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House Bills

HB 2587 by Representatives Moscoso, Orcutt, Seaquist, Zeiger, Pollet, Reykdal, and Hayes

Creating a tuition and fees exemption for children and surviving spouses of certain highway workers.

Exempts children and surviving spouses of certain highway workers from paying tuition fees and services and activities fees.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2588 by Representatives Cody, Appleton, Ryu, Riccelli, Sells, Walkinshaw, Dunshee, Reykdal, Robinson, Green, Fitzgibbon, Bergquist, Tharinger, and Freeman

Concerning employers' responsibility for the medical assistance costs of employees.

Establishes the employer responsibility for medical assistance costs of employees act of 2014.

Ensures that large employers contribute to the cost of health coverage by paying a penalty for health coverage received by their employees through medical assistance.

Encourages the provision of affordable employer-based coverage to low-wage employees who would otherwise be covered by medical assistance and discourages employers from reducing hours, wages, or both to avoid the employer

responsibility penalty of the patient protection and affordable care act.

Helps pay the nonfederal share of costs for medical assistance, improves reimbursement to the providers who care for medical assistance clients, and supports the safety net of county hospitals and community clinics that provide care for the remaining uninsured adult workers.

Requires the employment security department to administer this act in coordination with the state health care authority, the office of the insurance commissioner, and the department of labor and industries.

Exempts from disclosure under the public records act, documents and records that result from matching records with or sharing information among the state health care authority, the employment security department, or the department of social and health services pursuant to this act.

Creates the employer responsibility for medical assistance trust fund.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2589 by Representatives Goodman, Pettigrew, Stanford, Sells, S. Hunt, Appleton, Pollet, Bergquist, Ormsby, Stonier, Haigh, Riccelli, Moscoso, Fey, Walkinshaw, Tarleton, Tharinger, Wylie, Senn, Ryu, Morrell, and Reykdal

Enhancing the basic education allocation formula to adopt the staffing resources recommended by the quality education council.

Defines a fully implemented prototypical school model for the 2017-2018 school year through annual improvements in staffing levels, with a priority on staffing schools with a high level of poverty students first.

Increases student opportunities to receive a basic education as well as improve student performance and graduation rates by lowering class sizes and increasing school staffing.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2590 by Representative Kirby

Concerning sellers of travel.

Revises provisions regarding sellers of travel.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2591 by Representative Schmick

Preempting local employment laws and contracts.

Prohibits a city, town, county, or port district from requiring, enforcing, or otherwise regulating by means of charter, ordinance, regulation, rule, resolution, or contract including purchase agreement any of the following for private employers: Payment of wages, hours of work, employee retention, or leave from employment.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2592 by Representatives Stonier, Pike, Wylie, Harris, Fey, Orcutt, and Moeller

Concerning county electronic public auctions.

Addresses the sale of foreclosed property by a county public auction via the internet or other electronic media.

Authorizes a county treasurer to accept electronic funds transfers for a purchase at a tax sale of any tax, assessment, fees, or charges.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2593 by Representatives Stonier, Harris, Wylie, Ryu, and Fey

Revising local government treasury practices and procedures.

Revises local government treasury practices and procedures relating to: (1) The custodian of funds;

(2) Management of an investment pool;

(3) Accepted payment methods; and

(4) The loss, destruction, and duplication of a warrant.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Local Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2594 by Representatives Riccelli, Jinkins, Cody, Moscoso, Morrell, Fitzgibbon, Ryu, Tarleton, Farrell, Van De Wege, Robinson, Habib, Ormsby, Tharinger, Freeman, Walkinshaw, Hudgins, Gregerson, Pettigrew, Reykdal, Roberts, Carlyle, and Moeller

Requiring the health care authority to develop a blueprint for the establishment of a federal basic health program.

Requires the state health care authority to develop a blueprint for the establishment of a federal basic health program.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2595 by Representatives Springer, Fitzgibbon, and Nealey

Regarding infill development.

Addresses infill development provisions regarding categorical exemptions from the requirements of the state environmental policy act.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Environment (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2596 by Representatives Chandler, Warnick, Ross, and Johnson

Providing that sales and use taxes imposed by rural counties may be used for purchasing water rights for water banking.

