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House Bills

HB 2349-S by House Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications (originally sponsored by Representatives Morris, Hudgins, Chase, Murray, Darneille, Dickerson, B. Sullivan, and Sells)

Providing new renewable energy standards.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the following new renewable energy standards for state agencies: (1) By July 1, 2006, state agencies must buy at least five percent of their total electricity from qualified alternative energy resources.

(2) By July 1, 2007, state agencies must buy at least ten percent of their total electricity from qualified alternative energy resources.

(3) By July 1, 2008, state agencies must buy at least fifteen percent of their total electricity from qualified alternative energy resources.

(4) By July 1, 2009, state agencies must buy at least twenty percent of their total electricity from qualified alternative energy resources.

Provides that if another state law exceeds the renewable energy standards contained in this act, this act will become void in its entirety.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 TEC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Jan 18 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2393-S by House Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications (originally sponsored by Representatives Dunshee, Jarrett, Ormsby, Cox, Ericks, Newhouse, Kilmer, Chase, McCoy, Morrell, Moeller, Conway, P. Sullivan, Walsh, Springer, Buri, Haler, Wallace, Grant, Dickerson, Morris, B. Sullivan, Simpson, Upthegrove, Sells, and Green)

Concerning energy freedom projects.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides funding for energy freedom projects.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 13 TEC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Jan 18 Referred to Capital Budget.

HB 2997 by Representatives Strow, Ericks, Newhouse, Williams, Kirby, Upthegrove, Darneille, and Simpson

Creating a training program for payday lending employees. Requires the director to develop an internet-based education program for the employees of a licensee that has a small loan endorsement. The program must instruct

employees about applicable state laws that pertain to payday lending.

Applies only to those employees who make small loans and are involved in the making, approval, or collection of a small loan. New employees must complete the program within six months after the date they are hired. All employees must complete the program at least once every two years.

Appropriates the sum of forty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the department of financial institutions for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 2998 by Representatives P. Sullivan, Simpson, Santos, McCoy, Chase, Morrell, B. Sullivan, Hasegawa, Kenney, and Green

Revising the high school assessment system.

Provides that, beginning in the 2007-08 school year, students shall have the option to select a certified assessment option other than the Washington assessment of student learning to demonstrate that they have met state learning standards in reading, math, writing, and, beginning with the class of 2010, science. Certified assessment options shall include but not be limited to portfolios, industry certification tests, and other career and technical education assessments used to determine readiness for work force entry or higher education, and college entrance exams.

Provides that, prior to the beginning of the 2007-08 school year, the state board of education shall establish a procedure for certification of assessment options that lead to a certificate of academic achievement. Certification of assessment alternative options shall be based upon demonstrated alignment with the state learning standards including school to work goals. The level of student performance necessary to meet state learning standards shall be comparable between all assessments.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2999 by Representatives P. Sullivan, Talcott, Quall, Simpson, Nixon, Dickerson, Rodne, B. Sullivan, Schindler, Santos, Roach, McCune, Hasegawa, Springer, and Kenney

Requiring that the high school WASL questions and answers be released to parents and on the internet.

Provides that, beginning with the 2009 assessment, the superintendent shall release the complete high school assessment, including the correct responses, concurrently with the release of the assessment results and shall post the assessment and responses on the superintendent's internet web site.

Provides that, beginning with the 2009 assessment, the notice to parents of the results of the high school Washington assessment of student learning shall include the student's responses compared to the correct responses to test questions and information about how the parent can obtain a copy of the assessment. A school district shall

provide an electronic or paper copy of the assessment on request.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 3000 by Representatives Woods and Murray; by request of Department of Licensing

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 3001 by Representatives Hudgins and Conway; by request of Department of Licensing

Modifying the definition of limousine.
Revises the definition of limousine.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 3002 by Representatives McCoy, Linville, Haigh, and Chase

Regarding collaborative intergovernmental solutions in water management.

Declares that the state of Washington supports and shall participate in the implementation of a pilot intergovernmental program with federally recognized Indian tribes to voluntarily find collaborative solutions in water management. This program shall be mediated by the United States government's institute on conflict resolution and follow a process similar to the national environmental policy act. All agreed upon results of the process shall be adopted by rule and incorporated into the management of water resources by the state.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 3003 by Representatives Conway, Wallace, Jarrett, Wood, Hankins, Murray, Haler, Ormsby, Morrell, Strow, McCoy, Upthegrove, Chase, Simpson, Appleton, Sells, Dickerson, Hasegawa, Kenney, and Hudgins; by request of Department of Transportation

Eliminating the department of transportation's exemption from the public works apprenticeship utilization requirements.

Eliminates the department of transportation's exemption from the public works apprenticeship utilization requirements.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 3004 by Representatives Pearson, Lovick, B. Sullivan, Sells, Ericks, Green, O'Brien, Strow, Kristiansen, P. Sullivan, Woods, Kilmer, Roach, and McCune

Creating a pilot project for registration of methamphetamine offenders.

Establishes a pilot project for registration of methamphetamine offenders.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 3005 by Representatives Alexander, McDonald, Dunn, Holmquist, Armstrong, Hinkle, Ahern, McCune, Serben, Kristiansen, Roach, Bailey, Nixon, Anderson, Condotta, Rodne, Woods, Strow, Schindler, Newhouse, and Pearson

Requiring a priorities of government approach to developing the state's operating budget.

Finds that in 2002 the governor initiated a new process for development of the operating budget that brought significant benefits to the people of Washington and that, if maintained as an integral part of the state's ongoing budget process, will bring greater benefits in the future. That process, called priorities of government, replaces the traditional, incremental budgeting approach that focuses on changes from existing spending levels with a new, performance-based approach that measures and evaluates the performance of state programs and services, at the activity level, in achieving a selected set of priority results for state government.

Finds that implementation of the priorities of government approach in the 2003-05 biennium improved the quality of decision making by both the executive and legislative branches, increased the public's understanding of the state budget and its engagement in the annual budget debate, and contributed heavily to the enactment of a budget that enabled the state to weather a major recession without tax increases while maintaining essential services and making targeted investments for progress toward statewide results.

Finds that failure to maintain, extend, and refine the priorities of government approach to state budgeting, and rather to fall back to the failed, incremental approach of the past, would result in harm to the citizens of Washington and the competitiveness of its economy.

Declares that the priorities of government process or a related, performance-based process shall be incorporated in the operating budget document submitted under RCW 43.88.030 with accompanying documentation that such a process was implemented.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 3006 by Representatives Anderson, Alexander, Haler, McDonald, Armstrong, Orcutt, Hinkle, Dunn, Newhouse, Clements, Holmquist, Ahern, McCune, Ericksen, Kristiansen, Serben, Bailey, Roach, Nixon, Campbell, Talcott, Condotta, Shabro, Rodne, Woods, B. Sullivan, Schindler, and Pearson

Implementing a proposed constitutional amendment creating the required reserve fund.

Implements a proposed constitutional amendment creating the required reserve fund.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 3007 by Representatives McDonald, Alexander, Haler, Hinkle, Armstrong, Sump, Orcutt, Dunn, Newhouse, Ahern, Holmquist, McCune, Ericksen, Serben, Kristiansen, Bailey, Roach, Nixon, Anderson, Condotta, Shabro, Rodne, Woods, Schindler, and Pearson

Placing restrictions on raising and spending state revenue.

Provides that, after July 1, 1995, any action or combination of actions by the legislature that constitutes a tax increase may be taken only if approved by a three-fifths vote of each house, and then only if state expenditures in any fiscal year, including the new revenue, will not exceed the state expenditure limits established under chapter 43.135 RCW.

Does not apply to a tax that will be used exclusively for highway purposes under Article II, section 40 of the state Constitution.

