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### House Bills

**HB 1076-S** by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Blake, Takko, B. Sullivan, and Moeller)

Creating a rockfish research program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to implement a targeted, short-term surcharge on commercial licenses issued by the department of fish and wildlife in 2008 through 2010 that provide for the retention or landing of groundfish, and a targeted, short-term surcharge on 2008 through 2010 recreational saltwater fishing licenses. Funds derived from the surcharge will be used by the department of fish and wildlife solely for the purpose of conducting rockfish research and stock assessments.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 15 Public hearing in committee.
- Jan 22 Executive session in committee.  
AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.
- Jan 25 Referred to Appropriations.

**HB 1686** by Representatives Kessler, Williams, Schual-Berke, Lantz, Appleton, Chase, Takko, Linville, Simpson, Morrell, Haler, Ericks, McIntire,

Darneille, Walsh, Dickerson, Green, Hasegawa, Conway, and Kenney

Concerning parent and child health services provided by the department of health.

Provides that, in order to promote healthy birth outcomes and reduce the number of unintended pregnancies, Washington state reaffirms its commitment to encourage health plan coverage of family planning as an essential component of the health care system and to provide public health funding for preventive family planning services for women and men with family incomes up to two hundred percent of the federal poverty level.

Provides that, within funds appropriated specifically for this purpose, the department of health shall provide, through its contracted local family planning agencies, family planning services to women and men in accordance with eligibility requirements established by the department. Funds appropriated to the department for this purpose shall be used to provide family planning services to men and women not otherwise eligible for family planning services under the medicaid program administered under chapter 74.09 RCW, and for family planning services not otherwise covered by the medicaid program under chapter 74.09 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

**HB 1687** by Representatives Simpson, Hurst, Williams, Curtis, and Ericks

Allowing department of fish and wildlife enforcement officers to transfer service credit.

Authorizes department of fish and wildlife enforcement officers to transfer service credit.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

**HB 1688** by Representatives Newhouse, Grant, and Morrell

Concerning the marketing of fruits and vegetables.

Amends RCW 42.56.380 relating to the fair and orderly marketing of fruits and vegetables by the state of Washington.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1689** by Representatives Morrell, McDonald, Grant, DeBolt, Green, Quall, Curtis, Haler, Springer, Kessler, Takko, Williams, Hunt, Bailey, Hudgins, Blake, Goodman, McDermott, Hasegawa, Walsh, Simpson, Campbell, Flannigan, McCune, VanDeWege, Lantz, Kelley, Seaquist, Darneille, Rodne, P. Sullivan, Dunn, Moeller, Conway, Santos, Hurst, and Kenney

Improving the cardiac delivery system in the state of Washington by creating a new statutory certificate of need category for adult nonemergent interventional cardiology for hospitals without on-site open heart surgery programs.

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-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

**HB 1690** by Representatives Ahern, Rolfes, Ross, Eddy, Haler, and Hasegawa

Informing policyholders about insurer name changes.

Requires every insurer that changes its name, whether it is a trade name or legal name, to send a written notification to all affected policyholders about the name change. The notification must be sent by certified mail or other means requiring proof of delivery.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Insurance, Financial Service & Consumer Protection.

**HB 1691** by Representatives O'Brien, Darneille, Walsh, Dickerson, Hurst, Ericks, Lantz, Quall, Chase, Moeller, Linville, Santos, Wood, and Kenney

Concerning deferred prosecutions for persons with mental or developmental disabilities.

Finds that: (1) A significant number of individuals with mental or developmental disabilities who are in need of treatment or habilitative supports and services are inappropriately detained in correctional facilities; and

(2) Deferred prosecution is an alternative to punishment through which individuals who will not unreasonably endanger the public, including but not limited to individuals with mental or developmental disabilities,

may obtain treatment, habilitation, or both, in lieu of confinement.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**HB 1692** by Representatives Kristiansen, Pearson, Kretz, Hinkle, and Condotta

Concerning NOVA program account grant funding.

Amends RCW 46.09.170 relating to eligibility for nonhighway and off-road vehicle activities program account grant funding.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

**HB 1693** by Representatives Appleton, Flannigan, and Rodne; by request of Department of Transportation

Modifying time periods for collective bargaining by state ferry employees.

Revises time periods for collective bargaining by state ferry employees.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 1694** by Representatives Flannigan, Uptegrove, and Kenney

Requiring the agency council on coordinated transportation to coordinate special needs transportation.

Requires the agency council on coordinated transportation to coordinate special needs transportation.

Repeals 1999 c 372 s 13.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**HB 1695** by Representatives Eddy, Dunn, Wallace, Orcutt, Linville, Ericks, and Kelley; by request of Department of Revenue

Restoring the business and occupation tax credit for high technology research and development spending.

