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House Bills

HB 1512 by Representatives Fey, Steele, Valdez, Ortiz-Self, Fitzgibbon, Klippert, Tarleton, Mead, Pollet, Jinkins, Boehnke, Slatter, DeBolt, Dent, Chapman, Frame, Stanford, Tharinger, and Macri

Concerning the electrification of transportation.

Authorizes the governing authority of an electric utility, formed under chapter 35.92 RCW (municipal utilities), and the commission of a public utility district to adopt an electrification of transportation plan.

Authorizes an electric utility regulated by the utilities and transportation commission to submit a plan to the commission that deploys electric vehicle supply equipment or provides other electric transportation programs, services, or incentives to support electrification of transportation, if certain conditions are met.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Environment & Energy.

HB 1513 by Representatives Jinkins, Irwin, Goodman, Tharinger, Kilduff, Cody, Frame, Bergquist, Doglio, Reeves, and Leavitt; by request of Office of the Governor

Providing timely competency evaluations and restoration services to persons suffering from behavioral health disorders within the framework of the forensic mental health care system consistent with the requirements agreed to in the Trueblood settlement agreement.

Recognizes that: (1) There has been a nationwide increase of individuals with behavioral health disorders in the criminal justice system; and

(2) Reforms must be made to behavioral health systems and services to meet the increasing demands.

Authorizes a court to appoint an impartial forensic navigator approved by the department of social and health services to assist individuals who are referred for competency evaluation or restoration to navigate the forensic legal process and access available behavioral health resources.

Requires the forensic navigator to: (1) Investigate and collect relevant information about an individual and report the information to the court;

(2) Meet with, interview, or observe the individual; and

(3) Monitor court orders for compliance and bring to the court's attention any change in circumstances.

Requires the court, when ordering a defendant to undergo outpatient restoration, to set appropriate conditions of release and enforce those conditions.

Prohibits the court from issuing an order to undergo outpatient competency restoration unless there is an outpatient restoration program that is available and has adequate space for the person.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Civil Rights & Judiciary.

HB 1514 by Representatives Gregerson, Hansen, Stonier, Davis, and Tharinger

Establishing wage liens.

Establishes the Washington wage recovery act which addresses liens on wages.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Labor & Workplace Standards.

HB 1515 by Representatives Riccelli, Doglio, Frame, Ormsby, Valdez, Stonier, Robinson, Cody, Pellicciotti, Peterson, Tharinger, Fitzgibbon, Sells, Reeves, Pollet, and Macri

Concerning the employer-employee relationship.

Establishes the employee fair classification act which addresses prevailing wages, wage deductions, the wage payment act, the minimum wage act, unemployment insurance, industrial insurance, and the employer-employee relationship.

Creates the employee fair classification act account.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Labor & Workplace Standards.

HB 1516 by Representatives Blake, Dent, Chapman, Kretz, Walsh, Lekanoff, Orcutt, Springer, Pettigrew, Hoff, and Shea

Establishing a department of fish and wildlife directed nonlethal program for the purpose of training dogs.

Requires the fish and wildlife commission to adopt by rule: (1) A process and criteria to select persons, who may act as agents of the state, for using one or more dogs to hunt or pursue black bear, cougar, or bobcat to protect livestock, domestic animals, private property, or the public safety; and

(2) Requirements an applicant must comply with when applying for the program, including a criminal background check.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to administer a training program that provides dog training opportunities, for selected people, using nonlethal pursuit.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Rural Development, Agriculture, & Natural Resources.

HB 1517 by Representatives Goodman, Mosbrucker, Orwall, Griffey, Lovick, Davis, Appleton, Pettigrew, Pellicciotti, Kilduff, and Valdez; by request of Uniform Law Commission

Concerning domestic violence.

Modifies domestic violence provisions regarding: (1) Criminal no-contact orders;

(2) The development, by the Washington State University department of criminal justice, of an actuarial domestic violence risk assessment tool;

(3) The court ordering a convicted offender to undergo alcohol or chemical dependency treatment or domestic violence treatment services during incarceration;

(4) Transition and relapse prevention strategies for reducing risk to a community once an offender is released;

(5) The deferred prosecution program;

(6) Evaluation of domestic violence treatment by the state institute for public policy; and

(7) Creation of the uniform recognition and enforcement of Canadian domestic violence protection orders act.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Public Safety.

HB 1518 by Representatives Reeves, Walen, Kirby, Frame, Robinson, Tarleton, Ryu, Pollet, and Macri

Requiring employer participation in funding health care for employees covered by the medical assistance program.

Establishes the taxpayer health care fairness act regarding: (1) A comprehensive approach to providing appropriate health care for all citizens that involves participation by employers;

(2) The failure of certain employers, with adequate resources, to offer affordable access to health care services to their employees; and

(3) The establishment of a mechanism to reimburse the state for its costs of providing access to appropriate health care services to workers.

Declares that the legislature is neutral on whether employers choose to provide access to affordable health care coverage for their employees or pay an assessment to reimburse the state's costs for health care services for their employees.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1519 by Representatives Shea, McCaslin, Blake, and Chandler

Restricting cell-cultured meat products.

Establishes the natural meat protection act.

Prohibits a person from advertising, selling, or offering for sale a cell-cultured meat product.

Prohibits state funding from being appropriated or expended to fund research or development of the meat product.

Prohibits the boards of regents of state universities from expending state funds or allowing the use of state-funded facilities for research or development of the meat product.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Innovation, Technology & Economic Development.

HB 1520 by Representatives Morgan, Hudgins, Rude, Mead, Stonier, Frame, Riccelli, Appleton, Pellicciotti, Kilduff, Doglio, and Reeves

Concerning calendar election dates on ballot envelopes.

