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House Bills

HB 1591-S2 by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Upthegrove, Clibborn, Simpson, and Liias)

Concerning the use of certain transportation benefit district funds.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions regarding the use of certain transportation benefit district funds.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 10 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Feb 18 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 14 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Jan 19 TR - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

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

HB 2441-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Clibborn, Roach, Morris, Johnson, Maxwell, Simpson, and

Kenney; by request of Washington State Patrol and Utilities & Transportation Commission)

Concerning vehicles at railroad grade crossings.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies requirements of certain vehicles at railroad grade crossings.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Jan 19 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

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

HB 2503-S by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representative Blake)

Regarding membership on the board of natural resources.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modernizes the criteria for membership on the board of natural resources.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 14 Public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 8:00 AM.

Jan 21 AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

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

HB 2515-S by House Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications (originally sponsored by Representatives Morris, Chase, Kenney, and Hudgins)

Regarding biodiesel fuel labeling requirements.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises labeling requirements on fuel pumps offering a biodiesel blend.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 1:30 PM.

Jan 21 TEC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Technology and Energy & Communications at 10:00 AM.

HB 2630-S by House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Probst, Kenney, Conway, Maxwell, Jacks, White, Simpson, Seaquist, Sells, Goodman, Ormsby, and Santos)

Creating the opportunity express program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the opportunity express program to: (1) Expand training and education programs, such as the worker retraining program, the opportunity grant program, and the opportunity internship program, to ensure that Washington citizens can get the training they need; and

(2) Create more effective intake and outreach systems to reach the greatest number of citizens and connect them to the resources they need.

Requires the state board for community and technical colleges to give priority in receipt of college board worker retraining program funds to those applicants working toward careers in the aerospace, health care, advanced manufacturing, construction, renewable energy industries, high-demand industries identified in the state comprehensive plan and the workforce development councils' local comprehensive plans for workforce educational training, or occupations and industries identified by community and technical colleges in collaboration with local workforce development councils.

Authorizes the state board for community and technical colleges to create a single web site for advertising the availability of opportunity express funding to Washington citizens.

Creates the opportunity express account.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 15 Public hearing in the House Committee on Higher Education at 8:00 AM.

Jan 20 HE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on Higher Education at 1:30 PM.

HB 2721-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Upthegrove, Orwall, Kenney, Liias, Nelson, and Chase)

Concerning commute trip reduction programs.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes two or more major employers whose employees commute to a single site or contiguous sites to prepare and submit a joint plan to the jurisdiction for review to satisfy the requirements of the commute trip reduction program.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 18 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Jan 19 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

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

HB 3061 by Representative Condotta

Addressing claims of insolvent self-insurers under industrial insurance.

Addresses claims of insolvent self-insurers under industrial insurance.

Requires the department of labor and industries to transfer the balance of any defaulted self-insured employer's deposit into the insolvency trust fund after certain actions have occurred.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

Jan 27 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

HB 3062 by Representatives Conway, Pettigrew, Upthegrove, Cody, Hunt, Williams, Green, Liias, Appleton, Sells, Ormsby, Kenney, Simpson, White, Goodman, Jacks, Darneille, and Hudgins

Making the governor the public employer of language access providers.

Requires the department of social and health services to: (1) Establish a working group on language access services to develop a plan to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of language access services;

(2) Discontinue, after January 1, 2011, using a brokerage system for the delivery of language services; and

(3) Certify and authorize language access providers as needed to maintain a pool of qualified providers.

Authorizes the department of social and health services to accept alternative certifications that meet or exceed department standards but may not use lower standards as a means of expanding the pool of authorized language access providers.

Makes the governor the public employer of language access providers, with certain limitations.

Addresses collective bargaining and the deduction of monthly dues.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

Jan 26 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

HB 3063 by Representatives Hunt, Williams, and

Simpson

Establishing the number of days of shared leave an employee is eligible to receive.