Provides that taxes enacted pursuant to an emergency previously declared under this act may be imposed with a favorable vote of a majority of members elected to each house of the legislature, and shall expire not later than twelve months after the effective date of the emergency declaration.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3008 by Representatives Alexander, Orcutt, Haler, McDonald, Armstrong, Clements, Hinkle, Dunn, Ahern, Newhouse, Holmquist, Ericksen, McCune, Serben, Kristiansen, Bailey, Roach, Nixon, Anderson, Campbell, Condotta, Shabro, Rodne, Woods, Schindler, and Pearson

Placing limitations on state expenditures.

Requires that, prior to final passage of the omnibus operating budget by the legislature, the expenditure limit committee shall meet to adjust the expenditure limit for transfers and cost shifts under RCW 43.135.035 (4) and (5) and 43.135.060(2). If necessary, the committee shall make further adjustments after the governor signs the omnibus operating budget.

Provides that, except for sections 1, 2, and 5 of this act, this act takes effect if the proposed amendment to Article VIII, section . . . of the state Constitution (HJR . . . , H-4189/06) is validly submitted to and is approved and ratified by the voters at a general election held in November 2006. If the proposed amendment is not approved and ratified, sections 3 and 4 of this act are void in their entirety.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 3009 by Representatives Newhouse, Kirby, Roach, Clements, Talcott, Rodne, Tom, and Ericks

Modifying the motor vehicle liability insurance provisions.

Provides that, the second and subsequent times a person fails to provide proof of financial responsibility or motor vehicle insurance when requested by a law enforcement officer, and any time a driver involved in an accident fails to provide proof of financial responsibility or motor vehicle insurance when requested by a law enforcement officer, the law enforcement officer may issue a notice of traffic infraction and shall impound the vehicle if the person cited is also a registered owner of the vehicle.

Provides that, if the vehicle is impounded, a registered owner of the vehicle must pay any and all costs associated with impoundment, including costs for towing, removal, and storage of the vehicle; any other fees and fines incurred; and provide proof of financial responsibility or motor vehicle insurance before the vehicle can be redeemed.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 3010 by Representatives Moeller, Newhouse, and Flannigan

Relating to ensuring the safety of milk and dairy products.

Finds that the protection of the public from the sale or distribution of hazardous milk and dairy products requires strong enforcement mechanisms available to regulatory agencies.

Requires the legislature to ensure that the agencies charged with protecting the public are able to respond to unsafe practices rapidly, comprehensively, and conclusively.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 3011 by Representatives Jarrett and Upthegrove; by request of Transportation Improvement Board

Harmonizing and updating various aspects of the urban arterial program.

Updates various aspects of the urban arterial program.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 3012 by Representatives Serben, B. Sullivan, Buck, Sells, Kretz, and Morrell

Authorizing an active duty special hunt.

Directs the commission to establish an annual big game special hunting season, as defined in RCW 77.32.007, which shall be known as the "active duty special hunt." The commission shall grant permits for the hunt only to individuals who can demonstrate absence from the most recent big game hunting seasons for deer or elk due to active duty in the United States armed forces, national guard, or the reserves.

Provides that the season may be no longer than seven days and is limited to game management units, as that term is defined in chapter 232-28 WAC as existing on the effective date of this act, that provided deer and elk hunting opportunities during the previous general hunting season.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 3013 by Representatives Flannigan, Talcott, Quall, Pettigrew, Ormsby, Nixon, Green, Moeller, Kagi, Chase, Lantz, Anderson, Morrell, Simpson, Haigh, Kilmer, Santos, Hasegawa, and Kenney

Requiring an inventory of kindergarten readiness assessments.

Finds that the first-ever state survey of student readiness for kindergarten in Washington state in 2004 revealed a significant gap in children's readiness for school. Teachers reported that only forty-four percent of incoming kindergarten students were adequately prepared. Student preparedness tended to be much lower in classes with high rates of poverty.

Declares that, as the legislature adopts policies and increases investments to support early learning, it is critical to be able to measure over time whether kindergarten readiness increases in response to these efforts. The legislature needs to be accurately apprised of whether children are ready to succeed in school when they first enter kindergarten.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Conduct an inventory of the kindergarten readiness assessments used by school districts with incoming kindergarten students;

(2) Conduct an inventory of kindergarten readiness assessments used in other states or recommended by research; and

(3) Recommend to the legislature, for statewide adoption, a single culturally appropriate and inclusive kindergarten readiness assessment and a method for statewide data collection that will allow for data analysis and measurement of trends over time in kindergarten readiness. The assessment must measure prereading and premathematics skills.

Directs the office to report its findings and recommendations to the education committees of the legislature by December 1, 2006.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 3014 by Representatives O'Brien, Hankins, and B. Sullivan

Creating an extended authority commission for Washington state patrol officers.

Authorizes Washington state patrol officers to request that an extended authority commission be granted by the chief of the Washington state patrol.

Provides that state patrol officers who desire an extended authority commission shall request and complete an extended authority commission packet and satisfy the following requirements: (1) Acquire a Washington state-approved first aid certification card valid through the year of extended authority;

(2) Qualify with their firearm in accordance with Washington state patrol rules or guidelines;

(3) Must be under the age limit specified in RCW 43.43.250; and

(4) Pay a fee of fifty dollars to the Washington state patrol.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 3015 by Representatives Condotta, Kristiansen, and Hinkle

Reporting hunters' fuel consumption on nonhighway roads.

Directs the commission to annually collect information from hunters regarding the estimated number of miles driven and the consumption of fuel while hunting and

operating a motor vehicle or an off-road vehicle on nonhighway roads as defined in RCW 46.09.020.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 3016 by Representatives Simpson, Schindler, Takko, Ahern, Clibborn, Woods, B. Sullivan, Upthegrove, Chase, Kessler, Kilmer, and Springer

Requiring senate confirmation for members of the growth management hearings boards.

Requires senate confirmation for members of the growth management hearings boards.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 3017 by Representatives Springer, P. Sullivan, Upthegrove, Chase, Morrell, Simpson, Sells, Schual-Berke, Green, Kilmer, B. Sullivan, Linville, and Hasegawa; by request of Governor Gregoire and Commissioner of Public Lands

Reaffirming Washington state's eminent domain laws with a right of first refusal.

Recognizes, reaffirms, and supports the restrictions on the use of eminent domain to take private property for private use, as set forth in chapters 8.04, 8.08, 8.12, 8.16, and 8.20 RCW and in the Washington state supreme court's decisions of *Hogue v. Seattle*, 54 Wn.2d 799, 341 P.2d 171 (1959); *Miller v. Tacoma*, 61 Wn.2d 374, 378 P.2d 464 (1963); *In re Petition of Seattle*, 96 Wn.2d 616, 638 P.2d 549 (1981); and *State ex rel. Washington State Convention & Trade Center v. Evans*, 136 Wn.2d 811, 966 P.2d 1252 (1998).

Provides that if a state or local government determines that private property condemned for a public purpose no longer is necessary for a public purpose and should be sold, the owner of the property at the time it was condemned shall have a right of first refusal to purchase the property at fair market value as of the date the government announces its decision to sell the property. This right of first refusal shall expire ninety days from the date the state or local government notifies the owner of the government's decision to sell the property, or at any later date agreed to by the government. A right of refusal shall exist under this act for ten years after the completion of eminent domain proceedings.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 3018 by Representatives O'Brien and Kagi

Authorizing earned release credit in county alternative sentencing programs.

Authorizes earned release credit in county alternative sentencing programs.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 3019 by Representatives Haigh, Alexander, Dunshee, and B. Sullivan

Clarifying the role of a chief financial officer in a charter county.

Provides that each county auditor or financial officer designated in a charter county shall be ex officio deputy of the state auditor for the purpose of accounting and reporting on municipal corporations and in such capacity shall be under the direction of the state auditor, but he or she shall receive no additional salary or compensation by virtue thereof and shall perform no duties as such, except in connection with county business.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 3020 by Representatives Lovick, Hankins, Morrell, and Kagi; by request of Department of Transportation

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

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

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 3021 by Representatives Lantz, Serben, Campbell, Williams, Dickerson, Rodne, and Hudgins; by request of Board For Judicial Administration

Changing the election and appointment provisions for municipal court judges.

