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House Bills

HB 2962 by Representatives Moscoso, Tarleton, and Stanford

Concerning payment for college admission tests.

Requires public high schools to offer their juniors and seniors the opportunity to take the SAT or ACT once per school year.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2963 by Representatives Moscoso, Pollet, and Tarleton

Concerning payment for end-of-course high school examinations.

Requires public high school students to receive five hundred dollars in vouchers to be used towards examination fees and exam reporting fees for end-ofcourse high school examinations that have a cost to students or their parents or guardians.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2964 by Representatives Gregerson, Santos, Peterson, Rossetti, Kuderer, Stanford, Hudgins, Ormsby, Frame, and Bergquist

Eliminating lunch copays for students who qualify for reduced-price lunches.

Requires school districts with school lunch programs to eliminate lunch copays for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade who qualify for reduced-price lunches.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2965 by Representatives Magendanz, Young, Muri, Rodne, Stokesbary, and Hargrove

Concerning accountability and transparency in school district expenditures for the state's program of basic education and for local purposes.

Addresses a school district's accountability and transparency with regard to expenditures for the state's program of basic education and for local purposes.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2966 by Representatives Muri and Fey

Concerning electrification of transportation infrastructure.

Authorizes a city, town, or public utility district, that is engaged in the generation, sale, or distribution of energy, to: (1) Assist its customers in financing the acquisition and installation of materials and equipment for the electrification of transportation; and

(2) Offer programs, services, or investment in the electrification of transportation for its customers that benefit the ratepayers.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Technology & Economic Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2967 by Representatives Walkinshaw, Hudgins, Bergquist, and Santos

Creating the Washington investment trust.

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

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

Creates the trust transition board and the investment trust advisory board. The trust transition board expires July 1, 2016.

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

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2968 by Representatives Tharinger, DeBolt, Stanford, Smith, Dunshee, Kagi, Farrell, Lytton, Senn, Robinson, Ormsby, Walkinshaw, Hudgins, Frame, Ryu, Gregerson, Riccelli, Reykdal, Magendanz, Bergquist, Kilduff, Sells, Santos, Fey, Jinkins, and Fitzgibbon

Financing public school facilities necessary to support state-funded all-day kindergarten and class size reduction in kindergarten through third grade.

Provides one billion dollars in state funding, from fiscal years 2016 to 2025, to assist school districts in financing public school facilities necessary to support state-funded all-day kindergarten and class size reduction in kindergarten through third grade.

Makes an appropriation.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Capital Budget (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2969 by Representatives Harris, Cody, Pollet, Robinson, and Jinkins

Concerning vapor product taxation.

Imposes a tax on the sale, use, consumption, handling, possession, and distribution of vapor products in this state. Declares an intent to impose the tax only once.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Commerce & Gaming (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2970 by Representatives McCabe and Appleton

Concerning voyeurism.

Creates the crime of voyeurism in the second degree.

Requires the prosecutor, when a case is legally sufficient to charge an alleged juvenile offender with voyeurism in the second degree and the alleged offense is the juvenile offender's first offense or violation, to divert the case unless the juvenile has prior adjudications or diversions.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Feb 5 Scheduled for public hearing and executive session in the House Committee on Public Safety at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

Senate Bills

SB 6630 by Senators Parlette, Fraser, and Chase

Establishing licensing of recreational motorized mineral prospecting in Washington state streams and rivers equivalent to the licensing of recreational fishing.

Allows recreational motorized mineral prospecting only during the season established by the department of fish and wildlife in the gold and fish pamphlet.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to: (1) Develop a recreational motorized mineral prospecting record card similar to the catch record card required for recreational fishing;

- (2) Initiate and complete a scientific study that evaluates the effects of motorized mineral prospecting on native fish species and related habitat; and
- (3) Convene a work group to: (a) Analyze the results of the literature review required to be completed by the department; (b) help guide the initiation of any new data collection; (c) receive other related information; and (d) formulate recommendations regarding the proper level of regulation or governmental oversight relating to motorized mineral prospecting.
 - -- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 6631 by Senators Roach and Chase

Establishing a joint select committee to consider the political, economic, and security issues at Washington's largest ports.

