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House Bills

HB 1086-S by House Committee on Environment (originally sponsored by Representatives Blake, J. Walsh, Springer, Wilcox, and Hargrove)

Promoting the completion of environmental impact statements within two years.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires a lead agency to prepare a final environmental impact statement in as expeditious a manner as possible while not compromising the integrity of the analysis.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Environment at 1:30 PM.

Feb 2 ENVI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Environment at 8:00

Feb 3 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1120-S by House Committee on Technology & Economic Development (originally sponsored by Representatives Smith, Morris, Short, Hayes, Stanford, Koster, Van Werven, McDonald, MacEwen, Muri, Haler, Ryu, Condotta, and Buys)

Concerning the regulatory fairness act.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that the regulatory fairness act does not apply to the adoption of a rule if an agency is able to demonstrate that the proposed rule does not affect small

Requires a proposing agency to consider mitigation options if a proposed rule affects only small businesses.

Requires the office of regulatory assistance to act as the central entity to collaborate with and provide support to state agencies in meeting the requirements of the regulatory fairness act.

Requires the state auditor to conduct a performance review of agency compliance with the regulatory fairness act.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on Technology & Economic Development at 8:00 AM.

Jan 24 Executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the House Committee on Technology & Economic Development at 10:00 AM.

Jan 26 Executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the House Committee on Technology & Economic Development at 1:30 PM.

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

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Technology & Economic Development at 8:00 AM.

Feb 3 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1149-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Chapman, Clibborn, Orcutt, and Fey)

Providing exemptions from certain maximum vehicle length limitations.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Exempts public transit vehicles equipped with bike racks up to four feet in length from certain maximum vehicle length limitations.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

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

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30

Feb 3 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1353-S by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Dent, Blake, Buys, and Hayes)

Commissioning an elk management pilot project that focuses initially on the Colockum elk herd.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to: (1) Conduct an elk management pilot project to explore the viability of various wildlife management actions to reduce elk highway collisions and elk damage to private crop lands;

- (2) Work with the department of transportation to explore the viability of various wildlife management actions to reduce elk highway collisions, initially focusing on reducing traffic collisions along interstate highways within the range of the herd;
- (3) Use the Colockum elk herd as the subject of a pilot project that explores the benefits of more active management; and
- (4) Work with the Yakama Nation to obtain input from the tribe on the tribe's recommendations.

Expires July 1, 2021.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 25 Public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 1 AGNR Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 8:00 AM.

HB 1930 by Representatives Frame, Rodne, and Jinkins Concerning child custody.

Modifies child custody provisions regarding nonparental actions for child custody and temporary custody orders and temporary parenting plans.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1931 by Representatives Hayes and Macri

Concerning the posting of child abuse and neglect mandated reporter requirements.

Requires the department of social and health services to make available, on its public web site, a downloadable and printable poster that includes reporting requirements on child abuse and neglect issues.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1932 by Representatives Manweller, Dent, Steele, Condotta, Schmick, Dye, and Hayes

Addressing the eligibility of emergency medical technicians employed by public hospital districts for membership in the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system.

Clarifies that an emergency medical technician employed by a public hospital district does not qualify for membership in a retirement system under chapter 41.26 RCW unless the emergency medical technician was a member of the public employees' retirement system while providing emergency medical services for the public hospital district.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1933 by Representatives J. Walsh, Blake, Irwin, Chapman, Vick, and Wilcox

Concerning the transfer of firearms at nonprofit fundraising activities.

Exempts the following from requirements on background checks, sales, and transfers regarding a firearm: A transfer of possession of a firearm between individuals while conducting nonprofit fund-raising activities including auctions, raffles, and contests.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1934 by Representative Haler

Enacting the Washington voting rights act.

Establishes the Washington voting rights act of 2017 to: (1) Authorize district-based elections;

- (2) Require redistricting and new elections in certain circumstances; and
- (3) Establish a cause of action to redress lack of voter opportunity.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to State Government, Elections & Information Technology (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1935 by Representatives Orwall, Nealey, Cody, Gregerson, Pettigrew, Fitzgibbon, Peterson, Ormsby, Pollet, Hudgins, Farrell, Appleton, and Harris; by request of Attorney General

Reducing criminal justice expenses by eliminating the death penalty and instead requiring life imprisonment without possibility of release or parole as the sentence for aggravated first degree murder.

