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House Bills

HB 1002-S by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives O'Brien, Orcutt, Kessler, Condotta, McIntire, Sommers, Kenney, McDonald, Haler, Simpson, Wallace, and Warnick)

Modifying the sales and use taxation of vessels.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
 Declares that the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales to nonresident individuals of vessels thirty feet or longer if an individual purchasing a vessel purchases and displays a valid use permit.
 Declares that the provisions of chapter 82.12 RCW do not apply in respect to the use of a vessel thirty feet or longer if a nonresident individual: (1) Purchases the vessel from a vessel dealer in accordance with this act;
 (2) Purchases the vessel in the state from a person other than a vessel dealer, but the nonresident individual purchases and displays a valid use permit from a vessel dealer under this act within fourteen days of the date that the vessel is purchased in this state; or
 (3) Acquires the vessel outside the state, but purchases and displays a valid use permit from a vessel dealer under this act within fourteen days of the date that the vessel is first brought into this state.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 12 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 6 Executive session in committee.
 FIN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 8 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1314-S by House Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications (originally sponsored by Representatives Morris, Crouse, Linville, and Anderson; by request of Utilities & Transportation Commission)

Modifying gas and hazardous liquid pipeline provisions.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
 Repeals RCW 80.28.205, 80.28.207, 80.28.210, 80.28.212, 80.28.215, and 81.88.150.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Jan 31 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 6 Executive session in committee.
 TEC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 8 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1409-S by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives B. Sullivan, Orcutt, Kretz, and Takko)

Transferring jurisdiction over conversion-related forest practices to local governments.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
 Requires each county, city, and town assuming regulation of forest practices as provided in RCW 76.09.240 (1) and (2) to adopt development regulations that: (1) Protect public resources, as defined in RCW 76.09.020, from material damage or the potential for material damage;

(2) Require appropriate approvals for all phases of the conversion of forest lands, including clearing and grading; and

(3) Are guided by the planning goals in RCW 36.70A.020 and by the purposes and policies of the forest practices act as set forth in RCW 76.09.010.

Provides that, if necessary, each county, city, or town that assumes regulation of forest practices under RCW 76.09.240 shall amend its comprehensive plan to ensure consistency between its comprehensive plan and development regulations.

Provides that, before a county, city, or town may regulate forest practices under RCW 76.09.240 (1) and (2), it shall update its development regulations as required by RCW 36.70A.130 and, if applicable, RCW 36.70A.215. Forest practices regulations adopted under RCW 76.09.240 (1) and (2) may be adopted as part of the legislative action taken under RCW 36.70A.130 or 36.70A.215.

Requires that a county, city, or town that regulates forest practices report permit information to the department of revenue for all approved forest practices permits.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 31 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 8 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1548-S by House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Pettigrew, Miloscia, Jarrett, O'Brien, Haler, Priest, Ormsby, Roberts, Eddy, Darneille, Appleton, Walsh, Sells, Barlow, Kenney, Conway, Kristiansen, Ericks, P. Sullivan, Goodman, Linville, Wood, Pearson, Moeller, Springer, Lovick, Lantz, Morrell, and Santos)

Creating the individual and family services program for people with developmental disabilities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that: (1) A developmental disability is a natural part of human life, and the presence of a developmental disability in the life of a person does not diminish the person's rights or opportunity to participate fully in the life of the local community;

(2) Investing in family members who have children and adults living in the family home preserves a valuable natural support system for the individual with a developmental disability and is also cost-effective for the state of Washington;

(3) Providing support services to families can help maintain the well-being of the family and stabilize the family unit.

Declares an intent: (1) To partner with families as care providers for children with developmental disabilities and adults who choose to live in the family home;

(2) That individual and family services be centered on the needs of the person with a developmental disability and the family;

(3) That, to the maximum extent possible, individuals and families must be given choice of services and exercise control over the resources available to them.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 31 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 6 Executive session in committee.

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

Feb 8 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1855-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Schual-Berke, Kessler, Walsh, Appleton, Linville, Darneille, Hankins, Kenney, Lantz, Green, McCoy, Quall, Morrell, Haigh, Fromhold, Hunt, Dunshee, P. Sullivan, McDermott, McIntire, Wood, Dickerson, Ericks, Moeller, Pedersen, Conway, Hasegawa, Roberts, Seaquist, Kagi, Sells, Upthegrove, Williams, Goodman, Simpson, Springer, Chase, and Jarrett)

Regarding sex education in schools.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that it is in the public's best interest to ensure that young people are equipped with medically and scientifically accurate, age-appropriate information that will help them avoid unintended pregnancies, remain free of sexually transmitted diseases, and make informed, responsible decisions throughout their lives.