Restores the business and occupation tax credit for high technology research and development spending.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 1696** by Representatives McDermott, Haler, Haigh, Hunt, Jarrett, Linville, Chase, Appleton, Moeller, Fromhold, Hasegawa, Miloscia, Dunshee, Green, Ormsby, Strow, Sells, and Kenney

Facilitating the statewide initiative and referendum processes under Article II, section 1 of the state Constitution.

Affirms the state's long-standing policy of promoting informed public discussion and understanding of statewide ballot measures and declares that it is in the best interests of the state to provide for an independent and impartial analysis of those measures to be made available to voters so that they may thoughtfully evaluate the measures. In

support of these declarations, the legislature makes the following findings: (1) In Article II, section 1 of the state Constitution, the people of the state of Washington reserved the right to initiate and vote on legislation through the initiative and referendum processes;

(2) It is the long-standing policy of the state and an underlying premise of democratic government that informed public discussion will enhance the direct legislation process. This is supported by recent studies and surveys, presented to the legislature, suggesting that review by an impartial and independent panel of Washington voters would lead to better, more informed public discussion and would thus enhance the direct legislation process; and

(3) The most effective way to make available this type of independent and impartial information is for the state to convene panels of voters, demographically representative of the state as a whole, who will study and evaluate ballot measures through a quasi-legislative hearing process, and to make the panels' findings public by inclusion in the voters' pamphlet.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1697** by Representatives Orcutt, O'Brien, Dunn, McCune, and Moeller

Allowing private garbage collection in certain annexed mobile home parks.

Provides that, when the owner of a mobile home park, as defined in RCW 59.20.030, is collecting garbage for that park's tenants on the effective date of an annexation by a city or town, the owner may continue collecting garbage for that mobile home park.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Local Government.

**HB 1698** by Representatives Simpson, Dickerson, and B. Sullivan

Requiring changes to certain urban growth area capital facilities plans.

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-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Local Government.

**HB 1699** by Representative Simpson

Clarifying criteria for more intensive development outside of urban growth areas.

Provides that counties may not authorize master planned resorts within the following areas: (1) Within twenty-four air miles of an urban growth boundary with an existing population of one hundred thousand or more unless residential uses are limited to those necessary for the staff and management of the resort;

(2) On a site with fifty or more contiguous acres of unique or prime farmland identified and mapped by the United States natural resources conservation service or its predecessor agency;

(3) In the Columbia river gorge national scenic area as defined by the Columbia river gorge national scenic act, P. L. 99-663; or

(4) In forested areas with high potential for catastrophic wildfires, as determined by the department of natural resources.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Local Government.

**HB 1700** by Representatives Appleton, Campbell, Green, Williams, Kagi, Eddy, Kenney, Haigh, Dickerson, Hasegawa, and Curtis

Establishing a prohibition on performing any body piercing below the neck on certain sensitive parts of the body for minors under the age of eighteen.

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-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

**HB 1701** by Representatives Fromhold, Dunn, and Moeller

Modifying provisions regarding the leasehold excise taxation of historical property owned by the United States government.

Amends RCW 82.29A.130 relating to exempting historical property owned by the United States government from leasehold excise taxation.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 1702** by Representatives Hasegawa, Pettigrew, Santos, Hudgins, Eddy, and Simpson

Providing for the annexation of a portion of a rural county library district by a city, code city, or town.

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-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Local Government.

**HB 1703** by Representatives Schual-Berke, Walsh, Pettigrew, Haler, Simpson, Hinkle, Hurst, Hunter, Priest, Upthegrove, Roberts, Springer, Pedersen, Hudgins, Morrell, Cody, Dickerson, McIntire, P. Sullivan, Appleton, Roach, Kessler, Darneille, Hasegawa, Moeller, Williams, Conway, Santos, Kenney, and Lantz

Creating a domestic violence pilot program to colocate a domestic violence advocate in department of social and health services offices.

Establishes a domestic violence pilot program to colocate a domestic violence advocate in department of social and health services offices.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Children's Services.

**HB 1704** by Representatives Schual-Berke, Morrell, Williams, Curtis, Green, Hasegawa, Moeller, and Lantz

Concerning insurance coverage of pharmacy services.

Intends health care insurers to have open pharmacy networks. Insurers must offer contractual agreements to all pharmacies willing to meet applicable terms and conditions of the policy contract. Insurers may not impose upon a beneficiary a copay, deductible, coinsurance, or prescription quantity limit that is not imposed upon all beneficiaries in the plan. Pharmacy services are known to be a necessary component in the overall health care system. Therefore, the legislature intends to promote access to ensure the citizens of Washington state can easily obtain their pharmacy services.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

**HB 1705** by Representatives Barlow, Ormsby, Kenney, and Wood

Creating health sciences and services authorities.

Creates the health sciences and services program to promote bioscience-based economic development and advance new therapies and procedures to combat disease and promote public health.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

**HB 1706** by Representatives Conway, Hunt, Wood, Hurst, Simpson, and Appleton

Concerning jurisdiction under the Indian gaming regulatory act.