Eliminates the death penalty and requires life imprisonment without possibility of release or parole as the sentence for aggravated first degree murder.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1936 by Representatives Hudgins, Johnson, and Sawyer; by request of Attorney General

Including willful violations of certain state laws to the state's responsible bidder criteria.

Revises the state's responsible bidder criteria to include willful violations of chapter 49.46 RCW (the minimum wage act), chapter 49.48 RCW (wages, payment, and collection), and chapter 49.52 RCW (wages, deductions, contributions, and rebates).

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Capital Budget (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1937 by Representative Stokesbary

Concerning buffer zones with respect to siting statelicensed marijuana businesses and entities near reservations of federally recognized tribes.

Includes reservations of federally recognized tribes in the buffer distance requirements of state-licensed marijuana businesses.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Community
Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs
(Not Officially read and referred until
adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1938 by Representatives Tharinger, J. Walsh, Blake, and Chapman

Ensuring economic development by authorizing public utility districts to provide retail telecommunications services.

Authorizes public utility districts to provide retail telecommunications services.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Technology & Economic Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1939 by Representative Hudgins

Recognizing the thirty-first day of March as Cesar Chavez day.

Recognizes the thirty-first day of March as Cesar Chavez day.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to State
Government, Elections & Information
Technology (Not Officially read and
referred until adoption of Introduction
report).

HB 1940 by Representatives Goodman, Orcutt, Springer, Klippert, Lovick, Orwall, Appleton, and Hayes

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Requiring proof of financial responsibility before the issuance of vehicle registrations.

Requires an application for a renewal vehicle registration to include a field designating the applicant's liability insurance policy information.

Requires an application for an original vehicle registration to include current proof of financial responsibility for the owner to operate a vehicle and a field designating the applicant's liability insurance policy information.

Prohibits the department of licensing from issuing an original or renewal vehicle registration on or after July 1, 2018, unless the applicant provides proof of meeting financial responsibility requirements.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1941 by Representatives Ryu, Blake, Sawyer, Peterson, Stanford, Pollet, Goodman, Senn, Bergquist, Kloba, Ortiz-Self, and Stonier

Disqualifying employers from tax credits and tax incentives when there have been certain violations of labor relations.

Prohibits a person from claiming a tax credit or benefit from a tax incentive if, within the previous five years from the date the person is claiming the tax credit or benefiting from the tax incentive, the national labor relations board or a court has issued a final order finding that the person engaged in certain unfair labor practices with regard to an employee supporting a union or engaging in lawful union activities.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Labor & Workplace Standards (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1942 by Representatives Fey, Robinson, Tharinger, Blake, Peterson, Sawyer, Stanford, Pollet, Senn, Bergquist, Ortiz-Self, and Stonier

Addressing the overpayment of benefits paid to an individual unemployed due to a lockout.

Requires the employment security department to notify the employer and assess and collect the amount of overpayment from the employer if a recipient of a back pay award or settlement due to loss of wages received the award or settlement as the result of a labor dispute regarding a lockout.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Labor & Workplace Standards (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1943 by Representatives Kagi and Graves

Concerning child welfare court proceedings.

Modifies juvenile justice act provisions regarding court proceedings on a child's welfare, the dependency of a child, the termination of a child and parent relationship, and the removal of the references to supervising agency.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1944 by Representative Condotta

Exempting certain law enforcement officers from the hunter education training program.

Exempts certain law enforcement officers from the hunter education training program.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1945 by Representative Condotta

Allowing prospective jurors who are elderly to choose to be excused from jury service or to remain a prospective juror.

Authorizes a person, who is at least seventy years old, to choose to: (1) Be excused from jury service because of his or her age; or

(2) Remain a prospective juror.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1946 by Representative Condotta

Exempting pipe tobacco from the prohibition on shipping or transporting tobacco products ordered or purchased by mail or through the internet.

Revises the definition of "tobacco product," to exclude pipe tobacco from the definition, for purposes of only RCW 70.155.140 (prohibits shipping or transporting tobacco products ordered or purchased by mail or on the internet).

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Commerce & Gaming (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Feb 9 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Gaming at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

HB 1947 by Representatives Koster and Shea

Allowing employers to make gifts based on marital status. Exempts an employer from unfair practice laws if he or she provides gifts to employees based on marital status, as long as no individual employee receives a gift valued at more than one thousand dollars in a calendar year.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1948 by Representatives Harmsworth, Hudgins, Van Werven, Pollet, and Taylor

Concerning open meetings of subgroups of a public agency governing body.

