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House Bills

HB 1216-S by House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Dunshee, Warnick, and Ormsby; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Concerning the capital budget.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Makes appropriations and authorizes expenditures for capital improvements.

- -- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
- Apr 2 Public hearing in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 1:30 PM.
- Apr 3 CB Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.

Executive session in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 8:00 AM.

Apr 6 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 1244-S by House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Linville, Alexander, and Ericks; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Making operating appropriations for fiscal years 2007-2009 and 2009-2011.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE) Makes 2009-2011 operating appropriations.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Mar 31 Public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.

Apr 7 WAYS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
 Minority; do not pass.

HB 2211-S by House Committee on Transportation

(originally sponsored by Representatives Clibborn, Eddy, Maxwell, and Liias)

Addressing the authorization, administration, collection, and enforcement of tolls on the state route number 520 corridor.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Imposes tolls on the state route number 520 bridge, subject to section 2 of the act, to help finance construction of critical safety projects, including replacement of the floating bridge, and to generate additional funds to help finance associated projects in the state route number 520 corridor program.

Designates the state route number 520 corridor as an eligible toll facility.

Requires toll revenue generated in the corridor to be expended only as allowed under RCW 47.56.820.

Requires the tolling authority to set a variable schedule of toll rates to maintain travel time, speed, and reliability on the corridor and generate the necessary revenue.

Authorizes the tolling authority to adjust at least annually to reflect inflation as measured by the consumer price index or as necessary to meet the redemption of bonds and interest payments on the bonds.

Requires the department of transportation to ensure that the total cost of all the intended projects in the state route number 520 corridor does not exceed four billion six hundred fifty million dollars.

Provides that, unless otherwise delegated, the department of transportation is the state toll agency with the authority to administer tolling programs on eligible toll facilities, including the state route number 520 corridor.

Creates a special account to be known as the state route number 520 corridor account.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

Apr 6 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

HB 2336 by Representatives Campbell, Seaquist, and

Wood

Establishing a joint legislative fiscal note process.

Requires the house of representatives and the senate to establish by rule a joint legislative fiscal note process for the joint preparation of fiscal notes, including local government fiscal notes.

Provides that, under the process, fiscal notes shall be prepared jointly by staff of senate committee services and the house of representatives office of program research.

Requires the office of financial management, other state agencies, and the various associations of local government, upon request, to provide data, information, and analysis to the legislature for purposes of the joint legislative fiscal note process, to facilitate fiscal note preparation.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 8 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 2337 by Representative Chase

Regarding aerospace competitiveness.

Requires the department of community, trade, and economic development to: (1) Consider the societal benefits of unleashing the innovative, creative, and entrepreneurial talents of the Washington state workforce to "innovate here" through application development and patent commercialization for the aerospace industry;

- (2) Using existing resources, immediately engage in a worldwide search for potential investors in aerospace plant and equipment in Washington state;
- (3) Invite aerospace manufacturing companies to "choose Washington" for their next expansion by featuring the aerospace manufacturing industry tax incentives, fee waivers, expenditure discounts, and any other preferences approved by the legislature in 2003;
- (4) Assist small businesses that are locally owned and operated by enterprising engineers, machinists, mechanics, and other innovators in commercializing their patents and innovations, and partner with Washington manufacturing services to ensure that these new enterprises have access to advance manufacturing processes; and
- (5) Work in partnership with all major stakeholders on efforts to recruit new investors and to retain and expand the existing aerospace industry cluster.

Encourages the department to pursue direct foreign investment by the global aerospace sector.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 9 First reading, referred to Community & Economic Development & Trade.

HB 2338 by Representative Hunt

Concerning the administration and operations of growth management hearings boards.

Creates the office of growth management hearings boards which consists of the three growth management hearings boards established in RCW 36.70A.250.

Transfers the powers, duties, functions, and personnel of the growth management hearings boards to the office of growth management hearings boards.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 9 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4018 by Representatives Cody, Morrell, Green, Clibborn, and Kenney

Requesting establishment of a national nursing office.

Requests congress to enact legislation creating the office of the national nurse.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

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

Senate Bills

SB 5869-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Prentice and Shin; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Clarifying public employees' benefits board eligibility. (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Clarifies public employees' benefits board eligibility.

Addresses who is eligible for benefits.

Authorizes the Washington state health care authority to: (1) Delegate to employing agencies the task of determining individual employees' eligibility for benefits; and

- (2) Use eligibility criteria other than those adopted by the public employees' benefits board in certain situations.
 - -- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
 - Feb 10 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
 - Apr 6 WM Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

 Minority; without recommendation.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.