Revises the election and appointment provisions for municipal court judges.

Repeals RCW 3.50.055 and 3.50.070.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 3022 by Representative Green

Modifying the definition of manager under the civil service law.

Revises the definition of manager under the civil service law.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 3023 by Representatives Haigh, Hinkle, McCoy, Nixon, Simpson, Ericks, McDermott, Green, Miloscia, Morrell, Wallace, Lantz, and Kenney

Determining Washington state patrol background check fees.

Provides that no fee shall be charged for a records check of a volunteer fire fighter.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 3024 by Representatives Haigh, Cox, Ericks, Miloscia, Armstrong, McCoy, McDermott, Green, Morrell, Wallace, Nixon, Clements, Chase, and Linville

Increasing the number of demonstration projects that may be authorized by the school district project review board.

Increases the number of demonstration projects that may be authorized by the school district project review board from sixteen to twenty-three.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 3025 by Representatives McCune, Pearson, Dunn, Ahern, McDonald, Campbell, Holmquist, and Roach

Protecting good samaritans.

Declares that the following additional times shall be added to the standard sentence range if there has been a finding under this act that the victim of the crime stopped his or her vehicle while traveling on a public road to provide roadside assistance to the perpetrator of the crime, and the crime occurred while the victim was providing such assistance: (1) Eighteen months for assault in the first degree, assault in the second degree with a finding of sexual motivation, indecent liberties with forcible compulsion, manslaughter in the first degree, murder in the second degree, rape in the first degree, rape in the second degree, or robbery in the first degree;

(2) Twelve months for assault in the second degree with no finding of sexual motivation, indecent liberties without forcible compulsion, manslaughter in the second degree, or robbery in the second degree;

(3) Six months for assault in the third degree or rape in the third degree.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 3026 by Representatives Appleton, Sells, Jarrett, Lantz, Morrell, Ericks, Campbell, P. Sullivan, Green, Conway, Haigh, Strow, Kilmer, Santos, Springer, and Hudgins

Providing pay parity for part-time academic employees at community and technical colleges.

Provides pay parity for part-time academic employees at community and technical colleges.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Higher Ed & Workforce Ed.

HB 3027 by Representatives Chase and Green

Concerning persons with developmental disabilities or traumatic brain injury who commit crimes.

Declares an intent to transfer all individuals who meet the criteria specified in this act to Fircrest school, Seattle, King county.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 3028 by Representatives P. Sullivan, Cox, Quall, Hunt, Buri, Pearson, Ormsby, Fromhold, Anderson, Chase, Kessler, Lantz, Simpson, Sells, Appleton, Talcott, Green, Conway, Rodne, Woods, Morrell, Kilmer, B. Sullivan, Santos, Hasegawa, Kenney, and Hudgins

Requiring that a review of classified school employee funding be considered in the Washington Learns study.

Finds that classified school employees are an integral part of the K-12 school system of services and supports to our students. The public school system would not function without the significant contributions of these employees.

Declares that classified school employees also play a major role in developing supportive and caring relationships with our students of all ages. The legislature believes the contribution of classified school employees can and should be enhanced to help all of our students succeed in meeting state learning standards.

Declares that the legislature has reviewed a number of previous funding studies and conducted its own review of our state's funding of public schools. Now the governor is in the process of studying school funding under chapter 496, Laws of 2005 (Washington Learns).

Directs that the funding review by the Washington Learns steering committee include a thorough review of funding for classified school employees and that the Washington Learns steering committee report findings and recommendations that include recommendations on how classified school employees can enhance our students' abilities to meet state learning standards.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 3029 by Representatives Linville and Cox

Implementing the compensation and fringe benefit provisions in the master collective bargaining agreement.

Implements the compensation and fringe benefit provisions in the master collective bargaining agreement.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 3030 by Representatives Lantz, Fromhold, Hunter, Cox, Kilmer, Morrell, Schual-Berke, Green, Santos, and Kenney

Regarding the salary schedule for educational staff associate positions and vocational certified instructors.

Provides that, beginning in the 2006-07 school year, the determination of years of service for vocational certified instructors may include related nonschool experience for vocational certified instructors with a degree from an accredited institution of higher education that was attained before receiving a vocational certificate. A maximum of five years of service in nonschool positions may be included in the determination of years of service.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

- HB 3031** by Representatives Springer, Condotta, Cox, B. Sullivan, and Nixon
Modifying the provision for merchandising beer and wine.
Amends RCW 66.44.318 relating to the merchandising of beer and wine by employees between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one on or about a licensee's premises.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 18 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.
- HB 3032** by Representatives Pettigrew, Kretz, Grant, Cox, B. Sullivan, Clements, Haigh, and Linville
Changing livestock inspection fee provisions.
Revises livestock inspection fee provisions.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 18 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.
- HB 3033** by Representatives Pettigrew, Kristiansen, Grant, Kretz, Holmquist, Cox, B. Sullivan, Clements, Campbell, Haigh, Newhouse, and Linville
Creating an advisory committee to evaluate animal identification programs.
Creates an advisory committee to evaluate animal identification programs.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 18 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.
- HB 3034** by Representatives Chase, Upthegrove, Morrell, and Conway
Exempting certain textbooks from sales and use tax.
Exempts certain textbooks from sales and use tax.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 18 First reading, referred to Finance.
- HB 3035** by Representatives Williams, Rodne, and Campbell
Changing provisions regarding statutory costs.
Declares that, for purposes of awarding costs, including a statutory attorneys' fee, and except as provided in RCW 4.84.110 and 4.84.120, the plaintiff shall be considered the prevailing party if, after commencement of the action, the defendant tenders and the plaintiff accepts full or partial payment of the amounts sued for, and if before such tender and acceptance the plaintiff has in writing notified the defendant that full or partial payment of the amounts sued for may nevertheless result in an award of costs.
Provides that, in such case the plaintiff is entitled to its costs, and the court shall, upon the plaintiff's application, enter judgment for the plaintiff for costs, except such costs as are paid before entry of judgment.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 3036** by Representatives Lantz, Rodne, and Campbell
Concerning notices of dishonor.
Amends RCW 62A.3-540 relating to notices of dishonor.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 3037** by Representatives Pearson, Cox, McCune, Ericks, Sells, Campbell, P. Sullivan, Woods, Strow, Morrell, and Kilmer
Increasing the penalties for failure to register as a sex offender.
Increases the penalties for failure to register as a sex offender.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 18 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.
- HB 3038** by Representative Pearson
Concerning adding or replacing wells.
Amends RCW 90.44.100 relating to the construction of replacement or additional wells.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 18 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.
- HB 3039** by Representatives McCoy, Eickmeyer, Sump, Chase, Appleton, and B. Sullivan
Reducing nitrogen discharges into an aquatic rehabilitation zone.
Provides that, before issuing or renewing a permit for a sewage system within an aquatic rehabilitation zone established under RCW 90.88.010(2), the department shall ensure that the system removes nitrogen from the wastewater to the fullest extent practical. The department shall specify conditions in each permit necessary to ensure that nitrogen removal is effective. This requirement must be implemented without requiring rule making by the department.
Provides that existing permittees under RCW 90.48.160 and 90.48.162 that operate a sewage system within an aquatic rehabilitation zone established under RCW 90.88.010(2), may have a compliance schedule established by the department to adopt nitrogen removal treatment. The compliance schedule must be as short as possible and may not extend beyond January 1, 2014. Any new system or replacement system permitted after the effective date of this act must install nitrogen removing treatment before a permit may be granted.
-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 18 First reading, referred to Select Committee on Hood Canal.
- HB 3040** by Representatives McCoy, Eickmeyer, Sump, Chase, Appleton, and B. Sullivan
Certifying on-site sewage disposal system maintenance service providers.

Finds that on-going competent operation, monitoring, and maintenance of an on-site sewage disposal system is necessary for the protection of the consumers' health and the environment, and therefore it is of vital interest to the public.