Requires the calendar date of an election to be stated on the larger ballot envelope.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Relations.

HB 1521 by Representatives Dolan, Harris, Valdez, Frame, Caldier, MacEwen, Griffey, Blake, Sells, Tarleton, Fitzgibbon, Ryu, Kilduff, and Ormsby

Providing for accountability and transparency in government contracting.

Declares an intent to require better evaluation of contract performance by increasing transparency and accountability of public contracts.

Finds that: (1) State agencies and institutions of higher education were prohibited from contracting out for services that were regularly and historically provided by classified state employees; and

(2) The personnel system reform act lifted the prohibition, authorizing state agencies and institutions of higher education to contract out for those services.

Declares an intent that this act be applied only to government services that have been customarily and historically performed by state employees in the classified service.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Relations.

HB 1522 by Representatives Stokesbary and Chapman

Assessing the real estate excise tax on the percentage of controlling interest transferred in an entity.

Addresses excise taxes on real estate sales regarding the assessment of the tax on the percentage of controlling interest transferred in an entity.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1523 by Representatives Cody, Macri, Riccelli, Stonier, Tharinger, Ormsby, Davis, Frame, Robinson, Thai, Doglio, Stanford, and Valdez; by request of Office of the Governor

Increasing the availability of quality, affordable health coverage in the individual market.

Requires the state health benefit exchange, in consultation with the insurance commissioner, the state health care authority, an independent actuary, and other stakeholders, to establish up to three standardized health plans for each of the bronze, silver, and gold levels.

Requires the state health care authority, in consultation with the state health benefit exchange, to contract with one or more health carriers to offer silver and gold qualified health plans on the state health benefit exchange for plan years beginning in 2021.

Requires the state health benefit exchange, in consultation with the state health care authority and the insurance commissioner, to develop a plan to implement and fund premium subsidies for individuals whose modified adjusted gross incomes are less than five hundred percent of the federal poverty level and who are purchasing individual market coverage on the exchange.

Exempts the following from disclosure under the public records act: Data submitted by health carriers to the state health benefit exchange for establishing standardized benefit plans.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1524 by Representatives Van Werven, Chapman, Orcutt, Dent, Walsh, and Pellicciotti

Addressing the registration of street rod vehicles and custom vehicles.

Authorizes a registered owner to apply to the department of licensing or certain agents for a collector vehicle license plate for a street rod vehicle or a custom vehicle.

Declares an intent to correct a technical oversight in chapter 114, Laws of 2011, that made requirements that street rods and custom vehicles had to be registered under RCW 46.18.220.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1525 by Representatives Van Werven, Eslick, Mosbrucker, and Kraft

Addressing the use of potassium chloride or digoxin in medical procedures.

Requires a hospital or health care facility, in which an abortion is performed, to report to the department of health whether an intrafetal injection was used in an attempt to induce fetal demise, such as intrafetal potassium chloride or digoxin.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1526 by Representatives Van Werven, Kraft, and Shea

Enacting the Washington pain capable unborn child protection act.

Establishes the Washington pain capable unborn child protection act.

Prohibits, except in the case of a medical emergency or fetal anomaly, an abortion from being performed, induced, or attempted to be performed or induced unless the physician performing or inducing the abortion has first made a determination of the probable postfertilization age of the unborn child or relied upon a determination made by another physician.

Requires a hospital or health care facility, in which an abortion is performed, to report specific information to the department of health.

Requires the department of health to issue a public report providing statistics for the previous calendar year compiled from the submitted reports covering that year.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1527 by Representatives Entenman, Chapman, Reeves, Frame, Tarleton, Shewmake, Senn, Cody, Ormsby, Peterson, Riccelli, Fitzgibbon, Blake, Sells, Bergquist, Stanford, Doglio, Gregerson, Macri, Tharinger, Pettigrew, Robinson, Walen, Hansen, Lekanoff, Stonier, Davis, Appleton, Fey, Ryu, Dolan, Kilduff, Valdez, Pollet, and Ramos

Providing a working families' tax credit.

Allows low-income and middle-income workers to recover some or all of the sales tax they pay as a way to increase their economic security.

Provides a sales and use tax exemption, in the form of a remittance, to low-income and middle-income working families.

Requires the working families' tax credit to be approved and funded before a person can claim the exemption during a fiscal period, and if authorization and funding is not provided, the employment security department is under no liability for benefit payment or program operation.

Requires the employment security department to: (1) Use an individuals' most recent federal tax filing to process the exemption remittance;

(2) Review the application and determine eligibility for the credit based on the individuals' most recent federal tax filing;

(3) Provide applicants an option for a monthly remittance;

(4) Begin rule making, public outreach and education efforts, and preliminary planning in advance of the beginning of benefit payments; and

(5) Administer the working families' tax credit.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1528 by Representatives Davis, Harris, Irwin, Stonier, Rude, Jinkins, Sutherland, Thai, Entenman, Mead, Callan, Goodman, Frame, Kloba, Chapman, Tarleton, Senn, Eslick, Barkis, Peterson, Walen, Ryu, Bergquist, Paul, Stanford, Valdez, Pollet, Leavitt, and Macri

Concerning recovery support services.

Requires the department of commerce to: (1) Establish the recovery residence program for people recovering from a substance use disorder;

(2) Establish a program to issue rental vouchers to people recovering from the disorder to be used at a recovery residence;

(3) Establish guidelines for the amount of reimbursement that a recovery residence may receive;

(4) Issue technical assistance grants to recovery residences actively seeking certification; and

(5) Issue operation grants to new operators of a recovery residence that has been, or is in the process of being, certified by the certifying organization.