Requires a subcommittee, task force, advisory group, or other work group, created by an action of a governing body, to: (1) Make a meeting open to the public if it relates to a decision to make a policy or fiscal recommendation to a governing body; and

(2) Provide notice of the purpose of the meeting online at least twenty-four hours in advance of the start time of the meeting.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to State Government, Elections & Information Technology (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1949 by Representatives Stambaugh, Tarleton, and Kraft

Creating the skilled worker outreach, recruitment, and key training program.

Creates the skilled worker outreach, recruitment, and key training program to increase the state's skilled workforce by awarding matching grants to eligible applicants.

Requires the department of commerce to: (1) Administer the grant program and establish a process for accepting grant applications;

(2) Establish a grant review committee to review grant applications and make recommendations on who should receive a matching grant and the amount; and

(3) In coordination with the workforce training and education coordinating board, assess current and future workforce needs and coordinate skilled worker training and education programs throughout the state to assist with implementation of the grant program.

Creates the skilled worker outreach, recruitment, and key training program account.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1950 by Representatives Stambaugh, Blake, and Kraft

Concerning written correspondence regarding ethics complaints.

Requires ethics complaints and an ethic board's determination and decision on a complaint to be provided by registered or certified mail, or other delivery service requiring notice of receipt.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to State Government, Elections & Information Technology (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1951 by Representatives Manweller, Koster, and

Requiring public employee collective bargaining sessions to be open meetings.

Requires public employee collective bargaining sessions involving contract negotiations to be open to the public.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Labor & Workplace Standards (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Senate Bills

SB 5020-S by Senate Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Senators Hasegawa, Hunt, Keiser, and Chase)

Concerning certain state ethnic and cultural diversity commissions.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes the commission on African-American affairs and the commission on Hispanic affairs, instead of the governor, to appoint an executive director and set his or her salary within the limits of the office of financial management.

Requires the Asian Pacific American affairs commission to: (1) Appoint an executive director and set his or her salary within the limits of the office of financial management; and

(2) Advise the legislature on issues of concern to the Asian Pacific American community.

Eliminates the repeal and termination, under the sunset act, of the Washington state commission on Hispanic affairs.

Repeals the membership requirements of each commission and creates new language for the membership requirements of each commission.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 11 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on State Government at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 1 SGOV Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.
 Executive action taken in the Senate
 Committee on State Government at 8:00
- Feb 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5065-S by Senate Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Senators Miloscia

and Zeiger)

Concerning government performance and accountability.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the performance management act.

Creates the office of performance management, in the office of the governor, which should: (1) Be granted administrative authority over state performance management programs, ensuring that all executive branch agencies properly implement world-class lean performance management systems to achieve operational excellence; and

(2) Coordinate performance assessments of state agencies by independent examiners.

Requires the department of enterprise services to enter into a partnership with the national institutes of standards and technology, United States department of commerce, and performance excellence northwest and Washington state quality award to develop a suite of web-based classroom training modules for employees, middle managers, supervisors, and senior agency leaders.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

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

And refer to Ways & Means.

Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the Senate

Committee on State Government at 8:00

Feb 2 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5154-S by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Fain, Hobbs, Liias, Zeiger, Billig, Wilson, and Kuderer)

Concerning driver's license formats for persons approaching twenty-one years of age.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of licensing to allow for a person who applies to renew his or her driver's license within one week of his or her twenty-first birthday to convert the driver's license to the format of a driver's license for a person who is twenty-one years of age or older.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 24 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 31 TRAN Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 3:30
- Feb 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5195-S by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Hunt and

King)

Clarifying the appropriate format for signed written authorizations for special parking privileges.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires a licensed physician, an advanced registered nurse practitioner, or a physician assistant who is authorizing a parking permit to provide a signed written authorization on a prescription pad or paper or office letterhead or by electronic means.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 24 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 31 TRAN Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 3:30
- Feb 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5693 by Senator Darneille

Concerning removal of juvenile convictions or adjudications from sexually violent predator status under RCW 71.09.030.

Addresses the removal from sexually violent predator status for juvenile convictions or adjudications.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5694 by Senator Darneille

Concerning the sealing of juvenile records.