Amends RCW 9.46.36001 to remove expiration dates for state consent to federal court jurisdiction in actions under the Indian gaming regulatory act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1707** by Representatives Williams, Pedersen, O'Brien, Moeller, Flannigan, Darnelle, Hudgins, Chase, Hunt, Santos, Wood, and Lantz

Concerning death penalty eligibility for persons who are mentally retarded or have a severe mental disorder.

Revises death penalty eligibility for persons who are mentally retarded or have a severe mental disorder.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**HB 1708** by Representatives Dickerson, Roberts, and Kenney; by request of Department of Labor & Industries

Modifying the definition of criminal act.

Revises the definition of criminal act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

**HB 1709** by Representatives Condotta, Chandler, and Crouse

Establishing requirements for industrial insurance final settlement agreements.

Provides that the parties to a claim may enter into a final settlement agreement at any time once the worker has reached maximum medical improvement as provided in this act with respect to one or more claims under Title 51 RCW. All final settlement agreements must be approved by the board of industrial insurance appeals. The final settlement agreement may: (1) Bind the parties with regard to any or all aspects of a claim, including but not limited to allowance or rejection of a claim, monetary payment, vocational services, claim closure, and claim reopening under RCW 51.32.160; and

(2) Not subject any employer who is not a signatory to the agreement to any responsibility or burden under any claim.

Requires the department to develop and maintain a registry system by which it records final settlement agreements entered into between the parties. This information shall be made available to employers at appropriate times as determined by the department in rule, but an employer may not consider a prior settlement agreement when making hiring decisions or as a condition of employment.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 1710** by Representatives Lovick, Hankins, Moeller, and Morrell; 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.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**HB 1711** by Representatives Chase and B. Sullivan

Creating an energy road map.

Finds that pursuing energy efficiency, conservation, and renewable energy efforts should be a priority for the state and its local communities.

Recognizes that opportunities exist for funding these efforts. In addition, there are models from other jurisdictions for increasing energy efficiency, conservation, and renewable energy.

Declares an intent that the Washington State University energy program study these issues and create a Washington state energy efficiency and renewable energy road map.

Directs the Washington State University energy program to report its results and provide the Washington state energy efficiency and renewable energy road map to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31, 2008.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

**HB 1712** by Representatives Chase, B. Sullivan, Kagi, Kessler, O'Brien, and Lantz

Planning for future impacts at Saint Edward state park.

Requires the state parks and recreation commission to initiate and complete an in-depth review and full planning process to address the immediate and long-term potential future impacts to Saint Edward state park arising from the planned expansion of Bastyr University. The planning process must, at a minimum, consider the impacts on: (1) Traffic in and around the park, including all access roads; (2) Emergency vehicle access; (3) Parking in the park; (4) The adequacy of the park's utilities; (5) The impacts of increased use of the facilities, including the swimming pool, the gymnasium, the sports field, the great lawn, and hiking and biking trails; and (6) The impacts of increased use on the flora and fauna of the park.

Requires the documents required by this act to be completed and reported to the appropriate committees of the legislature by January 1, 2008. Prior to the final adoption of the required documents, the state parks and recreation commission shall conduct at least one public hearing on the draft documents in a community near Saint Edward state park.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

Jan 31 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

**HB 1713** by Representatives Chase, Hunt, and Kessler

Prohibiting paper billing fees.

Provides that a business entity that uses paper bills to charge customers for services provided must provide a customer with one paper copy of the customer's regular bill each billing cycle at no additional cost to the customer.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 1714** by Representative Chase

Changing campaign contribution provisions.

Amends RCW 42.17.640 relating to campaign contribution limits.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1715** by Representatives Chase, Miloscia, B. Sullivan, Skinner, Grant, Hunt, McDermott, Morrell, Eickmeyer, Kessler, Haler, Kristiansen, Conway, Sells, Kenney, and Simpson

Assisting manufacturers.

Declares an intent that Washington state increase its support for the manufacturing extension program, to expand the delivery of modernization services to small Washington manufacturers, and to leverage federal and private resources devoted to such efforts.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Community & Economic Development & Trade.

**HB 1716** by Representatives Roberts, Kagi, Hinkle, Haler, Walsh, Appleton, Pettigrew, Dickerson, Darneille, Anderson, Moeller, O'Brien, McDonald, Santos, Wood, Kenney, Simpson, and Lantz

Supporting educational achievement for children in foster care.

Declares an intent to promote the development, implementation, and evaluation of innovative and practical strategies for maintaining continuity of school placement for children in foster care, and to facilitate data sharing between the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the children's administration within the department of social and health services.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Children's Services.

**HB 1717** by Representatives Simpson and Moeller

Requiring certain information to be included with health care premium billings.