Requires the state health care authority to: (1) Establish a grant program for licensed or certified service providers that work with people with the disorder;

(2) Establish a pilot project to provide recovery coaching services to people with the disorder and another pilot project to determine the most effective use of technology-based recovery supports, including electronic applications;

(3) Contract with organizations to provide free educational programs for the family members of people with the disorder; and

(4) Provide grants to organizations to establish nonclinical, nonresidential, community-based programs in which people with the disorder may seek recovery-focused support.

Requires the student achievement council to establish a grant program to support the establishment of collegiate

recovery services to support students in institutions of higher education to maintain their recovery from the disorder while attending school.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1529 by Representatives Davis, Corry, Frame, Kloba, Doglio, and Ormsby

Removing barriers for agency affiliated counselors practicing as peer counselors.

Prohibits the duration of time that a person may be required to participate in a voluntary substance abuse monitoring program from exceeding one year, in the case of a person who is at least one year in recovery from a substance use disorder and is, or is applying to be, an agency affiliated counselor who practices or intends to practice as a peer counselor in an agency.

Prohibits certain rules from allowing a licensee to automatically deny an applicant, with a conviction for certain offenses, for a position as an agency affiliated counselor practicing as a peer counselor in an agency or facility.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1530 by Representatives Davis, Jinkins, Senn, Appleton, Macri, Doglio, and Valdez

Restricting possession of weapons in certain locations.

Prohibits a person from carrying or possessing the following weapons on licensed child care center premises, child care center-provided transportation, or areas of facilities while being used exclusively by a child care center: A firearm; any other dangerous weapon; an air gun, air pistol, or air rifle; a portable device manufactured to function as a weapon that is commonly known as a stun gun, including a projectile stun gun; or a device, object, or instrument that is used or intended to be used as a weapon with the intent to injure a person by an electric shock, charge, or impulse.

Prohibits a person from entering the following places when he or she possesses or has a weapon under his or her control: The premises of a library; or the premises of a local government's neighborhood, community, or regional park facilities at which children and youth are likely to be present.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Civil Rights & Judiciary.

HB 1531 by Representatives Jinkins, Walen, Orwall, Cody, Robinson, Riccelli, Valdez, Ormsby, and Macri

Concerning medical debt.

Modifies provisions relating to medical debt.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Civil Rights & Judiciary.

HB 1532 by Representatives Mosbrucker, Pettigrew, Dye, Goodman, Griffey, Walsh, Eslick, Corry, Graham, Kraft, Appleton, Senn, Shea, Stanford, Valdez, Kloba, Leavitt, and Macri

Concerning traumatic brain injuries in domestic violence cases.

Requires the department of social and health services, in consultation with the Washington traumatic brain injury strategic partnership advisory council, to recommend or develop an educational handout regarding traumatic brain injury for victims of domestic violence.

Requires the educational handout to be included as part of the informational brochures provided to persons seeking protection orders.

Requires training of law enforcement officers in the handling of domestic violence complaints to include recognizing the signs of possible or probable traumatic brain injury.

Requires a peace officer responding to a domestic violence call to provide victims with a copy of the educational handout.

Requires law enforcement agencies to include a notation of a probable incident of traumatic brain injury in their written record when it involves an incident of domestic violence.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Public Safety.

HB 1533 by Representatives Mosbrucker, Pettigrew, Corry, Goodman, Maycumber, Dye, Macri, Griffey, Kraft, Van Werven, Chambers, Walsh, Graham, Appleton, Blake, Doglio, Reeves, Stanford, Valdez, and Leavitt

Making information about domestic violence resources available in the workplace.

Requires the employment security department to create an employment poster regarding domestic violence that includes space in which an employer can provide the names of community resources regarding domestic violence.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Labor & Workplace Standards.

HB 1534 by Representatives Dufault, Cody, Chandler, Mosbrucker, Chapman, Corry, Leavitt, and Steele

Concerning psychiatric payments under medical assistance programs for certain rural hospitals that are not designated as critical access hospitals, do not participate in the certified public expenditure program, have less than fifty acute care beds, and have combined medicare and medicaid inpatient days greater than fifty percent of total days.

Requires psychiatric per diem payments for recipients eligible for medical assistance programs, for services provided by certain hospitals, to be increased sufficiently to ensure that services are provided.

Expires June 30, 2019.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1535 by Representatives Schmick, Kilduff, Klippert, and Leavitt

Concerning choice in service for individuals eligible to receive employment and day program services.

Finds that the public interest and the interest of individuals with developmental disabilities would best be served by a broad array of employment and day program services that: Promote active treatment; support these people in the community; include services provided by day training centers; and ensure autonomy, dignity, and choice.

Declares that services provided by a day training center are habilitative services for the purposes of Title 71A RCW regarding developmental disabilities, and may not be considered community access services nor be subject to the nine-month transition period.

Requires the secretary of the department of social and health services to ensure that the needs and choices of each individual receiving employment and day program services are being met through habilitative services, in an appropriate setting based upon the client's person-centered service plan, and appropriate to the client's needs.

Requires the department of social and health services to: (1) Work with counties and stakeholders to strengthen and expand services provided by day training centers which includes seeking funding from federal, local, and private sector sources; and

(2) Develop and administer a grant program to provide funding for counties that offer day training center services to eligible clients who are not currently receiving services in employment or day programs.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Human Services & Early Learning.

HB 1536 by Representative Kirby

Eliminating the option to serve before filing a civil complaint.

Eliminates the option to serve before filing a civil complaint.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Civil Rights & Judiciary.

HB 1537 by Representatives Springer and Van Werven

Concerning sunshine committee recommendations.

Addresses recommendations of the sunshine committee.