Declares an intent to support and advance the standards established in the January 2005 guidelines for sexual health information and disease prevention developed by the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the department of health. These guidelines are a fundamental tool to help school districts, teachers, guest speakers, health and counseling providers, community groups, parents, and guardians choose, develop, and evaluate sexual health curricula to better meet the health and safety needs of adolescents and young adults in their communities.

Provides that the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall, through its Washington state school health profiles survey or other existing reporting mechanism, ask schools to identify any curricula used to provide sexual health education, and shall report the results of this inquiry to the legislature on a biennial basis, beginning with the 2008-09 school year.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 8 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2097 by Representatives Conway, Sells, P. Sullivan, Williams, Appleton, Campbell, Green, Dickerson, Darneille, McCune, Ericks, Simpson, Kenney, McDermott, and Ormsby

Changing the distribution to and allocation of the fire service training account.

Changes the distribution to and allocation of the fire service training account.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 8 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 2098 by Representatives Cody, Upthegrove, Morrell, Kenney, Conway, Simpson, Hudgins, and Ormsby; by request of Governor Gregoire

Providing high quality, affordable health care to Washingtonians based on the recommendations of the blue ribbon commission on health care costs and access.

Provides a plan to develop high quality, affordable health care to Washingtonians based on the recommendations of the blue ribbon commission on health care costs and access.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

Feb 12 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 2099 by Representatives Cody, Morrell, and Kenney
Establishing activities to support the certificate of need program.

Establishes activities to support the certificate of need program.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

Feb 15 Scheduled for public hearing and executive session in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 2100 by Representatives Cody, Morrell, Quall, Kenney, Linville, and Ormsby

Establishing a statewide health resources strategy.

Creates the office of strategic health resource coordination in the office of the governor. The office shall serve as a coordinating body for public and private efforts to improve quality in health care, promote cost-effectiveness in health care, and plan health facility and health service availability. In addition, the office shall facilitate access to health care data collected by public and private organizations as needed to conduct its planning responsibilities.

Creates the health resource strategy commission consisting of seventeen members appointed by the governor.

Declares that the commission shall develop a statewide health resources strategy. The strategy shall establish statewide health planning policies and goals related to the availability of health care facilities and services, quality of care, and cost of care. The strategy shall identify needs according to geographic regions suitable for comprehensive health planning as designated by the commission.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

Feb 15 Scheduled for public hearing and executive session in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 2101 by Representatives Jarrett and Eddy

Addressing regional transportation commission findings and recommendations.

Addresses regional transportation commission findings and recommendations.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2102 by Representatives Morris and Hudgins

Regarding records retained by communications providers.

Declares that when a covered entity substantially upgrades or replaces their billing or records management system, the resulting system must be capable of verifying and recording which person or persons, internal or external, have had access to customer profile data.

Declares that upon written request by a customer, any covered entity shall release to the customer all customer profile data pertaining to that customer, including the identity of any individual or entity, internal or external, who has had access to the requesting customer's records. The customer may request a copy of their records once per year free of charge. The customer may be charged a nominal fee for subsequent requests. Any customer profile data collected by a covered entity must be retained and remain accessible to the customer for at least two years.

Provides that after reviewing his or her customer profile data, a customer must be given the opportunity to: (1) Contest the accuracy, completeness, timeliness, relevance, or dissemination of his or her customer profile data;

(2) Correct or amend the information contained in his or her customer profile data; and

(3) Request that customer profile data be removed or destroyed from the database, unless removal or destruction of the information would be contrary to applicable state or federal law.

Provides that a covered entity must implement adequate security measures to protect customer profile data and customer records from unauthorized access, loss, or tampering. These security measures should be consistent with industry accepted best standards that are commensurate with the amount and sensitivity of the customer information being stored on the system.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2103 by Representatives Morris, Crouse, and Wallace

Modifying the competitive classification of telecommunications services.

Declares that in determining whether a service is competitive, the commission may consider the number and size of alternative providers of services, including those not subject to commission jurisdiction.

Provides that the commission may also classify as competitive: (1) Any telecommunications service or class of service that it finds not to be an essential service; or

(2) Any package or bundle of services where each essential service in the package or bundle is readily and separately available to customers at fair, just, and reasonable prices, and the price of the bundle or package is equal to or greater than the cost for tariffed services plus the cost of any competitive service.

Recognizes that the term "essential service" includes but is not limited to: (1) Voice grade access to the public switched network;

(2) Local usage;

(3) Dual tone multifrequency signaling or its functional equivalent;

(4) Single-party service or its functional equivalent;

(5) Access to: (a) emergency services; (b) operator services; (c) local directory assistance; (d) telephone relay services; (e) interexchange service; and

(6) Toll limitation and lifeline service for qualifying low-income consumers.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2104 by Representatives Curtis, Simpson, Ross, and Eddy; by request of Secretary of State

Creating the uniform real property electronic recording act. Creates the uniform real property electronic recording act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2105 by Representatives Conway, Condotta, Kenney, Simpson, and Ormsby

Requiring payment of prescription drugs for industrial insurance medical aid claims for initial visits.