Finds that to protect the public health and conserve and protect the water resources of the state, it is necessary to require the examination and certification of the persons responsible for providing technical maintenance of such systems and to provide for the adoption of rules to carry out this act.

Requires the director to adopt rules as necessary for the administration of a system to certify persons who provide, for a fee, operation, monitoring, and maintenance services for on-site sewage disposal systems. The rules must include provisions establishing minimum qualifications and procedures for the certification of on-site sewage system maintenance service providers and criteria for determining the kind and nature of continuing educational requirements for renewal of certification, if any.

Authorizes the department to establish different levels of certification for maintenance service providers that account for varying levels of system complexity or geographical requirements due to soil types or other conditions.

Provides that any person violating a provision of this act may be fined up to two hundred fifty dollars per day.

Directs the department to adopt rules for carrying out the provisions of this act in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW.

Requires that the department shall develop the rules required to implement this act with the advice of a committee composed of members from agencies, professions, organizations, and individuals having knowledge and interest in on-site sewage system operation, monitoring, and maintenance.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 3041 by Representatives Alexander, Nixon, Haigh, Darnelle, and P. Sullivan

Modifying voter registration timelines.

Revises voter registration timelines.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 3042 by Representatives Green, Conway, Simpson, Williams, Morrell, and Hasegawa

Providing industrial insurance compensation for medical treatment received at personal expense.

Provides that, if the department has made a medical coverage decision denying the request of a worker entitled to benefits under Title 51 RCW for coverage of a particular medical or surgical treatment under RCW 51.36.010 and the worker subsequently receives the medical or surgical treatment at personal expense, by using private insurance, or by using any other means, the department or self-insurer, as the case may be, shall reimburse the payor for the cost of the medical or surgical treatment and shall pay the treating provider any remaining balance, unpaid by the

worker, if the worker has provided: (1) Adequate documentation of the medical or surgical treatment performed for a condition accepted by the department or self-insurer, as the case may be; and

(2) Medical evidence that shows that his or her condition has reasonably improved after the medical or surgical treatment is completed.

Provides that, upon request of the treating provider, the department must authorize coverage for a test on an individual worker entitled to benefits under this title of a medical or surgical treatment approved by the United States food and drug administration and considered the standard of care throughout the medical community.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 3043 by Representative Williams

Specifying state board of health rules applicable to family day-care providers.

Provides that the state board may not adopt rules requiring family day-care provider facilities to comply with Group B public water system requirements, or that have the effect of requiring family day-care provider facilities to comply with Group B public water system requirements, if the facilities: (1) Serve twelve or fewer children; and

(2) Are located in an area zoned for residential or commercial use.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 3044 by Representatives Conway, Chase, Hasegawa, Ormsby, Simpson, Dickerson, Morrell, Green, Sells, Appleton, Cody, and Schual-Berke

Protecting Washington businesses and consumers from rising oil costs.

Recognizes that there is a need to assure that motor fuel and other petroleum products are available at fair prices to all consumers in Washington. Although oil companies are entitled to receive a fair return on their investments, they should be discouraged from using natural disasters, emergencies, or other events to dramatically increase profitability by raising prices to Washington consumers.

Recognizes that prices and availability of petroleum impact the economy of the state and the quality of life for Washington residents. It is the intent of the legislature to require oil companies to disclose certain materially significant information in order to protect consumers and businesses from rising costs.

Provides that no change shall be made in any price for petroleum products contained in a schedule filed by an oil company in compliance with this act without filing prior notice to the commission, in the form the commission prescribes, stating the changes to be made to the schedule then in force.

Requires the commission to provide oil companies with the ability to file notices at any point in time throughout the year.

Provides that any oil company that violates or fails to comply with the provisions of this act is subject to a civil penalty of not less than two thousand dollars for each violation or failure to comply.

Authorizes the attorney general to bring an action in the name of the state against any oil company to restrain and prevent the doing of any act prohibited or declared unlawful in this act. The attorney general may, in the discretion of the court, recover the costs of an action, including reasonable attorneys' fees. The court may make such additional orders or judgments as may be necessary to restore to any person in interest any moneys or property, real or personal, which may have been acquired by means of an act prohibited or declared to be unlawful in this act.

Declares that nothing in this act limits the power of the state to punish any oil company for any conduct that constitutes a crime by statute or at common law.

Requires every oil company subject to regulation by the commission to, by April 1st of each year, file with the commission a statement on oath showing its gross operating revenue from intrastate operations for the preceding calendar year.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Technology,
Energy & Communications.

HB 3045 by Representatives Conway, Ormsby, and Simpson

Regulating the trade of fire protection sprinkler fitting.

Regulates the trade of fire protection sprinkler fitting.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Commerce &
Labor.

HB 3046 by Representatives P. Sullivan, Newhouse, Grant, Kristiansen, Quall, Armstrong, Blake, Haler, Wallace, Skinner, Clibborn, Chandler, Condotta, Kessler, Morrell, Simpson, Conway, Kirby, Sells, Rodne, Kilmer, and Linville

Establishing the Washington beer commission.

Declares that: (1) Marketing is a dynamic and changing part of Washington agriculture and a vital element in expanding the state economy;

(2) The sale in this state and export to other states and abroad of beer made in this state contribute substantial benefits to the economy of the state and provide a large number of jobs and sizeable tax revenues;

(3) The production of beer in this state is a new and important segment of Washington agriculture that has potential for greater contribution to the economy of the state if it undergoes continued development; and

(4) The general welfare of the people of this state will be served by continued development of the activities of the production of beer, that will improve the tax bases of local communities where agricultural land and processing facilities are located, and reduce the need for state and federal funding of local services. The industries are therefore affected with the public interest.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Economic
Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 3047 by Representatives Uptegrove and Orcutt

Modifying tangible personal property and services included in the definition of retail sale.

Revises tangible personal property and services included in the definition of retail sale.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3048 by Representatives Moeller and Darneille; by request of Uniform Legislation Commission

Changing the effective date of the uniform interstate family support act.

Changes the effective date of the uniform interstate family support act to January 1, 2007.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Juvenile Justice
& Family Law.

HB 3049 by Representatives Morrell, Green, Cody, Santos, Appleton, Schual-Berke, Conway, and Kenney

Requiring surveys of health professions work force supply and demographics.

Requires that, every two years the department, in collaboration with the work force training and education coordinating board, shall distribute survey questions for the purpose of gathering data related to work force supply and demographics to all health care providers who are credentialed by a disciplining authority under RCW 18.130.040 and to any individual enrolled in training to become credentialed by a disciplining authority under RCW 18.130.040.

Requires the department to process the surveys that it receives in such a way that the identity of individual providers remains anonymous. Data elements related to the identification of individual providers shall be confidential and shall be exempt from chapter 42.56 RCW, except as provided in a data-sharing agreement approved by the department pursuant to this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 3050 by Representatives Morrell, Green, Cody, Appleton, Uptegrove, Hasegawa, Kenney, and Hudgins

Requiring multicultural education for health professionals.

Requires each education program with a curriculum to train health professionals for employment in a profession credentialed by a disciplining authority under chapter 18.130 RCW to require a course in multicultural health as part of its basic education preparation curriculum.

Directs each health professional regulatory authority authorized to establish continuing education requirements to adopt rules that provide continuing education training in multicultural health. Each such health professional regulatory authority shall consult with a knowledgeable entity within a state institution of higher education specializing in health disparities and multicultural care or with the department of health in the development of these rules.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 3051 by Representatives Kristiansen, Linville, Dunn, P. Sullivan, Strow, Chase, Morrell, Ericks, Sells, Rodne, Kilmer, B. Sullivan, Newhouse, and Springer

Providing tax incentives to promote statewide job creation.
Provides tax incentives to promote statewide job creation.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 3052 by Representatives Clibborn, Wallace, Jarrett, and Ericks

Introducing federal law preemption in regulating train speeds.

Amends RCW 81.48.030 and 81.48.040 relating to the jurisdiction of regulating train speeds.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 3053 by Representatives Schindler, Sump, Kristiansen, Cox, McDonald, Crouse, Krettz, Serben, Buck, and Roach

Requiring portions of services and activities fees to be itemized and voluntary.