Specifies that applications for public employment for vacancies in elective office are not exempt from public inspection and copying under the public records act.

Repeals RCW 42.56.340 (member and owner lists of timeshares, camping resorts, condominiums, land developments, etc.).

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Relations.

HB 1538 by Representative Springer

Concerning sunshine committee recommendations.

Addresses recommendations of the sunshine committee regarding the public records act.

Allows public inspection and copying of certain personal information in the act if an agency has received consent for disclosure from the subject of the information or, in the case of a child, from the child's parent or guardian.

Exempts passports and visa numbers from public inspection and copying under the act however, cities, states, and zip codes are not exempt with regard to residential addresses.

Specifies that the exemption of investigative records compiled by an employing agency is categorical and exempts the records in their entirety while the investigation is ongoing.

Exempts financial, commercial, and proprietary information from disclosure under the act, if the information is clearly marked as confidential and accompanied by an explanation of expected harm or the agency determines the information is likely to cause public or private loss or unfair private gain.

Exempts trade secrets from disclosure under the act.

Allows the court, in an action to enjoin disclosure of certain information, to award attorneys' fees to a defendant if the defendant prevailed in opposing an injunction.

Exempts the following from disclosure under the act: Bids, quotations, or proposals submitted to an agency for goods or services in response to a solicitation.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Relations.

HB 1539 by Representatives Hudgins, Cody, Tharinger, Valdez, and Ormsby; by request of Uniform Law Commission

Enacting the uniform faithful presidential electors act.

Establishes the uniform faithful presidential electors act.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Relations.

HB 1540 by Representatives Goodman, Frame, Appleton, and Ormsby

Sentencing for certain serious offenses committed by persons under eighteen.

Allows a person, convicted of one or more crimes committed before his or her eighteenth birthday, to petition the indeterminate sentence review board for early release from sentences for those offenses.

Requires a person, convicted of aggravated first degree murder for an offense committed before his or her eighteenth birthday, to be sentenced to a range of total confinement with a maximum term and a minimum term.

Prohibits the maximum term from exceeding a life sentence, and the minimum term from exceeding twenty-five years. Sentences imposed under this act must be served concurrently with sentences imposed for any other current offenses.

Requires the court to take into account progress towards rehabilitation demonstrated by the youth following the commission of his or her crime.

Requires a return to sentencing court if a person, sentenced before the effective date of this act, is still incarcerated as of that effective date for a conviction of aggravated murder committed before his or her eighteenth birthday.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Public Safety.

HB 1541 by Representatives Jinkins, Pettigrew, Thai, Macri, Doglio, Fitzgibbon, Sells, Robinson, Hudgins, Gregerson, Appleton, Senn, Tarleton, Fey, and Valdez

Prohibiting the possession and acquisition of weapons by persons convicted of certain criminal offenses or subject to certain no-contact orders, protection orders, or restraining orders.

Specifies that a person is guilty of unlawful possession of a firearm in the second degree, if he or she does not qualify for unlawful possession of a firearm in the first degree and he or she owns, possesses, or controls a firearm, after having previously been convicted, or found not guilty by reason of insanity, of the following: (1) Unlawful aiming or discharge of a firearm or dangerous weapon; and

(2) Animal cruelty in the second degree.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Civil Rights & Judiciary.

HB 1542 by Representatives Sullivan, Appleton, Tarleton, Doglio, Stanford, and Valdez

Establishing a state student loan program.

Creates the Washington student loan program to assist students who need additional financial support to obtain postsecondary education.

Creates the Washington student loan account.

Requires the office of student financial assistance to:

(1) Administer the program;

(2) Award student loans under the program to eligible students from funds in the account;

(3) Set the interest rate and repayment procedures for the student loans; and

(4) Determine annual and lifetime loan limits.

Requires a percentage of real estate excise taxes to be deposited in the following: The public works assistance account, the education legacy trust account, the city-county assistance account, the Washington student loan account, and the general fund.

Repeals RCW 28B.97.010 (Washington higher education loan program).

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to College & Workforce Development.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4007 by Representatives Orcutt and Appleton

Designating the bridge over the Skookumchuck river on state route number 507 as the Regina Clark memorial bridge.

Designates the bridge over the Skookumchuck river on state route number 507 as the Regina Clark memorial bridge.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 31 First reading, referred to Transportation.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4206 by Representatives Young, Orcutt, Shea, Walsh, Irwin, Kraft, McCaslin, Sutherland, Graham, Schmick, Gildon, Volz, Van Werven, Smith, Barkis, Griffey, Eslick, and Caldier

Amending the Constitution to require a two-thirds majority vote of the legislature to raise taxes.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to require a two-thirds majority vote of the legislature to raise taxes.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 1 First reading, referred to Finance.

HJR 4207 by Representatives Shea and McCaslin

Requiring that all mandatory, regulatory, licensing, and disciplinary functions regarding the practice of law and administration of justice reside exclusively in the supreme court.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to require all mandatory, regulatory, licensing, and disciplinary functions regarding the practice of law and administration of justice reside exclusively in the supreme court.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 1 First reading, referred to Civil Rights & Judiciary.

Senate Bills

SB 5510 by Senators Walsh, Brown, Darneille, Keiser, Rolfes, and Schoesler

Concerning choice in service for individuals eligible to receive employment and day program services.

Finds that the public interest and the interest of individuals with developmental disabilities would best be served by a broad array of employment and day program services that: Promote active treatment; support these people in the community; include services provided by day training centers; and ensure autonomy, dignity, and choice.

Declares that services provided by a day training center are habilitative services for the purposes of Title 71A RCW regarding developmental disabilities, and may not be considered community access services nor be subject to the nine-month transition period.