Provides that the department for state fund claims shall pay, in accordance with the department's fee schedule, for any alleged injury for which a worker files a claim, any initial prescription drugs provided in relation to that initial visit, without regard to whether the worker's claim for benefits is allowed.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2106 by Representatives Kenney, Sells, Conway, Clibborn, Hunt, Santos, Simpson, and Ormsby

Revising provisions for farm labor contractors.

Revises provisions for farm labor contractors.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2107 by Representatives Schual-Berke, B. Sullivan, Blake, Newhouse, Dickerson, Strow, Kagi, Orcutt, McCoy, Cody, and VanDeWege

Authorizing the use of innovative settlement agreements in lieu of appeal for violations of chapters 90.48 and 90.56 RCW.

Provides that the department, with the assistance of the attorney general, is authorized to offer the option of an innovative settlement agreement in lieu of appeal for all violators of chapter 90.48 RCW or chapter 90.56 RCW except in cases of: (1) Criminal violations;

(2) Cases where the violation is not corrected; or

(3) Violators that have unpaid penalties under chapter 90.48 RCW or chapter 90.56 RCW.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 2108 by Representatives Anderson, Morris, Haler, and Crouse

Requiring an analysis of the cost of burying power lines.

Requires an analysis of the cost of burying power lines.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 2109 by Representatives Anderson and Wallace

Regarding readiness for college-level work.

Declares that the legislature intends to provide students with more certainty and predictability regarding their readiness for college-level mathematics, reading, writing, and English.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 2110 by Representatives Simpson, Ericks, Dunshee, P. Sullivan, and Ormsby

Allowing all fire protection facilities to use impact fees.

Allows all fire protection facilities to use impact fees.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2111 by Representatives Williams, Conway, Wood, Green, Moeller, Darneille, Miloscia, Dickerson, P. Sullivan, Morrell, McDermott, Grant, Hudgins, Simpson, and Ormsby

Making the governor the public employer of adult family home providers.

Provides that the governor is the public employer of adult family home providers.

Amends RCW 41.04.810, 41.56.113, and 43.01.047.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2112 by Representative Pettigrew

Clarifying the definition of social worker.

Clarifies the definition of social worker.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Children's Services.

HB 2113 by Representatives Williams, Goodman, Green, Hunt, and Simpson

Regarding objections by cities, towns, and counties to the issuance of liquor licenses.

Provides that the board shall give substantial weight to objections based upon: (1) Threats to public health or safety by operation of the licensed premises or the conduct of the licensee's patrons either within or without the licensed premises;

(2) An unreasonably high number of citations for violation of RCW 46.61.502 associated with the proposed

licensed premises, as indicated by, inter alia, the reported statements of patrons to the Washington state patrol; or

(3) An unreasonably high use of local police resources by the proposed licensee or its patrons, as documented by calls for police service, number of police field contacts, or such other reasonable measure employed by the police department of the incorporated city, town, or county. The burden to demonstrate the contrary of such objections shall be upon the proposed licensee.

Declares that "substantial weight" means that the board may issue a license notwithstanding such objections by an incorporated city, town, or county legislative authority only if, after applying a clearly erroneous standard of review, the board is left with the definite and firm conviction that the objections are incorrect.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 2114 by Representative Dunn

Modifying the definition of collection agency.

Modifies the definition of collection agency.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Insurance, Financial Services & Consumer Protection.

HB 2115 by Representatives Newhouse, Lantz, B. Sullivan, Hailey, Grant, VanDeWege, Warnick, Kelley, Pedersen, Appleton, Quall, Seaquist, Hunt, Simpson, McDermott, and Ormsby

Creating the heritage barn preservation program.

Acknowledges that factors such as changes in the agricultural economy and farming technologies, prohibitive rehabilitation costs, development pressures, and regulations restricting new uses, collectively work to endanger historic barns statewide from falling into decay or being demolished altogether.

Declares that, as historic barns represent irreplaceable resources, and recognizing that barn preservation will work to retain these structures as functional and economically viable elements of working lands, the purpose of this act is to create a system acknowledging heritage barns statewide that provides emergency assistance to heritage barn owners through matching grants, assesses the need for long-term barn preservation, and considers additional incentives and regulatory revisions that work toward the preservation of heritage barns as integral components of Washington's historic landscapes.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2116 by Representatives Bailey and Alexander

Modifying gain-sharing benefits and increasing contributions towards unfunded pension liabilities.

