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House Bills

HB 1009-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Moeller, Wallace, Linville, Wood, and Dickerson)

Establishing work groups to periodically review and update the child support schedule.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that, beginning in 2011 and every four years thereafter, a work group shall be convened to review the child support guidelines and the child support review report prepared under this act and determine if the application of the child support guidelines results in appropriate support orders.

Requires that, by October 1, 2011, and every four years thereafter, the work group shall report its findings and recommendations to the legislature, including recommendations for legislative action, if necessary.

Provides that, beginning in 2010 and every four years thereafter, the joint legislative audit and review committee subject to the committee's approval, or other entity designated by the legislature, shall: (1) Review and analyze data collected from the order summary report, the

recommendations of the previous child support work group, the current child support guidelines, and other relevant research and data regarding the cost of child rearing, as well as research and data on the application of, and deviations from, the child support guidelines in order to perform the required quadrennial review of the Washington state child support guidelines under RCW 26.19.025; and

(2) Prepare a report to the legislature no later than July 1, 2010, and every four years thereafter, on the application of the current child support guidelines, and on the recommendations of the prior work group.

Provides that, by August 1, 2007, the division of child support shall convene a work group to examine the current laws, administrative rules, and practices regarding child support, with members as provided in this act. The objective of the work group shall be to continue the work of the 2005 child support guidelines work group, and produce findings and recommendations to the legislature, including recommendations for legislative action, by December 30, 2008.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 16 Public hearing in committee.
- Jan 23 Executive session in committee.
- JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

HB 1029-S by House Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications (originally sponsored by Representatives B. Sullivan, Linville, and Morris)

Defining E85 motor fuel.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that "E85 motor fuel" means an alternative fuel that is a blend of denatured ethanol and hydrocarbon that typically contains eighty-five percent ethanol by volume, but at a minimum must contain seventy percent ethanol by volume, and complies with ASTM specification D5798-99.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 Public hearing in committee.
Jan 23 Executive session in committee.
TEC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

HB 1039-S by House Committee on Select Committee on Environmental Health (originally sponsored by Representatives B. Sullivan, Kenney, and Chase)

Allowing the department of ecology to issue opinions for a portion of a facility under the model toxics control act.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes the department of ecology to issue opinions for a portion of a facility under the model toxics control act.

Declares that nothing in chapter 70.105D RCW may be construed to preclude the department from issuing a written opinion on whether further remedial action is necessary at any portion of the real property located within a facility, even if further remedial action is still necessary elsewhere at the same facility. Such a written opinion on a portion of a facility must also provide an opinion on the status of the facility as a whole.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 Public hearing in committee.
Jan 23 Executive session in committee.
ENVH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

HB 1079-S by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Kretz, Blake, Upthegrove, Ormsby, O'Brien, Morrell, Conway, Haigh, Moeller, McCune, and Simpson; by request of Department of Fish and Wildlife)

Merging fishing and hunting license fees for certain veterans and persons with disabilities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Merges fishing and hunting license fees for certain veterans and persons with disabilities.

Repeals RCW 77.32.490.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 15 Public hearing in committee.
Jan 22 Executive session in committee.
AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

HB 1082-S by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Blake, Takko, Curtis, VanDeWege, Hunt,

Eickmeyer, Pettigrew, Morrell, Springer, Flannigan, and Simpson)

Requiring that certain shellfish and seaweed harvest license be available for inspection.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that a personal use shellfish and seaweed license or razor clam license must be available for inspection while a licensee is harvesting shellfish or seaweed. However, the license does not need to be visible at all times.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 15 Public hearing in committee.
Jan 17 Public hearing in committee.
Jan 22 Executive session in committee.
AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

HB 1117-S by House Committee on Housing (originally sponsored by Representatives Miloscia, Morrell, Pettigrew, Ormsby, Kenney, Moeller, and Simpson)

Recodifying statutes governing homeless families, housing, and assistance, and homelessness.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Recodifies statutes governing homeless families, housing, and assistance, and homelessness.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 15 Public hearing in committee.
Jan 22 Work session and executive action taken in committee.
HOUS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

HB 1130-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Lantz, Rodne, Morrell, Schual-Berke, Goodman, Kenney, Haigh, and Moeller)

Creating an office of public guardianship as an independent agency of the judiciary.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that, in establishing an office of public guardianship, the legislature intends to promote the availability of guardianship services for individuals who need them and for whom adequate services may otherwise be unavailable.

Reaffirms its commitment to treat liberty and autonomy as paramount values for all Washington residents and to authorize public guardianship only to the minimum extent necessary to provide for health or safety, or to manage financial affairs, when the legal conditions for appointment of a guardian are met.

Does not intend to alter those legal conditions or to expand judicial authority to determine that any individual is incapacitated.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 17 Public hearing in committee.
Jan 23 Executive session in committee.
JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.

HB 1144-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Williams, Warnick, Rodne, Campbell, O'Brien, Lantz, Goodman, and Moeller)

Providing a uniform method of transferring a municipal court judgment into district court.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides a uniform method of transferring a municipal court judgment into district court.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 Public hearing and executive action taken in committee.

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

HB 1596 by Representatives McCune, Dunn, McDonald, Chandler, Kristiansen, Chase, Pearson, Morrell, Hinkle, and Ormsby

Modifying provisions relating to the disposable income limits for property tax relief for senior citizens, persons retired because of physical disability, and veterans.

Revises provisions relating to the disposable income limits for property tax relief for senior citizens, persons retired because of physical disability, and veterans.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1597 by Representative Moeller

Requiring plumbing, electrical, and conveyance workers to have licenses, certificates, or permits in their possession while working.

Finds that dishonest construction contractors sometimes hire workers without proper licenses, certificates, and permits to do electrical, plumbing, and conveyance work. This practice gives these contractors an unfair competitive advantage and leaves workers and customers vulnerable. Requiring workers to have their licenses, certificates, and permits in their possession while doing such work will help address the problems of the underground economy in the construction industry, level the playing field for honest contractors, and protect workers and consumers.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1598 by Representatives Kretz, Ericks, Blake, Pettigrew, Armstrong, Warnick, Sump, Upthegrove, Newhouse, Kristiansen, and Condotta

Requiring recipients of money from the salmon recovery funding board to agree to disclose information regarding the funding in compliance with chapter 42.56 RCW.

Requires that any project sponsor or other entity directly or indirectly receiving funding from the salmon recovery funding board that is not subject to disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW must, as a mandatory contractual prerequisite to receiving the funding, agree to disclose any information in regards to that funding as if the project sponsor or other entity was subject to the requirements of chapter 42.56 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1599 by Representatives Hunt, Williams, Conway, Ormsby, McDermott, and Wood

Allowing raffles by state employees.

Allows raffles by state employees.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1600 by Representatives Hunt, B. Sullivan, McCoy, Williams, Appleton, Chase, Hasegawa, Dickerson, Wood, Simpson, and Pedersen

Protecting ancestral trees.

Provides that the department may not offer for sale, sell, or harvest any ancestral trees located on public lands west of the crest of the Cascade mountains, unless: (1) The operation is specifically authorized by the board prior to sale or harvest, consistent with this act; or

(2) The operation is conducted solely within the borders of the Olympic experimental state forest and is consistent with the research objectives of the Olympic experimental state forest.

Provides that the board may only authorize the sale or harvest of ancestral trees located on public lands after making a formal finding that some harvest is necessary to preserve the health and safety of other ancestral trees in the immediate area, to protect public safety, to enhance overall forest health in the stand containing the ancestral trees, or to meet the demands of other special circumstances.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1601 by Representatives Rolfes, Campbell, Chase, Hudgins, Hunt, Morrell, Upthegrove, McCoy, Santos, Dickerson, Hasegawa, Sells, Schual-Berke, Wood, and Simpson

Creating the children's environmental health and protection advisory council.

Establishes the children's environmental health and protection advisory council.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Select Committee on Environmental Health.

HB 1602 by Representatives Kagi, Dickerson, Pettigrew, Appleton, Walsh, Roberts, Santos, Ormsby, Hasegawa, McDermott, Schual-Berke, Haigh, and Simpson

Providing for the enrollment of foster parents in the Washington basic health plan.

Finds that foster parents play a critical role in our child welfare system by providing a safe and nurturing environment for children who have been placed in foster care. The legislature further finds that foster parents often forgo employment in order to become foster parents, and thereby lose an opportunity to obtain health care coverage through employer-sponsored health insurance.

Declares an intent to acknowledge the difficulties that foster parents encounter in finding affordable health care coverage by providing opportunities to enroll in the Washington basic health plan.

Appropriates the sum of three million five hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2009, from the health services account to the health care authority for the purposes of funding subsidized enrollment for up to one thousand foster parents in the basic health plan.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1603 by Representatives Conway, Wood, Condotta, and Moeller; by request of Liquor Control Board

Enhancing enforcement of liquor and tobacco laws.

Authorizes the liquor control board to issue subpoenas in connection with any investigation, hearing, or proceeding for the production of books, records, and documents held under chapter 66.08 RCW or chapters 70.155, 70.158, 82.24, and 82.26 RCW, and books and records of common carriers as defined in RCW 81.80.010, or vehicle rental agencies relating to the transportation or possession of cigarettes or other tobacco products.