Requires the secretary of the department of social and health services to ensure that the needs and choices of each individual receiving employment and day program services are being met through habilitative services, in an appropriate setting based upon the client's person-centered service plan, and appropriate to the client's needs.

Requires the department of social and health services to: (1) Work with counties and stakeholders to strengthen and expand services provided by day training centers which includes seeking funding from federal, local, and private sector sources; and

(2) Develop and administer a grant program to provide funding for counties that offer day training center services to eligible clients who are not currently receiving services in employment or day programs.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5511 by Senators Wellman, Sheldon, Carlyle, Short, McCoy, Nguyen, Takko, Cleveland, Darneille, Dhingra, Liias, Mullet, Saldaña, and Frockt; by request of Office of the Governor

Expanding affordable, resilient broadband service to enable economic development, public safety, health care, and education in Washington's communities.

Creates the governor's statewide broadband office to encourage, foster, develop, and improve affordable, quality broadband in order to: (1) Drive job creation, promote innovation, improve economic vitality, and expand markets for businesses;

(2) Serve the ongoing and growing needs of education, health care, and public safety systems, industries and business, governmental operations, and citizens; and

(3) Improve broadband accessibility for unserved and underserved communities.

Requires the public works board to establish a competitive grant and loan program to award funding to eligible applicants to promote the expansion of access to broadband service in unserved and underserved areas.

Expands the purpose of the state universal communications services program to include the provision of all communications services, including voice and broadband services.

Creates the statewide broadband account.

Delays, until July 1, 2025, the expiration date for the state universal communications services program.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Environment, Energy & Technology.

SB 5512 by Senators McCoy, Wellman, Hunt, Wilson, C., and Hasegawa; by request of Professional Educator Standards Board

Concerning basic skills assessments for approved teacher preparation programs.

Requires an applicant for admission to an approved teacher preparation program to: (1) Take the basic skills

assessment, or an alternative or equivalent basic skills assessment, as determined by the professional educator standards board; and

(2) Report the results to the state and the approved teacher preparation program.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5513 by Senators Keiser, Conway, Wellman, Frockt, and Saldaña

Concerning the employer-employee relationship.

Establishes the employee fair classification act which addresses prevailing wages, wage deductions, the wage payment act, the minimum wage act, unemployment insurance, industrial insurance, and the employer-employee relationship.

Creates the employee fair classification act account.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Labor & Commerce.

SB 5514 by Senators Padden, Wellman, Zeiger, and Frockt

Concerning first responder agency notifications to schools regarding potential threats.

Requires a first responder agency to: (1) Notify a school of a situation that may necessitate an evacuation or lockdown;

(2) Determine if other schools in the vicinity are similarly threatened; and

(3) Notify other schools in the vicinity for which an evacuation or lockdown appears reasonably necessary.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5515 by Senators Walsh and Takko

Concerning certain public facilities district's authorization to acquire, construct, own, remodel, maintain, equip, reequip, repair, finance, and operate one or more recreational facilities other than a ski area with voter approval.

Authorizes a public facilities district, created by a city or town that participated in the creation of an additional public facilities district, to acquire, construct, own, remodel, maintain, equip, reequip, repair, finance, and operate one or more recreational facilities, other than a ski area, after obtaining voter approval to fund each recreational facility.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Local Government.

SB 5516 by Senators Cleveland, Becker, Palumbo, Frockt, Dhingra, Darneille, Braun, Randall, Rivers, O'Ban, Keiser, Conway, Van De Wege, Wagoner,

Das, Pedersen, Takko, Hunt, Zeiger, Carlyle, Liias, and Hasegawa; by request of Office of the Governor

Establishing a behavioral health innovation and integration campus within the University of Washington school of medicine.

Creates a behavioral health innovation and integration campus within the University of Washington school of medicine that will include inpatient treatment capacity and focus on inpatient and outpatient care for people with behavioral health needs while training a behavioral health provider workforce.

Requires the University of Washington school of medicine to report to the office of financial management and the appropriate legislative committees with plans on development and siting of a teaching hospital to provide inpatient care for up to one hundred fifty people to receive care under the involuntary treatment act.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

Jan 28 Referred to Behavioral Health Subcommittee to Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5517 by Senators Cleveland, Sheldon, Salomon, Bailey, and Hunt

Concerning an ambulance transport quality assurance fee.

Provides for a safety net fee for certain ambulance transports to be used to augment funding from other sources, thereby supporting additional payments to ambulance transport providers for medicaid services.

Requires the state health care authority to establish the manner and format for ambulance transport providers to report required data.

Imposes a quality assurance fee for each ambulance transport provided by each ambulance transport provider subject to the fee.

Provides for termination and repeal, under the sunset act, of the authorization for ambulance transport quality assurance fees.

Creates the ambulance transport fund.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5518 by Senators Cleveland, King, Takko, Warnick, Short, Wilson, L., and Honeyford

Requiring property sold in tax lien foreclosure proceedings to be sold as is.

Modifies tax lien foreclosure provisions to require that a sold property be sold "as is." There is no guarantee or warranty of any kind.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Local Government.

SB 5519 by Senators Cleveland, King, Takko, Warnick, Short, Braun, Wilson, L., and Honeyford

Concerning mosquito control districts.

Addresses certain provisions regarding the collection of tax and lien foreclosures in other statutes to govern certain matters as applied to mosquito control districts.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Local Government.

SB 5520 by Senators Wilson, L., Takko, Short, Palumbo, Sheldon, Honeyford, and Wagoner

Concerning urban growth areas.

Clarifies the circumstances when it is appropriate for cities to extend urban governmental services to rural areas.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Local Government.