Requires that, beginning with health benefit plan premiums billed on and after January 1, 2008, a health carrier must, at least annually, provide the following information with its premium billing: (1) The most current cost-shifting estimate determined by the insurance commissioner at the time of the billing; and

(2) The amount, as a percentage of the health carrier's average premium per member per month, of the health carrier's surplus that exceeds the level defined in RCW 48.43.300(9)(a) as reported to the insurance commissioner in the carrier's most recent annual report under RCW 48.43.305 at the time of billing.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Insurance, Financial Service & Consumer Protection.

**HB 1718** by Representatives Simpson, Hankins, Lovick, Dickerson, Wood, Flannigan, Chase, and Hasegawa

Reviewing project cost estimates for transportation projects.

Requires the joint transportation committee to conduct an audit and review of the department of transportation's project cost estimating processes for projects funded by the 2003 nickel account and the 2005 transportation partnership account.

Requires the joint transportation committee to report its findings and recommendations to the house of representatives and senate transportation committees by December 1, 2007.

Appropriates the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2009, from the motor vehicle fund to the joint transportation committee for the purposes of this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**HB 1719** by Representatives Campbell, Ericks, Dunn, Moeller, O'Brien, Kelley, and VanDeWege

Changing ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and phenylpropanolamine provisions.

Revises ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and phenylpropanolamine provisions.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

**HB 1720** by Representatives McCune, Campbell, Dunn, Haler, Ahern, Moeller, Warnick, Kristiansen, and Hinkle

Providing property tax relief for veterans of the armed forces.

Provides property tax relief for veterans of the armed forces.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 1721** by Representatives P. Sullivan, Pettigrew, Kristiansen, Orcutt, Chase, Skinner, Haler, Roach, Morrell, Linville, Eickmeyer, Kessler, Walsh, Dunn, Kenney, VanDeWege, and Simpson

Creating certified capital companies to promote economic development through investment in start-up and emerging businesses.

Finds that new sources of prudently targeted private equity investments would promote economic development by strengthening the local venture capital infrastructure, increasing access to capital for local companies, supporting emerging businesses, and creating jobs for Washington citizens. Targeted venture capital has the potential to hasten the transformation of research and development concepts into commercially viable products and services, expedite the expansion of small Washington firms, enlarge the state's tax base, and develop these businesses into significant contributors to the Washington economy. This act is intended to assist small start-up enterprises to succeed in their business and to contribute to the future of Washington.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Community & Economic Development & Trade.

**HB 1722** by Representatives Conway, Curtis, Moeller, Darneille, Wood, and Simpson

Clarifying the authority of physician assistants to execute certain certificates and other forms for labor and industries.

Declares an intent to clarify in statute what was adopted by rule in WAC 246-918-140, that a physician assistant may sign and attest to any document that might ordinarily be signed by the supervising physician and that is consistent with the terms of the practice arrangement plan.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 1723** by Representatives B. Sullivan, Roach, Blake, and Alexander

Licensing Christmas tree growers.

Revises provisions relating to Christmas tree grower licensure.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

**HB 1724** by Representatives Grant, Hinkle, Simpson, Newhouse, Ericks, Armstrong, and Hurst

Directing the director of fire protection to adopt certain fire safety standards.

Provides that, by December 31, 2007, the director of fire protection must adopt by rule: (1) A fire safety standard for upholstered furniture that is substantially the same as the provisions of the 2002 draft revised technical bulletin, CAL 117+, for "Requirements, Test Procedure and Apparatus for Testing the Flame and Smolder Resistance of Upholstered Furniture," published by the state of California, department of consumer affairs, bureau of home furnishings and thermal insulation; and

(2) A fire safety standard for electronic equipment within the field of audio/video information technology and communication technology that is substantially the same as the provisions of the international electrotechnical commission's document entitled "IEC 62368-f3 Ed 1.0: Audio/Video, Information and Communication Technology Equipment - Safety Requirements" (circulation date December 15, 2006), which incorporates external ignition protection as specified in the technical specification (IEC TS62441), published December 2006.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

**HB 1725** by Representatives Morrell, Roach, Conway, Williams, Simpson, Hinkle, Armstrong, and Moeller

Prohibiting discrimination against licensed health care providers.

Provides that a person or entity engaged in the business of insurance in this state may not unfairly discriminate against providers licensed under chapter 18.53 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

**HB 1726** by Representatives Springer, Eddy, Curtis, Pettigrew, Dunn, Takko, Strow, B. Sullivan, Orcutt, Ahern, Anderson, Haler, Upthegrove, Simpson, Jarrett, Rodne, Sells, O'Brien, Newhouse, Miloscia, Hinkle, Walsh, McCune, Appleton, Kagi, Chase, Williams, Lovick, Linville, Quall, McDonald, Warnick, Kristiansen, Hurst, Seaquist, and Kenney

Planning for a supply of housing that accommodates growth.

Requires policies that provide for a supply of housing within the regional housing market sufficient to accommodate employment growth and demand for all types of residential living, including part-time, retirement, and second homes.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Local Government.

