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House Bills

HB 1621-S2 by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives B. Sullivan, Sells, Morrell, Lovick, Ormsby, Miloscia, Springer, McCoy, Sullivan, Hasegawa, O'Brien, Roberts, Conway, Wood, Haigh, Rolfes, and Simpson)

Preserving manufactured/mobile home communities. (AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Declares an intent to encourage and facilitate the preservation of existing manufactured/mobile home communities in the event of voluntary sales of manufactured/mobile home communities and, to the extent necessary and possible, to involve manufactured/mobile home community tenants or an eligible organization representing tenants, such as a nonprofit organization, housing authority, or local government, in the preservation of manufactured/mobile home communities.

Provides for certain notice requirements for landlords intending to sell manufactured/mobile home communities.

Provides that a landlord intending to sell a manufactured/mobile home community is encouraged to negotiate in good faith with qualified tenant organizations and eligible organizations.

Establishes an office of manufactured housing. Repeals provisions of chapter 59.23 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 29 Public hearing in committee.

Feb 8 Executive session in committee.

Mar 1 Public hearing in committee.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 FIN - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 14 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 94; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Consumer Protection & Housing.

HB 2584-S by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives McCoy, O'Brien, Lantz, Linville, VanDeWege, Appleton, Moeller, Morrell, Dunshee, Sells, Hunt, Roberts, McIntire, Goodman, Rolfes, Chase, and Loomis)

Regarding rainwater collection facilities.

(DIĞEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Exempts the owners of rainwater harvesting systems designed to capture, store, and use rainwater runoff from roofs, paved areas, or other artificial surfaces from certain permitting requirements if the water is put to use on the same property where it was harvested and the harvesting, storage, and use complies with all applicable rules adopted by the department of ecology.

Requires the department of ecology to issue general permits that may address specific geographic areas to specify conditions under which rainwater harvesting systems may be constructed and operated in order to protect existing water rights or to prevent harm, such as reduced instream flows or significant reductions in flow levels to existing streams or water bodies.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

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

Feb 6 Referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government & Audit Review.

Feb 7 APPG - Executive action taken by committee.

APPG - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Feb 11 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 2668-S2 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Morrell, Green, Cody, Hunt, McCoy, Wallace, Pedersen, Campbell, McIntire, Conway, Simpson, Kenney, and Darneille)

Expanding programs for persons needing long-term care. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Concerning long-term care.)

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Requires boarding homes that provide respite care services to comply with the assessment and plan of care provisions of RCW 18.20.350.

Provides that when a boarding home facility provides respite care, before or at the time of admission, the facility must obtain sufficient information to meet the individual's anticipated needs.

Requires that agencies conducting family caregiver long-term care information and support services develop an evidence-based tailored caregiver assessment and referral tool.

Provides that for area plans prepared for submission in 2009, and thereafter, the area agencies may include the findings and recommendations of area-wide planning initiatives that they may undertake with appropriate local and regional partners regarding the changing age demographics of their area and the implications of this demographic change for public policies and public services.

Provides that the community based services for lowincome eligible persons shall include long-term care planning and options counseling, information and crisis intervention, and streamlined assistance to access a wide array of public and private community-based services.

Requires the department of health to develop a statewide fall prevention program to include networking community services, identifying service gaps, making affordable senior-based, evaluated exercise programs more available, providing consumer education to older adults, their adult children, and the community at large, and conducting professional education on fall risk identification and reduction.

Requires additional support for residents in community settings who exhibit challenging behaviors that put them at risk for institutional placement.

Authorizes the department of social and health services to conduct a vulnerable adult fatality review in the event of a death of certain vulnerable adults.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 11 APP Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 12 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 14 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 94; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

HB 2709-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Hurst, Pettigrew, Appleton, Sells, Green, Conway, Morrell, Anderson, Sullivan, Kenney, Schual-Berke, McIntire, Wood, Hudgins, Simpson, Goodman, VanDeWege, Ormsby, and Rolfes)

Authorizing school districts to establish a price preference to purchase locally grown food.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides school districts the authority to consider the distance food travels from the point of production to the point of consumption when making food procurement decisions.