Allows the use of sales and use taxes imposed by rural counties for purchasing water rights for water banking.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2597 by Representatives Chandler, Johnson, and Ross

Clarifying that the definition of qualifying machinery and equipment includes all equipment used by hop farmers in harvesting the crop.

Clarifies that: (1) Production equipment, not processing equipment, is the machinery and equipment used to get hops to a marketable farm gate product; and

(2) Production equipment is eligible for the sales and use tax exemption of other qualifying farm machinery and equipment.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Finance (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2598 by Representative Kagi; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Clarifying the lead agency for the early support for infant and toddlers program.

Clarifies that the department of early learning is the lead agency for the early support for infant and toddlers program.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2599 by Representatives Habib, Fitzgibbon, Hayes, Robinson, Orcutt, Walkinshaw, Fey, Ryu, Zeiger, Carlyle, Sells, Farrell, and Moeller

Modifying requirements for pedestrians walking along roadways.

Changes the requirement of a pedestrian to move clear of a roadway upon meeting an oncoming vehicle when a sidewalk is not provided.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2600 by Representatives Kirby, Hudgins, and Ryu

Prohibiting automobile insurers from committing certain unfair practices.

Prohibits an automobile insurer from unreasonably failing to pay first and third party property damage claims for damage to motor vehicles, including motor-driven cycles and bicycles, by committing an unfair act set forth in this act.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2601 by Representatives Freeman and Rodne

Clarifying municipal court terms.

Allows a municipal court term to be terminated only at the end of the judicial term of the judge or judges of that court.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2602 by Representative Nealey

Modifying certain venue of action provisions.

Permits a defendant, that resides in the county that is bringing an action, to move the action to either of the two nearest judicial districts by making the request in accordance with court rules for civil proceedings.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2603 by Representative Klippert

Revising county road vacation authority.

Changes the requirements for the vacation of a county road when it abuts a body of freshwater or salt water.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Environment (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2604 by Representatives Riccelli, Moscoso, Farrell, Warnick, and Fitzgibbon

Allowing nonprofit corporations and organizations and certain transit providers to provide transportation services to agricultural employees.

Authorizes certain transit agencies and nonprofit transportation providers to support vanpool programs for agricultural workers in the same manner as other vanpool programs while maintaining the existing protections provided in current law for agricultural workers.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2605 by Representatives Stonier, S. Hunt, Sawyer, Fey, Orwall, and Bergquist

Making school district policies on restraint or isolation of certain students available to parents and guardians.

Requires a copy of a school district policy regarding the use of restraint or isolation and the procedures for notification of a parent or guardian regarding the use of restraint or isolation to be made available to parents and guardians on the district web site, with a written copy provided on request.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2606 by Representatives Condotta, Shea, Taylor, Overstreet, and Scott

Restricting the use of automated license plate recognition systems.

Prohibits certain persons from using an automated license plate recognition system.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2607 by Representatives Reykdal, S. Hunt, Pollet, Sells, Seaquist, Stanford, and Fey

Establishing competitive wages for beginning teacher salaries.

Prohibits the minimum salary for any level of experience and education provided in any salary allocation model used in state funding formulas for certificated instructional staff allocations from being less than fifty-two thousand seventy-four dollars.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2608 by Representatives Sells, Haigh, Reykdal, S. Hunt, Pollet, Stanford, and Fey

Establishing the minimum wage for classified school employees.

Requires the department of labor and industries, on September 30, 2015, and on each September 30th thereafter, to calculate an adjusted minimum wage rate by increasing the current year's minimum wage rate by the rate of inflation.

Requires classified school employees to be paid wages at a rate of not less than: (1) Fifteen dollars per hour from January 1, 2015, until January 1, 2016; and

(2) The amount established by the department of labor and industries beginning January 1, 2016, and each January 1st thereafter.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2609 by Representatives S. Hunt, Pollet, Sells, Seaquist, Reykdal, and Fey

Restoring cost-of-living increases for educational employees.

Increases salaries for public school employees and community and technical college faculty and staff to levels that will meet the inflation adjustments that were originally required under Initiative Measure No. 732 for 2009-2010 through 2014-2015 school years.

Changes bonus calculations for certificated instructional staff who have attained certification from the national board for professional teaching standards.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2610 by Representatives Fey, Kagi, Freeman, Fitzgibbon, Sawyer, Senn, Bergquist, Walkinshaw, Lytton, Ryu, Farrell, Jinkins, and Robinson

Identifying characteristics of the homeless youth population.