Provides that, if any person is served a subpoena from the board for the production of records, documents, and books, and fails or refuses to obey the subpoena for the production of records, documents, and books when required to do so, the person is subject to proceedings for contempt, and the board may institute contempt of court proceedings in the superior court of Thurston county or in the county in which the person resides.

Provides that, for the purposes of obtaining information concerning any matter relating to the administration or enforcement of chapter 82.24 RCW, the department, the board, or any of its agents may inspect the books, documents, or records of any person transporting cigarettes for sale to any person or entity in the state, and books, documents, or records containing any information relating to the transportation or possession of cigarettes for sale in the possession of a specific common carrier as defined in RCW 81.80.010 doing business in this state, or books, documents, and records of vehicle rental agencies whose vehicles are being rented for the purpose of transporting contraband cigarettes.

Provides that, if a person neglects or refuses to produce and submit for inspection any book, record, or document as required by this act when requested to do so by the department, the board, or its agent, then the department or the board may seek an order in superior court compelling production of the books, records, or documents.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1604 by Representatives Eickmeyer, Sump, Morris, Chase, O'Brien, and Haigh

Introducing oxygen into Hood Canal.

Directs the department of fish and wildlife to implement a pilot program to test the viability and efficiency of introducing oxygen to the waters of Hood

Canal for the purpose of protecting aquatic life. The pilot project must take place in a small marine area where a large number of bottom dwelling fish species exist. The pilot project has the following goals: (1) To determine the feasibility and cost of designing and constructing a mechanical system to inject oxygen into Hood Canal, thereby reducing the impact of low levels of dissolved oxygen on aquatic life; and

(2) To construct, operate, and evaluate a pilot facility to increase levels of dissolved oxygen near Sund Rock on Hood Canal.

Provides that, following the evaluation of the pilot project, the department of fish and wildlife must report to the appropriate committees of the legislature on the pilot project results and include recommendations whether to proceed with a larger scale project to inject oxygen into Hood Canal.

Appropriates the sum of one hundred thirty-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the department of fish and wildlife for the purposes of this act.

Appropriates the sum of six hundred forty-six thousand five hundred dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, from the general fund to the department of fish and wildlife for the purposes of this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Select Committee on Puget Sound.

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

Feb 2 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 1605 by Representatives Eickmeyer, Haigh, Upthegrove, Blake, Lantz, Seaquist, Linville, Chase, Pedersen, Morris, Wood, and Rolfes

Regarding the extension of sewer services in aquatic rehabilitation zone one.

Provides that, in aquatic rehabilitation zone one established in RCW 90.88.010, the development of one or more systems of sewerage as defined in RCW 35.67.010 and 36.94.010 or the extension of an existing system of sewerage to serve areas outside a designated urban growth area is permitted when such a development or extension serves: (1) A marine recovery area created in accordance with chapter 70.118A RCW;

(2) A shellfish protection district created in accordance with chapter 90.72 RCW; or

(3) A defined geographic area determined by the secretary of health under RCW 43.70.170 to be a threat to the public health.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Select Committee on Puget Sound.

HB 1606 by Representatives Blake, Newhouse, Grant, Buri, Takko, VanDeWege, B. Sullivan, Eickmeyer, Kretz, Hailey, Warnick, Kessler, Strow, Hinkle, Dunn, and Moeller

Concerning animal trapping.

Declares that the commission has the authority to manage the trapping of wild animals in Washington. This authority includes the ability to establish trapping seasons, prohibit the use of any trap type, establish prerequisites for the receipt of a trapping license, establish requirements for commerce in raw fur, establish required timelines for checking set traps, establish requirements for the handling, holding, transport, dispatch, and release of captured wildlife, and adopt any other rules deemed necessary by the commission for the management of wild animal trapping consistent with this act.

Requires a person to possess a department-issued Washington trapping license in order to lawfully trap wild animals throughout the state.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1607 by Representatives O'Brien, Lovick, Pearson, and Strow; by request of Criminal Justice Training Commission

Revising corrections personnel training provisions.

Amends RCW 43.101.220 relating to corrections personnel training.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1608 by Representatives O'Brien, Lovick, Pearson, and Strow; by request of Criminal Justice Training Commission

Revising provisions relating to limitations on polygraph tests.

Amends RCW 49.44.120 relating to requiring polygraph tests.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1609 by Representatives O'Brien, Lovick, Pearson, and Strow; by request of Criminal Justice Training Commission

Revising provisions relating to core training requirements.

Revises provisions relating to core training requirements.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1610 by Representatives Anderson, Priest, Haler, and Strow

Creating a school and school district accountability system that allows for progressive interventions.

Requires the state board of education to adopt: (1) A comprehensive set of objective improvement standards that schools and school districts must meet annually that are in addition to the standards established by the federal no child left behind act of 2001;

(2) An objective, systematic set of criteria to identify consistently high performing schools that show exemplary

progress with respect to meeting state and federal academic standards and a system of monetary and nonmonetary rewards for such schools; and

(3) A program of progressive interventions for schools or school districts that fail to meet the annual improvement standards adopted by the board pursuant to this act.

Provides that, by December 1, 2007, the board shall report to the K-12 education committees of the house of representatives and the senate regarding the objective improvement standards, criteria for consistently high performing schools, monetary and nonmonetary rewards, and program of progressive interventions the board has adopted as required by this act.

Requires that, if approved by the legislature, the board shall implement the objective improvement standards, criteria for consistently high performing schools, rewards, and program of progressive interventions no later than September 1st following the legislature's approval.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1611 by Representatives Anderson, Haler, Strow, and Haigh

Creating a performance-based compensation system for educators.

Establishes a performance-based compensation system for educators.

Repeals RCW 28A.405.200, 28A.415.020, 28A.415.023, 28A.415.024, and 28A.415.025.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1612 by Representatives Anderson and Rodne

Revising school funding from school district levies and local effort assistance.

Revises school funding from school district levies and local effort assistance.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1613 by Representatives Anderson, Priest, Haler, Strow, Haigh, and Hunter

Creating the schoolwide academic achievement bonus program.

Finds that an accountability system for improved student academic achievement is incomplete without recognition and rewards for exemplary effort by teachers, staff, and principals as evidenced by outstanding school performance on statewide assessments. Rewards can be a mechanism to focus a school's attention on attaining specific goals; motivate teachers, staff, and principals to excel in their own performance; and channel resources and energy in the school toward improving student achievement. Rewards made on a schoolwide basis reinforce the notion that each individual in the school plays an important role in educating students, and each should in turn be recognized when student academic performance in the school is outstanding or makes significant improvement.

Finds that strong educational and managerial leadership by the principal is a significant contributing factor to a

school's high performance and deserves special recognition and reward.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1614 by Representatives Anderson, Priest, Hasegawa, and Haigh

Improving availability of student guidance and planning programs.

Declares that timely access to information about educational and social service resources is essential for children and parents to evaluate and make choices about educational opportunities.

Finds that well-developed school counseling programs can significantly increase academic achievement, improve building safety, and reduce student dropout rates.

Finds that a comprehensive guidance and planning curriculum is now available to all districts in the state. It is therefore the intent of the legislature that all middle schools, junior high schools, and high schools must implement a comprehensive guidance and planning program for all students.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1615 by Representatives Anderson, Priest, Rodne, Haigh, and Hunter

Revising the state funding formula for nonemployee related costs.

Requires the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee to conduct a study of nonemployee-related costs based on a review of school district expenditures. The purpose of the study is to: (1) Make recommendations for revising and updating the amount of the state allocation for nonemployee-related costs in the general apportionment program funding formula, including the enhanced allocation for vocational programs, to more accurately reflect costs of such items as textbooks, fuel, utilities, vocational program equipment, computer technology, and other common educational costs; and

(2) Recommend a division of the nonemployee-related cost allocation into three components, each separately adjusted for inflation as follows: (a) an energy component, to be annually adjusted by the index for fuels and utilities from the consumer price index for all urban consumers, published by the United States bureau of labor statistics; (b) an instructional materials component, to be annually adjusted by an aggregate index for educational books and supplies and information technology from the consumer price index for all urban consumers, published by the United States bureau of labor statistics; and (c) a component for all other nonemployee-related costs covered by the allocation, to be adjusted by the index for all items from the consumer price index for all urban consumers, published by the United States bureau of labor statistics.

Requires the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee to recommend the new allocations for nonemployee-related costs based on the study findings to the fiscal committees of the legislature by December 1, 2007.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1616 by Representatives Anderson, Priest, and Rodne

Requiring development of a new state funding formula for pupil transportation.

Provides that the superintendent of public instruction, in cooperation with the legislative evaluation and accountability program, shall develop and propose a new distribution formula for allocating state funds for transportation costs under RCW 28A.160.150 through 28A.160.180.

Provides that the distribution formula developed under this act should seek to achieve the following objectives: (1) More accurately reflect the costs of providing transportation for eligible students to and from school based on data reported under RCW 28A.160.170;

(2) Promote the efficient use of state and local resources; and

(3) Continue to allow local control of school district student transportation programs, including determination of which individual students are transported and by what manner and what routes are most efficiently used.