Modifies gain-sharing benefits and increases contributions towards unfunded pension liabilities.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 2117 by Representatives Hurst, Roach, VanDeWege, Orcutt, McCoy, Ahern, Takko, McCune, Barlow, Ericksen, Kelley, Warnick, Rolfes, Hailey, Seaquist, Armstrong, Ericks, Kretz, Eddy, Rodne, Hunter, Strow, Quall, Haler, Sump, Chandler, Anderson, McDonald, Alexander, Bailey, Pearson, Newhouse, Kristiansen, Kessler, Morrell, Campbell, Blake, P. Sullivan, Hinkle, and Lantz

Limiting property tax increases to one percent by reenacting the provisions of Initiative Measure No. 747.

Limits property tax increases to one percent by reenacting the provisions of Initiative Measure No. 747.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2118 by Representatives Conway, Wood, and Ormsby

Transferring responsibilities related to mobile and manufactured home installation from the department of community, trade, and economic development to the department of labor and industries.

Transfers responsibilities related to mobile and manufactured home installation from the department of community, trade, and economic development to the department of labor and industries.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2119 by Representatives Lovick, Priest, Lantz, Rodne, Upthegrove, P. Sullivan, Eddy, Ericks, Pearson, Hudgins, Kelley, and Ormsby; by request of Attorney General

Increasing penalties for acts of domestic violence involving strangulation.

Increases the penalties for acts of domestic violence involving strangulation.

Defines "strangulation."

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2120 by Representative Williams

Permitting the liquor control board to provide retail licensee sales data information to the National Alcohol Beverage Control Association.

Permits the liquor control board to provide retail licensee sales data information to the National Alcohol Beverage Control Association.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

Senate Bills

SB 5024-S by Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen and Kline)

Increasing fees to fund community traumatic brain injury services.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that driving under the influence leads to a significant number of motor vehicle accidents, and intends that additional revenue from license reinstatement for impaired drivers be used to support individuals with traumatic brain injuries.

Finds that many individuals recovering from a traumatic brain injury need assistance not only with physical tasks, but also have unique mental health and cognitive needs.

Finds that community-based organizations are best able to provide prevention services and support that assist beyond an individual's basic physical care needs, such as managing temper and behaviors, improving memory, and acquiring new job and life skills.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 29 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 6 HEA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
On motion, referred to Transportation.

SB 5050-S by Senate Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing (originally sponsored by Senators Weinstein, Franklin, Kauffman, Rockefeller, Oemig, Murray, Rasmussen, Keiser, and Kohl-Welles)

Modifying the mileage tolling calculation in the motor vehicle lemon law.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Amends RCW 19.118.041 to modify the mileage tolling calculation in the motor vehicle lemon law.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 19 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 5 CPH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 7 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5104-S by Senate Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Tom, Rockefeller, Shin, Oemig, Berkey, Brandland, Fairley, Pflug, Delvin, Rasmussen, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Zarelli, Prentice, Eide, Kline, Hobbs, Clements, and Kilmer)

Expanding the applied baccalaureate degree pilot program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires that, by February 2008, the college board shall select up to two technical colleges to develop and

offer programs of study leading to an applied baccalaureate degree. At least one of the colleges selected must be a technical college. The college board shall use the objective selection criteria developed under RCW 28B.50.810(1) and (3) to make the selection.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 31 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 5 HIE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.
- Feb 12 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5112-S by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development (originally sponsored by Senators Schoesler, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, Pridemore, Clements, Sheldon, Morton, Hatfield, and Honeyford)

Allowing auctioneers to auction vessels without registering as a vessel dealer.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that an auction company licensed under chapter 18.11 RCW and licensed as a motor vehicle dealer under chapter 46.70 RCW may sell at auction, without registering as a vessel dealer, all vessels that a vessel dealer is authorized to sell, so long as the sale of vessels is incidental to the auction company's primary source of business and the length of any vessel being sold is no greater than twenty-five feet.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 25 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 5 LCRD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 7 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5137-S by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles and Keiser; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Modifying industry average unemployment contribution rates.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises industry average unemployment contribution rates.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 22 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 5 LCRD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; do not pass.
On motion, referred to Rules.

SB 5155-S by Senate Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Hargrove, Shin, Murray, Marr, Kauffman, Rockefeller,

Kohl-Welles, Tom, Schoesler, Sheldon, Berkey, Delvin, McAuliffe, Keiser, Rasmussen, and Franklin)

Creating the passport to college promise program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to create the passport to college promise program that will have two primary components, as follows: (1) Significantly increasing outreach to foster care youth between the ages of fifteen and eighteen regarding the higher education opportunities available to them, how to apply to college, and how to apply for and obtain financial aid; and

(2) Providing financial aid to former foster care youth to ensure that the entire costs of their public undergraduate college education are paid for.