Requires the state institute for public policy to conduct an analysis to identify characteristics of the homeless youth population from birth to age ten.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2611 by Representatives Johnson, Appleton, Ross, and Chandler

Requiring the student achievement council to develop a grant program to encourage training for students studying in the medical field to work with individuals with disabilities.

Requires the student achievement council to develop a centralized program for grants for institutions for programs designed to develop training projects focused upon improvement of services to adult individuals with developmental disabilities.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2612 by Representatives Hansen, Haler, and Zeiger

Changing provisions relating to the opportunity scholarship. Changes the composition of the opportunity scholarship board.

Changes the month from May to October for the annual disbursement of scholarships from the scholarship account.

Authorizes the opportunity scholarship board to elect to have the state investment board invest the funds in the scholarship account and the endowment account.

Requires the student achievement council to enter into an appropriate agreement with the program administrator to demonstrate exchange of consideration for the matching funds. Once money in the opportunity scholarship match transfer account is subject to the agreement and is deposited in the scholarship account or endowment account, the state acts in a fiduciary rather than ownership capacity with regard to those assets.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2613 by Representatives Gregerson, Zeiger, and Seaquist

Creating efficiencies for institutions of higher education.

Requires four-year institutions of higher education that increase tuition beyond levels assumed in the omnibus appropriations act after January 1, 2011, to report to the governor and relevant committees of the legislature by December 31st every year on the effectiveness of the various sources and methods of financial aid in mitigating tuition increases.

Authorizes an institution of higher education to pay its employees for services rendered biweekly.

Provides how "institutional quality" must be measured regarding the joint legislative audit and review committee's systemic performance audit of the tuition-setting authority granted to the governing boards of the state universities, regional universities, and The Evergreen State College.

Exempts from predesign review, projects at institutions of higher education, which may be valued up to ten million dollars.

Requires the state universities, the regional universities, and The Evergreen State College, when negotiating an institutional performance plan with the office of financial

management to include negotiated targets for the purpose of determining performance incentive funding.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2614 by Representatives Pike and Manweller

Allowing employers to pay training wages to new employees.

Requires the director of the department of labor and industries to establish procedures for the issuance of special training certificates to employers authorizing the employers to pay training wages to new employees.

Requires an employer who discharges an employee working under the special training certificate, before the employee's completion of six hundred eighty hours, to notify the director and provide an explanation for the discharge.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Labor & Workforce Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2615 by Representative Pike

Modifying the requirements for renewing state need grants. Changes the qualifications for renewal of a state need grant.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2616 by Representatives Freeman, Walsh, Kagi, Roberts, and Smith

Concerning parents with intellectual or developmental disabilities involved in dependency proceedings.

Requires the department of social and health services to take into consideration a parent's intellectual or developmental disability when offering services to correct parental deficiencies.

Allows a court to apply an active efforts standard to the department of social and health services at dependency review hearings involving parents with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2617 by Representatives Jinkins, S. Hunt, Halder, Appleton, Hope, Moscoso, Harris, Fitzgibbon, Morrell, Sawyer, Bergquist, Pollet, Green, Riccelli, Fey, MacEwen, and Freeman

Regulating interpreter services.

Authorizes the department of social and health services and the state health care authority to purchase interpreter

services on behalf of limited-English speaking applicants and recipients of public assistance.

Authorizes the department of labor and industries to purchase interpreter services for medical and vocational providers authorized to provide services to limited-English speaking injured workers or crime victims.

Requires, no later than September 1, 2015, the department of social and health services, the state health care authority, and the department of labor and industries to purchase spoken language interpreter services.

Requires the department of social and health services to establish the spoken language interpreter advisory group to advise the departments of social and health services, labor and industries, and enterprise services and the state health care authority on the certification and authorization of spoken language interpreters.

Requires the department of enterprise services to, by September 1, 2015, develop and implement a model that all state agencies must use to procure spoken language interpreter services.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2618 by Representatives Gregerson, Ryu, and Takko

Modifying provisions governing public works projects of code cities.

Addresses the performance by city employees of public works projects in code cities.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Local Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2619 by Representatives Bergquist, Halder, Pollet, and Muri

Creating the state need pay it forward program.