Requires the superintendent and the legislative evaluation and accountability program to make a preliminary report on the proposed distribution formula to the governor and the education and fiscal committees of the legislature by September 1, 2007. A final report with recommendations, estimates of the fiscal impact of the proposal on the state and school districts, and draft legislation necessary to implement the proposal shall be submitted by December 15, 2007.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1617 by Representatives Anderson, Priest, and Orcutt

Restoring full funding for the student achievement fund from the state property tax.

Finds that the people of Washington state intended through their approval of Initiative Measure No. 728 to provide a stable funding source for the student achievement fund through an allocation of the state property tax. The substitution of funding from the education legacy trust fund breaks faith with the people of the state and should be reversed so that state property tax dollars are allocated to the support of local schools just as local property tax dollars are.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1618 by Representatives Anderson, Priest, Morrell, Haigh, and Hunter

Aligning standards for high school graduation, college readiness, and college admission.

Finds that too many students graduate from high school unprepared for college or entrance into the workforce. There is no clear relation between the coursework required for a high school diploma and the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in college, whether the college program is academic or technical in nature. There is also no common standard among the state's two and four-year institutions of higher education as to what constitutes readiness for

college-level work as opposed to placement in remedial courses.

Declares an intent to direct the responsible state agencies to work together to define and align standards for high school graduation, college readiness, and college admission.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1619 by Representatives Anderson, Priest, and Haigh

Authorizing pilot grants to establish first teacher parent mentor programs.

Finds that families have a major influence on their children's achievement in school. Families of all income and education levels, and from all ethnic and cultural backgrounds, should be supported and encouraged to be involved in school and in their children's learning at home.

Declares an intent to establish first teacher parent mentor programs to provide connections between schools, community organizations, and parents; recruit and provide training for parent mentors; and expand opportunities for involvement by parents in their children's schools, particularly for parents from diverse communities.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1620 by Representatives Haler, Ericks, Kretz, Dunn, Newhouse, McCune, and O'Brien

Creating a sales and use tax exemption for emergency services and law enforcement motor vehicles.

Establishes a sales and use tax exemption for emergency services and law enforcement motor vehicles.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1621 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Sells, Morrell, Lovick, Ormsby, Miloscia, Springer, McCoy, P. Sullivan, Hasegawa, O'Brien, Roberts, Conway, Wood, Haigh, Rolfes, and Simpson

Preserving manufactured/mobile home communities.

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.

Repeals provisions of chapter 59.23 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Housing.

Jan 29 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 1622 by Representatives Moeller and Jarrett

Concerning the authority of boundary review boards.

Declares that the boundary review board has the authority to add or delete territory and adjust the boundary

of a proposed annexation to include all or any land located within an unincorporated urban growth area as supported by the principles in RCW 36.93.157, 36.93.170, and 36.93.180.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 1623 by Representative Morris

Concerning fees for easements on state-owned aquatic lands.

Amends RCW 79.110.230 and 79.110.240 relating to setting fees for utility easements on state-owned aquatic lands.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

Jan 26 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 1624 by Representatives Kagi, Walsh, Appleton, Roberts, and Haigh

Reinstating parental rights for adolescents who are in state care and have not been adopted and providing immunity for department of social and health services representatives.

Provides that a child may petition the juvenile court to reinstate the previously terminated parental rights of his or her parent under the following circumstances: (1) The child must have been found to be a dependent child under chapter 13.34 RCW and be in the custody of the state;

(2) The child must be at least twelve years of age at the time the petition to reinstate parental rights is filed;

(3) At least three years have passed from the date of entry of an order for the termination of parental rights under RCW 13.34.190;

(4) The child has not been adopted;

(5) The petition is signed by the child in the absence of a showing of good cause as to why the child could not do so; and

(6) The court has determined that reinstating the parental rights of the child's parent is in the best interest of the child after conducting the inquiry required in this act.

Provides that the state or a person, individually or in a representative capacity for the state, who is involved in the delivery of social and health services through the department of social and health services, is not liable for selecting one of two or more alternative courses of action even though the course of action chosen results in a poor outcome if the person exercised reasonable care and skill in arriving at the judgment to follow the particular course of action.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Children's Services.

HB 1625 by Representatives DeBolt, Blake, Hinkle, Warnick, Seaquist, Kagi, Kirby, Hunt, Wood, Dickerson, Conway, Lovick, Roach, Chase, Dunn, Flannigan, McCune, Priest, McDermott, Santos, Williams,

McDonald, Newhouse, Alexander, Strow, Kretz, Condotta, Roberts, Ormsby, Haigh, Rolfes, and Moeller

Regulating motorcycles at traffic control signals.

Establishes provisions regulating motorcycles at traffic control signals.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1626 by Representatives Sells, Hankins, Flannigan, and Ormsby; by request of Transportation Commission

Authorizing the transportation commission to name or rename state transportation facilities.

Provides that the commission may name or rename state transportation facilities including, but not limited to: State highways; state highway bridges, structures, and facilities; state rest areas; and state roadside facilities, such as viewpoints. The commission must consult with the department before taking final action to name or rename a state transportation facility.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1627 by Representatives Linville, Quall, Pearson, Strow, Morrell, Bailey, Conway, Haigh, Rolfes, Simpson, and Simpson

Creating the office of farmland preservation.

Finds that there is a finite quantity of high quality agricultural land and that often this agricultural land is mistakenly viewed as an expendable resource.

Finds that the retention of agricultural land is desirable, not only to produce food and other products, but also to maintain our state economy and preferable environmental conditions. For these reasons, and because it is essential that agricultural production be sufficient to meet the needs of our growing population, commitment to the retention of agricultural land should be reflected at the state policy level by the creation of an office of farmland preservation to support the retention of farmland and the viability of farming for future generations.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1628 by Representatives Condotta, Armstrong, Kristiansen, and Dunn

Requiring resident notification of proposed housing developments.

Requires resident notification of proposed housing developments.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 1629 by Representatives Ahern, O'Brien, Ross, Eddy, McCune, Quall, Haler, Rolfes, Blake, Hinkle, Armstrong, McDonald, Dunn, Kretz, Warnick,

Bailey, Strow, Kristiansen, Condotta, Ormsby, Sells, Haigh, VanDeWege, and Green

Increasing the qualifying income thresholds for property tax exemptions for senior citizens, persons retired because of physical disability, and veterans.

Increases the qualifying income thresholds for property tax exemptions for senior citizens, persons retired because of physical disability, and veterans.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1630 by Representatives Curtis, Morrell, Simpson, Cody, Campbell, Clibborn, McCune, Rodne, Green, Williams, McCoy, Priest, Dunn, Appleton, Chase, Dickerson, Ormsby, and Conway

Concerning contracts with chiropractors.

Provides that contractors may not directly or indirectly through contract or otherwise refuse to reimburse for the health care services legally provided by employees of a contracted chiropractor if the service would be a reimbursable benefit but for the contractor's refusal to recognize or reimburse the services performed by employees of the contracted chiropractor.

Provides that contractors may not refuse to contract with licensed health care providers employed by a contracted chiropractor if such licensed health care provider otherwise meets the fair credentialing standards of the contractor.

Provides that contractors may not require directly or indirectly by contract or otherwise that a chiropractor comply with health care reimbursement or delivery standards that conflict with those standards and practices authorized or adopted by the Washington state chiropractic quality assurance commission.

Declares that any term or condition of any contract between a chiropractor and a contractor that violates a provision of this act and any contractor attempt to waive, modify, or shift responsibility for compliance with this act is invalid.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1631 by Representatives Curtis, Cody, Campbell, Morrell, Walsh, McCune, Rodne, Green, Williams, Simpson, McCoy, Dunn, Appleton, Chase, Ormsby, Conway, and Moeller

Concerning discrimination against chiropractors.

Provides that contractors may not develop and employ provider payment methodologies that discriminate against chiropractors by setting differing payment formulas for a chiropractor's services than for a different profession's services when the contractor is reimbursing for the same type of health care services. The contractor may not have a methodology that would pay chiropractors less than any other provider for the same payment code.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1632 by Representatives Roach and Strow

Changing the number of seats in the state legislature.

Declares that the house of representatives shall consist of ninety-nine members, one of whom shall be elected from each house district. The senate shall consist of thirty-three members, one of whom shall be elected from each senate district.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1633 by Representatives Roach, Dunn, Williams, Blake, Strow, McCune, Haler, Moeller, and Takko

Takko

Protecting the constitutionally guaranteed right to the lawful possession of firearms during an emergency.

Protects the constitutionally guaranteed right to the lawful possession of firearms during an emergency.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1634 by Representatives Roach, Anderson, Priest, McCune, Rodne, and Strow

Expanding high school mathematics instruction and instructional capacity.

Finds that students' knowledge of mathematics must improve to enable them to be successful in college and in an increasingly technological and complex workplace. The only way to improve students' knowledge is to improve the instruction in mathematics that students receive in public schools.

