Miloscia

Modifying Washington homeless client management information system requirements and policies.

Requires the department of commerce to provide technical assistance to a participating local government, or its designated subcontractor at the local level, that includes assistance to implement confidentiality and privacy policies and protocols relating to personal information collected and maintained about homeless individuals and families.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5899 by Senators Liias, Keiser, Ranker, Angel, Hobbs, Sheldon, Fain, Rivers, Roach, King, Ericksen, and Honeyford

Addressing small loans and small consumer installment loans.

Establishes the small consumer installment loan act.

Addresses check cashers and sellers and small consumer installment loans.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

SB 5900 by Senators Miloscia, Hasegawa, and Kohl-Welles

Prohibiting certain limitations on the hosting of the homeless by religious organizations.

Prohibits a local government from limiting a religious organization's: (1) Availability to host a rotating, established tent encampment to fewer than eight months during a calendar year;

(2) Hosting term to fewer than four months;

- (3) Number of simultaneous hostings within the same municipality to one hosting during any given period of time; and
- (4) Availability to host safe parking efforts at its on-site parking lot.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5901 by Senator Benton

Modifying headlight use requirements.

Changes requirements for head lamps.

Requires motor vehicles, offered for sale in this state, manufactured after January 1, 2018, to be equipped with daytime running head lamps.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5902 by Senator Benton

Concerning the sale of department of transportation surplus property.

Places a time limit on the department of transportation to sell real property owned by the state and under the jurisdiction of the department that is no longer required for transportation purposes or highway purposes.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5903 by Senators Bailey, Braun, and Warnick

Restricting certain methods of selling marijuana.

Prohibits the state liquor control board from issuing, transferring, or renewing a marijuana retail license for a business that operates or intends to operate a vending machine or a drive through purchase facility where marijuana, marijuana concentrates, marijuana-infused products, or useable marijuana are to be sold.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 5904 by Senator Hargrove

Providing a public utilities tax credit for forest derived biomass used to produce energy.

Provides a forest derived biomass public utility tax credit.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5905 by Senators McAuliffe and Billig

Concerning special education services and programs.

Establishes the special education state advisory council in the office of the superintendent of public instruction to help facilitate the provision of special education and related services to meet the unique needs of special education students.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to provide for training of an additional twenty leaders per year for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 in the area of special education administration at the University of Washington-Bothell.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5906 by Senator McAuliffe

Removing disincentives to the voluntary formation of regional fire protection service authorities by equalizing certain provisions with existing laws governing fire protection districts and by clarifying the formation process.

Equalizes certain provisions with existing laws governing fire protection districts and clarifies the formation process with regard to the voluntary formation of regional fire protection service authorities.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Security.

SB 5907 by Senators McAuliffe, Chase, and Cleveland

Creating a sales and use tax exemption for technology sold to, or used in, public schools.

Provides a sales and use tax exemption on the sales of technology to, and the use of technology in, public schools.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5908 by Senators McAuliffe, Chase, Cleveland, Billig, Kohl-Welles, Habib, and Hasegawa

Concerning restraint or isolation of students, including students with disabilities, in public schools.

Prohibits schools from physically restraining or isolating a student except when the student's behavior poses an imminent likelihood of serious harm to that student or another person.

Requires the state school directors' association to adopt a model policy limiting restraint or isolation of students in public schools.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5909 by Senators Frockt, Becker, Pedersen, Habib, and Keiser

Concerning health care access and medical and dental education.

Establishes the omnibus health care access act of 2015. Transfers to the University of Washington by July 1, 2015, state operating funds and capital space facilities provided to Washington State University as of June 30, 2015, for the operations of the five-state regional medical education program provided by the University of Washington school of medicine in Spokane.

Requires the University of Washington to increase the number of: (1) Medical students at its medical school in Spokane from forty students per year to one hundred twenty students per year; and

(2) Dental students at its dental program in Spokane from eight students per year to thirty students per year.

Requires the medical education system to allocate funds to new or expanded residency programs.

Creates a family practice education advisory board to advise the dean and the chair of the department of family medicine in the implementation of family medicine educational programs.

Makes appropriations.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5910 by Senator Keiser

Concerning waiver of the fundamentals of engineering examination.

Authorizes the state board of registration for professional engineers and land surveyors to waive the first stage of the fundamentals of engineering examination for an applicant requesting a waiver who has met the educational,

experience, and any other requirements established by rule by the board.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

Senate Joint Memorials

by Senators Hargrove, King, Hobbs, Hill, Conway, and Hatfield SJM 8012

Requesting the designation of U.S. Highway 101 to honor recipients of the Medal of Honor.
Requests the designation of U.S. Highway 101 to honor

recipients of the Medal of Honor.

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