Creates the state need pay it forward program to expand access to need-based aid for a larger number of qualified students to attend the state's institutions of higher education without paying for tuition up front and without relying on the increasingly expensive federal student loans.

Requires the office of student financial assistance to: (1) Design the state need pay it forward program;

(2) Design the state college bound pay it forward program in alignment with the state need grant pay it forward program; and

(3) With the assistance of the office of the superintendent of public instruction, implement and administer the state college bound pay it forward program.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to notify schools about the state college bound pay it forward program.

Requires school districts to notify students, parents, teachers, counselors, and principals about the state college bound pay it forward program.

Requires the caseload forecast council to estimate the anticipated caseload of the state college bound pay it forward program and submit the forecast to the governor and the members of the legislative fiscal committees.

- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education
 (Not Officially read and referred until
 adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2620 by Representatives Kretz and Short
 Enhancing the potable water supply by encouraging
 treatment of raw groundwater.
 Requires the department of health, wherever possible,
 to seek to enhance the potable water supply by encouraging
 treatment of raw groundwater sources where they exceed
 maximum contaminant levels.

- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Environment (Not
 Officially read and referred until
 adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2621 by Representatives Johnson and S. Hunt
 Expanding participation in college in the high school
 programs.
 Allows tenth grade students to participate in the college
 in the high school program.
 Requires certain school districts to provide general
 information about the college in the high school program to
 ninth grade students and to the parents and guardians of
 those students.

- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Education (Not
 Officially read and referred until
 adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2622 by Representatives Johnson, S. Hunt, and
 Chandler
 Designating the central Washington state fair as the official
 state fair.
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 official state fair.

- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Government
 Operations & Elections (Not Officially
 read and referred until adoption of
 Introduction report).

HB 2623 by Representatives Haler and Klippert
 Establishing a bill of rights for citizens, businesses, and
 project proponents who are subject to state agency action.
 Establishes a bill of rights for citizens, businesses, and
 project proponents who are subject to state agency action.
 Requires the office of regulatory assistance to include
 on its web site, information or links to information on the
 process by which a citizen, business owner, or operator may
 initiate a complaint that an agency has violated a right
 provided in section 1 of this act.
 Requires an agency to include in its official record of
 each adjudicative proceeding, any written findings prepared
 by the office of regulatory assistance in response to a
 complaint.

- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Government
 Operations & Elections (Not Officially

read and referred until adoption of
 Introduction report).

HB 2624 by Representatives Haler, Tarleton, and
 Klippert

Clarifying the applicability of child abduction statutes to
 residential provisions ordered by a court.
 Clarifies the applicability of child abduction statutes to
 residential provisions ordered by a court.

- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not
 Officially read and referred until
 adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2625 by Representatives Haigh, Buys, and Blake
 Concerning the development of a proposed policy option for
 achieving the goal of electronically reporting intrastate
 transfers of ownership of livestock as a means to increase
 participation in the animal disease traceability program.
 Requires the director of the department of agriculture to
 develop a proposed policy option for achieving the goal of
 electronically reporting intrastate transfers of ownership of
 livestock by producers as a means to increase participation
 in the animal disease traceability program.

- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Agriculture &
 Natural Resources (Not Officially read
 and referred until adoption of
 Introduction report).

HB 2626 by Representatives Seaquist and Haler
 Concerning statewide educational attainment goals.
 Recognizes that one of the most important duties of the
 student achievement council is to propose educational
 attainment goals to the governor and the legislature and to
 develop a ten-year roadmap to achieve those goals.
 Declares that the statewide educational attainment goals
 required to meet the societal and economic needs of the
 future are as follows: All adults, ages twenty-five to forty-
 four, will have a high school diploma or equivalent by 2023
 and at least seventy percent of adults, ages twenty-five to
 forty-four, will have a postsecondary credential by 2023.

- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education
 (Not Officially read and referred until
 adoption of Introduction report).