Declares that services and activities fees used for purposes other than those in this act are voluntary. The proportionate amount of the services and activities fees assessed for each voluntary purpose shall be itemized on each student's billing statement. The statement shall provide a method for students to designate those purposes and their respective fees that the student wishes to include in his or her services and activities fees.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Higher Ed & Workforce Ed.

HB 3054 by Representatives Priest, Chase, and Anderson

Requiring a revised definition of the purpose and expectations for high school diplomas.

Finds that, in 1993, Washington state embarked on an ambitious path to establish statewide standards for the knowledge, skills, and abilities that all students should know and be able to do before graduating from high school. The intent of Washington's education reform was to focus on the competencies desired of students at graduation. Since that time, a great deal of effort has gone into developing and implementing the state's essential academic learning requirements, grade level expectations, and statewide assessment system.

Finds that high school graduation requirements remain focused on accumulation of credits, taking a set of required courses, and achieving a particular score on a single assessment of learning. Furthermore, there is not a consensus within the state as to the overall purpose of the high school diploma and what accomplishment it is intended to signify. Therefore, the legislature intends to direct a critical reevaluation and redefinition of the high school diploma in Washington.

Requires the state board of education to submit the proposed revised definition of the high school diploma, along with any necessary revisions to state statutes and rules, to the education committees of the legislature by December 1, 2007.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 3055 by Representatives Williams and Hunt

Placing restrictions and obligations on agency personal service contracts.

Provides that an agency may procure personal services only if procedures are in place to monitor, audit, and enforce the terms of the contract and the agency can report on the status and results of the contract upon request.

Requires an agency to establish a contract review committee to ensure compliance with the requirements under this act and RCW 39.29.100 and 41.06.142 to assist in preparing the proposal or personal service contract. The committee must have representation from all staffing levels.

Requires an agency, through the contract review committee, to establish and include in any proposal for purchase of personal services and subsequent contract written criteria regarding those terms of the contract for which a breach in performance requires the cancellation of the contract and the procurement of a new contract under this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 3056 by Representatives Takko, Woods, Clibborn, B. Sullivan, and Springer

Allowing second class cities and towns to pay claims by check or warrant.

Authorizes second class cities and towns to pay claims by check or warrant.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 3057 by Representatives Green, Nixon, Hunt, Sump, Miloscia, Haigh, Schual-Berke, and Morrell; by request of Secretary of State

Modifying address confidentiality program provisions.

Revises address confidentiality program provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 3058 by Representatives Green, Nixon, Haigh, Hunt, and Lantz; by request of Secretary of State

Updating public records provisions.

Establishes the division of archives and records management in the office of the secretary of state to ensure the proper management and safeguarding of public records. All public records remain the property of the state

of Washington. Public records must be delivered by outgoing officials and employees to their successors and must be retained, preserved, stored, transferred, destroyed, or disposed of in accordance with chapter 40.14 RCW. The state archivist will administer the division and must have reasonable access to all public records, wherever kept, for the purposes of information, surveying, or cataloging.

Provides that public records shall not be disposed of or destroyed until the expiration of applicable retention periods on records retention schedules approved by the state or local records committee. Unless otherwise provided by state or federal law, rule, or regulation, retention periods approved for records series that serve as primary documentation of official actions, transactions, contracts, or agreements must be at least six years.

Declares that nothing in chapter 40.14 RCW prohibits a legislator or legislative employee from contributing his or her personal papers to any private library, public library, or the state archives. The state archivist is authorized to receive papers of legislators and legislative employees and is directed to encourage the donation of such personal papers to the state. The state archivist is authorized to establish such guidelines and procedures for the collection of personal papers and correspondence relating to the legislature as the archivist sees fit. Legislators and legislative employees are encouraged to contribute their personal papers to the state for preservation.

Declares that it shall be the duty of the chief clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary of the senate to advise the party caucuses in each house concerning the necessity to keep public records. The state archivist or his or her representative shall work with the chief clerk and secretary to provide information and instructions on the best method for keeping legislative records.

Repeals provisions of chapter 40.14 RCW.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 3059 by Representatives Grant, Condotta, Cody, and Kessler

Clarifying the application of taxes to the financial activities of professional employer organizations.

Clarifies the application of taxes to the financial activities of professional employer organizations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3060 by Representatives Grant and Condotta

Recognizing professional employer organizations.

Finds that: (1) Professional employer organizations provide a valuable service to commerce and the citizens of this state by increasing the opportunities of employers to develop cost-effective methods of satisfying their personnel requirements and providing employees with access to certain employment benefits which might otherwise not be available to them;

(2) Professional employer organizations operating in this state should be properly recognized; and

(3) Any allocation of the employer duties and responsibilities pursuant to this act shall preserve all rights

to which covered employees would be entitled under a traditional employment relationship.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 3061 by Representatives Dunn, Armstrong, Sump, Ahern, McCune, Roach, Campbell, and Alexander

Providing excise tax exemptions for hands-free wireless communications devices.

Provides excise tax exemptions for hands-free wireless communications devices.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3062 by Representatives Dunn, Armstrong, Sump, Ahern, Holmquist, McCune, Roach, Campbell, Alexander, Condotta, Kristiansen, and Woods

Reducing taxes imposed on the provision of physical fitness services.

Reduces taxes imposed on the provision of physical fitness services.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3063 by Representatives Bailey, Alexander, Woods, Talcott, McCune, and Ericksen

Creating unfunded liabilities stabilization accounts within the public employees' retirement system plan 1 and teachers' retirement system plan 1 funds.

Creates unfunded liabilities stabilization accounts within the public employees' retirement system plan 1 and teachers' retirement system plan 1 funds.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 3064 by Representatives Bailey, Morrell, Dunn, Kilmer, Strow, Green, Skinner, Hinkle, Kretz, Orcutt, Anderson, Darneille, Rodne, Woods, Talcott, Santos, and McCune

Concerning eligibility for services to children and pregnant women.

Finds that military allowances are disbursements of money provided for specific needs, such as food, housing, and clothing.

Finds that the military basic allowance for housing is intended to substitute for government-provided housing that is no longer provided as a result of privatization.

Finds that the basic allowance for housing is not counted for federal income tax purposes and cannot be considered when determining family income for a child's eligibility for free and reduced priced meals in the public schools.

Finds that maternity support programs can be an effective means of prevention and early intervention, especially those support programs utilizing nurse home visitation services.

Finds that while military families have access to basic health care services, they generally do not receive maternity support services.

Declares an intent to promote continued access to maternity support services by low-income military families.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Children & Family Services.

HB 3065 by Representatives Pearson, Shabro, and Woods

Ensuring protection of persons and property.

Provides that a person who is not engaged in an unlawful activity and who is attacked in a place where he or she has a right to be should have no duty to retreat and should have the right to stand his or her ground and meet force with defensive force, including deadly force in certain circumstances.

Declares it is proper for law-abiding persons to protect themselves, their families, and other innocent persons from intruders and attackers without fear of prosecution or civil action for acting in the lawful defense of themselves and others.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 3066 by Representatives Lantz, Rodne, and Campbell

Modifying the definition of an "account receivable" for purposes of commencing an action.

Declares that, for purposes of this act, an account receivable is any obligation for payment incurred in the ordinary course of the claimant's business or profession, whether arising from one or more transactions and whether or not earned by performance.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 3067 by Representatives Roach, Kirby, Newhouse, Ericks, Sells, P. Sullivan, Green, Rodne, Woods, Strow, Morrell, and B. Sullivan

Addressing identity theft.

Declares an intent to enable financial institutions and merchants, to the extent permitted by federal law, to exchange information to prevent, detect, deter, and assist in the prosecution of financial fraud, bank robbery, money laundering, identity theft, and other financial crimes.

Requires the fraud alert network and its participants to notify the public regarding the existence of the fraud alert network and how it functions. This notice must include a description of the purpose of the network, how the network shares information, the types of information furnished to the network, how consumer complaints may be registered, and the procedures available to an individual for the correction or removal of incomplete, inaccurate, or erroneous information.