Requires the records of an official juvenile court file to be confidential but may be released under certain circumstances.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5695 by Senators Darneille and Hunt

Concerning the development of a juvenile special sex offender disposition alternative treatment court.

Authorizes counties to establish and operate juvenile special sex offender disposition alternative treatment courts.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5696 by Senators Wellman, Fain, Warnick, Walsh, and Zeiger

Concerning breakfast after the bell programs.

Requires each high-needs school to offer breakfast after the bell to each student and provide adequate time for students to eat.

Requires the state to provide financial assistance to support the costs of implementing breakfast after the bell programs at participating high-needs schools.

Encourages all public schools to offer breakfast after the bell.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Develop and distribute procedures and guidelines for the implementation of this act;

(2) Dedicate staff within the office to offer training and technical and marketing assistance to public schools and school districts related to offering breakfast after the bell:

- (3) Collaborate with nonprofit organizations knowledgeable about equity, the opportunity gap, hunger and food security issues, and best practices for improving student access to school breakfast; and
- (4) Seek partnerships with philanthropic organizations interested in supporting breakfast after the bell in highneeds schools.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5697 by Senators Rivers, Cleveland, Conway, Keiser, and Bailey

Developing a standardized prescription drug benefit package for individual and small group market offerings.

Requires the insurance commissioner, in collaboration with the state health benefit exchange, to convene a committee to develop a recommendation on a standardized prescription benefit design.

Requires a carrier, offering a health benefit plan in the individual or small group market, to include at least one health plan in each market that includes the standardized prescription drug benefit design.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5698 by Senators Rivers and Liias

Concerning cannabis health and beauty aids.

Establishes a cannabis health and beauty aid permit that allows the holder to process and possess marijuana for the purposes of manufacturing cannabis health and beauty aids and allows the health and beauty aids to be sold only in retail outlets and in the general retail market.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5699 by Senators Rivers and Mullet

Addressing pharmacy appeals of payments made by pharmacy benefit managers.

Addresses appeals of pharmacies without regard to how many retail outlets the pharmacy has.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5700 by Senators Ranker, Rivers, Liias, Pedersen, and Darneille

Requiring training for long-term care providers on the needs of the LGBTQ population.

Requires adult family home licensees, assisted living facility licensees, and nursing home licensees to complete one hour of cultural competency training on issues relating to the LGBTQ population.

Requires continuing education training for long-term care workers to include at least one hour of cultural competency training on issues relating to the LGBTQ population.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5701 by Senators Frockt, Keiser, Chase, Hasegawa, Darneille, Ranker, McCoy, Kuderer, Saldaña, Conway, and Hunt

Creating the Washington apple care trust.

Creates the Washington apple care trust as an agency of state government to provide coverage for a set of health services for all residents.

Creates the reserve account, the displaced worker training account, and the benefits account.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5702 by Senators Keiser, Honeyford, and Frockt

Improving state funding for school construction, modernization, and asset preservation.

Improves state funding for school construction, modernization, and asset preservation.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5703 by Senator Padden

Establishing a special allegation for habitual property offenders.

Increases the sanctions for habitual property offenders to provide more effective deterrents to recidivism.

Enhances the courts' discretion to more appropriately sentence habitual property offenders with significant histories of burglary and theft.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5704 by Senator Becker

Concerning the modification of the disposable income calculation for the property tax exemption for senior citizens, disabled veterans, and disabled retired persons.

Revises the definition of "disposable income" for purposes of the property tax exemption for senior citizens, disabled veterans, and disabled retired persons.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5705 by Senators Becker, O'Ban, Rivers, Bailey, Miloscia, Schoesler, Warnick, Brown, Zeiger, and Honeyford

Concerning inspection and review of state contracted behavioral health and recovery agencies.

Declares that the state: (1) Finds that the department of social and health services should not engage in the improper and inappropriate reduction of the number of license violations found by field inspectors for the purpose of allowing agency licensees to avoid liability in a manner that permits the violating agency to stay open at the risk of public safety; and

(2) Recognizes the need to prohibit sham transfers of licenses between behavioral health licensees found in violation of the terms of their license agreement and their family members.