Senate Bills

SB 5969-S by Senate Committee on Higher Education
 (originally sponsored by Senators O'Ban,
 McCoy, Schoesler, Hobbs, Hatfield, Brown, Conway,
 Rolfes, Braun, McAuliffe, and Benton)

Providing for awarding academic credit for military
 training.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
 Requires institutions of higher education to adopt a
 policy to award academic credit for military training

applicable to the student's certificate or degree requirements.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Higher Education at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 21 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Higher Education at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 22 HIE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5972-S by Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Parks (originally sponsored by Senators Pearson, Rolfes, Hargrove, Mullet, Sheldon, Hewitt, Cleveland, Honeyford, Fain, Hill, Braun, Fraser, Litzow, Parlette, Frockt, and Kline; by request of Commissioner of Public Lands)

Specifying recovery for fire damages to public or private forested lands.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Allows an owner of public or private forested lands to bring a civil action in superior court for property damage to public or private forested lands, including real and personal property on those lands, when the damage results from a fire that started on or spread from public or private forested lands.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 14 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Parks at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 21 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Parks at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 22 NRP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5973-S by Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Parks (originally sponsored by Senators Rolfes, Pearson, Honeyford, Cleveland, Hargrove, Hewitt, Fraser, Litzow, Parlette, Kline, and McAuliffe; by request of Commissioner of Public Lands)

Creating the community forest trust account.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the community forest trust account and requires all money received for the acquisition, sale, management, and administration of the department of fish and wildlife's duties for community forest trust lands to be deposited into the account.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 14 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Parks at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 21 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Parks at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 22 NRP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
On motion, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5991-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Ericksen, Sheldon, Hewitt, Brown, Mullet, Honeyford, and Benton)

Studying nuclear power as a replacement for electricity generated from the combustion of fossil fuels.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates a joint select task force on nuclear energy to study how the state can advance and support the generation of clean energy in the region through the use of nuclear power.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Energy and Environment & Telecommunications at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 21 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Energy and Environment & Telecommunications at 1:30 PM.
- Jan 22 EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6005-S by Senate Committee on Governmental Operations (originally sponsored by Senators Roach and Hasegawa; by request of Office of Financial Management)

Eliminating the position of human resources director.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Eliminates the position of human resources director.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 21 GOV - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Public hearing and executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Governmental Operations at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 22 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6336 by Senators Dammeier, Frockt, Hill, Billig, Kohl-Welles, and Tom

Promoting expanded learning opportunities as a strategy to close the educational opportunity gap and prevent summer learning loss.

Creates the summer expanded learning opportunities grant program to build capacity for partnerships between schools and community-based organizations to design and deliver evidence-based and innovative enrichment programs designed to prevent summer learning loss among target student populations.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Identify criteria for the award of grants;

(2) Award grants proportionately between applying community-based organizations and school districts or educational service districts; and

(3) Contract with a statewide nonprofit organization to build capacity for, promote, and sustain an expanded learning opportunities system for elementary and secondary education and to support implementation of the summer expanded learning opportunities grant program.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6337 by Senators Hill, McAuliffe, Dammeier, and Rolfes

Implementing selected education reforms using recommendations from the quality education council's 2014 report to the legislature.

Finds that the quality education council made seven recommendations in its 2014 report to recommend and inform the ongoing implementation of an evolving program of basic education, recommend the financing necessary to support such a program, develop strategic recommendations intended to inform future educational policy and funding decisions, and identify measurable goals and priorities for the educational system.

Implements those recommendations that require statutory change.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6338 by Senators Dammeier, Darneille, Angel, Keiser, Honeyford, and Tom

Giving preferences to housing trust fund projects that involve collaboration between local school districts and housing authorities to help children of low-income families succeed in school.

Requires the department of commerce to also give preference to applications for projects involving collaborative partnerships between local school districts and public housing authorities that help children of low-income families succeed in school.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 6339 by Senators Fraser, Roach, Kohl-Welles, Benton, Hasegawa, Chase, Keiser, and Kline

Concerning coercion of involuntary servitude.

Includes in the crime of coercion of involuntary servitude, coercing another person to perform labor or services by: (1) Withholding or threatening to withhold or destroy documents relating to a person's immigration status; or

(2) Threatening to notify law enforcement officials that a person is present in the United States in violation of federal immigration laws.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 6340 by Senator Hill; by request of Office of Financial Management

Aligning student transportation formulas with 2013 session laws.

Aligns student transportation formulas with 2013 session laws.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6341 by Senators Hargrove, Chase, and Schoesler

Establishing the LEED plus W high-performance public building standard.