Declares an intent to increase both the expectation and the capacity for mathematics instruction in Washington's public schools, focusing particularly at the high school level.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1635 by Representatives McCoy, B. Sullivan, Simpson, Dunshee, Upthegrove, and Linville

Studying water conservation development strategies in rural areas.

Directs the department of ecology to study and review innovative strategies and processes for supporting conservation development strategies in the rural area, particularly related to provision of water. The objectives of this study are to provide certainty and improve water flows in impaired or at-risk basins through a variety of strategies, while advancing innovative conservation development.

Appropriates the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the department of ecology for the purposes of this act.

Appropriates the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, from the general fund to the department of ecology for the purposes of this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1636 by Representatives Simpson, B. Sullivan, Dunshee, Upthegrove, McCoy, Dickerson, P. Sullivan, Morrell, Sells, and Rolfes

Creating a regional transfer of development rights program.

Finds that transferring development rights is a market-based technique that encourages the voluntary transfer of growth from places where a community would like to see less development, referred to as sending areas, to places where a community would like to see more development, referred to as receiving areas. Under this technique, permanent deed restrictions are placed on the sending area properties to ensure that the land will be used only for approved activities such as farming, forest management, conservation, or passive recreation. Also under this technique, the costs of purchasing the recorded development restrictions are borne by the developers who receive the building credit or bonus.

Determines that it is good public policy to build upon existing transfer of development rights programs, pilot projects, and private initiatives that foster effective use of transferred development rights through the creation of a market-based program that focuses on the central Puget Sound region.

Requires the department to submit recommendations, findings, and legislative recommendations according to the following schedule: (1) By December 1, 2007, the department shall submit a report to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature on the progress of the regional transfer of development rights program. The report must also include identification of other candidate transfer of development areas and proposals to modify grant criteria for local governments;

(2) By December 1, 2008, the department shall submit a final report to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature on the progress of the regional transfer of development rights program; and

(3) By December 1, 2008, the department shall submit findings and legislative recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature to implement the recommendations and strategies identified in the final report.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 1637 by Representatives Hinkle, Cody, B. Sullivan, Moeller, Campbell, Williams, Green, Lovick, Upthegrove, Seaquist, Goodman, Simpson, Morrell, Linville, Ormsby, and Rolfes

Creating the revised uniform anatomical gift act.

Creates the revised uniform anatomical gift act.

Repeals provisions of chapter 68.50 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1638 by Representatives Hinkle, Bailey, McDonald, Condotta, Warnick, Rodne, Newhouse, Dunn, Strow, Roach, McCune, Ahern, Kristiansen, and Alexander
Providing tax incentives for employer provided health care.

Provides tax incentives for employer provided health care.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1639 by Representatives Hinkle, Blake, Wood, Kirby, Warnick, DeBolt, Chase, Dunn, Upthegrove, Newhouse, Condotta, and Haigh

Modifying motorcycle helmet use requirements.

Declares that it is unlawful for any person twenty-one years old or older to operate or ride upon a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or moped on a state highway, county road, or city street unless wearing upon his or her head a motorcycle helmet, except when the operator: (a) is covered by a health insurance plan providing the operator with at least ten thousand dollars in medical benefits for injuries incurred as a result of an accident while operating or riding on a motorcycle; or (b) has successfully completed a motorcycle skills education program under chapter 46.81A RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1640 by Representatives Schindler, Morris, Dunn, McCune, Haigh, and O'Brien

Siting new mobile home parks and manufactured housing communities.

Provides that a county planning under RCW 36.70A.040 may establish, in consultation with cities, a process for authorizing the siting of new mobile home parks and manufactured housing communities outside of urban growth areas designated under RCW 36.70A.110.

Provides that a county considering an application to site a new mobile home park or manufactured housing community outside of an urban growth area may approve the siting if the following criteria are met: (1) The proposed site is adjacent to or in close proximity to an urban growth area;

(2) Affordable housing will be provided within the mobile home park or manufactured housing community for a range of income levels;

(3) Appropriate infrastructure and services for the site are available or have been provided for;

(4) Environmental protection issues for the site, including air and water quality issues, have been provided for;

(5) Development regulations have been established to ensure that urban growth will not occur in adjacent nonurban areas;

(6) Provisions to mitigate adverse impacts on designated agricultural lands, forest lands, and mineral resource lands have been made; and

(7) The siting of the mobile home park or manufactured housing community does not conflict with development regulations adopted by the county to protect critical areas.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 1641 by Representatives McDermott, Kagi, Roberts, Ormsby, Haigh, Moeller, and Simpson; by request of Governor Gregoire

Implementing Washington learns recommendations.

Implements Washington learns recommendations.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

Jan 31 Scheduled for work session and work session in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 1642 by Representatives Pedersen, Lantz, Williams, Moeller, Wood, Kirby, O'Brien, Chase, Ormsby, and Green

Concerning criminal violations of no-contact orders, protection orders, and restraining orders.

Finds this act necessary to restore and make clear the intent that a willful violation of a no-contact provision of a court order is a criminal offense and shall be enforced accordingly to preserve the integrity and intent of the domestic violence act. This act is not intended to broaden the scope of law enforcement power or effectuate any substantive change to any criminal provision in the Revised Code of Washington.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1643 by Representatives Flannigan, Wood, and Moeller; by request of Department of Transportation

Updating rail transit safety plan provisions to comply with federal regulation.

Revises rail transit safety plan provisions to comply with federal regulation.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1644 by Representatives Kenney, Sells, Anderson, Appleton, Morrell, Linville, Roberts, Ormsby, McDermott, Conway, Schual-Berke, and Haigh; by request of Health Care Authority

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

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

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1645 by Representatives Pedersen, Curtis, Schual-Berke, Ormsby, and Moeller; by request of Health Care Authority

Authorizing the administrator of the health care authority to administer grants on behalf of the authority.

Authorizes the administrator of the health care authority to administer grants on behalf of the authority.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1646 by Representative Blake

Authorizing department of fish and wildlife employees to sample fish, wildlife, and shellfish.

Declares an intent that sampling of fish, wildlife, and shellfish by department of fish and wildlife employees will ensure the conservation and management of fish, shellfish, and wildlife. Because the harvest of fish and wildlife is regulated by the department, the legislature finds that sampling by departmental employees will benefit the resource, and will further the department's research related to fish, wildlife, and shellfish.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1647 by Representatives Kirby, Chase, Campbell, Williams, Dunn, O'Brien, Wood, P. Sullivan, Appleton, Dunshee, Blake, Morrell, Fromhold, Santos, Ormsby, McDermott, Quall, Miloscia, Haigh, Springer, Simpson, and Green

Providing a specific funding mechanism for making community and technical college faculty salary increment awards.

Declares an intent that state appropriations be adjusted to an amount which, together with faculty turnover savings, provides for a fair and equitable funding of faculty salary increments for both part-time and full-time faculty.

Directs the state board for community and technical colleges to convene a task force comprised of representatives from the state board, the presidents' organization, the trustees' organization, the faculties' organization as defined by RCW 28B.52.020(7), as well as the Washington part-time faculty association, to advise the state board on guidelines for the fair and equitable distribution of increment funds to both part-time and full-time faculty. The task force shall report to the legislature by June 30, 2008.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1648 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Kretz, Grant, Linville, and Strow

Increasing protections for agricultural operations, activities, and practices.

Declares an intent to enhance the protection of agricultural operations and activities from nuisance lawsuits, and to further the clear legislative directive of the state growth management act to maintain and enhance the agricultural industry and conserve productive agricultural lands.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1649 by Representatives Fromhold, Conway, Bailey, Crouse, Sells, Moeller, and Simpson

Authorizing the purchase of an increased benefit multiplier for past judicial service for judges in the public employees' retirement system and the teachers' retirement system.

Authorizes the purchase of an increased benefit multiplier for past judicial service for judges in the public employees' retirement system and the teachers' retirement system.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1650 by Representatives Fromhold, Hunt, B. Sullivan, and Moeller

Providing for an inspected inventory of on-site sewage disposal systems.

Finds that the number, location, and functionality of on-site sewage disposal systems in operation in Washington is unknown. Creating a locally designed inventory and inspection system for on-site sewage disposal systems, and encouraging expansion of sanitary sewage systems, are necessary first steps towards addressing the problems inherent with failing systems. When prioritizing inventories and inspections, areas within incorporated cities should be addressed as early as possible because of the inherent proximity of sanitary sewage systems to existing on-site sewage disposal systems in use within a city.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Select Committee on Environmental Health.

HB 1651 by Representatives Fromhold, Alexander, B. Sullivan, Walsh, and Simpson

Creating the boating activities program.

Provides that, by December 1, 2007, the interagency committee for outdoor recreation shall complete an initial study of boater needs and make recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature on the initial amount of funding that should be provided to the commission for boating-related law enforcement purposes under this act.

Requires that, by September 1, 2008, and by September 1st of each even-numbered year thereafter, the interagency committee for outdoor recreation shall update its study of boater needs as necessary and shall make recommendations to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature concerning funding allocations to state parks and other grant applicants.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1652 by Representatives Grant, Kretz, Hailey, Blake, Pearson, McCoy, B. Sullivan, and Kristiansen

Establishing the wildfire prevention and protection work group.