**HB 1727** by Representatives Springer, Eddy, Dunn, Pettigrew, B. Sullivan, Buri, Strow, Ahern, Orcutt, Takko, Anderson, Haler, Upthegrove, Simpson, Jarrett, Rodne, Sells, O'Brien, Newhouse, Miloscia, Hinkle, Walsh, McCune, Kagi, Williams, Lovick, Linville, Quall, McDonald, Warnick, Kristiansen, Hurst, Seaquist, Kenney, and P. Sullivan

Planning to ensure sufficient land and densities available to accommodate growth.

Revises provisions relating to growth management planning to ensure sufficient land and densities available to accommodate growth.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Local Government.

**HB 1728** by Representatives Eickmeyer, Blake, Strow, Haigh, Walsh, Kessler, Grant, Linville, Takko, McCoy, Darneille, Williams, Quall, Sump, Pearson, and P. Sullivan

Promoting a coordinated shellfish aquaculture regulatory process.

Declares it is the purpose of this act to develop and promote a comprehensive and efficient shellfish aquaculture regulatory process, informed by research, that protects the state's environment, natural resources, and recreational opportunities. To optimize limited available resources, state regulatory, environmental, and natural resource agencies, the state department of agriculture, Native American tribes, local governments, and public and private sector interests must work cooperatively to establish common goals, minimize regulatory confusion, develop consistency in applying environmental standards, maximize environmental benefits through coordinated investment strategies, and eliminate duplicative processes.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Select Committee on Puget Sound.

**HB 1729** by Representatives Dickerson, Roberts, O'Brien, and Walsh; by request of Department of Corrections

Extending work release time for offenders.

Amends RCW 9.94A.728 to extend work release time for offenders.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Human Services.

**HB 1730** by Representatives B. Sullivan and Schual-Berke

Regarding the use of the life sciences discovery fund for human stem cell research.

Declares that individuals may donate human embryonic stem cells for research purposes if the human embryonic stem cells are obtained from blastocysts that are generated by in vitro fertilization procedures, the donation is made pursuant to the valid informed consent of both the donors of the sperm and egg that created the blastocyst, and the donor has not received valuable consideration for the donation.

Provides that no money from the life sciences discovery fund may be used to support research involving human stem cells, including human embryonic stem cells, unless the human stem cells were donated in compliance with this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

**HB 1731** by Representatives Anderson and Moeller

Regarding reporting by lobbyists and lobbyists' employers. Amends RCW 42.17.3691 relating to reporting by lobbyists and lobbyists' employers.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 1732** by Representatives Morris, B. Sullivan, and Chase

Developing guidelines for plant, animal, and human therapy research conducted in the state.

Declares that it is the policy of the state of Washington that research involving the derivation and use of human embryonic stem cells, human embryonic germ cells, and human adult stem cells from any source, including somatic cell nuclear transplantation, shall be permitted after full consideration of the ethical and medical implications of this research.

Requires any research involving the derivation and use of human embryonic stem cells, human embryonic germ cells, and human adult stem cells, including somatic cell nuclear transplantation, to be reviewed by the human stem cell research advisory committee, created in this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

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## Senate Bills

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**SB 5593** by Senators Fairley, Benton, Haugen, Schoesler, Sheldon, Kline, Swecker, Roach, and Rasmussen