Establishes shared leave a state employee is eligible to receive as follows: (1) 261 days for an employee with fewer than ten years of service;

(2) 522 days for an employee with at least ten but fewer than twenty years of service; and

(3) 783 days for an employee with twenty or more years of service.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

Jan 29 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

HB 3064 by Representatives Orcutt, Parker, Sells, Condotta, Eddy, and Haler

Concerning compliance with sales, use, and business and occupation tax requirements.

Prohibits certain cities and towns from requiring a business to be licensed if the only activity conducted within such city or town by the business is the delivery of tangible personal property sold by the business.

Prohibits a city from imposing a business and occupation tax on a person if the only activity conducted within the city by the person is the delivery of tangible personal property sold by the person.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3065 by Representatives Parker, Orcutt, Sells, Eddy, and Condotta

Compliance with sales, use, and business and occupation tax requirements.

Requires local sales and use tax changes to take place only on the first day of January or July.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3066 by Representatives Parker, Springer, Eddy, Condotta, and Wallace

Creating uniformity among annual tax reporting survey provisions.

Improves the administration of state and local tax programs without impacting tax collections by providing greater consistency in numerous tax incentive programs.

Improves clarity and consistency, eliminates obsolete provisions, and simplifies administration.

Creates two sets of uniform reporting requirements that apply to the existing tax preferences and can be used in future legislation granting additional tax preferences.

Requires the legislative fiscal committees or the department of revenue to study many of the existing tax preferences and report to the legislature at least once.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3067 by Representatives Williams, Rodne, Springer, Clibborn, Liias, Uptegrove, Priest, and Wallace

Establishing a process for the payment of impact fees through provisions stipulated in recorded covenants.

Requires local governments collecting impact fees to make available to certain applicants, a process by which the applicant may record a covenant against title to the property.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

Jan 28 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 10:00 AM. (Subject to change)

HB 3068 by Representatives Santos, Priest, Sullivan, Uptegrove, Maxwell, Morrell, Wallace, Ormsby, Kenney, and Simpson

Providing access to alternative routes to certification for the recruiting Washington teachers program.

Authorizes, under certain conditions, individuals who participated in one of the recruiting Washington teachers grant programs to participate in the pipeline for paraeducators conditional scholarship program.

Requires partnership grant programs seeking funds to operate route one programs to enroll former participants in the recruiting Washington teachers program who enter through the pipeline for paraeducators conditional scholarship program.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Education.

Jan 29 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

HB 3069 by Representatives Roach, Hurst, Dammeier, McCune, Morrell, and Wallace

Addressing emergency flooding preparedness and response in Pierce county.

Makes an appropriation to the Washington military department, working in cooperation with the flood division of the department of ecology, the Pierce county emergency management department, and other respective local governments, as appropriate, to participate in flood hazard mitigation and response projects for the Pierce county area.

Requires the Washington military department to administer the Pierce county flood assistance funds and to use the ten million dollars in appropriated funding for relocation costs of public facilities, infrastructure, and citizens and businesses that are displaced by Pierce county flooding conditions.

Authorizes projects that will promote neighborhood level public education on disaster preparedness.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 3070 by Representatives Chase and Hasegawa
Providing fiscal reform.

Provides necessary revenue for the support of vital state services on a more stable and equitable basis.

Imposes a tax on all taxable income of resident individuals, estates, and trusts and on all individuals, estates, and trusts deriving income from sources in Washington for each taxable year based on the type of return filed and the amount of income.

Provides that the act takes effect only if the proposed amendment to Article VII of the state Constitution authorizing income taxes is approved by the voters at a general election held in November 2010.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3071 by Representative Rodne

Modifying service of notice requirements under the residential landlord-tenant act.

Modifies service of notice requirements under the residential landlord-tenant act.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 3072 by Representatives Morrell, Driscoll, Crouse, Wallace, and Parker

Including wound care management in occupational therapy. Authorizes an occupational therapist to provide wound care management in the course of occupational therapy treatment.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 3073 by Representatives Armstrong, Takko, Roach, Wood, and Wallace

Defining construction for purposes of crane safety.