Requires the department of enterprise services to: (1) Develop the LEED plus W standard which is a high-performance public building standard designed to maximize the sustainability and environmental performance of major facility projects; and

(2) Consult with the high-performance buildings advisory committee, other appropriate agencies, subject matter experts, and stakeholders in developing the initial standard.

Requires major facility projects of public agencies and public school districts to be designed, constructed, and certified to at least the LEED plus W standard, if the agency or district receives funding in a capital budget or if the project is financed through a financing contract.

Requires the state building code council, in consultation with appropriate agencies, subject matter experts, and stakeholders, to review the state building code and the international green construction code regarding the LEED plus W standard.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Governmental Operations.

SB 6342 by Senators Ranker and Kline

Prohibiting the use of leaf blowers by state agencies.

Prohibits state agencies from using leaf blowers.

Requires the director of the department of enterprise services to ensure the maintenance and care of grounds under the control of state agencies do not include the use of leaf blowers.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Governmental Operations.

SB 6343 by Senators Chase, Ranker, and Kline

Regarding genetically engineered fin fish.

Prohibits the production of genetically engineered fin fish in state waters.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 6344 by Senators Hargrove, Kohl-Welles, Mullet, Schoesler, and Kline

Addressing the implementation of inmate postsecondary education degree programs to reduce recidivism.

Offers postsecondary opportunities to inmates to reduce recidivism.

Authorizes the selection of an inmate to participate in a state-funded postsecondary education degree program, based on priority determined by the department of corrections.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6345 by Senators McCoy, Pearson, Chase, and Kohl-Welles

Concerning the arrest of individuals who suffer from chemical dependency.

Allows a police officer who has reasonable cause to believe that an individual has committed acts constituting a nonfelony crime that is not a serious offense, and has not committed a possible violation of DUI or physical control laws, and is known by history to suffer from a chemical dependency, to: (1) Take the individual to an approved chemical dependency treatment provider for treatment;

(2) Take the individual to an emergency medical service customarily used for incapacitated persons, if no approved treatment program is readily available;

(3) Refer the individual to a chemical dependency professional for initial detention and proceeding; or

(4) Release the individual upon agreement to voluntary participation in outpatient treatment.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6346 by Senators Becker and Keiser; by request of Health Care Authority

Creating the public employees' benefits board benefits account.

Creates the public employees' benefits board benefits account and requires money in the account to be used exclusively to purchase, through consolidated contracts, benefits or services for the benefit of subscribers and members.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 6347 by Senators Becker and Keiser; by request of Health Care Authority

Clarifying employee eligibility for benefits from the public employees' benefits board and conforming the eligibility provisions with federal law.

Clarifies employee eligibility for benefits from the public employees' benefits board and conforms the eligibility provisions with federal law.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 6348 by Senators Roach, Hasegawa, Benton, Tom, Braun, Bailey, Chase, Keiser, and Mullet

Concerning personal financial affairs reporting by public hospital district officials.

Requires the chief executive officer, general counsel, vice presidents, and board of trustees of a public hospital district with a population over one hundred fifty thousand to file a statement of financial affairs with the public disclosure commission.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Governmental Operations.

SB 6349 by Senators Roach, Angel, and Honeyford

Implementing requirements for the condemnation of real property.

Prohibits a municipality, in any judicial action to condemn blighted areas, from condemning any aggregate area of real property.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Governmental Operations.

SB 6350 by Senators Roach, Padden, and Kline

Securing damages for persons injured by violations of the state Constitution.

Places liability on a governmental entity that, under color of a statute, ordinance, regulation, custom, or usage, subjects or causes to be subjected, a citizen, inhabitant, or domiciliary of this state to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured by the state Constitution.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 6351 by Senators Roach, Angel, Hill, Bailey, Braun, Becker, Honeyford, and Padden

Concerning home and community-based services programs for dependents of military service members.

Authorizes an application to be filed with the department of social and health services for dependents of military service members to receive services provided under the home and community-based services programs.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 6352 by Senators Fain, Hobbs, Angel, Chase, Pedersen, Erickson, Kohl-Welles, and Roach

Providing an exemption for certain lodging services from the convention and trade center tax.

Provides hostels with an exemption from the convention and trade center tax.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6353 by Senators Pedersen and O'Ban; by request of Uniform Laws Commission

Enacting the uniform power of attorney act.