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

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

- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- SB 5594** by Senators Kastama, Pridemore, and Berkey  
 Revising requirements for petitions for annexation.  
 Revises requirements for petitions for annexation.  
 Repeals RCW 35.13.171, 35.13.172, 35.13.173, and 35.13.174.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- SB 5595** by Senators Holmquist, Hatfield, Honeyford, Shin, Rasmussen, Schoesler, Morton, Roach, and Parlette  
 Exempting persons engaged in farming and certain farming services from business and occupation taxation.  
 Exempts persons engaged in farming and certain farming services from business and occupation taxation.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.
- SB 5596** by Senators Franklin, Benton, Kline, Poulsen, Keiser, and Roach  
 Concerning discrimination against chiropractors.  
 Provides that contractors may not develop and employ provider payment methodologies that discriminate against chiropractors by setting differing payment formulas for a chiropractor's services than for a different profession's services when the contractor is reimbursing for the same type of health care services. The contractor may not have a methodology that would pay chiropractors less than any other provider for the same payment code.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.
- SB 5597** by Senators Franklin, Benton, Zarelli, Kauffman, Kline, Carrell, Poulsen, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Delvin, and Roach  
 Concerning contracts with chiropractors.  
 Provides that contractors may not directly or indirectly through contract or otherwise refuse to reimburse for the health care services legally provided by employees of a contracted chiropractor if the service would be a reimbursable benefit but for the contractor's refusal to recognize or reimburse the services performed by employees of the contracted chiropractor.  
 Provides that contractors may not refuse to contract with licensed health care providers employed by a contracted chiropractor if such licensed health care provider otherwise meets the fair credentialing standards of the contractor.  
 Provides that contractors may not require directly or indirectly by contract or otherwise that a chiropractor comply with health care reimbursement or delivery standards that conflict with those standards and practices authorized or adopted by the Washington state chiropractic quality assurance commission.  
 Declares that any term or condition of any contract between a chiropractor and a contractor that violates a provision of this act and any contractor attempt to waive, modify, or shift responsibility for compliance with this act is invalid.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.
- SB 5598** by Senators Oemig, Prentice, Fairley, Kohl-Welles, Regala, Kastama, Rasmussen, and Shin  
 Facilitating the statewide initiative and referendum processes under Article II, section 1 of the state Constitution.  
 Affirms the state's long-standing policy of promoting informed public discussion and understanding of statewide ballot measures and declares that it is in the best interests of the state to provide for an independent and impartial analysis of those measures to be made available to voters so that they may thoughtfully evaluate the measures.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- SB 5599** by Senators Schoesler, Poulsen, and Morton  
 Modifying provisions related to the distribution of tax proceeds from thermal electric generating facilities.  
 Revises provisions related to the distribution of tax proceeds from thermal electric generating facilities.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Telecommunications.
- SB 5600** by Senators Delvin, Berkey, Stevens, Benton, Swecker, Kastama, Sheldon, Kilmer, Roach, and Rasmussen  
 Modifying sales tax exemptions and remittances for nonresidents.  
 Amends RCW 82.08.0273 relating to sales tax exemptions and remittances for nonresidents.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.
- SB 5601** by Senators Oemig, Kline, Roach, Swecker, Rockefeller, Berkey, Kohl-Welles, and Parlette; by request of Secretary of State  
 Mandating primary election voters' pamphlets.  
 Requires primary election voters' pamphlets.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- SB 5602** by Senators Roach, Kline, and Swecker; by request of Secretary of State  
 Modifying the form of the presidential primary ballot.  
 Amends RCW 29A.56.040 relating to presidential primary ballots.



-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 5603** by Senators Roach, Fairley, and Swecker; 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 this act. 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.

Repeals provisions of chapter 40.14 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 5604** by Senators Roach, Oemig, Hatfield, and Swecker; by request of Secretary of State

Modifying provisions affecting candidates for elective office.

Revises provisions affecting candidates for elective office.

Repeals RCW 29A.20.131, 29A.20.141, and 29A.20.161.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 5605** by Senators Keiser, Parlette, Swecker, Franklin, and Kohl-Welles

Concerning insurance coverage of pharmacy services.

Intends health care insurers to have open pharmacy networks. Insurers must offer contractual agreements to all pharmacies willing to meet applicable terms and conditions of the policy contract. Insurers may not impose upon a beneficiary a copay, deductible, coinsurance, or prescription quantity limit that is not imposed upon all beneficiaries in the plan. Pharmacy services are known to be a necessary component in the overall health care system. Therefore, the legislature intends to promote access to ensure the citizens of Washington state can easily obtain their pharmacy services.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 5606** by Senators Kastama, Roach, Keiser, Swecker, Fairley, Stevens, and Rasmussen

Improving the cardiac delivery system in the state of Washington by creating a new statutory certificate of need category for adult nonemergent interventional cardiology for hospitals without on-site open heart surgery programs.

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-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 5607** by Senator Pridemore

Modifying provisions regarding the leasehold excise taxation of historical property owned by the United States government.

Amends RCW 82.29A.130 relating to exempting historical property owned by the United States government from leasehold excise taxation.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5608** by Senators Berkey, Holmquist, Schoesler, Roach, Rasmussen, Hatfield, McCaslin, and Jacobsen

Providing a sales tax exemption for certain trail grooming services.

Declares that the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of trail grooming services to the state of Washington or nonprofit corporations organized under chapter 24.03 RCW. For the purposes of this act, "trail grooming" means the activity of snow compacting, snow redistribution, or snow removal on state-owned or privately-owned trails.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5609** by Senators Murray, Kohl-Welles, Clements, and Shin; by request of Health Care Authority

Modifying health care eligibility provisions for part-time academic employees of community and technical colleges.

Revises health care eligibility provisions for part-time academic employees of community and technical colleges.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

**SB 5610** by Senators Pridemore, Honeyford, Rockefeller, Schoesler, Murray, Brandland, Hatfield, Parlette, and Shin

Providing tax exemptions for amenities purchased by lodging businesses for use by guests.

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-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5611** by Senators Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, Pflug, Clements, and Rasmussen

Providing for a location endorsement to certain licenses for microbreweries and domestic breweries.

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-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor,  
Commerce, Research & Development.

**SB 5612** by Senators Kilmer, Kastama, Kauffman,  
Sheldon, Shin, Delvin, Brown, Roach, and  
Rasmussen

Establishing a statewide online business training and entrepreneurial curriculum.

Finds that a state-certified entrepreneurial and small business development online curriculum would increase access to business proficiency skills and would promote small business longevity for individuals interested in self-employment.