Revises the definition of "construction" for purposes of crane safety.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 3074 by Representatives McCoy, Appleton, Kessler, and Santos

Concerning premature infants.

Requires the department of health to: (1) Examine and improve hospital discharge and follow-up care procedures for certain premature infants;

(2) Use guidance from the centers for medicare and medicaid services' neonatal outcomes improvement project to implement certain programs; and

(3) Report data regarding rehospitalization of premature infants.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 3075 by Representatives Williams, Wood, Hunt, Morris, Nelson, Wallace, and Kenney

Regulating soil science and wetland science professions.

Regulates soil science and wetland science as professions by: (1) Establishing minimum standards of ethical conduct and professional responsibility;

(2) Establishing professional education and experience requirements for those persons representing to the public that they are soil scientists or wetland scientists certified by the state; and

(3) Creating a board for soil scientists and wetland scientists.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 3076 by Representatives Dickerson and Kenney; by request of Governor Gregoire

Concerning the involuntary treatment act.

Requires the Washington institute for public policy, in collaboration with the department of social and health services and other applicable entities, to undertake a search for a validated mental health assessment tool to be used by designated mental health professionals when undertaking assessments of individuals for detention, commitment, and revocation under the involuntary treatment act. This requirement expires June 30, 2011.

Revises the definition of "likelihood of serious harm" for the purposes of the involuntary treatment act by including a person who has committed a recent overt act that creates a reasonable apprehension of harm to the physical safety of another person or the community in the mind of an objective person who knows the history of any violent acts or the history of the mental condition of the person engaging in the act.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Human Services.

Jan 25 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Human Services at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

HB 3077 by Representatives Uptegrove, Williams, Liias, Chase, Hasegawa, Morris, Simpson, Dickerson, Dunshee, White, Nelson, Appleton, Cody, Rolfes, Kenney, and Hudgins

Repealing the sales tax exemption for coal used at a coal-fired thermal generation facility.

Repeals the sales tax exemption for coal used at a coal-fired thermal generation facility.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3078 by Representative Rolfes

Concerning marine waters management that includes marine spatial planning.

Builds upon existing statewide Puget Sound, coastal, and Columbia river efforts.

Augments the marine spatial component of existing plans and improves the coordination among state agencies in the development and implementation of marine management plans.

Establishes policies to guide state agencies and local governments when exercising jurisdiction over proposed uses and activities in these waters.

Requires the office of the governor to chair a marine interagency team to assess and recommend a potential framework for conducting marine spatial planning and integrating the planning into existing management plans.

Requires the department of commerce to develop guidance applicable to all state agencies for achieving a unified state position upon matters involving the siting and operation of renewable energy facilities in the state's coastal and estuarine marine waters.

Creates the marine resources stewardship trust account.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

HB 3079 by Representatives Morris, Morrell, Wallace, and Hudgins

Expanding the use of certain electric vehicles.

Expands the use of certain electric vehicles.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 3080 by Representatives Morris, Kessler, Carlyle, Maxwell, and Wallace

Regarding information technology in state government.

Expands the duties of the department of information services and the director of the department with regard to information technology in state government.

Requires the director of each state agency to designate an existing employee to be the agency's information technology resource.

Requires the office of financial management to: (1) In consultation with the director and department of information services, develop a migration strategy to consolidate all operational information technology staff and resources within the department; and

(2) Review information technology functions and services being used in state government.

Authorizes the office of financial management to enter into and consummate certain agreements to contract with one or more authorized preferred providers to provide certain information technology functions and services for state government.

Authorizes the information services board to review certain technology investments in research projects, research initiatives, or instructional programs at institutions of higher education.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 3081 by Representatives Seaquist, Angel, and Wallace

Allowing employees of a school district or educational service district to share leave with employees in another agency.

Allows school district or educational service district employees to share leave with employees in another agency.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 3082 by Representatives Williams and Upthegrove

Changing the age requirement for possession of pistols.