SB 5521 by Senators Takko, Zeiger, Padden, Hunt, and Saldaña

Concerning the distribution of connecting Washington funds to local and state transportation agencies.

Requires a certain net tax amount from the motor vehicle fund to be distributed to the transportation improvement board and the county road administration board.

Requires the state treasurer to: (1) Distribute, from the motor vehicle fund, 8.511 million dollars per biennium to the freight mobility investment account;

(2) Distribute the remainder to the connecting Washington account;

(3) Transfer from the multimodal transportation account, 7.35 million dollars to the complete streets grant program account; and

(4) Transfer from the multimodal transportation account, 8.511 million dollars to the freight mobility multimodal account.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5522 by Senator Takko

Providing code cities with the ability to annex unincorporated areas pursuant to a jointly approved interlocal agreement with the county.

Permits a code city to annex unincorporated territory under an interlocal agreement.

Permits the county legislative authority and the governing body of a code city to jointly initiate an annexation process for unincorporated territory by adopting an interlocal agreement between the county and the code city within the county.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Local Government.

SB 5523 by Senators Braun, Rivers, and Frockt

Improving managed care organization performance in caring for medicaid clients.

Requires the state health care authority to: (1) Contract with an external quality improvement organization to annually analyze the performance of managed care organizations that provide services to certain clients in

comparison to managed care organizations in other states, based on performance outcomes in each performance measure; and

(2) Notify managed care organizations of any required remissions of funding for the preceding plan year no later than January 30th of each year.

Requires the external quality improvement organization to report its findings to the state health care authority, the governor, and the legislature.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

Jan 30 HLTC - Majority; without recommendation.

And refer to Ways & Means.

Jan 31 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5524 by Senators Short and Wilson, L.

Concerning agency obligations.

Revises the growth management act regarding the program of technical assistance created by the department of commerce, and the adoption of guidelines by the department, to guide the classification of agricultural lands, forestlands, mineral resource lands, and critical areas.

Requires technical assistance or guidance provided by the department or other state agency to include a section analyzing the effects of implementation.

Requires the developed guidelines to include analyses of the effect of the guidelines on lands within the city or county.

Prohibits implementation of agency guidance and the guidelines from resulting in a net loss of current or future built environment.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Local Government.

SB 5525 by Senator Short

Concerning whitetail deer population estimates.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to manage whitetail deer populations in district one of region one with the goal of increasing the deer counted per mile in the late summer surveys to fall within the range of nine to eleven deer counted per survey mile.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5526 by Senators Frockt, Cleveland, Kuderer, Randall, Keiser, Dhingra, Conway, Wellman, Darneille, Hunt, Hobbs, Das, Liias, Nguyen, Pedersen, Rolfes, Saldaña, and Van De Wege; by request of Office of the Governor

Increasing the availability of quality, affordable health coverage in the individual market.

Requires the state health benefit exchange, in consultation with the insurance commissioner, the state health care authority, an independent actuary, and other stakeholders, to establish up to three standardized health plans for each of the bronze, silver, and gold levels.

Requires the state health care authority, in consultation with the state health benefit exchange, to contract with one or more health carriers to offer silver and gold qualified health plans on the state health benefit exchange for plan years beginning in 2021.

Requires the state health benefit exchange, in consultation with the state health care authority and the insurance commissioner, to develop a plan to implement and fund premium subsidies for individuals whose modified adjusted gross incomes are less than five hundred percent of the federal poverty level and who are purchasing individual market coverage on the exchange.

Exempts the following from disclosure under the public records act: Data submitted by health carriers to the state health benefit exchange for establishing standardized benefit plans.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5527 by Senators Hasegawa, Nguyen, McCoy, and Keiser

Establishing guidelines for government procurement and use of automated decision systems in order to protect consumers, improve transparency, and create more market predictability.

Finds that: (1) Washington is a technology leader on a national and global level;

(2) Automated decision systems are rapidly being adopted to make or assist in core decisions in a variety of government and business functions; and

(3) The automated decision systems are often deployed without public knowledge, are unregulated, and vendors selling the systems may require restrictive contractual provisions that undermine government transparency and accountability.

Requires the chief privacy officer to adopt rules regarding the development, procurement, and use of automated decision systems by a public agency.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Environment, Energy & Technology.

SB 5528 by Senators Hasegawa, Saldaña, and Nguyen

Concerning the procurement and use of facial recognition technology by government entities in Washington state and privacy rights relating to facial recognition technology.

Prohibits state agencies, local government agencies, or officials of the agencies from obtaining, retaining, accessing, or using: (1) A facial recognition system; or

(2) Information obtained from or by use of a facial recognition system.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Environment, Energy & Technology.

SB 5529 by Senators Saldaña, Hobbs, Nguyen, Hunt, and McCoy

Authorizing the use of automated license plate recognition systems.

Authorizes the following to use an automated license plate recognition system: (1) A law enforcement agency or parking enforcement agency for locating vehicles on a watch list;

(2) A parking enforcement agency for enforcing time restrictions on parking spaces;

(3) A transportation agency for providing real time traffic information to the public, traffic modeling purposes, and traffic studies such as origin and destination studies, ramp meter efficiencies, and determining construction delays and route use;

(4) A transportation agency for commercial vehicle systems at Washington state patrol enforcement sites and weigh stations; and

(5) An agency for controlling access to secured areas.

Allows an automated license plate recognition system to be used as a component of a photo toll system or an automated traffic safety camera.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Jan 28 TRAN - Majority; without recommendation.

And refer to Law & Justice.

Jan 29 Referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5530 by Senators Frockt, Kuderer, Das, Darneille, Dhingra, Hasegawa, Keiser, Liias, McCoy, Nguyen, Saldaña, and Wellman

Concerning medical debt.