Requires the department of community, trade, and economic development to: (1) Contract for the development, distribution, and promotion of an entrepreneurial and small business development online curriculum;

(2) Establish the curriculum course content in coordination with: The state microenterprise association; the small business development center; universities and community and technical colleges with small business assistance programs; the workforce training and education coordinating board; and other public and private entrepreneurial and small business assistance centers in the state;

(3) Complete the curriculum content as soon as possible, but no later than December 31, 2007, and complete the online curriculum by no later than June 30, 2008;

(4) Make the curriculum free of charge and available for use by individuals and all public and private entrepreneurial development and small business assistance centers throughout the state;

(5) Promote curriculum use by providing electronic and printed informational materials on the curriculum to public and private entrepreneurial development and small business assistance centers throughout the state;

(6) Ensure curriculum accessibility by including in the curriculum contract the use of web links to the curriculum on state public and private websites that small business owners and entrepreneurs use in establishing and incorporating their businesses; and

(7) Complete online links to the curriculum on state public and private websites by December 31, 2008.

Appropriates the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the department of community, trade, and economic development to carry out the purposes of this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Economic  
Development, Trade & Management.

**SB 5613** by Senators Kilmer, Kastama, Kauffman, Shin,  
Delvin, Brown, and McAuliffe

Concerning entrepreneurial training opportunities.

Requires inclusion in the planning requirements for local work force investment boards a requirement that the local work force investment boards specify how entrepreneurial training is to be offered through the one-

stop system required under the work force investment act, P.L. 105-220, or its successor.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Economic  
Development, Trade & Management.

**SB 5614** by Senators Rockefeller, Poulsen, Tom, and  
Kline

Creating incentives for community-based solar energy projects.

Declares that "community-based solar energy project" means a cooperative venture of local citizens and a local government entity, which is voluntarily funded, for the installation of photovoltaic systems of less than one hundred thirty kilowatts on property owned by the participating governmental entity.

Declares that a "local governmental entity" means any unit of local government of this state including, but not limited to, counties, cities, towns, municipal corporations, quasi-municipal corporations, special purpose districts, and school districts.

Provides that, for the purpose of calculating the annual incentive limit under this act, community-based solar projects that are located on separate parcels of property, are not to be combined, as each project is individually eligible for incentives of up to two thousand dollars per year per project.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Water, Energy &  
Telecommunications.

**SB 5615** by Senators Rockefeller and Rasmussen

Imposing penalties against convicted motor vehicle offenders.

Recognizes that chemical dependency is a public safety problem in Washington state and that chemical dependency-related motor vehicle incidents have a significant bearing on overall law enforcement and court caseloads.

Recognizes the growing costs associated with chemical dependency treatment and chemical dependency-related motor vehicle prevention, education, and advocacy programs established by local governments and by community-based organizations.

Declares an intent to establish a penalty that will hold convicted motor vehicle offenders accountable, and to offset the costs of chemical dependency treatment and chemical dependency-related motor vehicle prevention, education, and advocacy programs.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5616** by Senators Marr, McCaslin, Brown, Oemig,  
Kastama, Regala, McAuliffe, Kilmer, Berkey,  
Keiser, Spanel, Eide, Murray, Shin, and Kohl-Welles

Creating health sciences and services authorities.

Creates the health sciences and services program to promote bioscience-based economic development and advance new therapies and procedures to combat disease and promote public health.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor,  
 Commerce, Research & Development.

**SB 5617** by Senators Weinstein, Tom, and Oemig

Granting authority of a watershed management partnership to exercise powers of its forming governments.

Provides that a watershed management partnership formed under the authority of RCW 39.34.210 that is composed entirely of public agencies authorized to exercise the power of eminent domain in the manner provided by chapter 8.12 RCW, and a separate legal entity established by such a partnership to conduct the cooperated undertaking of the partnership under the same statutory authority, may also exercise the power of eminent domain as provided in chapter 8.12 RCW; provided that, the authority granted shall be limited to those purposes for which the watershed management partnership was formed.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 5618** by Senators Shin, Clements, Sheldon,  
 Rasmussen, Kilmer, and Kastama

Assisting manufacturers.

Declares an intent that Washington state increase its support for the manufacturing extension program, to expand the delivery of modernization services to small Washington manufacturers, and to leverage federal and private resources devoted to such efforts.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Economic  
 Development, Trade & Management.

**SB 5619** by Senators Pflug, Keiser, Parlette, Marr,  
 Weinstein, Fairley, Kastama, Kline, and Kohl-  
 Welles

Revising the standards for informed consent to health care.

Finds that our state laws regarding informed consent must be modified to become more patient-oriented. The legislature believes that when patients are informed about treatment options and have reviewed patient information about their treatment, they are better able to choose and consent to or refuse a method of treatment. The legislature also finds that patients have a duty to be sure they understand the information they have been given, even if it means going over the information several times with their health care provider.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health & Long-  
 Term Care.

**SB 5620** by Senator Fairley

Clarifying the authority of the civil service commissions for sheriffs' offices.