Lowers the age limit for a concealed pistol license.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 3083 by Representatives Kretz, Kristiansen, Crouse, Schmick, and Bailey

Concerning the full consideration of the economic impacts of agency rules.

Requires state agencies to: (1) Before adopting administrative rules, make a thorough, realistic, and comprehensive assessment of the economic impact, and burdens the economic impact places, on the businesses that must comply with the rules to ensure that the full impact and costs of all proposed agency rules are understood before their adoption; and

(2) Post a copy of the small business economic impact statement on its web site if it posts the proposed rule on its web site.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 3084 by Representative Hope

Concerning how monetary awards in class actions that are not paid over to members of the class are to be used.

Provides a process for distributing the remainder of unpaid money in a class action.

Creates the class action charitable contribution account.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 3085 by Representatives Hope, Angel, Haler, Smith, Klippert, Ross, and Johnson

Requiring proof of insurance for vehicle registration.

Requires an applicant for vehicle license renewal to provide proof of insurance.

Requires the registered owner of a vehicle to notify the department of licensing upon the lapse of insurance.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 3086 by Representative Hudgins

Regarding concurrent jurisdiction of state and federal courts over actions brought against sureties and actions to foreclose liens, including actions involving claims for delinquent contributions to benefit plans.

Provides that the state and federal courts have concurrent jurisdiction over an action: (1) Brought against a surety to recover for costs of labor, materials, or improvements, including an action involving a claim for delinquent contributions to a benefit plan; and

(2) To foreclose a lien for labor, materials, and taxes on public works, including an action involving a claim for delinquent contributions to a benefit plan.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 3087 by Representatives Schmick, Pettigrew, Johnson, and Walsh

Regarding public assistance application forms.
Revises the application form for public assistance.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Children's Services.

HB 3088 by Representatives Orcutt, McCune, and Haler

Establishing a moratorium on the imposition of impact fees.
Recognizes the great degree to which the state and its local governments depend on the revenues and jobs generated from the construction and sale of new homes.

Declares an intent to help jumpstart the state economy by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of impact fees.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

HB 3089 by Representatives Orcutt, McCune, Pearson, Haler, and Kristiansen

Improving transparency and providing greater information to property taxpayers.

Improves transparency and fairness of the property tax system to help increase taxpayer confidence, by providing more information to the taxpayers and providing greater taxpayer protections in the appeals process.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3090 by Representatives Orcutt, Blake, McCune, Kretz, and Haler

Streamlining natural resources management.
Streamlines natural resources management.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

HB 3091 by Representatives Fagan and Angel

Regarding dual credit programs.

Requires the higher education coordinating board to convene a work group to develop and recommend rules governing the acceptance of advanced placement and international baccalaureate credit.

Requires the state board for community and technical colleges, the state universities, the regional universities, The Evergreen State College, and the office of the superintendent of public instruction to each adopt rules based on the work group's recommendations.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 3092 by Representatives Orcutt and Hunter

Allowing the department of revenue to issue a notice of lien to secure payment of delinquent excise taxes in lieu of a warrant.

Allows the department of revenue to issue a notice of lien to secure payment of delinquent excise taxes in lieu of a warrant.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Finance.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4026 by Representatives Kelley and Seaquist

Urging reformation of the defense base act of 1941.

Urges reformation of the defense base act of 1941.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4221 by Representatives Chase and Hasegawa

Amending the Constitution to allow an income tax.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to allow an income tax.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Finance.

Senate Bills

SB 6205-S by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen and Shin)

Concerning portions of state highways better served by merged districts under certain circumstances.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Streamlines the existing mechanism for merging fire districts.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 14 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.

Jan 20 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.

Jan 21 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6251-S by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance (originally sponsored by Senator Benton; by request of Insurance Commissioner)

Concerning nonresident surplus line brokers and insurance producers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions relating to nonresident surplus line brokers and insurance producers.

- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Housing & Insurance at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 20 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Housing & Insurance at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 22 FIHI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 6253-S** by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance (originally sponsored by Senator Benton; by request of Insurance Commissioner)
Addressing insurance statutes, generally.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Addresses the administration and regulation of insurance statutes, generally.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Housing & Insurance at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 20 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Housing & Insurance at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 22 FIHI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- SB 6382-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Prentice and Tom; by request of Governor Gregoire)
Reducing the cost of state government operations by restricting compensation.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Prohibits a salary or wage increase for certain state employees.
Prohibits recognition awards in the form of cash or cash equivalents such as gift cards or gift certificates.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 21 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 12:15 PM.
- Jan 22 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 29; nays, 14; absent, 1; excused, 5.
- Jan 26 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM in anticipation of other legislative action.
- Jan 27 Scheduled for executive session in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM in anticipation of other legislative action.
- SB 6701** by Senators Kline, Kohl-Welles, Jacobsen, Keiser, Gordon, Tom, Fraser, and McAuliffe
Addressing real property warranties.
Modifies the common law implied warranty of habitability.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 22 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.
- SB 6702** by Senators Kline, McAuliffe, Gordon,
- Jan 27 Scheduled for executive session in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM in anticipation of other legislative action.
- SB 6503-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Prentice)
Closing state agencies on specified dates.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires state agencies of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches, including institutions of higher education, to: (1) Achieve a reduction in employee compensation costs; and
(2) Submit to the office of financial management a compensation reduction plan to achieve the cost reductions.
Requires the office of financial management to: (1) Certify to each agency and institution that portion of the compensation reduction amount to be achieved by that agency or institution; and
(2) Review, approve, and submit to the legislative fiscal committees those reduction plans that achieve the required cost reduction.
Requires an agency or institution, who does not have an approved plan by June 1, 2010, to close once per month on specified dates.
- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --
- Jan 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Jan 21 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 12:15 PM.
- Jan 22 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 27; nays, 17; absent, 0; excused, 5.
- Jan 26 Scheduled for public hearing in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM in anticipation of other legislative action.
- Jan 27 Scheduled for executive session in the House Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM in anticipation of other legislative action.

McDermott, Fraser, Shin, and Kohl-Welles; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Providing education programs for juveniles in adult jails.

Requires adult jail facilities and certain school districts to provide a program of education for certain juvenile inmates.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to allocate money appropriated by the legislature to administer and provide the education programs.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6703 by Senators Franklin, King, Keiser, Shin, Kohl-Welles, Marr, Hargrove, and Kilmer

Regarding online nursing programs.

Recognizes the need to develop additional pathways for the development of clinical nursing sites for eLearning students on a statewide basis.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 6704 by Senator Hargrove; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Concerning general assistance and medical care services.

Changes the name of the "general assistance program" to "temporary assistance for unemployable persons and assistance for the aged, blind, and disabled."

Establishes eligibility requirements for the assistance.

Allows the department of social and health services to set limits on the amount, scope, and duration of medical care services.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6705 by Senator Kastama

Modifying business and occupation tax credits.

Modifies business and occupation tax credits related to economic development.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

Jan 27 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6706 by Senators Murray, Delvin, Kastama, Shin, Marr, Kilmer, and Kohl-Welles

Concerning the commercialization of research at state universities.

Authorizes state universities to establish and administer bridge-funding programs for start-up companies using funds from the federal government and the private sector, to facilitate the creation of companies based on university research.

Authorizes university research employees to use public resources to facilitate the formation of companies using university-based research.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6707 by Senators Shin and Kastama

Addressing youth school dropout reduction and crime prevention.

Modifies provisions regarding shared parental responsibility to reduce youth school dropouts and to reduce social and financial costs to those persons involved.

Requires the administrative office of the courts to commission a study that will survey a statistically relevant number of geographically diverse final parenting plans.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6708 by Senator Pridemore

Concerning respiratory care practitioners.

Changes the definition of "physician" in chapter 18.89 RCW (respiratory care practitioners).

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6709 by Senator Brandland

Waiving the imposition of legal financial obligations in certain circumstances.