Authorizes the board of directors of any school district to establish a percentage price preference of up to twentyfive percent for the purpose of increasing procurement of locally grown food.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 5 ED Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 6 Referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on Education.
- Feb 7 APPE Executive action taken by committee.
 - APPE Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 11 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 14 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 19 2nd substitute bill substituted.

HB 2880-S by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Kenney, McIntire, Dickerson, Quall, Pettigrew, Cody, Roberts, Pedersen, Morrell, and Simpson)

Excluding car-sharing activities from the rental car tax.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Excludes car-sharing activities from the rental car tax.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 FIN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 2985 by Representatives Liias, Ericks, Ormsby, Appleton, Hunt, O'Brien, Loomis, Pettigrew, Kagi, Blake, Simpson, and Chase

Establishing local public works assistance funds. (AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Authorizes county legislative authorities to establish local public works assistance funds for the purpose of funding public works projects located wholly or partially within the county.

Authorizes counties, in consultation with cities and towns within the county, to make loans to local governments from funds established under this act for the purpose of assisting local governments in funding public works projects.

Requires county legislative authorities utilizing or providing money under this act to develop a prioritization process for funding public works projects that gives priority to projects necessary to address public health needs, substantial environmental degradation, or increases existing capacity necessary to accommodate projected population and employment growth.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

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

Feb 4 CEDT - Executive action taken by committee.
CEDT - Majority; do pass with

amendment(s).
Feb 5 Passed to Rules Committee for second

reading.

Feb 12 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Feb 13 Placed on second reading.

Feb 15 Committee amendment adopted with no other amendments.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 94; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Management.

HB 3051-S by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Seaquist, Lantz, Clibborn, Hunter, Liias, Rolfes, and Green)

Concerning sales and use tax on transportation projects.
(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Addresses the distribution and use of the sales and use tax on certain transportation projects.

Provides that the revenue collected for the repayment of taxes imposed under chapter 82.08 and 82.12 RCW, less any credits allowed for local sales and use taxes, shall be transferred to the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 FIN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 14 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 94; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 3125-S2 by House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Kenney, Haler, Sullivan, Simpson, Barlow, Quall, Kagi,

Flannigan, Cody, Nelson, Ormsby, Darneille, and Hasegawa)

Creating the building communities fund program.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Creates the building communities fund account and program.

Requires the department to establish the building communities fund program. Under the program, capital and technical assistance grants may be made to nonprofit organizations for acquiring, constructing, or rehabilitating facilities used for the delivery of nonresidential community services, including social service centers and multipurpose community centers, including those serving a distinct or ethnic population. Such facilities must be located in a distressed community or serve a substantial number of low-income or disadvantaged persons.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 CB - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 14 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third
Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 65; nays, 29;
absent, 0; excused, 4.
-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Management.

HB 3205-S2 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Jarrett, Walsh, Kagi, Roberts, Hunter, Sullivan, Green, Kelley, Morrell, Chase, McIntire, Seaquist, and Kenney)

Promoting the long-term well-being of children.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Provides when a child has been in out-of-home care for fifteen of the most recent twenty-two months, the court shall require the filing of a petition seeking termination of parental rights. The court may make a good cause written finding as to why filing a petition for termination of parental rights is not appropriate at this time. Any such good cause finding shall be reviewed at all subsequent motion and review hearings pertaining to the child.

Includes the long-term well-being of a child as a paramount concern when making reasonable efforts in dependency and termination matters.

Provides that court review of out-of-home placements be structured to minimize the stress and inconvenience to families caused by complying with federal requirements.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 11 APP - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 12 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 14 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 94; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

HB 3306-S by House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Wallace and Dunn)

Regarding eLearning at institutions of higher education. (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Intends to establish and maintain a comprehensive set of best practices and standards of accountability and quality for all eLearning programs to guide students and their families when making course and program degree selections.

Requires the state board for community and technical colleges to convene a work group that includes representatives from the workforce training and education coordinating board, the prosperity partnership, the technology alliance, the higher education coordinating board, a private career or vocational school, a four-year public institution of higher education, the council of faculty representatives, the united faculty of Washington state, and a community or technical college student.