Provides that the wildfire prevention and protection work group created in this act shall review existing fire

studies conducted by or for the department of natural resources, the joint legislative audit and review committee, and other organizations. The work group shall review the following issues: (1) Whether the forest fire protection assessment rate provides sufficient funding towards the protection of public and private lands from wildfires;

(2) Whether the statutory limitations on the purposes for which moneys collected through the forest fire protection assessment and from the landowner contingency forest fire suppression account may be expended are warranted;

(3) Whether the term "forest land," as set forth in RCW 76.04.005, properly defines the scope of land on which the forest fire protection assessment should be assessed;

(4) Whether forest fire protection assessments are currently being collected from all lands on which the department of natural resources has the duty to impose such assessments;

(5) Whether the adoption of elements from wildfire programs of other western states would improve wildfire protection and suppression in Washington state;

(6) Whether the department of natural resources' authority to protect forest land should include the authority to protect structures;

(7) Whether improvements and efficiencies in the department of natural resources' fire protection activities would impact fire suppression activities and expenses;

(8) Whether state and local building codes adequately address the dangers posed by development in areas subject to wildfires;

(9) Whether local government land use regulations, and state advisory and assistance programs, adequately address the dangers posed by development in areas subject to wildfires; and

(10) Whether insurance rates in Washington state reflect the dangers posed by development in areas subject to wildfires.

Requires the wildfire prevention and protection work group to report its findings and recommendations in the form of draft legislation to the legislature by December 1, 2007.

Appropriates the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the senate for the travel expenses of the wildfire prevention and protection work group.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1653 by Representatives Haigh, Chandler, Hudgins, Kretz, Miloscia, Armstrong, Dunshee, Orcutt, Moeller, Curtis, Newhouse, Wallace, and Dunn

Modifying when a special election may be held.

Revises the dates on which a special election may be held.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1654 by Representatives Appleton, Haigh, and Hunt
Modifying canvassing provisions.

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

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1655 by Representatives Pearson, O'Brien, Ericks, Fromhold, Ross, Sells, and Moeller

Doubling the amount of monetary penalties for traffic infractions on high accident corridors.

Provides that the amount of any monetary penalty prescribed by state law, administrative rule, or court rule, whether civil or criminal in nature, for traffic infractions on any state highway with at least forty miles of high accident corridors as designated by the department of transportation shall be doubled.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1656 by Representatives Rolfes, Upthegrove, B. Sullivan, Appleton, Chase, Santos, Dickerson, and Sells

Establishing the Puget Sound scientific research account.

Finds that environmental problems in Puget Sound are complex and research is needed to provide information that can guide protective and restorative actions, and to explore and understand the impacts of a changing environment. The legislature also finds that there is no predictable funding process for Puget Sound research projects.

Declares that the state needs a process to focus the scientific effort on the Puget Sound ecosystem and to distribute research funds.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Select Committee on Puget Sound.

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

HB 1657 by Representatives Chase, Skinner, Grant, Hunt, Newhouse, Warnick, Chandler, Ross, Morrell, and Quall

Extending the date when counties which have authorized facilities for agriculture promotion must allow a credit for city lodging taxes.

Extends the date when counties which have authorized facilities for agriculture promotion must allow a credit for city lodging taxes.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1658 by Representatives Dickerson, Conway, Hankins, Appleton, Green, Hurst, Campbell, Moeller, Wood, McCoy, Hasegawa, Ormsby, Sells, Roberts, Williams, Chase, Kagi, Santos, Cody, and Simpson

Establishing family and medical leave insurance.

Declares it to be in the public interest to establish a program that: (1) Allows parents to bond with a newborn or newly placed child, and workers to care for seriously ill family members or recover from their own serious health condition;

(2) Is in addition to those programs offered by employers;

(3) Provides limited income support for a reasonable period while an individual is away from work on family and medical leave; and

(4) Reduces the impact on state income support programs by increasing an individual's ability to provide caregiving services for family members while maintaining an employment relationship.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1659 by Representatives P. Sullivan and Santos

Changing the high school science Washington assessment of student learning.

Declares an intent to initiate revisions to the science assessment while delaying the graduation requirement in science so that there is adequate time to realign curriculum, instruction, and assessment in science before students are required to meet the standard on the Washington assessment of student learning in science for high school graduation.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to report to the education committees of the legislature by January 15, 2008, and each year thereafter until January 15, 2013, on the timelines, major milestones, and progress of the transition of the high school Washington assessment of student learning in science to end-of-course assessments as required by RCW 28A.655.070.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

Feb 1 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 1660 by Representatives P. Sullivan, Ormsby, Williams, Campbell, Appleton, Dunn, Chase, Dunshee, Fromhold, Santos, Dickerson, Kagi, Quall, Schual-Berke, Wood, Haigh, Moeller, Simpson, and Green

Requiring that part-time community college faculty be paid on the same scale as full-time faculty.

Requires that part-time community college faculty be paid on the same scale as full-time faculty.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1661 by Representatives P. Sullivan, Santos, Upthegrove, Walsh, Quall, Ormsby, Miloscia, Conway, Schual-Berke, and Simpson

Requiring an independent study to identify the cost of basic education.

Requires the Washington state institute for public policy to conduct a detailed study of the cost for the state to deliver, through the K-12 public school system, a basic education as defined by Title 28A RCW, the state Constitution, and various court decisions. The institute's study shall examine and provide cost information for four scenarios: (1) One where the definition of a basic education is as currently defined in statute by the legislature and supplemented by decisions of the courts;

(2) One where the definition of a basic education would include estimated average class sizes and average salaries for certificated instructional staff in public schools at or near the median compared to other states;

(3) One where the definition of a basic education would include estimated average class sizes and average salaries for certificated instructional staff in public schools in the top ten percent compared to other states; and

(4) One where the definition of a basic education would reflect a level of resources, including class sizes, staffing, salaries, and other resources, that would be equal to the resources available to public schools in the state with the top performing students, as measured by the national assessment of educational progress adjusted for student demographics.

Directs the institute to make a progress report to the fiscal committees of the legislature by January 15, 2008, and a final report by November 1, 2008.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

Feb 2 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 1662 by Representatives McDonald, Anderson, Bailey, Strow, McCune, Roach, Dunn, Alexander, Rodne, and Kristiansen

Placing restrictions on raising and spending state revenue.

Places restrictions on raising and spending state revenue.

Provides that this act takes effect if the proposed amendment to Article VII, section . . . of the state Constitution (HJR . . . , H-1156/07) is validly submitted to and is approved and ratified by the voters at a general election held in November 2007. If the proposed amendment is not approved and ratified, this act is void in its entirety.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1663 by Representatives Kagi, Haler, Walsh, P. Sullivan, Appleton, Green, Seaquist, Fromhold, Hurst, Santos, Roberts, Dickerson, Ormsby, Sells, Conway, Flannigan, Chase, Morrell, Haigh, Sommers, and Simpson

Regarding early child development and learning.

Declares that, as recommended by Washington learns, the legislature declares that the overarching goal for education in the state is to have a world-class, learner-

focused, seamless education system that educates more Washingtonians to the highest levels of educational attainment.

Establishes the early learning advisory council to advise the department on statewide early learning community needs and progress.

Provides that, in conjunction with child care providers and other early learning leaders, the department shall review and revise child care provider rules in order to emphasize the need for mutual respect among parents, providers, and state staff who enforce rules. Revised rules shall clearly focus on keeping children safe and improving early learning outcomes for children. The department shall develop a plan by July 2007 that outlines the process and timelines to complete the rules review. Nothing in this act changes the department's responsibility to collectively bargain over mandatory subjects.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Children's Services.

HB 1664 by Representatives Kelley, Miloscia, Morrell, Barlow, Green, Seaquist, Appleton, Chase, Linville, Strow, Hurst, Ormsby, Sells, Conway, Haigh, Rolfes, Moeller, and Simpson

Protecting persons with veteran or military status from discrimination.

Protects persons with veteran or military status from discrimination.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1665 by Representatives Kelley, Barlow, Rodne, Miloscia, Green, Seaquist, Morrell, Williams, Dunn, Hurst, Ormsby, Conway, Haigh, and Moeller

Creating a list of and decal for veteran-owned businesses.

Requires the department to: (1) Develop and maintain a current list of veteran-owned businesses; and

(2) Make the list available on the department's public web site.

Declares that, in order to qualify as a veteran-owned business, the business must be at least fifty-one percent owned and controlled by: (1) A veteran as defined in RCW 41.04.007; or

(2) An active or reserve member in any branch of the armed forces of the United States, including the national guard, coast guard, and armed forces reserves.

Directs the department to create a logo for the purpose of identifying veteran-owned businesses to the public.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1666 by Representatives Green, Conway, Morrell, Cody, Ormsby, Schual-Berke, Moeller, and Simpson

Repealing the expiration provision in the act authorizing nurse practitioners to treat those covered by industrial insurance.

Repeals the expiration provision in the act authorizing nurse practitioners to treat those covered by industrial insurance.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1667 by Representatives Green, Cody, Morrell, Ormsby, Moeller, and Simpson

Regarding fairness and equity in health professions licensing fees.