Modifies provisions relating to medical debt.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5531 by Senator Padden

Establishing criminal penalties for unauthorized use, presentation, transfer, or acquisition of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits.

Finds a person guilty of a class C felony or a gross misdemeanor, depending on the face value of the benefits, if the person knowingly uses, presents, transfers, acquires, or possesses unauthorized supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5532 by Senators Braun, Rolfes, Fortunato, Wagoner, and Zeiger

Concerning special education.

Addresses the education of students with disabilities.

Requires each school district to: (1) Provide professional development regarding special education; and (2) Convene an ongoing special education advisory committee to increase parental and family involvement and be a partner with the school district to provide effective special education programming.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to adopt rules for required reporting of the school district that align with the federal individuals with disabilities education act reporting requirements.

Provides a recognition award for a school district that meets or exceeds system-wide performance goals or measurements.

Requires the state board of education, in collaboration with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, to decide on the details of the recognition award.

Requires a representative from the division of vocational rehabilitation to attend each individualized education program meeting to assist certain students with transition planning.

Requires each school district and teacher preparation program to include mandatory coursework on special education and related services that includes: (1) Why some students with disabilities need special education or related services; and

(2) How to recognize students with disabilities who may qualify for special education or related services.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5533 by Senators Braun, Darneille, and Zeiger

Concerning certificates of parental improvement.

Requires the department of children, youth, and families to develop and implement a process by which an individual, with a founded finding of child abuse or neglect or whose child was found by a court to be dependent, may petition the department for issuance of a certificate of parental improvement.

Prohibits the following from denying a prospective volunteer, or a license or approval to an individual for unsupervised access to children, as appropriate, solely because of a founded finding of abuse or neglect revealed in a record check, or background check process, as appropriate, or a court finding that the individual's child was dependent when the finding is accompanied by a certificate of parental improvement related to the same incident: School districts, educational service districts, the state center for childhood deafness and hearing loss, the state school for the blind, federal bureau of Indian affairs-funded schools, charter schools, schools that are the subject of a state-tribal education compact, assisted living facilities, nursing homes, and their contractors.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation.

SB 5534 by Senator Braun

Studying outcomes for children in the early childhood education and assistance program.

Requires the state institute for public policy to prepare an updated report of the 2014 early childhood education and assistance program outcome evaluation report.

Requires the department of children, youth, and families and the office of the superintendent of public instruction to provide the state institute, at no cost, with all data necessary to complete the report.

Expires July 1, 2021.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5535 by Senator Braun

Analyzing child care costs and affordability.

Requires the department of children, youth, and families to convene and facilitate a child care affordability and accessibility work group to examine regulatory and licensing costs and the associated effects on child care affordability and accessibility for multiple and single-parent families.

Expires December 30, 2020.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5536 by Senators Braun, Keiser, Darneille, and Honeyford

Concerning intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disability.

Requires the department of social and health services to: (1) Assess residents receiving services from an intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disability to determine if the resident is benefiting from the active treatment; and

(2) Work with the resident on transitioning to an alternative setting, if it is determined that he or she is no longer benefiting from the active treatment.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5537 by Senators Braun, Keiser, Darneille, Palumbo, Frockt, Rolfes, Conway, Becker, Brown, Wagoner, Warnick, Honeyford, Cleveland, Dhingra, O'Ban, and Zeiger

Expanding community-based behavioral health facilities through issuance of state bonds.

Authorizes the state finance committee to issue general obligation bonds of the state, in the amount of five hundred million dollars, for providing needed capital improvements to increase behavioral health services for adults and children in community settings.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5538 by Senators Braun, Fortunato, and Wilson, L.

Concerning free speech at institutions of higher education.

Requires the restrictions on speech and use of public space at a public or private institution of higher education to be clear and published and provide for ample alternative means of expression.

Considers outdoor areas of campus to be traditional public forums for individuals, organizations, and guest speakers.

Authorizes a public or private institution of higher education to create and enforce restrictions that are: (1) Reasonable and content-neutral regarding time, place, and manner of expression; and

(2) Narrowly tailored to a significant institutional interest.

Prohibits students, faculty, and staff of a public or private institution of higher education from causing

material and substantial disruption of previously scheduled or reserved activities on campus occurring at the same time or of the daily orderly operation of an institution.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5539 by Senator Braun

Concerning family and medical leave program coverage.

Provides information on bona fide corporate officers and members of limited liability companies who may not be eligible for coverage under the family and medical leave program.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Labor & Commerce.

SB 5540 by Senators Braun and Wilson, L.

Concerning the designation and support of projects of statewide significance.

Requires a person to apply to the department of commerce for a proposed development project to receive designation as a project of statewide significance.

Requires a project of statewide significance to be completed after January 1, 2020, and be a private development with private capital investment in: (1) Manufacturing;

(2) Research and development;

(3) A computer data center;

(4) Renewable energy generation; or

(5) Facilities to store and handle goods moved through the state's ports including grain elevators, cranes, and cargo handling facilities.

Requires the office of regulatory assistance to assign a regional assistance lead to each project of statewide significance.

Requires state agencies to enter into agreements with the office of regulatory assistance and the project proponents as required by the fully coordinated permit process.

Requires the employment security department to share available information with the department of revenue concerning the number and location of employees employed by persons claiming the tax credit.

Provides a business and occupation tax credit and a public utility tax credit for a person that invests in a qualifying project.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections.

SB 5541 by Senators Hasegawa, Darneille, Hunt, and Nguyen

Creating a state revenue reform task force.

Creates the legislative task force on state revenue reform to review the state tax system and make recommendations to the legislature on a comprehensive state revenue reform plan.