Provides that, by January 1, 2007, and again by January 1, 2008, the organizing body representing participants in the fraud alert network shall provide a comprehensive written report to the house financial institutions and

insurance committee and the senate committee on financial institutions, housing, and consumer protection regarding the implementation of this act.

Appropriates the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the attorney general for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4218 by Representatives McDonald, Alexander, Haler, Hinkle, Armstrong, Sump, Orcutt, Dunn, Newhouse, Ahern, Holmquist, McCune, Ericksen, Serben, Kristiansen, Roach, Bailey, Nixon, Anderson, Condotta, Shabro, Woods, Strow, and Pearson

Placing restrictions on tax increases.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution placing restrictions on tax increases.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Finance.

HJR 4219 by Representatives Alexander, Orcutt, Haler, Dunn, Armstrong, Clements, McDonald, Shabro, Sump, Hinkle, Holmquist, Ahern, Newhouse, McCune, Ericksen, Serben, Kristiansen, Bailey, Roach, Nixon, Anderson, Campbell, Condotta, Woods, Strow, and Pearson

Placing limitations on state expenditures.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to place limitations on state expenditures.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HJR 4220 by Representatives Anderson, Alexander, Haler, McDonald, Armstrong, Orcutt, Dunn, Sump, Newhouse, Clements, Ahern, Hinkle, Ericksen, Bailey, Roach, Kristiansen, Holmquist, Nixon, Campbell, Condotta, Shabro, Serben, Rodne, Woods, Strow, McCune, and Pearson

Creating the required reserve fund.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to create the required reserve fund.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

Senate Bills

SB 6643 by Senators Kastama, Roach, Kline, Benton, Keiser, Fairley, Fraser, Haugen, and Rasmussen

Authorizing additional payroll deductions for state employees.

Authorizes additional payroll deductions for state employees.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6644 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, and Kline

Deducting union dues for state employees.

Authorizes deducting union dues for state employees.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6645 by Senators Kline, Benton, Keiser, Fairley, Fraser, and Haugen

Regulating distribution of communications by state employees.

Declares that nothing in chapter 42.52 RCW prohibits a state employee from distributing communications from an employee organization or charitable organization to other state employees if the communications do not support or oppose a ballot proposition or candidate for state or local public office.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6646 by Senators Doumit, Parlette, Sheldon, Swecker, and Rasmussen

Regarding outdoor burning in areas of small towns and cities.

Amends RCW 70.94.743 relating to outdoor burning in areas of small towns and cities.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6647 by Senator Fairley

Resolving disputes involving manufactured/mobile homes.

Provides that landlords and park owners may participate in voluntary training offered by the department. The department is required to develop and implement a voluntary training program for landlords and park owners that must include at a minimum: Information on the applicable state statutes and regulations relating to mobile homes and manufactured communities, as well as information on developing and improving basic communication and dispute resolution skills.

Requires the department to continually maintain and update a data base, in which the following information is contained at a minimum: (1) The number of complaints received;

(2) The nature and extent of the complaints received; and

(3) Complaint investigation outcomes.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 6648 by Senator Fairley

Addressing disputes regarding manufactured/mobile homes.

Declares that this act is created for the purpose of protecting the public, fostering fair and honest competition, and regulating the factors unique to the relationship between the manufactured/mobile home owner and park owner.

Declares an intent to provide a less costly and more efficient way for manufactured/mobile home owners and park owners to resolve disputes, and to provide a mechanism for state authorities to quickly locate owners of manufactured housing communities. The legislature further intends to authorize the department of community, trade, and economic development to: (1) Register mobile home parks or manufactured housing communities;

(2) Maintain and update its current ombudsman program by retaining the necessary staffing level of hired or contracted persons used to operate and implement the program under chapter 429, Laws of 2005; and

(3) Collect and report upon data related to conflicts and violations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 6649 by Senators Morton and Sheldon

Excluding counties of thirteen thousand people or less from both budget limitations for day labor construction programs and publication requirements.

Excludes counties of thirteen thousand people or less from both budget limitations for day labor construction programs and publication requirements.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6650 by Senators Morton, Mulliken, and Sheldon

Authorizing the allowance of off-road vehicle use in small cities.

Provides that cities with a population of less than three thousand persons may adopt regulations allowing for the operation of off-road vehicles on streets or highways within its boundaries, even if the regulations are less stringent than the provisions of chapter 46.09 RCW.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6651 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Kline, Regala, and Fraser

Modifying provisions relating to voting rights for incarcerated felons.

Finds that: (1) The system for determining how, when, and where former felons have their right to vote restored is contributing to uncertainty about the validity of the election process, and local county clerks and auditors find it impossible to access clear information about this determination;

(2) Washington currently denies the right to vote to all persons who have not fully completed all conditions of

their sentence, including full payment of their legal financial obligations;

(3) Responsibility for monitoring compliance with the various conditions of the sentence is placed at various times with the department of corrections, the county clerk, and the sentencing judge; and

(4) The current system for determining when the right to vote has been restored takes away time from the other important duties of the county clerks, county auditors, and secretary of state's staff.

Declares an intent to establish a clear standard for restricting and restoring the voting rights of felons that will provide clear information about the status of former felon voting rights to all state and local election officials.

Repeals RCW 10.64.021.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6652 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Kline, Fraser, and Keiser

Protecting victims of human trafficking.

Creates the Washington state task force against the trafficking of persons to provide Washington leaders the information needed to respond comprehensively and efficiently to the crime of human trafficking and to provide services to victims of human trafficking.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6653 by Senators Kastama, Roach, Fairley, and Benton; by request of Secretary of State

Modifying address confidentiality program provisions.

Revises address confidentiality program provisions.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6654 by Senators Haugen and Kline; by request of Board For Judicial Administration

Modifying photo enforcement of traffic infraction provisions.

Provides that infractions generated by the use of photo enforcement systems under this act shall be processed in the same manner as parking infractions, including for the purposes of RCW 3.46.120, 3.50.100, 35.20.220, 46.16.216, and 46.20.270(3).

Declares that the penalty for infractions issued under this act shall be forty dollars.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6655 by Senators Fraser and Pridemore; by request of Board For Judicial Administration

Revising retirement benefits for judges.

Revises retirement benefits for judges.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6656 by Senators Kastama, Mulliken, and Rasmussen

Revising snowmobile operation provisions.

Amends RCW 46.10.020 relating to operating unregistered snowmobiles.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6657 by Senators Keiser, Roach, and Kohl-Welles

Regarding checks for employees of bureau of Indian affairs-funded schools.

Provides employees and applicants for employment of federal bureau of Indian affairs-funded schools may use the process in RCW 28A.400.303 for record checks. Any costs incurred under this provision shall be borne by the requesting entity.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 6658 by Senators Thibaudeau and Deccio

Revising experience requirements for licensed mental health counselors.

Amends RCW 18.225.090 to modify experience requirements for licensed mental health counselors.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6659 by Senator Swecker

Creating a full-time state legislature.

Declares that, in the twenty-first century, members of the legislature are confronted with increased complexity of issues facing the legislature, increased demands for their time, increased accountability standards, and the resulting difficulty in meeting public obligations while having to earn a second income to support their families.

Provides that, in order for service in the state legislature to remain open to all segments of society, and in order for legislators to have the time to develop expertise in the complex areas addressed by the legislature, a full-time state legislature is needed. A full-time state legislature will allow members to devote their talents and energies to accomplishing the work of the people, and avoid conflicts or apparent conflicts between the member's private interests and official responsibilities.

Declares that this act is not intended to extend or otherwise change the current length or frequency of regular sessions, or of interim committee meeting schedules. It is also not intended to increase staff size. It is intended to give the members the financial freedom to commit their time completely to their public duties.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6660 by Senator Spanel

Implementing the compensation and fringe benefit provisions in the master collective bargaining agreement.