Requires fairness and equity in health professions licensing fees.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1668 by Representatives Ormsby, Miloscia, B. Sullivan, Morrell, Wood, and Simpson

Modifying minimum terms for manufactured/mobile home lot rental agreements.

Finds that many tenants who reside in manufactured/mobile home communities are low-income households and senior citizens and are, therefore, those residents most in need of reasonable security in the siting of their manufactured/mobile homes because of the adverse impacts on the health, safety, and welfare of tenants forced to move due to closure, change of use, or discontinuance of manufactured/mobile home communities.

Provides that, given the effort and expense involved in moving a manufactured/mobile home, it is the intent of the legislature to provide an opportunity for manufactured/mobile tenants to remain in manufactured/mobile home communities for at least five years.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Housing.

Jan 29 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 1669 by Representatives Strow, Ericks, O'Brien, Rodne, Kirby, Haler, Eddy, Hinkle, and Lantz

Concerning the district and municipal court's probation and supervision services.

Declares that a district court and a municipal court, and its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers, who provide preconviction or postconviction misdemeanor probation or supervision services, or monitor a misdemeanor defendant's compliance with a preconviction or postconviction order of the court, including but not limited to community corrections programs, probation supervision, pretrial supervision, or pretrial release services, are not liable for civil damages resulting from any act or omission in the provision of such services or monitoring, unless the act or omission constitutes gross negligence.

Does not create any duty and shall not be construed to create a duty where none exists.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1670 by Representatives Quall and Santos

Articulating the purpose and role of school counselors.

Declares that a school counselor is a professional educator who holds a valid school counselor certification as defined by the professional educator standards board. The purpose and role of the school counselor is to plan, organize, and deliver a comprehensive school guidance and counseling program that personalizes education and supports, promotes, and enhances the academic, personal, social, and career development of all students, based on the national standards for school counseling programs of the American school counselor association.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1671 by Representative Green; by request of Department of Personnel

Modifying provisions relating to reclassifications, class studies, and salary adjustments.

Revises provisions relating to reclassifications, class studies, and salary adjustments.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1672 by Representative Green; by request of Department of Personnel

Clarifying the authority of the director of the Washington state department of personnel and the Washington personnel resources board.

Clarifies the authority of the director of the Washington state department of personnel and the Washington personnel resources board.

Repeals RCW 41.06.136.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1673 by Representative Green; by request of Department of Personnel

Using information obtained through the employee assistance program.

Amends RCW 41.04.730 relating to the employee assistance program.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1674 by Representatives Hunter, Conway, Dunn, Ormsby, and Wood; by request of Department of Revenue

Authorizing the governor to enter into a cigarette tax contract with the Spokane Tribe.

Authorizes the governor to enter into a cigarette tax contract with the Spokane Tribe.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1675 by Representatives Santos, Curtis, McDermott, Williams, Upthegrove, Hasegawa, Roberts, Schual-Berke, and Simpson

Providing certain public notices in a language other than English.

Provides that state agencies required by law or rule to provide public notices to a community or area to advise or inform the public about an imminent or emergent public health, safety, or welfare risk shall provide bilingual or multilingual notices when a significant segment of residents speak a language other than English and have a limited proficiency in English. This requirement applies to notices that include, but are not limited to, proposed locations for criminal facilities or facilities that would house sex offenders. This requirement does not apply to the adoption of rules under chapter 34.05 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1676 by Representatives Fromhold, Curtis, Moeller, Orcutt, Wallace, Dunn, Santos, and Simpson

Allowing public utility districts to disburse low-income energy assistance contributions.

Authorizes public utility districts to disburse low-income energy assistance contributions.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1677 by Representatives Quall, Rodne, Dunshee, Ormsby, B. Sullivan, Hurst, Chase, Hunt, P. Sullivan, Pettigrew, Lovick, Jarrett, McCoy, Anderson, Upthegrove, Santos, Sells, Conway, and Rolfes

Creating the outdoor education and recreation grant program for schools and others.

Declares an intent to establish an outdoor education and recreation program to improve students' performance on the essential academic learning requirements for science through participation in outdoor educational and recreational opportunities. Further, it is the intent of the program to recognize the resulting benefit of improved student health through involvement in outdoor recreation.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1678 by Representatives Morrell, Curtis, Seaquist, Campbell, Appleton, McDonald, Hurst, Ormsby, Conway, Haigh, and Simpson; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

Addressing law enforcement officer and firefighter retirement system plan 2 retiree medical.

Revises provisions addressing law enforcement officer and firefighter retirement system plan 2 retiree medical.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1679 by Representatives Ericks, Hinkle, Conway, Buri, McDonald, Hurst, Haigh, and Simpson; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

Determining membership on the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2 board.

Provides that the legislative board members appointed under RCW 41.26.715 must include one member from the two largest political parties. The speaker of the house of representatives shall request a recommendation from the minority leader of the house of representatives if a member from the opposite party must be recommended for appointment. The majority leader of the senate shall request a recommendation from the minority leader of the senate if a member from the opposite party must be recommended for appointment.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1680 by Representatives Hunter, Haler, P. Sullivan, Priest, Hurst, Conway, Schual-Berke, Haigh, and Simpson; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

Addressing transfers of service credit for emergency medical technicians under the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2.

Revises provisions relating to transfers of service credit for emergency medical technicians under the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1681 by Representatives Ericks, Crouse, Lovick, O'Brien, Sells, Springer, Strow, Quall, P. Sullivan, Grant, Dunshee, B. Sullivan, Kessler, Bailey, Haler, Santos, McCune, and Kristiansen

Revising regulation of telecommunications companies.

Finds that the competitiveness of telecommunications services makes regulatory modernization necessary to ensure fair regulatory treatment of telecommunications service providers who provide similar services.

Recognizes that it is vital to achieve regulatory modernization for telecommunications service providers who are responding to consumer choice by investing in infrastructure, which directly benefits consumers and the state.

Declares an intent to maintain and strengthen consumer choice, provide incentive for increased private investment in technology infrastructure, and provide regulatory fairness among competitive telecommunications service providers by modernizing the state's telecommunications laws.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1682 by Representatives Dickerson, O'Brien, Roberts, Ormsby, and Green; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Increasing the length of confinement for a parole violation committed by certain juvenile sex offenders.

Increases the length of confinement for a parole violation committed by certain juvenile sex offenders.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Human Services.

HB 1683 by Representatives Orcutt, Dunn, Strow, McCune, and Warnick

Exempting active duty military personnel from certain driver's license fees.

Declares that the fee does not apply to active duty members of the armed forces of the United States, including active duty members of the national guard and armed forces reserves.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1684 by Representatives Orcutt and VanDeWege

Modifying the effective and expiration dates for the clean fuel sales and use tax exemptions.

Revises the effective and expiration dates for the clean fuel sales and use tax exemptions.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1685 by Representative Orcutt

Concerning the final disposition of deer or elk that damage crops, domestic animals, or fowl.

Provides that a person who kills a deer or elk under RCW 77.36.030 may opt to retain the animal for personal use. Any deer or elk killed under this act that is not intended to be put to personal use must be surrendered to the department.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4006 by Representatives Blake, Newhouse, B. Sullivan, Orcutt, Eickmeyer, Hinkle, Kessler, and Kretz

Requesting the federal government consider ways to increase the amount of timber and fiber removed from federal land in Washington.

Requests the federal government to consider ways to increase the amount of timber and fiber removed from federal land in Washington.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4210 by Representatives Anderson, McDonald, and Hasegawa

Amending the Constitution to provide for equal pay for equal work.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to provide for equal pay for equal work.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HJR 4211 by Representatives Sommers, Curtis, and Simpson

Authorizing consolidation or merging of statutory and constitutional county functions and structures.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution authorizing consolidation or merging of statutory and constitutional county functions and structures.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HJR 4212 by Representatives Sommers, Curtis, and Simpson

Authorizing additional governance options for counties.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution authorizing additional governance options for counties.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HJR 4213 by Representatives McDonald, Anderson, Bailey, Strow, Roach, McCune, Dunn, and Kristiansen

Placing restrictions on tax increases.

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

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Finance.

Senate Bills

SB 5551 by Senators Prentice, Kohl-Welles, Clements, and Rasmussen; by request of Liquor Control Board

Enhancing enforcement of liquor and tobacco laws.

Authorizes the liquor control board to issue subpoenas in connection with any investigation, hearing, or proceeding for the production of books, records, and documents held under chapter 66.08 RCW or chapters 70.155, 70.158, 82.24, and 82.26 RCW, and books and records of common carriers as defined in RCW 81.80.010,

or vehicle rental agencies relating to the transportation or possession of cigarettes or other tobacco products.

Provides that, if any person is served a subpoena from the board for the production of records, documents, and books, and fails or refuses to obey the subpoena for the production of records, documents, and books when required to do so, the person is subject to proceedings for contempt, and the board may institute contempt of court proceedings in the superior court of Thurston county or in the county in which the person resides.