Amends RCW 41.14.050 relating to the civil service commissions for sheriffs' offices.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government  
 Operations & Elections.

**SB 5621** by Senators Kastama, Rasmussen, Clements,  
 Hatfield, and Shin

Creating certified capital companies to promote economic development through investment in start-up and emerging businesses.

Finds that new sources of prudently targeted private equity investments would promote economic development by strengthening the local venture capital infrastructure, increasing access to capital for local companies, supporting emerging businesses, and creating jobs for Washington citizens. Targeted venture capital has the potential to hasten the transformation of research and development concepts into commercially viable products and services, expedite the expansion of small Washington firms, enlarge the state's tax base, and develop these businesses into significant contributors to the Washington economy. This act is intended to assist small start-up enterprises to succeed in their business and to contribute to the future of Washington.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Economic  
 Development, Trade & Management.

**SB 5622** by Senators Kohl-Welles, Roach, Keiser,  
 Hobbs, Poulsen, Zarelli, Spanel, Shin,  
 Pridemore, Kline, Hatfield, Kilmer, Oemig, Hargrove,  
 Murray, McAuliffe, and Rasmussen

Changing collective bargaining eligibility requirements for certain employees of higher education institutions and related boards.

Provides that, for institutions of higher education and related boards, "employee" means any employee, including employees whose work has ceased in connection with the pursuit of lawful activities protected by chapter 41.80 RCW, except: (1) Employees covered for collective bargaining by chapters 28B.52, 41.56, and 41.76 RCW;

(2) Confidential employees; or  
 (3) Members of the governing board of each institution of higher education and related boards, all presidents, and vice-presidents; deans, directors, and chairs; and executive heads of major administrative or academic divisions.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --  
 Jan 25 First reading, referred to Labor,  
 Commerce, Research & Development.

**SB 5623** by Senators Carrell, Brandland, Holmquist,  
 Shin, and Delvin

Providing a bonus for teachers in high market demand subjects.

Provides that in addition to the statewide certificated instructional staff salary allocations in the state omnibus appropriations act, each school district shall receive allocations sufficient to fund a salary bonus equivalent to ten percent of its base pay for eligible certificated instructional staff who teach in math, science, and/or special education. To receive the salary bonus, individuals must be deemed an "expert" to teach math, science, or special education according to criteria developed and administered by the professional educator standards board.

Appropriates the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the

Washington institute for public policy at The Evergreen State College for the purposes of this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

**SB 5624** by Senators Kastama, Tom, Fairley, Pflug, Carrell, and Kohl-Welles

Prohibiting discrimination against licensed health care providers.

Provides that a person or entity engaged in the business of insurance in this state may not unfairly discriminate against providers licensed under chapter 18.53 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

**SB 5625** by Senators Hargrove and Pridemore

Authorizing counties and cities to contract for jail services with counties and cities in adjacent states.

Authorizes counties and cities to contract for jail services with counties and cities in adjacent states.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

**SB 5626** by Senators McAuliffe, Tom, Hobbs, Eide, Oemig, Weinstein, Clements, Kauffman, Murray, and Rasmussen

Requiring training for school directors.

Provides that, subject to available funding, each member of a school district board of directors shall complete a minimum of seven hours of training annually. The hours of training obtained by each member must be posted on the school district's web site.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

**SB 5627** by Senators McAuliffe, Clements, Tom, Weinstein, Rockefeller, Oemig, Kastama, Hobbs, Pridemore, Eide, Franklin, Shin, Regala, Marr, Murray, Spanel, Hargrove, Kline, Kilmer, Haugen, Kohl-Welles, and Rasmussen

Requiring a review and development of basic education funding.

Declares that this act is intended to make provision for some significant first steps towards a new basic education funding system and establishes a technical work group to address the details and next steps beyond the 2007-2009 biennium that will be necessary to implement a new comprehensive K-12 finance formula or formulas, that will provide Washington schools with stable and adequate funding as the expectations for the K-12 system continue to evolve.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)  
First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

**SB 5628** by Senators Oemig, Fairley, Pridemore, and Kohl-Welles

Adopting the interstate agreement for the election of the president of the United States by national popular vote.

Adopts the interstate agreement for the election of the president of the United States by national popular vote.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

**SB 5629** by Senators Oemig, Kilmer, and Rockefeller

Modifying canvassing provisions.

Provides that, in counties voting entirely by mail, a random audit of the ballot counting equipment may be conducted upon mutual agreement of the political party observers or at the discretion of the county auditor. The random audit procedures must be adopted by the county canvassing board. The random audit process shall involve a comparison of a manual count to the machine count and may involve up to either three precincts or three batches depending on the ballot counting procedures in place in the county. The random audit will be limited to one office or issue on the ballots in the precincts or batches that are selected for the audit. The selection of the precincts or batches to be audited must occur no later than 8:30 p.m. on election day and the audit must be completed no later than forty-eight hours after election day.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.