Requires the work group to report its findings and recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2008.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 4 HE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 5 Referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on Education.

Feb 7 APPE - Executive action taken by committee.

APPE - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 11 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 12 Placed on second reading.

Feb 13 2nd substitute bill substituted.

HB 3329-S by House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Fromhold, McDonald, Ormsby, Wallace, Alexander, Sells, and McIntire)

Prioritizing four-year higher education institutions' capital project requests.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Requires, by October 15th of each even-numbered year, the office of financial management to complete an objective analysis and scoring of all capital budget projects proposed by the public four-year institutions of higher education and submit the results of the scoring process to the legislative fiscal committees, the higher education coordinating board, and the four-year institutions, except that, for 2008, the office of financial management shall complete the objective analysis and scoring by November 1st. Each project must be reviewed and scored within one of the categories listed in the act, according to the project's

principal purpose. Each project may be scored in only one category.

Requires, by August 15th of each even-numbered year, beginning in 2008, each public four-year higher education institution to prepare and submit prioritized lists of the individual projects proposed by the institution for the ensuing six-year period in each category, except for research institutions which shall prepare two separate prioritized lists in each category, one for the main campus, and one covering all of the institution's branch campuses.

Requires the office of financial management to submit a higher education capital facility financing study to the governor and the appropriate legislative fiscal committees by December 1, 2008.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 CB - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 14 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 94; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 4.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 3373 by Representative Moeller

Providing a criteria for endorsement of persons who provide nada protocol therapy.

Provides a criteria for endorsement of persons who provide nada protocol therapy.

Provides that an individual who holds an endorsement issued under this act may perform the nada protocol therapy only: (1)(a) Within the context of an approved treatment program; (b) in a hospital, prison, outpatient clinic, or other setting approved by the secretary of health; and (c) under the appropriate supervision of certain persons licensed under Title 18 RCW and trained in the nada protocol; or

(2)(a) As an emergency worker registered with a local organization for emergency services or management; (b) within the context of providing assistance during an emergency or disaster; (c) at the scene of the emergency or disaster, an alternative care site, or a hospital; and (d) under the appropriate supervision of certain persons licensed under Title 18 RCW and trained in the nada protocol.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

Senate Bills

SB 5106-S2 by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, Murray, and Rasmussen)

Providing for animal emergency operations.
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Requires the Washington state military department's emergency management division, in cooperation with county and local governments, to prepare, as part of the state comprehensive emergency management plan, animal emergency operations guidance for local jurisdictions that provides for the evacuation, transportation, and temporary sheltering of pets and service animals as defined in RCW 70.84.021 during a major disaster or an emergency.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 11 Executive session in committee.
- Public hearing in committee. Jan 16
- Feb 26 Executive session in committee.
 - -- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 21 GO Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; without recommendation. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Jan 30 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- Feb 13 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
 - Third reading, passed; yeas, 46; nays, 2; absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 5517-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Berkey, Kauffman, Haugen, Eide, Kastama, Schoesler, Shin, Hatfield, Keiser, Rasmussen, Kline, and Regala)

Increasing the personal needs allowance for persons receiving state-financed care.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Finds that through the medicaid program, state and federal government fund long-term care and medical services for many elderly persons and people with disabilities, both in institutions and in community alternatives.

Finds that a significant portion of these individuals' social security benefits is retained by the state to assist with the cost of their care. The legislature intends that these individuals retain for their own use a reasonable personal needs allowance which may be used to purchase clothing, postage, barber services, travel, and other personal items not covered by their care setting, in order to ensure their autonomy and dignity.

Declares an intent to adjust the personal needs allowance annually to reflect cost-of-living adjustments to federal social security benefits for medicaid-eligible residents in institutions and community-based residential settings receiving long-term care, developmental disabilities, or mental health services.

