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HOUSE HB 3132-S HB 3211

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House Bills

HB 3132-S by House Committee on General Government Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representative Van De Wege)

Eliminating the Columbia River Gorge Compact. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Regarding the elimination of the Columbia River Gorge Compact.)

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/04/10)

Repeals the Columbia river gorge compact due to the financial constraints facing the state.

Requires the governor to work with the state of Oregon to initiate dissolution of the compact.

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- Feb 4 Public hearing in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 5 APPG Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Executive action taken in the House Committee on General Government Appropriations at 1:30 PM.

- Feb 9 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Mar 2 Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.
- Mar 4 1st substitute bill substituted.

Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 92; nays, 6;

absent, 0; excused, 0.
-- IN THE SENATE --

Mar 6 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

HB 3211 by Representatives Liias and Miloscia

Limiting the use of text messaging functions on publicly owned wireless devices. Prohibits public agencies from using text messaging functions on publicly owned wireless devices unless those messages may be downloaded and stored as public records.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

Mar 6 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

Senate Bills

SB 6143-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Prentice)

Modifying excise tax laws to preserve funding for public schools, colleges, and universities, as well as other public systems essential for the safety, health, and security of all Washingtonians.

(DĬGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses state excise tax laws related to: (1) Minimum nexus standards;

- (2) Tax avoidance transactions;
- (3) Direct seller business and occupation tax exemption;
- (4) Business and occupation tax preferences for manufacturers of products derived from certain agricultural products;
- (5) Ending the preferential business and occupation tax treatment received by directors of corporations;
 - (6) Foreclosure exemption;
 - (7) Corporate officer liability;
 - (8) Rural county tax incentives;
 - (9) Deductions, fees, dues, and charges;
 - (10) Limiting the bad debt deduction;
 - (11) Brokered natural gas;
 - (12) Limiting community solar incentives;
 - (13) Livestock nutrients;
 - (14) Public utility district privilege tax clarification;
- (15) Sales and use tax exemptions for machinery and equipment used in renewable energy generation;
 - (16) Property management salaries:
- (17) Temporarily increasing the business and occupation tax on service businesses while increasing the small business credit for the same businesses;

- (18) Temporarily increasing the sales tax for educational purposes while providing a working family tax exemption; and
- (19) Repealing the business and occupation tax credit for new employment for international service activities; the sales tax exemption for coal used at coal-fired thermal electric generation facilities; and the sales and use tax exemption on bottled water.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Mar 5 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 12:00 PM
- Mar 6 WM Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

1st substitute bill substituted.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Mar 7 Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 25; nays, 23; absent, 0; excused, 1.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 8 Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar.

SB 6578-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Swecker, Jacobsen, Kastama, Pflug, Becker, and Fraser)

Concerning the creation of optional multiagency permitting teams.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes the office of regulatory assistance to develop and advertise the availability of optional multiagency permitting teams to provide coordinated permitting and integrated regulatory decision making starting in the Puget Sound basin.

Creates the multiagency permitting team account.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 28 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 3 Executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Innovation at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 4 Executive action taken in the Senate
 Committee on Economic Development
 and Trade & Innovation at 10:00 AM.
- Mar 4 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 4:30 PM.
- Mar 5 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 12:00 PM
- Mar 7 WM Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.Passed to Rules Committee for second
- Mar 8 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

SB 6874-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Tom, Keiser, and Kohl-Welles)

Providing funding for the basic health plan by increasing the taxes on cigarettes and facilitating the funding within the state expenditure limit.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Increases taxes on cigarettes and facilitates the funding within the state expenditure limit to provide funding for the basic health plan.

Creates the basic health plan stabilization account. Makes an appropriation.

-- 2010 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 24 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Mar 5 Executive action taken in the Senate
 Committee on Ways & Means at 12:00
 PM.
- Mar 6 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.

Mar 7 1st substitute bill substituted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 29; nays, 19; absent, 0; excused, 1. -- IN THE HOUSE --

Mar 8 First reading, referred to Rules.