Creates the joint select committee on Washington's largest ports and requires the committee to develop recommendations that: (1) Consider the political, economic, and security issues facing the largest ports;

- (2) Promote regulatory consistency and certainty in the areas of land use planning, permitting, and business development in a manner that supports the largest ports;
- (3) Encourage cooperation and partnerships between local, state, federal, and private sectors to foster increased use of the largest ports; and
- (4) Identify aspects of state policy that have an impact on the largest ports.
 - -- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --
 - Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Security.
 - Feb 4 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Security at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6632 by Senators Braun, Parlette, and Hargrove

Concerning wildfire management.

Requires the department of enterprise services, in coordination with the department of natural resources, to

- use: (1) A request for information to a broad base of wildfire insurance carriers to gain an understanding of insurance requirements and data needed for an accurate quote; and
- (2) A request for quote to a broad base of wildfire insurance carriers to discern how each carrier would meet the needs of the state and the cost of annual premiums.

Authorizes a county to, by action of its legislative authority, create a local forest fire protection division that is responsible for preventing and responding to forest fires in the county.

Requires the department of natural resources to: (1) Take charge of and direct the work of suppressing forest fires in counties that have not created a local forest fire protection division;

- (2) Develop a twenty-year strategic plan to treat the 2.7 million acres of state forestland identified by the department as being in poor forest health condition;
- (3) Create a prescribed burn manager certification program for those who practice prescribed burning in the state; and
- (4) Update the smoke management plan developed in RCW 70.94.6536(2), in consultation with the department of ecology, other relevant state and federal agencies, and public and private landowners engaged in silvicultural forest burning.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Natural Resources & Parks. Public hearing in the Senate Committee

Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Parks at 1:30 PM.

SB 6633 by Senators Ranker and Ericksen

Concerning the marine resources advisory council.

Delays, until June 30, 2022, the expiration of the marine resources advisory council.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Energy, Environment & Telecommunications.

Feb 4 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Energy and Environment & Telecommunications at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

SB 6634 by Senators O'Ban, Roach, and Conway

Addressing military service credit for members of the Washington state patrol retirement system.

Modifies Washington state patrol retirement system provisions relating to military service credit for members.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6635 by Senator Frockt

Allowing fire protection district annexations and mergers within a reasonable geographic proximity and eliminating cross-county restrictions for annexations to a fire protection district.

Eliminates cross-county restrictions for annexations to fire protection districts.

Allows fire protection district annexations and mergers within a reasonable geographic proximity.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Security.

SB 6636 by Senators Dammeier, O'Ban, Litzow, Braun, Becker, Bailey, Miloscia, Hill, Angel, Rolfes, Roach, and Conway

Providing consumer protections for military members on active duty.

Authorizes a service member, who has been called into active service, to terminate or suspend the following services upon written notice, including electronic mail, to the service provider: (1) Telecommunication services from a telecommunications company;

- (2) Internet services provided from an internet service provider;
 - (3) Health studio services from a health studio; and
- (4) Subscription television services from a television service provider.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 6637 by Senator Warnick

Concerning public works assistance account program interest rates, project ranking, board membership, and other requirements.

Changes the composition of the public works board.

Requires the public works board to: (1) When establishing interest rates for loan programs, base interest rates on the average daily market interest rate for tax-exempt municipal bonds; and

(2) In collaboration with other federal and state organizations, advocate groups, and other stakeholders associated with infrastructure, provide the governor and the appropriate legislative committees with a comprehensive assessment of local infrastructure needs and potential resources within the state to meet those needs.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6638 by Senator Warnick

Concerning an assessment on cattle.

Increases the assessment, from one dollar to two dollars, on each head of cattle sold.

Prohibits collection of the assessment on cattle identified with a green tag.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

Feb 4 Scheduled for public hearing, executive session in the Senate Committee on Agriculture, and Water & Rural Economic Development at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6639 by Senator Braun

Authorizing nonmedical tattoo removal procedures for minors by licensed tattoo artists.

Authorizes a licensed tattoo artist to remove a nonmedical tattoo from a minor.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

Public hearing and executive session in the Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor at 1:30 PM.

SB 6640 by Senators Mullet, Liias, Billig, Rolfes, Chase, McAuliffe, Fraser, Keiser, Hasegawa, and Nelson

Changing high school science assessment requirements.
Removes certain requirements for the high school science assessment.

-- 2016 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 3 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.