Authorizes a court, under certain circumstances, to waive imposition of legal financial obligations when a person who suffers from a mental health condition is convicted of an offense.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6710 by Senator Keiser; by request of Governor Gregoire

Concerning administration of the medicaid program.

Changes the administration of the medicaid program.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6711 by Senators Prentice, Tom, Kline, and Fraser; by request of Department of Revenue

Limiting tax preferences that have been the subject of administrative or judicial appeals.

Limits tax preferences that have been the subject of administrative or judicial appeals.

Reaffirms the legislature's intent in establishing the direct sellers' exemption and prevents the loss of revenues resulting from the expanded interpretation of the exemption.

Restores the business and occupation tax deduction in RCW 82.04.4292 (interest on investments or loans secured

by mortgages or deeds of trust) to ensure that it conforms with the legislature's original intent.

Narrows the business and occupation tax exemption provided for slaughtering, breaking, and/or processing perishable meat products and/or selling such products at wholesale.

Narrows the tax preference provided to fruit and vegetable manufacturers.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6712 by Senators Hobbs, Shin, and Kilmer; by request of Department of Revenue

Extending expiring tax incentives for certain clean alternative fuel vehicles, producers of certain biofuels, and federal aviation regulation part 145 certificated repair stations.

Extends expiring tax incentives for: (1) Certain clean alternative fuel vehicles;

(2) Producers of certain biofuels; and

(3) Federal aviation regulation part 145 certificated repair stations.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6713 by Senators Tom, Prentice, Murray, Kline, Kohl-Welles, and Fraser; by request of Department of Revenue

Increasing revenues by eliminating and narrowing preferential tax treatment.

Eliminates tax preferences for bullion.

Narrows the sales and use tax exemption for livestock nutrient equipment and facilities.

Requires the department of revenue to make a reasonable effort to notify any person who operates a beef cattle feeding operation who was issued an exemption certificate before July 1, 2010, that the person is no longer an eligible person for purposes of the exemption and that the person's exemption certificate is void.

Ends the preferential business and occupation tax treatment received by directors of corporations.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6714 by Senators Tom, Prentice, Kline, Kohl-Welles, and Fraser; by request of Department of Revenue

Addressing tax avoidance.

Closes use tax and real estate excise tax loopholes and provides the department of revenue with enhanced tools to invalidate abusive tax avoidance transactions.

Requires the department of revenue to assess a penalty of thirty-five percent of an additional tax found to be due, when the department finds the deficiency resulted from engaging in an abusive tax avoidance transaction.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6715 by Senator Berkey

Modifying surplus line coverage provisions.

Modifies provisions regarding surplus line coverage.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6716 by Senators McDermott, Kline, Kohl-Welles, Regala, and Kauffman

Encouraging the need for representation of children in dependency matters.

Requires notification to certain children involved in dependency matters of the child's right to request legal counsel and to petition for reinstatement of parental rights.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6717 by Senator Prentice; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Concerning administrative review of public assistance decisions.

Makes retroactive, remedial, curative, and technical amendments in order to resolve any ambiguity about the legislature's original intent in enacting RCW 74.08.080 (grievances--departmental and judicial review).

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6718 by Senator Hobbs

Changing the definition of criminal act for crime victims compensation purposes.

Revises the exceptions to the definition of "criminal act" as it relates to crime victims compensation and assistance.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6719 by Senators Murray, King, and Kohl-Welles

Concerning special occasion licenses.

Authorizes special occasion licensees to pay for products immediately following the end of a special occasion event.

Authorizes wineries or breweries that are participating in a special occasion event to provide table fees to the special occasion licensee.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6720 by Senators Fraser, Delvin, and Kline

Providing an optional tool for cities to use for programmatic environmental impact review.

Encourages high-density, compact, in-fill development and redevelopment within existing urban areas in order to further existing goals of the growth management act.

Promotes the use of public transit and encourages further investment in transit systems.

Contributes to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6721 by Senators Schoesler, Hobbs, and Honeyford
Concerning tax statute clarifications and technical
corrections.