Repeals chapter 11.94 RCW (power of attorney) and creates the uniform power of attorney act.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 6354 by Senators Dammeier, Rivers, and Keiser

Concerning protection of health care information in the health benefit exchange related to navigators.

Prohibits a person or entity functioning as a navigator, associated with the health benefit exchange, from requesting health care information from a person seeking their services.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 6355 by Senators Hobbs, Sheldon, Hatfield, and King

Concerning projects of statewide significance for economic development and transportation.

Provides a mechanism for local governments and state and federal agencies to perform a coordinated and comprehensive review of projects of statewide significance for economic development and transportation.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Trade & Economic Development.

SB 6356 by Senator Angel

Naming the chair and vice chair of state and county political committees.

Addresses the election and gender of the chair and vice chair of state and county political committees.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Governmental Operations.

SB 6357 by Senator Angel

Concerning cosmetology, hair design, barbering, esthetics, and manicuring.

Modifies provisions relating to cosmetology, barbering, esthetics, and manicuring under chapter 18.16 RCW and adds "hair design" to those provisions.

Changes the name of the cosmetology, barbering, esthetics, and manicuring advisory board to the cosmetology, hair design, barbering, esthetics, and manicuring advisory board.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 6358 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Bailey, Frockt, Becker, Chase, and Tom

Requiring institutions of higher education to provide certain financial aid information to admitted and prospective students.

Requires community and technical colleges to provide financial aid application due dates and information on whether or not financial aid will be awarded on a rolling basis to their admitted students at the time of acceptance.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 6359 by Senators Hobbs, Hasegawa, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Chase, Darneille, Mullet, Kline, Hatfield, Frockt, Nelson, Pedersen, McAuliffe, Cleveland, Fraser, Conway, McCoy, Ranker, Eide, Billig, and Liias

Concerning health plan coverage for the voluntary termination of a pregnancy.

Requires a health plan, issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2015, that provides coverage for maternity care or services, to also provide a covered person with substantially equivalent coverage to permit the voluntary termination of a pregnancy.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 6360 by Senator Keiser

Including mental health prescriptions in electronic medical records.

Requires certain electronic medical records to include mental health prescriptions.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 6361 by Senators Angel, Sheldon, Hatfield, Brown, Hobbs, Conway, Mullet, Keiser, Cleveland, and Rivers

Concerning incrementally increasing the distribution percentage of liquor revolving fund revenues under RCW 66.08.190 to cities and counties.

Increases the distribution percentage of liquor revolving fund revenues to cities and counties.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6362 by Senators Bailey, Becker, Frockt, Kohl-Welles, and Tom

Creating efficiencies for institutions of higher education.

Requires four-year institutions of higher education that increase tuition beyond levels assumed in the omnibus appropriations act after January 1, 2011, to report to the governor and relevant committees of the legislature by December 31st every year on the effectiveness of the various sources and methods of financial aid in mitigating tuition increases.

Authorizes an institution of higher education to pay its employees for services rendered biweekly.

Changes the purpose of the joint legislative audit and review committee's systemic performance audit of the tuition-setting authority granted to the governing boards of the state universities, regional universities, and The Evergreen State College.

Exempts from predesign review, projects at institutions of higher education, which may be valued up to ten million dollars.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 6363 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Darneille, O'Ban, Hargrove, and Keiser

Creating the office of the behavioral health ombuds.

Creates the office of the behavioral health ombuds within the office of the governor to: (1) Promote public awareness and understanding of state-funded behavioral health services;

(2) Identify system issues and responses for the governor and the legislature to act upon; and

(3) Monitor and ensure compliance with administrative acts, relevant statutes, rules, contract terms, and policies pertaining to provision of behavioral health services, and the placement, supervision, and treatment of adults and children in state hospitals or in state-licensed facilities.

Requires the department of social and health services, state hospitals, the state health care authority, regional support networks, and behavioral health service providers under contract to: (1) Allow the ombuds to communicate privately with any person in the custody of the state;

(2) Permit the ombuds physical access to state institutions serving persons with behavioral health disorders and state-licensed facilities or residences;

(3) Grant the ombuds the right to access, inspect, and copy all relevant information, records, or documents in their possession or control that the ombuds considers necessary in an investigation; and

(4) Grant the office of the behavioral health ombuds unrestricted online access to electronic databases.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6364 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Fraser, Keiser, Rolfes, and Cleveland

Concerning parental rights and responsibilities of sexual assault perpetrators and survivors.