Requires that, effective July 1, 2008, and each fiscal year thereafter, the personal needs allowance shall be adjusted for economic trends and conditions by increasing the allowance by the percentage cost-of-living adjustment for old-age, survivors, and disability social security benefits as published by the federal social security administration. However, in no case shall the personal needs allowance exceed the maximum personal needs allowance permissible under the federal social security act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 6 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 28 Executive session in committee.
- Mar 2 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

- Made eligible to be placed on second Mar 6 reading.
- Mar 10 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Mar 13 1st substitute bill substituted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 44; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 5.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

- Mar 15 First reading, referred to Appropriations.
- Apr 22 By resolution, returned to Senate Rules Committee for third reading.
 - -- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

-- IN THE SENATE --

Jan 14 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status. Made eligible to be placed on third

reading.

- Placed on third reading by Rules Jan 30 Committee.
- Feb 15 Rules suspended. Returned to second reading for amendment. Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 5831-S by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Franklin, Keiser, and Murray)

Providing for the certification of heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration contractors and mechanics. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Creating the joint legislative task force on heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Creates the joint legislative task force on heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 12 Public hearing in committee.
 - -- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 7 LCRD Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. And refer to Ways & Means. Minority; do not pass. Referred to Ways & Means.
- WM Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill Feb 12 proposed by Labor, Commerce, Research & Development. Minority; do not pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 13 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Feb 14 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 47; nays, 2; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 5905-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Franklin, Pflug, Keiser, Tom, Zarelli, Marr, and Carrell)

Concerning certificate of capital authorization.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Provides a certificate of capital authorization is only required for capital expenditures exceeding the expenditure minimum as defined in RCW 70.38.025.

Provides, in processing and approving certificates of capital authorization, priority shall be given to major renovation of existing facilities or construction of replacement facilities.

Provides certificates of capital authorization for new facilities shall receive last priority and be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

Provides, within the priorities established by this act, applications for certificates of capital authorization that do not receive approval in one state fiscal year because that year's authorization limit has been reached shall have priority the following year if the applications are resubmitted.

Requires certificate of capital authorization applications to be filed with the department by the end of the previous calendar year to be considered for priority assignment the following state fiscal year beginning July 1.

Provides that projects shall be considered on an emergency basis if the construction or renovation must be completed as soon as possible to: (1) Retain a facility's license or certification;

- (2) Protect the health or safety of the facility's residents; or
 - (3) Avoid closure.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Mar 5 Public hearing and executive action taken in committee.

WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Mar 10 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Mar 23 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Apr 2 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 46; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 3.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Apr 4 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

Apr 22 By resolution, returned to Senate Rules Committee for third reading.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

-- IN THE SENATE --

Jan 14 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.Made eligible to be placed on third reading.

Feb 12 Placed on third reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 15 Rules suspended.

Returned to second reading for amendment.

Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 49; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

SB 6333-S by Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Marr, and McAuliffe)

Establishing a citizens' work group on health care. (AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/18/2008)

Establishes the Washington citizens' work group on health care.

Requires the work group to actively engage Washingtonians in a bipartisan and public process to examine a number of options for improving access to quality, affordable health care and review the economic analysis of several health care reform proposals, as provided in this act.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 HEA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; without recommendation.
Referred to Ways & Means.

Feb 12 WM - Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Health & Long-Term Care. Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 13 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Feb 14 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 18 1st substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third
Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 31; nays, 17; absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 6437-S by Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Carrell, Hargrove, and Kline; by request of Department of Licensing)

Modifying provisions relating to bail bond and bail bond recovery agents.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Requires a bail bond recovery agent to notify the director of licensing within ten business days following a forced entry for the purpose of apprehending a fugitive criminal defendant, whether planned or unplanned.

Provides that both performing the functions of a bail bond recovery agent without exercising due care to protect the safety of persons other than the defendant and the property of persons other than the defendant or using a dog in the apprehension of a fugitive criminal defendant constitute unprofessional conduct.

Provides that any law enforcement officer who assists in or is in attendance during a planned forced entry is immune from civil action for damages arising out of actions taken by the bail bond recovery agent or agents conducting the forced entry.