Creates the passport to college promise program. The purpose of the program is: (1) To encourage current and former foster care youth to prepare for, attend, and successfully complete higher education; and

(2) To provide current and former foster care youth with the educational planning, information, institutional support, and direct financial resources necessary for them to succeed in higher education.

Directs the department of social and health services, with input from the state board for community and technical colleges, the higher education coordinating board, and institutions of higher education, to contract with at least one nongovernmental entity through a request for proposals process to develop, implement, and administer a program of supplemental educational transition planning for youth in foster care in Washington state.

Requires the state board for community and technical colleges to monitor and analyze the academic progress of community and technical college students who receive scholarships under this act, and submit a report regarding the number of community and technical college students who have received scholarships under this chapter and the academic progress of those students to the higher education committees of the senate and the house of representatives by January 15, 2010.

Requires the higher education coordinating board to monitor and analyze the academic progress of students enrolled at four-year institutions of higher education who receive scholarships under this chapter, and shall submit a report regarding the number of students who have received scholarships under this chapter and the academic progress of those students to the higher education committees of the senate and the house of representatives by January 15, 2010.

Appropriates the sum of three million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the office of financial management for the purposes of this act.

Appropriates the sum of three million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, from the general fund to the office of financial management for the purposes of this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
Feb 6 HIE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5190-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, McCaslin, and Shin)

Modifying provisions relating to the collection of legal financial obligations.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions relating to the collection of legal financial obligations.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 23 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
Feb 5 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Feb 7 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5200-S by Senate Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing (originally sponsored by Senators Delvin, Weinstein, Kohl-Welles, Morton, Pridemore, Kilmer, Rasmussen, and Kline)

Providing tax credits for contributions to low-income housing efforts.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Recognizes that despite ongoing efforts there is still a lack of affordable housing in many areas. To ensure further aid, the legislature hereby establishes tax credits for persons who make financial contributions to low-income housing assistance programs.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 19 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
Feb 5 CPH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.
Feb 15 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5226-S by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Oemig, Fairley, Rockefeller, Kohl-Welles, and Kline; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Providing for public funding of judicial campaigns.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that this act, the judicial independence act, introduces a voluntary pilot campaign funding system for appellate judicial positions that is intended to reduce the impact of special interests in judicial campaigns.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
Feb 5 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; do not pass.
Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5227-S by Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Tom, Kline, Carrell,

Rasmussen, Stevens, Shin, Roach, McAuliffe, Weinstein, Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, and Kilmer)

Increasing the penalty for animal abandonment.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that "abandons" means the knowing or reckless desertion of an animal by its owner or the causing of the animal to be deserted by its owner, in any place, without making provisions for the animal's adequate care.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 17 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 6 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 7 JUD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5239-S by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators Tom, McAuliffe, Marr, Shin, and Keiser)

Requiring implementation of a segmented mathematics alternative assessment.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the superintendent of public instruction to implement an alternative assessment option for mathematics that: (1) Presents the mathematics essential academic learnings in segments for assessment;

(2) Is comparable in content and rigor to the tenth grade mathematics assessment when all segments are considered together;

(3) Is reliable and valid; and

(4) Can be used to determine a student's academic performance level. Students may access this segmented math assessment without retaking the Washington assessment of student learning.

Directs the office of the superintendent of public instruction to create a cadre of teachers who are trained to score the segmented math alternative assessments or use electronic means to enable the school to receive the scores within three weeks.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 17 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 5 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; do not pass.
Referred to Ways & Means.
- Feb 12 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5248-S by Senate Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Hatfield, Schoesler, Rasmussen, Morton, Honeyford, Haugen, Shin, and Holmquist)

Preserving the viability of agricultural lands.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that critical area ordinances and development regulations developed or amended after the effective date of this act by local governments under chapter 36.70A.060 RCW may not prohibit legally existing agricultural activities occurring on agricultural land, as defined in RCW 90.58.065, and may not require removal of agricultural land

from production. This act applies only to chapter 36.70A.060 RCW, and shall not affect any other authority of local governments.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 29 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 7 ARED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5275-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Brandland, and Hargrove)

Establishing a work group to ensure seamless access to information for all background checks for noncriminal justice purposes.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes a work group to ensure seamless access to information for all background checks for noncriminal justice purposes.

Creates a work group to research the current laws regarding background checks for prospective employees of public and private entities which work with vulnerable adults or children.