Provides that, for the purposes of obtaining information concerning any matter relating to the administration or enforcement of chapter 82.24 RCW, the department, the board, or any of its agents may inspect the books, documents, or records of any person transporting cigarettes for sale to any person or entity in the state, and books, documents, or records containing any information relating to the transportation or possession of cigarettes for sale in the possession of a specific common carrier as defined in RCW 81.80.010 doing business in this state, or books, documents, and records of vehicle rental agencies whose vehicles are being rented for the purpose of transporting contraband cigarettes.

Provides that, if a person neglects or refuses to produce and submit for inspection any book, record, or document as required by this act when requested to do so by the department, the board, or its agent, then the department or the board may seek an order in superior court compelling production of the books, records, or documents.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5552 by Senators Rockefeller, Spanel, Regala, Kohl-Welles, Kline, and Oemig

Changing compensation and penalties for oil spills.

Revises compensation and penalties for oil spills.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Telecommunications.

SB 5553 by Senators Spanel, Fraser, Rockefeller, Poulsen, Haugen, Regala, Tom, Kohl-Welles, Kline, Oemig, and Keiser

Enhancing the state's oil spill response program.

Declares that the intent of this act is to enact those recommendations of the oil spill advisory council that require legislative action so that Washington is in the best possible position to prevent and respond to oil spills in all of Washington's waters, including the Columbia river, the Pacific Ocean, the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and the Puget Sound.

Declares that fully enacting the recommendations of the oil spill advisory council requires the identification of revenue to support the state's oil spill programs, which includes consistent and continued funding for a contingency tug program, a permanent rescue tug at Neah Bay, the activities of the permanent oil spill advisory council, and contributions to the ongoing efforts to remove leaking derelict vessels from Washington's treasured and valued waterways.

Repeals RCW 82.23B.040.

- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 24 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Telecommunications.
- SB 5554** by Senators McAuliffe, Clements, and Kohl-Welles
 Concerning self-service storage facilities.
 Provides that the personal property may not be sold, but must be retained by the owner pending a court order directing the disposition of the personal property. If such an order is not obtained within thirty days of the original payment, the claimant must pay the monthly rental charge for the space where the personal property is stored. If rent is not paid, the owner may sell or dispose of the personal property in accordance with RCW 19.150.080. The owner has no liability to a claimant who fails to secure a court order in a timely manner or pay the required rental charge for any sale or other disposition of the personal property.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 24 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.
- SB 5555** by Senators Shin, Morton, Schoesler, Rasmussen, Kilmer, Delvin, Sheldon, Berkey, Jacobsen, Tom, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, and Roach
 Creating the GET ready for math and science scholarship program.
 Establishes the GET ready for math and science scholarship program. The purpose of the program is to provide scholarships to students who achieve level four on the mathematics or science portions of the tenth grade Washington assessment of student learning, major in a mathematics, science, or related field in college, and commit to working in mathematics, science, or a related field for at least three years in Washington following completion of their bachelor's degree. The program shall be administered by the nonprofit organization selected as the private partner in the public-private partnership.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 24 First reading, referred to Higher Education.
- SB 5556** by Senators Shin, McCaslin, Fairley, Kline, and Swecker; by request of State Treasurer
 Making the state treasurer a nonpartisan office.
 Declares that the duties of the state treasurer to receive and disburse public money, account for public money as provided by law, manage the investment of state funds, oversee state borrowings, and carry out other duties as prescribed by the Constitution and statute, are all responsibilities that are fundamentally nonpartisan in nature. Accordingly, the office of state treasurer should be nonpartisan.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 24 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- SB 5557** by Senators Hargrove, Prentice, Zarelli, Hatfield, Brandland, Brown, Poulsen, Pridemore, and McAuliffe
 Authorizing additional sales and use taxation by counties for economic development facilities.
 Authorizes additional sales and use taxation by counties for economic development facilities.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 24 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Management.
- SB 5558** by Senators Prentice, Honeyford, Kohl-Welles, Delvin, Franklin, Pflug, Keiser, Marr, Fairley, and Clements
 Regulating house-banked social card games.
 Provides that, in keeping with the gambling policy statement in RCW 9.46.010, the legislature intends to: (1) Limit the number of licenses that may be issued for conducting house-banked social card games; and (2) Grant local jurisdictions limited authority to determine the areas within which house-banked social card games may be conducted.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 24 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.
- SB 5559** by Senators Kohl-Welles, Murray, and Keiser
 Concerning the employment of youth soccer referees.
 Revises provisions concerning the employment of youth soccer referees.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 24 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.
- SB 5560** by Senators Schoesler, Zarelli, Regala, and Prentice; by request of Department of Revenue
 Making changes of a technical nature to tax laws.
 Makes changes of a technical nature to tax laws.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.
- SB 5561** by Senators Oemig, Fairley, Hobbs, Brown, Spanel, Franklin, Kline, Jacobsen, and McAuliffe
 Allowing voter registration up to and on election day.
 Allows voter registration up to and on election day.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 24 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- SB 5562** by Senators Oemig, Kohl-Welles, Fairley, and Brown
 Modifying procedures on candidates filing for office.
 Provides that, when, in the judgment of the filing officer, two or more candidates have filed for the same office whose names are so similar as to be confusing to voters, he or she shall differentiate all candidates for that office, including the candidates that do not have the same

or similar names, by the inclusion of additional information in connection with each name that will appear on the ballot. Such differentiation may be made by the inclusion of each candidate's occupation, status as incumbent or challenger, or by any other means which, in the judgment of the filing officer, fairly and impartially distinguishes the candidates. The filing officer may solicit suggestions and input from the candidates to resolve the situation.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5563 by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Keiser, Rockefeller, Roach, Regala, Fairley, Shin, Swecker, Kauffman, Kilmer, McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, Tom, Murray, Zarelli, Carrell, Franklin, Kastama, Delvin, Poulsen, Kline, Rasmussen, Oemig, Benton, Haugen, and Spanel

Providing backup for mental health professionals doing home visits.

Finds that designated mental health professionals go out into the community to evaluate people for potential detention under the state's involuntary treatment act. Also, designated mental health professionals and other mental health workers do crisis intervention work intended to stabilize a person in crisis and provide immediate treatment and intervention in communities throughout Washington state. In many cases, the presence of a second trained individual on outreach to a person's private home or other private location will enhance safety for consumers, families, and mental health professionals and will advance the legislature's interest in quality mental health care services.

Provides that the act shall be null and void if appropriations are not approved.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5564 by Senators Marr, Pflug, Keiser, and Parlette; by request of Health Care Authority

Authorizing the administrator of the health care authority to administer grants on behalf of the authority.

Authorizes the administrator of the health care authority to administer grants on behalf of the authority.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5565 by Senators Keiser, Pflug, Zarelli, Prentice, Kohl-Welles, Parlette, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, and Marr

Authorizing purchase of brand name drugs when cost-effective for all state purchased health care programs.

Authorizes purchase of brand name drugs when cost-effective for all state purchased health care programs.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5566 by Senators Franklin and Kohl-Welles

Providing for privacy protection for certain voter registration information.

Declares that the signature and phone number provided on the return envelope by the voter is not available for copying but is available for public inspection in the county auditor's office.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5567 by Senators Swecker, Jacobsen, Poulsen, and Stevens

Creating the salmon and watershed planning integration work group.

Provides that the work group shall: (1) Review the current status of salmon recovery and watershed entities, plans, and projects, including but not limited to plans and projects developed under chapters 77.85 and 90.82 RCW;

(2) Review the organizational structure and governance of entities preparing or implementing salmon recovery or watershed plans or projects;

(3) Make recommendations, if any, regarding salmon recovery and watershed entities, plans, and projects in order to integrate such plans and projects or to otherwise improve planning and project administration;

(4) Make recommendations, if any, for state incentives to achieve greater integration of salmon recovery and watershed entities, plans, and projects; and

(5) Report its recommendations, if any, in the form of draft legislation to the legislature by November 1, 2007.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5568 by Senators Rasmussen, Clements, Shin, Schoesler, Jacobsen, Morton, Holmquist, and Honeyford

Extending the date when counties which have authorized facilities for agriculture promotion must allow a credit for city lodging taxes.

Extends the date when counties which have authorized facilities for agriculture promotion must allow a credit for city lodging taxes.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 5569 by Senators Schoesler, Rasmussen, Hatfield, Shin, Morton, and Sheldon

Providing a sales and use tax exemption to schools for heating oil.

Provides a sales and use tax exemption to schools for heating oil.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5570 by Senators Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, Murray, Kline, Poulsen, Rasmussen, Keiser, and Shin

Providing cost-of-living salary supplements to school district employees.

Provides cost-of-living salary supplements to school district employees.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5571 by Senator Jacobsen

Enacting the student athletes' bill of rights.

Provides that an institution of higher education may not agree to, or be subject to, the rules or policies of any organization, association, or any other type of entity, nor make a contract with any party, that dictates the terms, value, and conditions of student athlete scholarships relating to any of the following: (1) The terms or duration of a scholarship or stipend the value of which is below the actual cost of attendance at that institution;

(2) The amount earned from bona fide employment not associated with their sport;

(3) Health insurance;

(4) The ability to obtain licensed representation in making career choices;

(5) The ability to transfer to another institution of higher education if a head coach leaves the school of attendance or anticipated attendance.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 5572 by Senators Murray and Weinstein

Providing excise tax relief for certain limited purpose public corporations, commissions, and authorities.