Directs the department of licensing to convene a work group to evaluate the availability of the requisite surety bonds on the current market and the issue of requiring bail bond agents and bail recovery agents to provide proof of financial responsibility in order to obtain a license from the department.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 28 JUD Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Jan 30 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted.
 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
 Rules suspended. Placed on Third
 Reading.
 Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0;
 absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 6532-S by Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen and Keiser)

Allowing certain cities to enter into no-fee lease agreements to use state-owned aquatic lands to operate a public marina. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Authorizing certain cities to enter into lease agreements to use state-owned aquatic lands to operate a publicly owned marina.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/15/2008)

Authorizes certain cities to enter into lease agreements to use state-owned aquatic lands to operate a publicly owned marina.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 7 NROR Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 12 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 15 1st substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 49; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Ecology & Parks.

SB 6744 by Senators Fraser and Fairley

Concerning homeowners' associations.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/18/2008)

Requires, by December 10, 2008, the department of community, trade, and economic development to conduct a study of improved dispute resolution processes for homeowners' association members and boards of directors. The study shall evaluate the feasibility of creating either state or local appeals boards or state or local ombudsman offices to provide dispute resolution services and information to homeowners' association members and boards of directors about their rights and duties under chapter 64.38 RCW.

Requires the department of community, trade, and economic development to appoint an advisory committee of up to twelve members to assist with the study.

Requires the department of community, trade, and economic development to create a task force of up to thirteen members to provide recommendations on model declarations and a method for distributing information on homeowners' associations to prospective buyers.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 22 First reading, referred to Consumer Protection & Housing.
- Feb 7 CPH Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 And refer to Ways & Means.
 Referred to Ways & Means.
- Feb 12 WM Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Consumer Protection & Housing.

 Minority; without recommendation.

 Passed to Rules Committee for second

reading.

Feb 13 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

Feb 15 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Feb 18 1st substitute bill not substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third
Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 44; nays, 1;
absent, 0; excused, 4.

SB 6745 by Senator Fraser

Concerning homeowners' associations.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/18/2008)

Provides that an obligation of good faith is imposed in the performance and enforcement of all contracts and duties governed by chapter 64.38 RCW and in all other transactions involving declarants, associations, and their members.

Modifies and implements provisions related to membership, powers, meetings, and governing documents of homeowners' associations. Provides that a homeowners' association may levy reasonable fines and incorporate as a nonprofit corporation.

Provides that a seller of a lot that is part of a homeowners' association must furnish certain documents and information to the buyer.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 22 First reading, referred to Consumer Protection & Housing.
- Feb 6 CPH Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 12 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- Feb 13 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 18 1st substitute bill not substituted.
 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
 Rules suspended. Placed on Third
 Reading.
 Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0;
 absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 6760-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Regala, Zarelli, Rasmussen, Roach, and Fairley)

Concerning the developmental disabilities trust account. (AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/18/2008)

Provides that all net proceeds from the use of excess property identified in the 2002 joint legislative audit and review committee capital study or other studies of the division of developmental disabilities residential habilitation centers at Lakeland Village, Fircrest school, Yakima Valley school, Francis Hadden Morgan Center, and Rainier school that would not impact current residential habilitation center operations must be deposited into the developmental disabilities community trust account.

-- 2008 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 12 WM Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; without recommendation. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 13 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- Feb 15 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 18 1st substitute bill substituted.
 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
 Rules suspended. Placed on Third
 Reading.
 Third reading, passed; yeas, 46; nays, 0;

absent, 0; excused, 3.

SB 6776-S by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Kline, Roach, Fraser, Fairley, and Swecker)

Modifying state whistleblower protections.
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/18/2008)

Revises state employee whistleblower protection provisions.

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- Feb 8 GO Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. And refer to Ways & Means. Referred to Ways & Means.
- Feb 12 WM Majority; do pass 1st substitute bill proposed by Government Operations & Elections.
 - Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 13 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- Feb 15 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
- Feb 18 1st substitute bill substituted.
 Floor amendment(s) adopted.
 Rules suspended. Placed on Third
 Reading.
 Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0;
 absent, 0; excused, 1.

SB 6824-S by Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators McDermott, Schoesler, and Kline)

Changing provisions relating to process servers.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires that process servers shall be residents of the state of Washington.

Provides that the department of licensing may furnish lists of registered and legal owners of motor vehicles to registered process servers.

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Feb 12 JUD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.