Finds that a comprehensive background check which includes both civil and criminal information is a valuable tool in safeguarding vulnerable adults and children from preventable risk.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 23 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
- Feb 5 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5314-S by Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Kauffman, Schoesler, Prentice, Marr, McAuliffe, Regala, Oemig, Hobbs, Rasmussen, Franklin, Keiser, Kilmer, Jacobsen, Tom, Spanel, Shin, Kline, Kohl-Welles, Sheldon, and Roach)

Requiring record checks for developmental disabilities service providers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires all persons who provide services under chapter 71A.12 RCW and who will have unsupervised access to persons with developmental disabilities are required to submit to a record check through the Washington state patrol criminal identification system under RCW 43.43.830 through 43.43.834, 10.97.030, and 10.97.050, and through the federal bureau of investigation. The record check shall include a fingerprint check using a complete Washington state criminal identification fingerprint card.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 24 Public hearing in committee.
- Feb 5 Executive session in committee.

Feb 6 HEA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5336-S by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Murray, Kohl-Welles, Fairley, Prentice, Regala, Oemig, Tom, Kline, Hobbs, Pridemore, Keiser, Berkey, Franklin, Brown, Weinstein, Rockefeller, Poulsen, Fraser, Jacobsen, Spanel, and McAuliffe)

Protecting individuals in domestic partnerships by granting certain rights and benefits.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Protects individuals in domestic partnerships by granting certain rights and benefits.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 25 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
Feb 5 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Feb 7 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

SB 5350-S by Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Kline and Hargrove)

Modifying provisions affecting the unauthorized transfer of telephone records.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions affecting the unauthorized transfer of telephone records.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 16 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 6 Executive session in committee.
Feb 7 JUD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5374-S by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development (originally sponsored by Senators Murray, Clements, Prentice, and Kohl-Welles; by request of Gambling Commission)

Allowing the exclusion of certain people from licensed gambling premises.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that the exclusion of certain persons from gambling premises that conduct licensed gambling activities is necessary to carry out the policies of chapter 9.46 RCW and to effectively maintain the strict regulation of gambling.

Authorizes the commission to, by rule, provide for the establishment of a list of persons who are to be excluded from licensed gambling premises.

Requires the commission's rules to define the standards for exclusion and must include standards relating to persons: (1) Who are career or professional offenders or involved in organized crime;

(2) Who have been convicted of a criminal violation of a gambling law of any state or of the United States, or who have been convicted of any felony including, but not limited to, theft, extortion, conspiracy to defraud, or any similar offense involving, or in connection with, any gambling activity; or

(3) Who have been excluded under similar involuntary exclusion laws or rules of any other state or nation that regulates gambling.

Provides that a person may not be placed upon the list of exclusion because of sex, sexual orientation, race, creed, color, national origin, marital status, age, or the presence of any mental or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability.

Provides that a person on the list of excluded persons who enters a gambling premises is guilty of a gross misdemeanor punishable under RCW 9A.20.021.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 29 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
Feb 5 LCRD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5391-S by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Swecker, Haugen, and Rockefeller; by request of Board For Judicial Administration)

Modifying photo enforcement of traffic infraction provisions.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises photo enforcement of traffic infraction provisions.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 30 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
Feb 7 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5404-S by Senate Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen, Haugen, McCaslin, Kline, Weinstein, and Kohl-Welles)

Modifying property tax exemption provisions relating to new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in urban centers to provide affordable housing requirements.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises property tax exemption provisions relating to new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in urban centers to provide affordable housing requirements.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 1 Executive session in committee.
Feb 5 CPH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.

- On motion, referred to Ways & Means.
- SB 5405-S** by Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Carrell, Kline, and McCaslin)
- Providing procedures for judicial orders concerning distraint of personal property.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
 Provides that personal property, capable of manual delivery, shall be levied on by taking into custody. If the property or any part of it may be concealed in a building or enclosure, the sheriff may publicly demand delivery of the property. If the property is not delivered and if the order of execution so directs, the sheriff may cause the building or enclosure to be broken open and take possession of the property.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 2 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 6 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 7 JUD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- SB 5435-S** by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Kauffman, Pflug, Swecker, and Keiser; by request of Attorney General)
- Creating the public records exemptions accountability committee.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
 Creates the public records exemptions accountability committee.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 29 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 6 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
 Feb 7 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- SB 5437-S** by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Pflug, Swecker, and Kauffman; by request of Attorney General)
- Making adjustments to the recodification of the public records act.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
 Makes adjustments to the recodification of the public records act.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 29 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 6 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 7 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- SB 5456-S** by Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senator Morton)
- Revising rules concerning nonresidents' participation in hunting and organized shooting events.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
 Revises rules concerning nonresidents' participation in hunting and organized shooting events.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 30 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 6 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 7 JUD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.
- SB 5467-S** by Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Pflug, Parlette, Kastama, Franklin, Fairley, Weinstein, Marr, Tom, Brown, Hargrove, Zarelli, McAuliffe, Regala, Clements, Kilmer, Oemig, Pridemore, Rasmussen, Kohl-Welles, Benton, Kline, and Roach)
- Creating the individual and family services program for people with developmental disabilities.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
 Finds that: (1) A developmental disability is a natural part of human life, and the presence of a developmental disability in the life of a person does not diminish the person's rights or opportunity to participate fully in the life of the local community;
 (2) Investing in family members who have children and adults living in the family home preserves a valuable natural support system for the individual with a developmental disability and is also cost-effective for the state of Washington;
 (3) Providing support services to families can help maintain the well-being of the family and stabilize the family unit.
 Declares an intent: (1) To partner with families as care providers for children with developmental disabilities and adults who choose to live in the family home;
 (2) That individual and family services be centered on the needs of the person with a developmental disability and the family;
 (3) That, to the maximum extent possible, individuals and families must be given choice of services and exercise control over the resources available to them.
- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 24 Public hearing in committee.
 Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
 Feb 6 HEA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 And refer to Ways & Means.
 Referred to Ways & Means.