Requires the department of social and health services to issue an annual report to the legislature containing a detailed overview of each settlement agreement entered into between the department and behavioral health licensees concerning the resolution of administrative complaints, license violations, suspensions, and revocations.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5706 by Senators Becker, Rivers, Bailey, Brown, O'Ban, Fortunato, and Warnick

Addressing parent-initiated behavioral health treatment for children aged thirteen to seventeen years old.

Requires a parent to, during the evaluation of a minor at the request of the parent and during the course of medically necessary treatment commenced pursuant to the evaluation, be considered the personal representative of the minor for the purpose of transmission of medical information, making treatment decisions, and reviewing the compliance of the minor with treatment recommendations.

Suspends RCW 71.34.500 through 71.34.530 (certain mental health services for minors) for the limited purpose of this evaluation and course of follow-up treatment, unless the parent agrees to a confidential relationship between the child and the health care provider, or the receipt of new information or a material change in circumstances causes the provider to reevaluate the medical necessity for treatment.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5707 by Senators Rossi, Palumbo, Miloscia, Mullet, Rivers, Sheldon, Pearson, and Zeiger

Authorizing the replacement of Interstate 405 express toll lanes with a general purpose lane and a high occupancy vehicle lane.

Establishes the eastside corridor congestion relief act.

Authorizes the department of transportation to designate one lane of traffic moving in each direction on interstate 405 as a high occupancy vehicle lane to be used by certain vehicles.

Requires the department of transportation, to the extent applicable, to create a fourth general purpose lane of traffic moving in each direction on interstate 405.

Repeals the interstate 405 express toll lanes operations account.

Requires any residual funds remaining in the account to be transferred to the motor vehicle fund to be used to construct new lanes on interstate 405.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5708 by Senator Walsh

Creating a competitive equipment assistance grant program to enhance student nutrition in public schools.

Establishes the apple a day act of 2017.

Creates a competitive equipment assistance grant program, to be known as the apple a day program, to enhance overall student nutrition in public schools.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to establish a competitive process to prioritize applications for state assistance.

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

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5709 by Senator Miloscia

Providing notification to parents when a minor accesses behavioral health services.

Addresses a minor's access to behavioral health services.

Requires a provider of outpatient treatment who provides outpatient treatment to a minor thirteen years of age or older to provide notice of the minor's request for treatment to the minor's parents.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5710 by Senators Kuderer and Palumbo

Concerning penalties awarded for violations of the public records act.

Allows a maximum penalty of five thousand dollars if the court determines that an agency acted in good faith in denying a person the right to inspect or copy a record or the right to receive a response to a public record request within a reasonable amount of time.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to State Government.

SB 5711 by Senators Ericksen, Hobbs, Honeyford, and Palumbo

Concerning telecommunications services.

Revises telecommunications services provisions.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Energy, Environment & Telecommunications.

Feb 8 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Energy and Environment & Telecommunications at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 5712 by Senators Zeiger, Frockt, Saldaña, Warnick, Fain, Walsh, Bailey, Hawkins, Baumgartner, Braun, Schoesler, Hasegawa, Billig, Mullet, and Rolfes

Developing a bilingual educational workforce.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to administer the bilingual educator initiative, which is a long-term program to recruit, prepare, and mentor bilingual high school students to become future bilingual teachers and counselors.

Requires pilot projects to be implemented in two school districts east and two school districts west of the crest of the Cascade mountains.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5713 by Senators Palumbo, Wilson, Zeiger, and King

Creating the skilled worker outreach, recruitment, and key training program.

Creates the skilled worker outreach, recruitment, and key training program to increase the state's skilled workforce by awarding matching grants to eligible applicants.

Requires the department of commerce to: (1) Administer the grant program and establish a process for accepting grant applications;

- (2) Establish a grant review committee to review grant applications and make recommendations on who should receive a matching grant and the amount; and
- (3) In coordination with the workforce training and education coordinating board, assess current and future workforce needs and coordinate skilled worker training and education programs throughout the state to assist with implementation of the grant program.

Creates the skilled worker outreach, recruitment, and key training program account.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 5714 by Senator McCoy

Extending the duration of the social emotional learning benchmarks work group to complete additional work.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to continue to convene the social emotional learning benchmarks work group.

Requires the work group to develop: (1) Indicators to provide concrete examples of what it might look like when a student meets a social emotional learning benchmark; and

(2) Resources to support schools and school districts with implementing social and emotional learning.

Expires August 1, 2019.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 3 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.