Provides excise tax relief for certain limited purpose public corporations, commissions, and authorities.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5573 by Senators Hatfield, Schoesler, Zarelli, and Kastama; by request of Department of Revenue

Modifying the rural county tax credit.

Revises the rural county tax credit provided in chapter 82.62 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5574 by Senators Weinstein and Regala; by request of Department of Revenue

Regarding the printing and publishing business and occupation tax classification.

Revises provisions regarding the printing and publishing business and occupation tax classification.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5575 by Senators Hobbs, Schoesler, Zarelli, and Kilmer; by request of Department of Revenue

Providing an exemption from business and occupation tax for the resale of natural or manufactured gas by consumers.

Provides an exemption from business and occupation tax for the resale of natural or manufactured gas by consumers.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5576 by Senators Roach, Benton, and Keiser

Prohibiting the condemnation of unblighted private property for private use.

States that it is further found and declared that the condemnation of an unblighted private property located within an area designated by the local governing body as a blighted area shall not be declared a public use for purposes of blight removal, and that private property shall not be condemned and transferred to another private use unless the present condition and use of that private property displays unremedied blight conditions that endanger public health and safety, endanger life or property by fire or other causes, or otherwise contribute substantially to ill health, transmission of disease, infant mortality, juvenile delinquency, or crime.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5577 by Senators Roach, Benton, Holmquist, Carrell, Stevens, Clements, Delvin, and Schoesler

Creating the private property rights protection act.

Finds, in the wake of the supreme court's decision in *Kelo v. City of New London*, that abuse of eminent domain is a threat to the property rights of all private property owners.

Finds that Washington citizens should not have to fear the government taking their homes, farms, or businesses to give to other persons. Governments should not abuse the power of eminent domain to force property owners from their land in order to develop that land into industrial and commercial property.

Declares that it is the policy of the state of Washington to encourage, support, and promote the private ownership of property and to ensure that the constitutional and other legal rights of private property owners are protected by Washington state government.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5578 by Senators Keiser, Kastama, Franklin, and Kohl-Welles; by request of Department of Health

Modifying the powers and duties of health care disciplining authorities.

Finds that in order to protect the public and to promote the safety of and confidence in the health care system, the disciplining authority may deny an application for licensure or grant a license with conditions if the applicant: (1) Has had his or her license to practice any health care profession

suspended, revoked, or restricted, by competent authority in any state, federal, or foreign jurisdiction;

(2) Has committed any act defined as unprofessional conduct for a license holder under RCW 18.130.180;

(3) Has been convicted or is subject to current prosecution or pending charges of a crime involving moral turpitude or a crime identified in RCW 43.43.830;

(4) Fails to prove that he or she is qualified in accordance with the provisions of this act, the chapters identified in RCW 18.130.040(2), or the rules adopted by the disciplining authority; or

(5) Is not able to practice with reasonable skill and safety to consumers by reason of any mental or physical condition.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5579 by Senators Keiser, Kastama, Franklin, and Kohl-Welles; by request of Department of Health

Modifying credentialing standards for counselors.

Revises credentialing standards for counselors.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5580 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, and Franklin
Requiring tanning facility businesses to post cancer warning signs.

Requires tanning facility businesses to post cancer warning signs.

Finds and declares that many health care providers, medical associations and organizations, and scientists now warn that the risk of skin cancer associated with suntanning are greater when tanning with artificial ultraviolet light.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5581 by Senators Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, Shin, Tom, Berkey, Oemig, Clements, Keiser, Holmquist, and Roach

Creating a mathematics/science scholar diploma designation and scholarship.

Creates a mathematics/science scholar designation on the high school diploma. This designation shall be awarded to public school students, and approved private school students at the discretion of the approved private school, who complete the following requirements: (1) Successfully earn the following high school credits: (a) four mathematics credits, including calculus; (b) at least three science credits, including chemistry and physics; and (c) at least three credits of world language other than English;

(2) Receive advanced placement scores of three or higher on at least two advance placement tests;

(3) Earn a high school grade point average of 3.5 or above; and

(4) Meet the state standards in all content areas of the high school level Washington assessment of student achievement.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 5582 by Senators Clements and Kohl-Welles; by request of Department of Licensing

Modifying provisions concerning the uniform regulation of business and professions.

Revises provisions concerning the uniform regulation of business and professions.

Repeals RCW 18.140.175, 18.85.343, 18.220.140, 18.220.150, 18.220.170, and 18.220.180.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5583 by Senators Clements and Kohl-Welles; by request of Department of Licensing

Changing provisions concerning boxing, mixed martial arts, and wrestling events.

Provides that, in the interest of ensuring the safety and welfare of the participants, the director of the department of licensing is required to direct, supervise, and control all boxing, mixed martial arts, and wrestling events conducted within this state and an event may not be held in this state except in accordance with the provisions of chapter 67.08 RCW.

Repeals RCW 67.08.010, 67.08.040, 67.08.130, 67.08.220, and 67.08.240.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5584 by Senators Regala, McAuliffe, and Keiser

Protecting children under the age of seven by creating the crime of homicide by abuse in the second degree.

Declares that a person is guilty of homicide by abuse in the second degree when he or she, under circumstances not amounting to homicide by abuse in the first degree, recklessly causes the death of a child under seven years of age.

Provides that homicide by abuse in the second degree is a class A felony.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5585 by Senators Tom, Keiser, Weinstein, Oemig, Kohl-Welles, Marr, Fraser, Prentice, and Franklin

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

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

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

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5586 by Senators Murray, Poulsen, Rockefeller, Kline, Kilmer, Regala, Marr, Weinstein, Oemig, Hargrove, Keiser, Fairley, Tom, Kohl-Welles, and McAuliffe

Encouraging the use of cleaner energy.

Provides that, to reduce fossil fuel dependence and build our clean energy economy, the state should develop policies and incentives that help businesses, consumers, and farmers gain greater access to affordable clean fuels and vehicles and to produce clean fuels in the state. These policies and incentives should include: (1) Incentives for replacement of the most polluting diesel engines, especially in school buses;

(2) Transitional incentives for development of the most promising in-state clean fuels and fuel feedstocks, including biodiesel crops and ethanol from plant waste;

(3) Reduced fossil fuel consumption by state fleets;

(4) Development of promising new technologies for displacing petroleum with electricity, such as "plug-in hybrids"; and

(5) Impact analysis and emission accounting procedures that prepare Washington to respond and prosper as global warming impacts occur and as policies and markets to reduce global warming pollution are developed.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Telecommunications.

SB 5587 by Senators Honeyford and Roach

Modifying the judicial conduct commission.

Provides that no commission member or alternate who participates in an investigation or initial proceeding leading to a finding of probable cause may participate in any further proceedings, including a public hearing on that cause.

Requires all discovery prior to a public hearing to be conducted pursuant to the rules of civil procedure promulgated by the Washington state supreme court. Any jurist subject to proceedings before the commission shall be entitled to obtain discovery pursuant to these rules from the commission, its staff, and other persons involved in the investigation or analysis leading to a determination of probable cause.

Declares that all members and alternates shall be subject to the code of judicial conduct as promulgated by the Washington state supreme court.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5588 by Senators Franklin, Roach, Brandland, Delvin, Parlette, and Rasmussen; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

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

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

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5589 by Senators Keiser, Schoesler, Kohl-Welles, Parlette, Rasmussen, and Delvin; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

Addressing law enforcement officer and firefighter retirement system plan 2 retiree medical.

Revises provisions addressing law enforcement officer and firefighter retirement system plan 2 retiree medical.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5590 by Senators Tom, Brandland, Franklin, Delvin, Parlette, Rasmussen, Keiser, and Roach; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

Determining membership on the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2 board.

Provides that the legislative board members appointed under RCW 41.26.715 must include one member from the two largest political parties. The speaker of the house of representatives shall request a recommendation from the minority leader of the house of representatives if a member from the opposite party must be recommended for appointment. The majority leader of the senate shall request a recommendation from the minority leader of the senate if a member from the opposite party must be recommended for appointment.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5591 by Senators Roach, Oemig, Kauffman, Brandland, Parlette, Rasmussen, Delvin, and Keiser; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

Addressing transfers of service credit for emergency medical technicians under the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2.

Revises provisions relating to transfers of service credit for emergency medical technicians under the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2.

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SB 5592 by Senators Berkey, Poulsen, Honeyford, Shin, Morton, Kilmer, Stevens, Pridemore, Haugen, Hatfield, and Rasmussen

Revising regulation of telecommunications companies.

Finds that the competitiveness of telecommunications services makes regulatory modernization necessary to ensure fair regulatory treatment of telecommunications service providers who provide similar services.

Recognizes that it is vital to achieve regulatory modernization for telecommunications service providers who are responding to consumer choice by investing in infrastructure, which directly benefits consumers and the state.

Declares an intent to maintain and strengthen consumer choice, provide incentive for increased private investment in technology infrastructure, and provide regulatory fairness among competitive telecommunications service providers by modernizing the state's telecommunications laws.

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