- SB 5485-S** by Senate Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Sheldon and Rasmussen)
Changing veterinary technician credentialing to licensure.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Changes veterinary technician credentialing to licensure.
-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 30 Public hearing in committee.
Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
Feb 7 ARED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 5799-S** by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Prentice, Swecker, Berkey, Marr, Kilmer, Clements, Sheldon, Schoesler, and Shin)
Reducing business and occupation tax rates for certain fuel distributors.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Reduces business and occupation tax rates for certain fuel distributors.
-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 5 Executive session in committee.
Feb 7 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.
- SB 5941** by Senators Jacobsen, Brandland, Keiser, Shin, and Rasmussen
Regarding the certification and recertification of health care facilities.
Declares that the federal government requires Washington health care facilities to be certified in order to receive federal health care program reimbursement. The department receives funding from the federal government to perform the certifications and recertifications of these health care facilities. When the federal government does not provide sufficient funding to cover all certifications and recertifications, the secretary may either assess fees on certification and recertification applicants or receive state appropriations to fund the certifications and recertifications.
-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 8 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.
- SB 5942** by Senators Brandland and Carrell
Providing a salary bonus for bilingual instructional staff who use both languages in the classroom.
Provides a salary bonus for bilingual instructional staff who use both languages in the classroom.
-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 8 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- SB 5943** by Senators Brandland, Holmquist, Hobbs, Clements, Rasmussen, Marr, Regala, Hargrove, Kohl-Welles, and Parlette
Establishing a high poverty school district allocation.
Establishes a high poverty school district allocation.
-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 8 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- SB 5944** by Senator Brandland
Concerning ignition interlock devices.
Amends RCW 10.31.100, 46.20.740, 46.55.120, and 46.61.5055 relating to ignition interlock devices.
-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 8 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 5945** by Senators Kline, Jacobsen, Delvin, and Hobbs
Concerning materialpersons.
Revises materialmen to materialpersons.
-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 8 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.
- SB 5946** by Senators Schoesler, Zarelli, and Parlette
Addressing the state actuary's recommendations concerning projected improvements in the mortality of members and beneficiaries of the Washington state retirement systems.
Addresses the state actuary's recommendations concerning projected improvements in the mortality of members and beneficiaries of the Washington state retirement systems.
-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 8 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.
- SB 5947** by Senators Murray, Zarelli, Marr, Shin, Schoesler, and Holmquist
Creating a business and occupation tax credit against state and federal payroll taxes paid on employee tips by restaurant owners.
Establishes a business and occupation tax credit against state and federal payroll taxes paid on employee tips by restaurant owners.
-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 8 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.
- SB 5948** by Senators Weinstein, Honeyford, Kauffman, and Delvin; by request of Secretary of State
Creating the uniform real property electronic recording act.
Creates the uniform real property electronic recording act.
-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 8 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