Implements the compensation and fringe benefit provisions in the master collective bargaining agreement.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6661 by Senators Rasmussen, Esser, Jacobsen, Schoesler, and Kohl-Welles

Establishing the Washington beer commission.

Declares that: (1) Marketing is a dynamic and changing part of Washington agriculture and a vital element in expanding the state economy;

(2) The sale in this state and export to other states and abroad of beer made in this state contribute substantial benefits to the economy of the state and provide a large number of jobs and sizeable tax revenues;

(3) The production of beer in this state is a new and important segment of Washington agriculture that has potential for greater contribution to the economy of the state if it undergoes continued development; and

(4) The general welfare of the people of this state will be served by continued development of the activities of the production of beer, that will improve the tax bases of local communities where agricultural land and processing facilities are located, and reduce the need for state and federal funding of local services. The industries are therefore affected with the public interest.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 6662 by Senators Weinstein, Esser, Finkbeiner, and Rasmussen; by request of Secretary of State

Modifying provisions on charitable solicitations and charitable trusts.

Revises provisions on charitable solicitations and charitable trusts.

Repeals RCW 19.09.095.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6663 by Senators Schmidt, Sheldon, Stevens, Pridemore, Esser, Delvin, Jacobsen, Mulliken, and Kline

Allowing motorcycle operators to navigate around traffic under certain circumstances.

Provides that, when traffic is stopped or slowed to less than ten miles per hour, an operator of a motorcycle may overtake and pass slowed or stopped vehicles by use of a breakdown or access lane at a speed not exceeding twenty miles per hour. When using a breakdown lane or access lane under these circumstances, the operator of a motorcycle shall yield to both emergency vehicles and disabled vehicles.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6664 by Senators Kastama, Oke, Rasmussen, Carrell, Shin, Benson, Hargrove, Esser, Jacobsen, Roach, Sheldon, and Swecker

Establishing a pilot program for family counseling.

Directs the secretary of the department of health to establish a pilot program to provide merit checks of no more than one hundred dollars to no more than four hundred fifty couples who complete a family preparation course. Matching funds may be used to increase the number of participants in the pilot program. The pilot program must begin no later than January 1, 2007, and continue for no more than five years, in a county with a population between seven hundred twenty thousand and one million.

Provides that, under the pilot program, a man and a woman who intend to apply for a marriage license may, together or separately, complete a family preparation course of not less than four hours with a family preparation course provider registered with the clerk of the county.

Appropriates the sum of forty-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the department of health for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6665 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Benton, Fairley, Schmidt, and Rasmussen

Aiding victims of personal information security breaches.

Provides that a consumer may elect to place a security freeze on his or her credit report by making a request in writing by certified mail to a consumer credit reporting agency. "Security freeze" means a notice placed in a consumer's credit report, at the request of the consumer and subject to certain exceptions, that prohibits the consumer credit reporting agency from releasing the consumer's credit report or any information from it without the express authorization of the consumer.

Requires a consumer credit reporting agency to place a security freeze on a consumer's credit report no later than five business days after receiving a written request from the consumer.

Requires the consumer credit reporting agency to send a written confirmation of the security freeze to the consumer within ten business days and shall provide the consumer with a unique personal identification number or password to be used by the consumer when providing authorization for the release of his or her credit for a specific party or period of time.

Requires credit reporting agencies to provide data to the attorney general on an annual basis regarding the number of Washington state consumers who utilize a security freeze. The attorney general must make this data available to the legislature and the public upon request, in a manner selected by the attorney general.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 6666 by Senators Thibaudeau and Deccio

Creating the board of dental hygiene.
Creates the board of dental hygiene.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6667 by Senators McCaslin and Deccio

Prohibiting smoking within ten feet rather than twenty-five feet of public places or places of employment.

Prohibits smoking within ten feet rather than twenty-five feet of public places or places of employment.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6668 by Senators Kastama, Roach, Fairley, and Honeyford; by request of Secretary of State

Updating public records provisions.

Establishes the division of archives and records management in the office of the secretary of state to ensure the proper management and safeguarding of public records. All public records remain the property of the state of Washington. Public records must be delivered by outgoing officials and employees to their successors and must be retained, preserved, stored, transferred, destroyed, or disposed of in accordance with chapter 40.14 RCW. The state archivist will administer the division and must have reasonable access to all public records, wherever kept, for the purposes of information, surveying, or cataloging.

Provides that public records shall not be disposed of or destroyed until the expiration of applicable retention periods on records retention schedules approved by the state or local records committee. Unless otherwise provided by state or federal law, rule, or regulation, retention periods approved for records series that serve as primary documentation of official actions, transactions, contracts, or agreements must be at least six years.

Declares that nothing in chapter 40.14 RCW prohibits a legislator or legislative employee from contributing his or her personal papers to any private library, public library, or the state archives. The state archivist is authorized to receive papers of legislators and legislative employees and is directed to encourage the donation of such personal papers to the state. The state archivist is authorized to establish such guidelines and procedures for the collection of personal papers and correspondence relating to the legislature as the archivist sees fit. Legislators and legislative employees are encouraged to contribute their personal papers to the state for preservation.

Declares that it shall be the duty of the chief clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary of the senate to advise the party caucuses in each house concerning the necessity to keep public records. The state archivist or his or her representative shall work with the chief clerk and secretary to provide information and instructions on the best method for keeping legislative records.

Repeals provisions of chapter 40.14 RCW.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6669 by Senators Roach, Pflug, Benson, Morton, Schmidt, Schoesler, Zarelli, Parlette, Hewitt, and Mulliken

Establishing eligibility for the special sex offender sentencing alternative.

Establishes eligibility for the special sex offender sentencing alternative.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6670 by Senators Shin, Delvin, Fraser, Hargrove, and Johnson

Changing court filing fee provisions.

Provides that any party filing a counterclaim, cross-claim, or third-party claim in an unlawful detainer action under chapter 59.18 or 59.20 RCW shall pay the equivalent to the total filing fee of an unlawful detainer action pursuant to RCW 36.18.020, including the fee for an unlawful detainer answer.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6671 by Senators Doumit, Delvin, Rasmussen, and Parlette

Clarifying the application of taxes to the financial activities of professional employer organizations.

Clarifies the application of taxes to the financial activities of professional employer organizations.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6672 by Senators Doumit, Delvin, Rasmussen, and Parlette

Recognizing professional employer organizations.

Finds that: (1) Professional employer organizations provide a valuable service to commerce and the citizens of this state by increasing the opportunities of employers to develop cost-effective methods of satisfying their personnel requirements and providing employees with access to certain employment benefits which might otherwise not be available to them;

(2) Professional employer organizations operating in this state should be properly recognized; and

(3) Any allocation of the employer duties and responsibilities pursuant to this act shall preserve all rights to which covered employees would be entitled under a traditional employment relationship.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 6673 by Senators Benton, Sheldon, Esser, Rasmussen, Oke, Shin, and Schoesler

Modifying the valuation of motor vehicles for use taxation.

Finds that motor vehicle sales between private parties often involve transactions of motor vehicles where sales or use tax has already been paid.

Finds that requiring the payment of use tax whenever a transfer of ownership for a motor vehicle occurs is multiple taxation on the same product. This act is intended to reduce the use tax burden on sales of motor vehicles between private parties by requiring that the purchase price be used for measure of use tax liability.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6674 by Senator Oke

Requiring that funds collected from construction of the second Tacoma Narrows bridge be deposited in the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account.

Requires that funds collected from construction of the second Tacoma Narrows bridge be deposited in the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6675 by Senator Oke

Limiting the use of state park day-use access fees.

Proposes that fees for park day-use access may only be charged when the net proceeds after the costs of collection are used for deferred maintenance or capital projects. For the purposes of this act, "costs of collection" includes the time spent by state parks personnel on fee education, custodial and maintenance work, and visitor services in addition to their fee collection duties.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 6676 by Senators Roach, Kline, Mulliken, Fairley, and Rasmussen

Prohibiting fraudulent transfers of motor vehicles.