Establishes a process whereby a survivor who becomes pregnant as a result of a sexual assault and who elects to raise the child can seek the court's assistance in avoiding continued forced interactions with the rapist and the consequent inability to fully heal from the assault.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 6365 by Senators Frockt, McAuliffe, O'Ban, Fain, Litzow, Pedersen, Darneille, Rolfes, Kohl-Welles, Tom, Liias, and Cleveland

Creating a pilot program to provide educational stability for homeless children.

Requires the department of commerce, in consultation with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, to: (1) Administer a two-year pilot program that links homeless children and their families with stable housing located in the homeless student's school district; and

(2) Develop a competitive grant process to make a one-time grant award of three hundred thousand dollars to a school district partnered with an eligible organization.

Makes an appropriation.

Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

Expires January 15, 2017.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance.

SB 6366 by Senators Honeyford, Roach, and King

Making tax preferences for the bee industry permanent.

Removes the expiration of tax preferences for the bee industry.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6367 by Senator Mullet

Concerning medication synchronization and dispensing fee standardization.

Requires an individual or group health insurance policy providing prescription drug coverage to permit and apply a prorated daily cost-sharing rate to certain prescriptions.

Prohibits an individual or group health insurance policy providing prescription drug coverage from: (1) Denying coverage for the dispensing of a drug prescribed for the treatment of a chronic illness that is made in accordance with a plan to synchronize the refilling of multiple prescriptions for the insured; and

(2) Using payment structures incorporating prorated dispensing fees determined by calculation of the days' supply of medication dispensed.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 6368 by Senators Roach, Holmquist Newbry, Benton, Sheldon, Padden, Chase, Eide, Mullet, and Dammeier

Adjusting the dollar threshold for substantial development under the shoreline management act for certain pleasure craft-related construction.

Adjusts the dollar threshold for substantial development under the shoreline management act for certain pleasure craft-related construction of boat ramps, launches, and docks.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Energy, Environment & Telecommunications.

SB 6369 by Senator Baumgartner

Concerning the removal of snow from streets that are part of state highways.

Addresses the removal of snow from streets that are part of state highways.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6370 by Senators King, Eide, and Kohl-Welles

Creating a tuition and fees exemption for children and surviving spouses of certain highway workers.

Exempts children and surviving spouses of certain highway workers from paying tuition fees and services and activities fees.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6371 by Senator Roach

Removing the requirement that candidates and authorized political committees must file contribution and expenditure reports electronically.

Allows certain candidates and authorized committees of a candidate to file contribution reports and expenditure reports required by the fair campaign practices act in written form by electronic mail or facsimile or by an electronic alternative provided by the public disclosure commission.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Governmental
 Operations.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Early Learning &
 K-12 Education.

SB 6372 by Senator Roach

Ensuring growth management hearings board members meet qualifications relating to land use experience.

Requires at least three members of the growth management hearings board to be engaged in the legal profession with a focus on land use at the time of his or her appointment.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Governmental
 Operations.

SB 6373 by Senators Roach, O'Ban, Sheldon, and Litzow

Concerning instruction in Spanish and Chinese languages.

Creates a Spanish and Chinese language instruction pilot program in which a maximum of two school districts may participate.

Requires each school district to provide a world language program in elementary schools that provides instruction in Spanish and a Chinese language.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 6374 by Senators Roach and Padden

Addressing parent and child relationship termination.

Addresses the termination of a parent and child relationship with regard to a child being conceived as a result of a sex offense or incest.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Human Services
 & Corrections.

SB 6375 by Senators Roach and Schoesler

Concerning the sale of in-vehicle electronic toll collection system equipment.

Requires the department of transportation to: (1) Post signs near tolled facilities to inform the traveling public where in-vehicle electronic toll collection system equipment is sold; and

(2) Provide in-vehicle electronic toll collection system equipment through automated vending machines at certain safety rest areas.

-- 2014 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6376 by Senators McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, and Chase

Including information on preventing sexual abuse and violence in sexual health education.

Requires public schools that offer sexual health education to assure that sexual health education includes information on preventing sexual abuse and violence and understanding consent.