Expires January 1, 2020.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5542 by Senators Kuderer, Randall, Takko, Van De Wege, Dhingra, Saldaña, Keiser, Wellman, and Conway

Protecting patient care.

Prohibits a health care entity from the following, if a health care provider is acting in good faith, within the provider's authorized scope of practice, and within the relevant standard of care: (1) Limiting the provider's provision of medically accurate and comprehensive information and resources to a patient regarding his or her health status;

(2) Limiting the provider's provision of information regarding the death with dignity act; or

(3) Prohibiting the provider from providing health services in cases in which failure to provide the service would violate the accepted standard of care or when the patient presents a certain medical condition.

Requires the department of health to design, prepare, and make available online, written materials to clearly inform health care providers and staff of the provisions of, and authority to act under, this act and the federal emergency medical treatment and labor act.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5543 by Senator Takko

Retaining productive farmland.

Requires the state conservation commission to develop a form and process for an agricultural land assessment to be completed by a state agency before the acquisition of an interest in real property when the interest includes agricultural land.

Requires state agencies, including state departments, boards, councils, commissions, state universities, colleges, and community colleges, to complete an agricultural land assessment in the form and process described and adopted by the state conservation commission before acquisition of an interest in real property.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5544 by Senators Hobbs, King, Saldaña, Zeiger, Mullet, Padden, Fortunato, O'Ban, and Wilson, L.

Increasing the types of commercial driver waivers allowed for military veterans.

Authorizes the department of licensing to waive requirements for a knowledge test for commercial driver's license applicants, for certain military service members.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5545 by Senators Das, Rolfes, Takko, McCoy, Hunt, Keiser, Nguyen, and Hasegawa; by request of Department of Ecology

Concerning sustainable recycling.

Creates the recycling development center, within the department of ecology, to provide or facilitate basic and applied research and development, marketing, and policy analysis in furthering the development of markets and processing for recycled commodities and products.

Requires the department of ecology to: (1) Enter into an interagency agreement with the department of commerce to perform or contract for certain activities;

(2) Create and implement a statewide recycling contamination reduction and outreach plan based on best management practices for recycling, developed with stakeholder input; and

(3) Provide technical assistance and create guidance to help local jurisdictions determine the extent of contamination in their regional recycling and to develop contamination reduction and outreach plans.

Requires each county and city comprehensive solid waste management plan to include a contamination reduction and outreach plan.

Authorizes certain local governments to apply to the department for financial aid for the preparation and implementation of the contamination reduction and outreach plans.

Adjusts the functions of the waste reduction, recycling, and litter control account regarding expenditures to the department of ecology and what unspent funds may be used for.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Environment, Energy & Technology.

SB 5546 by Senators Conway, Zeiger, Darneille, Fortunato, Becker, and Nguyen

Creating a pilot project to establish an enhanced 211 drug line in certain counties.

Creates a pilot project to establish an enhanced 211 drug line in the WIN 211 south sound region, which encompasses Lewis, Pierce, and Thurston counties.

Requires the pilot project to provide residents of the counties with easy public access, ideally available 24/7, through the 211 telephone service for referral for opioid and other drug crisis services.

Makes an appropriation from the general fund to the department of social and health services for the purposes of this act, however, the appropriation is subject to certain conditions and limitations.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5547 by Senators Van De Wege, Braun, Takko, Warnick, and Short

Concerning the proposed department of natural resources' marbled murrelet long-term conservation strategy.

Prohibits the board of natural resources from adopting a marbled murrelet long-term conservation strategy until the required analysis, mentioned below, has been finalized and made available for public review.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to analyze the harvest volume and revenue impacts of the department of natural resources' preferred alternative, alternative H, for the long-term conservation strategy to all department of natural resources' trust beneficiaries, including local governments and junior taxing districts.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5548 by Senators Wellman and Hunt; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Providing multiple pathways to a meaningful high school diploma.

Provides multiple pathways to a high school diploma.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5549 by Senators Liias, King, Hunt, and Braun

Modernizing resident distillery marketing and sales restrictions.

Modernizes certain alcoholic beverage control restrictions regarding resident distillery marketing and sales.

Establishes a tasting room license that is available to distillery and craft distillery licensees and authorizes the operation of an off-site tasting room, in addition to a tasting room attached to the distillery's or craft distillery's production facility.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 First reading, referred to Labor & Commerce.

Senate Joint Memorials

SJM 8008 by Senators Bailey, O'Ban, and Kuderer

Urging federal legislation to prohibit the sale of tobacco and vapor products to anyone under the age of twenty-one.

Urges federal legislation to prohibit the sale of tobacco and vapor products to anyone under the age of twenty-one.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 28 First reading, referred to Health & Long Term Care.

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8206 by Senators Fortunato, King, Hawkins, Sheldon, Padden, Bailey, Brown, Warnick, Honeyford, Wilson, L., Holy, Becker, and O'Ban

Amending the state Constitution so that certain sales and use tax revenue collected from new and used car purchases are used for highway purposes.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to require certain sales and use tax revenue, collected from new and used car purchases, are used for highway purposes.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 30 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SJR 8207 by Senators Braun, Becker, Brown, Fortunato, Honeyford, O'Ban, Palumbo, Rivers, Schoesler, Wagoner, and Wilson, L.

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution to require the legislature to enact a four-year balanced budget.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to require the legislature to enact a four-year balanced budget.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 1 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SJR 8208 by Senators Braun, Becker, Honeyford, O'Ban, Rivers, Short, and Wilson, L.

Amending the Constitution to provide a homestead property tax exemption.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to provide a homestead property tax exemption.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 1 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.