Provides that every person who fraudulently transfers a motor vehicle to another without the other person's knowledge shall be guilty of fraudulent transfer of a motor vehicle and shall be punished as follows: (1) Where the victim incurred damages in an amount less than two hundred fifty dollars, the defendant is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

(2) Where the victim incurred damages in an amount exceeding two hundred fifty dollars, the defendant is guilty of a class C felony.

(3) Where the victim incurred damages in an amount exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars, the defendant is guilty of a class B felony.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6677 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Johnson, McAuliffe, and Finkbeiner

Describing how medical test sites must calculate glomerular filtration rates.

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

requesting the test. The test site must include the patient's glomerular filtration rate with its report to the patient's health care professional.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6678 by Senators Carrell and Stevens

Concerning adult family homes.

Establishes a goal to avoid over-concentration of adult family homes which would be inconsistent with the objective of integrating residents into the general community.

Requires the department to consult with the municipalities to develop rules and standards appropriate to the infrastructure and basic services available in the municipalities, communities, and neighborhoods in which adult family homes are located, and the setting of adult family homes.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6679 by Senator Haugen

Introducing federal law preemption in regulating train speeds.

Amends RCW 81.48.030 and 81.48.040 relating to the jurisdiction of regulating train speeds.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6680 by Senators Brandland, Haugen, and Rasmussen

Implementing a biometric matching system for driver's licenses and identicards.

Requires that, no later than two years after full implementation of the provisions of Title II of P.L. 109-13, improved security for driver's licenses and personal identification cards (Real ID), as passed by Congress May 10, 2005, the department shall implement a voluntary biometric matching system for driver's licenses and identicards.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6681 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Pridemore, Brown, and Fairley

Regulating public school policies on access to students and student information.

Requires the board of directors of each school district to by September 1, 2006, establish policies and procedures for: (1) Allowing parents or guardians to prohibit the release of their student's directory information, records, and data to public and private institutions, organizations, and employers. This policy shall extend to the students' names, addresses, phone numbers, social security numbers, birthdates, directory information, and other identifying data;

(2) Providing, at a minimum, separate "opt out" categories for release of directory information, data, and

records for educational, vocational, career, military, and volunteer recruitment purposes. Parents and guardians shall be provided with an "opt out" form within the first fifteen days of a new school year;

(3) Providing thirty days from delivery of the "opt out" form to parents and guardians in allowing parents and guardians to return their choices to the school district. School districts are prohibited from releasing student directory information, data, or records to recruiting organizations from the close of the previous school year until forty-five days after the release of the "opt out" form to parents and guardians. Separate comparable provisions shall be made for summer school enrollees.

Requires the board of directors of each school district to by September 1, 2006, establish a policy and procedure requiring on-campus or visiting recruiters to either provide in advance for an adult school staff person or volunteer to be present when the recruiter is with the individual student, or submit a criminal records background check from both the Washington state police and federal bureau of investigation consistent with RCW 28A 400.303. In the case of military recruiters, the background check shall also require a letter from the department of defense relating to the recruiters' record under the uniform code of military justice and crimes recorded under other jurisdictions.

Requires the board of directors of each school district to by September 1, 2006, establish a policy and procedure for disciplining recruiters who engage in dishonest, unscrupulous, or deceptive recruiting practices.

Requires the board of directors of each school district to by September 1, 2006, establish a policy and procedure prohibiting recruiters from taking students off-campus during school hours or meeting students after school hours without written parental or guardian consent.

Provides that recruiters who take students off-campus during school hours without parental or guardian consent, or arrange to meet students after school hours without parental or guardian consent, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 6682 by Senators Kastama, Schmidt, McAuliffe, Rockefeller, Pflug, Weinstein, Rasmussen, Finkbeiner, and Poulsen

Increasing the number of demonstration projects that may be authorized by the school district project review board.

Increases the number of demonstration projects that may be authorized by the school district project review board from sixteen to twenty-three.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6683 by Senators Fairley, Pridemore, Thibaudeau, and Rasmussen

Concerning visitation rights for grandparents.

Recognizes that the recent Washington State Supreme Court decision in *In re Parentage of C.A.M.A.* found Washington's grandparent visitation statutes to be unconstitutional. It is the intent of the legislature to bring the law in line with the court's holding in that case, in order

to ensure that grandparents have a viable means of petitioning the court for visitation with their grandchildren. Repeals RCW 26.09.240.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6684 by Senator Swecker

Revising the provisions relating to abstracts of driving records.

Revises the provisions relating to abstracts of driving records.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6685 by Senators Regala, Brandland, Delvin, and Rasmussen

Establishing a council on mentally ill offenders.

Declares that the goal of the council is to investigate and promote cost-effective approaches to meeting the long-term needs of adults and juveniles with mental disorders who are likely to become offenders or who have a history of offending. The council shall: (1) Identify strategies for preventing adults and juveniles with mental health needs from becoming offenders;

(2) Identify strategies for improving the cost-effectiveness of services for adults and juveniles with mental health needs who have a history of offending; and

(3) Identify incentives to encourage state and local criminal justice, juvenile justice, and mental health programs to adopt cost-effective approaches for serving adults and juveniles with mental health needs who are likely to offend or who have a history of offending.

Directs the department of corrections to submit a biennium budget request in an amount of not less than two hundred thousand dollars in 2007 and each biennium budget request thereafter that the council on mentally ill offenders is operating and reporting as required to support the activities and work of the council.

Appropriates the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2007, from the general fund to the department of corrections for the purposes of funding the council on mentally ill offenders for the purposes of this act.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6686 by Senators Prentice, Esser, Kastama, Johnson, Kline, Finkbeiner, Weinstein, Keiser, and Berkey

Authorizing a local sales and use tax that is credited against the state sales and use tax.

Authorizes a local sales and use tax that is credited against the state sales and use tax.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6687 by Senators Fraser and Kline

Strengthening provisions governing ORV noise.

Finds that, as the population of Washington and the popularity of recreational off-road vehicle use have increased, a growing number of informal off-road vehicle tracks and riding areas have emerged in residential areas. Excessive noise generated by off-road vehicle use in such areas has affected the residents of nearby properties, impacting property values, health, and the ability of residents to enjoy peace and quiet in their homes and yards.

Finds that, despite their efforts, many of those who live in close proximity to informal off-road vehicle riding areas have been unable to prompt their local governments to address noise issues.

Declares an intent to strengthen provisions governing off-road vehicle noise and to provide tools and resources to state agencies, local government, and citizens, in order to better protect individuals from the effects of excessive off-road vehicle noise in residential areas.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

legislation to address issues relating to access to public and private lands for recreational off-road vehicle use.

Directs the working group to provide its policy strategies and legislative proposals to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the senate and house of representatives by December 31, 2006.

-- 2006 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 6688 by Senators Fraser and Kline

Concerning off-road vehicle noise.

Finds that, as the population of Washington and the popularity of recreational off-road vehicle use have increased, a growing number of informal off-road vehicle tracks and riding areas have emerged in residential areas. Excessive noise generated by off-road vehicle use in such areas has affected the residents of nearby properties, impacting property values, health, and the ability of residents to enjoy peace and quiet in their homes and yards.

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Directs the department of ecology to, by June 30, 2007:

- (1) Evaluate the adverse effects of off-road vehicle noise in residential areas; and

- (2) Revise the environmental noise rules and sound level measurement procedures adopted under chapter 70.107 RCW in order to: (a) Strengthen the decibel standards applied to off-road vehicle noise in order to address the adverse effects found by the department under this act; and (b) create alternative methods for the measurement of off-road vehicle sound levels or alternative environmental noise standards that would allow for the enforcement of noise standards without requiring the use of expensive equipment or a sophisticated measurement process.

Requires the municipal research council to, by June 30, 2007, develop model ordinance options for local governments, including options for public disturbance noise ordinances that do not require the use of a decibel meter for enforcement and options for decibel-based noise ordinances.

Directs the department of natural resources to convene a working group to develop and propose policy strategies and