- SB 5949** by Senators Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Fairley, Fraser, Weinstein, Roach, Kline, Pridemore, Delvin, and McAuliffe
 Making the governor the public employer of adult family home providers.
 Provides that the governor is the public employer of adult family home providers.
 Amends RCW 41.04.810, 41.56.113, and 43.01.047.
 -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Feb 8 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.
- SB 5950** by Senator Murray
 Clarifying the definition of social worker.
 Clarifies the definition of social worker.
 -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Feb 8 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.
- SB 5951** by Senators Kohl-Welles, Prentice, Honeyford, Keiser, Murray, Tom, and Rasmussen
 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 --
 Feb 8 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.
- SB 5952** by Senators McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, and Rasmussen; by request of Department of Early Learning
 Correcting provisions for the department of early learning.
 Authorizes the director to charge fees to the licensee for obtaining a license. The director may waive the fees when, in the discretion of the director, the fees would not be in the best interest of public health and safety, or when the fees would be to the financial disadvantage of the state.
 Provides that fees charged shall be based on, but shall not exceed, the cost to the department for the licensure of the activity or class of activities and may include costs of necessary inspection.
 Requires the department to give written notice of the denial of an application for a license to the applicant or his or her agent. The department shall give written notice of revocation, suspension, or modification of a license to the licensee or his or her agent. The notice shall state the reasons for the action.
 Requires the department to give written notice to the person against whom it assesses a civil fine. The notice shall state the reasons for the adverse action. The notice shall be personally served in the manner of service of a summons in a civil action or shall be given in another manner that shows proof of receipt.
 -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Feb 8 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- SB 5953** by Senators Eide, Stevens, Delvin, Regala, Sheldon, Benton, Marr, Shin, Rasmussen, and Holmquist; by request of Attorney General
 Increasing penalties for acts of domestic violence involving strangulation.
 Increases the penalties for acts of domestic violence involving strangulation.
 Defines "strangulation."
 -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Feb 8 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 5954** by Senators Jacobsen, Morton, and Rasmussen
 Requiring mandatory liability insurance for certain motor-driven vessels.
 Requires mandatory liability insurance for certain motor-driven vessels.
 -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Feb 8 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.
- SB 5955** by Senators Tom, McAuliffe, Kauffman, Oemig, Kilmer, Eide, Kohl-Welles, and Rasmussen
 Regarding educator preparation, professional development, and compensation.
 Addresses provisions concerning educator preparation, professional development, and compensation.
 Implements the Washington state leadership academy.
 Declares that the basic core services and cost upon which educational service districts are budgeted shall include professional development services identified by statute or the omnibus appropriations act.
 -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Feb 8 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)
 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- SB 5956** by Senators Tom, Brandland, McAuliffe, Oemig, Kilmer, Clements, Benton, Kohl-Welles, and Rasmussen
 Creating a professional teacher certification tuition reimbursement program.
 Creates a professional teacher certification tuition reimbursement program.
 Provides that the purpose of the program is to provide full tuition reimbursement to public school teachers who take college courses as a requirement for obtaining their professional certification, as required under RCW 28A.410.250.
 Declares the program shall be administered by the office of the superintendent of public instruction.
 -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 Feb 8 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)
 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5957 by Senator Kohl-Welles; by request of Joint Legislative Systems Committee

Revising provisions relating to administrative practices concerning the information processing and communications systems of the legislature overseen by the joint legislative systems committee.

Revises provisions relating to administrative practices concerning the information processing and communications systems of the legislature overseen by the joint legislative systems committee.

Repeals RCW 44.68.070.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5958 by Senators Keiser, Parlette, Marr, and Kohl-Welles

Creating innovative primary health care delivery.

Creates innovative primary health care delivery.

Finds that the public policy of Washington is to promote access to medical care for all citizens and encourage innovative arrangements between patients and providers that will help provide all citizens with a medical home.

Provides that a "health care service contractor" does not include direct patient-provider primary care practices.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5959 by Senators Hargrove, Kilmer, Shin, Sheldon, Kohl-Welles, Delvin, and McAuliffe

Providing assistance to homeless individuals and families.

Provides assistance to homeless individuals and families.

Creates the transitional housing operating and rent account in the custody of the state treasurer.

Appropriates the sum of seven million five hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the transitional housing operating and rent account created in this act for the purpose of implementing and operating the transitional housing operating and rent program.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

Feb 15 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5960 by Senators Franklin, Fairley, and Kline

Setting limits on imposing fees for late payment of a tenant's rent.

Provides limits on imposing fees for late payment of a tenant's rent.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Consumer Protection & Housing.

SB 5961 by Senators Carrell and Stevens

Addressing bail bond forfeitures.

Addresses bail bond forfeitures.

Designates the clerk of the court to, within thirty days of the forfeiture, mail notice of the forfeiture to the surety.

Directs the clerk of the court to also mail a copy of the forfeiture notice to the bail bond agent whose name appears on the bond, and execute a certificate of mailing of each forfeiture notice.

Releases the surety of all obligations if certain conditions apply.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5962 by Senators Jacobsen and Kohl-Welles

Declaring October ninth Lief Erikson day.

Declares that the ninth day of October be recognized as Lief Erikson day, but shall not be considered a legal holiday for any purpose.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5963 by Senators Kline and Keiser

Concerning unappropriated funds in the health professions account.

Directs the secretary to spend unappropriated funds in the health professions account to meet unanticipated costs when revenues exceed more than fifteen percent over the department's estimated six-year spending projections.

Declares that unanticipated costs shall be limited to spending as authorized for anticipated costs.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5964 by Senators Kline and Hargrove

Excluding offenders who have committed only the crimes of assault 2 and robbery 2 from the definition of persistent offender.

Excludes offenders who have committed only the crimes of assault 2 and robbery 2 from the definition of persistent offender.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 8 First reading, referred to Judiciary.