Provides clarification of, and makes technical
corrections to, certain tax statutes.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6722 by Senators Schoesler, Carrell, and McCaslin
Changing escape or disappearance notification
requirements.

Changes notification requirements in the event of an
escape or disappearance by a person committed under
chapter 10.77 RCW (criminally insane).

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6723 by Senators Schoesler, Brown, and Parlette
Studying the elimination of property tax on personal
property.

Requires the department of revenue to conduct a study
on alternatives for eliminating the property tax on personal
property.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6724 by Senators Kilmer, Kauffman, Eide, Berkey,
Murray, Shin, and Keiser

Allowing employees of a school district or educational
service district to share leave with employees in another
agency.

Allows school district or educational service district
employees to share leave with employees in another agency.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Government
Operations & Elections.

SB 6725 by Senators Kline, Kohl-Welles, and Keiser

Protecting employees from retaliation for conduct that
promotes public policy.

Creates a cause of action, separate from the common law
tort of wrongful discharge, protecting employees from
adverse employment actions in retaliation for conduct that
promotes local, state, or federal public policy.

Encourages employees to act to protect public policy by
detering employer retaliation.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6726 by Senators Marr, Kohl-Welles, Ranker,

Murray, McDermott, Keiser, Prentice, Kauffman, Kline,
Kilmer, Fraser, and Pridemore

Making the governor the public employer of language
access providers.

Requires the department of social and health services to:
(1) Establish a working group on language access services
to develop a plan to improve the efficiency and effectiveness
of language access services;

(2) Discontinue, after January 1, 2011, using a brokerage
system for the delivery of language services; and

(3) Certify and authorize language access providers as
needed to maintain a pool of qualified providers.

Authorizes the department of social and health services
to accept alternative certifications that meet or exceed
department standards but may not use lower standards as a
means of expanding the pool of authorized language access
providers.

Makes the governor the public employer of language
access providers, with certain limitations.

Addresses collective bargaining and the deduction of
monthly dues.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce
& Consumer Protection.

SB 6727 by Senators Marr and Brown

Concerning health sciences and services authorities.

Allows a local government that has established a health
sciences and services authority to authorize the authority to
borrow money under certain conditions.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Health & Long-
Term Care.

SB 6728 by Senators Gordon, Kohl-Welles, Keiser,
Murray, and Fraser

Concerning classroom training for electrical trainees.

Revises classroom training requirements for electrical
trainees.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce
& Consumer Protection.

SB 6729 by Senator Fraser

Addressing the contents of notices to shareholders of annual
or special meetings.

Requires each notice to shareholders, of annual or
special meetings, to include the corporation's web site, if
any, and a citation to the United States securities and
exchange commission's electronic data gathering, analysis
and retrieval system.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 6730 by Senators Becker, Hargrove, Stevens, and
Roach

Concerning child welfare.

Requires the department of social and health services or
supervising agency to: (1) Inform the parent, verbally and

in writing, what relatives the agency has considered for placement and the outcome of that consideration; and

(2) Provide a care provider, currently caring for a dependent child, with a minimum of five days' written notice of the department's or supervising agency's intent to remove a child from the home of the care provider unless there is an imminent risk of harm to the child if the removal does not occur before the five-day period.

Requires the department of social and health services to establish and maintain one or more culturally diverse and responsive child protection teams in each administrative region of the children's administration in the department.

Excludes from the duties of a guardian ad litem, the conducting of investigations into child abuse or neglect allegations related to their clients that run parallel to the department of social and health services' abuse or neglect investigations.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

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

SB 6731 by Senators Shin, Kastama, Hobbs, and Berkey
Establishing the Washington trade corps fellowship program.

Creates the Washington trade corps fellowship program to promote international trade and award fellowships to students who have shown significant interest in pursuing a career in international trade.

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

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8225 by Senators Fraser, Brandland, and Prentice;
by request of State Treasurer

Resolving to define "interest" in the state Constitution.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to define "interest."

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.