House Bills

HB 1037-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Moeller, Ormsby, and Kilduff)
Implementing changes to child support based on the child support schedule work group report.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Implements recommendations made by the 2011 child support schedule work group.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 22 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority: without recommendation.
Jan 26 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1067-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Jinkins, Holy, Magendanz, Nealey, Goodman, Muri, Gregerson, Cody, Kilduff, and Pollet; by request of Attorney General)
Reauthorizing the medicaid fraud false claims act.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Delays the termination and repeal, under the sunset act, of the qui tam provisions of the medicaid fraud false claims act.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 22 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

HB 1039-S by House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives S. Hunt, Johnson, Gregerson, and Jinkins)
Allowing the use of a signature stamp for voting purposes.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Allows a person who is unable to write or sign his or her name because of a physical disability to sign a voter registration affidavit and to vote either by making his or her mark or by using a signature stamp.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 22 SG - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

HB 1089-S by House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives S. Hunt, Moscoso, Robinson, Tarleton, Gregerson, and Pollet; by request of Attorney General)
Adding adherence to state wage payment laws to the state's responsible bidder criteria.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses a bidder’s responsibility criteria for a public works or public contract.

Jan 22  SG - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Jan 26  Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1634 by Representatives DeBolt, Dunshee, Manweller, and Smith; by request of Department of Enterprise Services

Modifying certain job order contracting requirements.

Specifies that the maximum total dollar amount that may be awarded under a job order contract for the department of enterprise services is six million dollars per year for a maximum of three years.

Allows the department of enterprise services to have six job order contracts in effect at any one time.

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Capital Budget (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1635 by Representatives S. Hunt and Appleton; by request of Secretary of State

Concerning write-in candidates and votes.

Modifies election provisions relating to write-in voting and candidates.

Jan 26  First reading, referred to State Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1636 by Representatives MacEwen and Griffey

Requiring disability employment reporting by state agencies.

Establishes the state disability employment parity act.

Requires state agencies employing one hundred or more people to submit a report to the human resources director within the office of financial management, with copies to the director of the department of social and health services, division of vocational rehabilitation and the governor’s disability employment task force that includes, but is not limited to, the following information: (1) The number of employees classified as individuals with disabilities; (2) The number of employees hired from the division of vocational rehabilitation services and the department of services for the blind the previous year; and (3) Opportunities for internships for the division of vocational rehabilitation and the department of services for the blind client placement leading to an entry-level position placement upon successful completion for the current year.

Jan 26  First reading, referred to State Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1637 by Representatives Stokesbary, Hurst, Gregory, Zeiger, Rodne, Stambaugh, Magendanz, Kretz, Kochmar, Santos, Appleton, Sells, Van De Wege, Robinson, Ormsby, Fey, Dent, and Jinkins

Authorizing law enforcement and prosecutorial officials of federally recognized Indian tribes access to prescription monitoring data.

Authorizes the department of health to provide data in the prescription monitoring program to local, state, and federal officials and officials of federally recognized tribes.

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1638 by Representatives Schmick, Manweller, and Tharinger

Increasing access to health care by creating tax credits for hiring scribes.

Provides a business and occupation tax credit to an employer who hires a scribe.

Requires the department of health to work with the department of revenue to develop a process to verify that a scribe has been hired into a position that qualifies for the credit.

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1639 by Representatives Taylor, Goodman, Morris, Shea, Walkinshaw, Smith, Ryu, Appleton, Condotta, Moscoso, Kagi, Muri, Young, Scott, Schmick, G. Hunt, and Farrell

Concerning technology-enhanced government surveillance.

Prohibits a state agency or state organization from procuring an extraordinary sensing device unless money is expressly appropriated by the legislature for this specific purpose.

Prohibits a local agency from procuring an extraordinary sensing device without the explicit approval of the governing body of the locality, given for that specific extraordinary sensing device to be used for a specific purpose.

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1640 by Representatives Hargrove, Hayes, and Magendanz

Authorizing waivers of state requirements for school districts.

Provides a process for school district boards of directors to waive certain state education requirements when the local board determines it is necessary to do so.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction, the professional educator standards board, and the state board of education to jointly publish a list of each of the statutes under Title 28A RCW (common school
provisions) and administrative rules adopted under those statutes that may be waived under this act.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1641 by Representatives Blake, Lytton, and Tharinger

Adding shellfish to the list of species types listed in RCW 77.15.260(1)(a).

Makes a technical correction by adding shellfish to a list of species types.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1642 by Representatives Pettigrew, Walsh, Walkinshaw, Tarleton, Rodne, Kagi, Reykdal, Goodman, Moscoso, Ormsby, and Fey

Creating the youth substance abuse prevention and education program.

Creates the youth substance abuse prevention and education grant program, which will be administered by the state liquor control board, for the purpose of providing funding for community-based and statewide substance education programs designed to reduce initiation of substance use by children and youth.

Creates the youth substance abuse prevention and education account.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Early Learning & Human Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1643 by Representatives Wylie, Haler, Sullivan, and Tharinger

Addressing the fiscal impacts of bills and budgets.

Requires fiscal notes dealing with corrections, child welfare, and mental health issues to include an estimate of the fiscal impact of expenditure reductions or increases on other state or local program expenditures as well as any return on investment as a result of the legislation.

Requires the office of financial management and the state institute for public policy, in consultation with university-based research institutions, to work together to implement this act.

Requires the director of the office of financial management and the director of the state institute for public policy to convene a work group to explore the establishment of a nonpartisan agency to conduct objective, impartial fiscal analysis on behalf of the legislature.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1644 by Representatives Gregory, Zeiger, Pollet, Kilduff, Tharinger, Goodman, Riccelli, and Jinkins

Concerning veteran survivor tuition waiver eligibility.

Addresses waivers of tuition and fees for veterans' survivors.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1645 by Representatives Pollet, Harris, Carlyle, Cody, Johnson, Tharinger, Robinson, Lytton, Kagi, Ryu, S. Hunt, Farrell, Moscoso, Riccelli, McBride, and Jinkins; by request of Governor Inslee and Attorney General

Concerning youth substance use prevention associated with tobacco and drug delivery e-cigarettes and vapor products.

Addresses vapor inhalation products.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Commerce & Gaming (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).


Enacting the equal pay opportunity act by amending and enhancing enforcement of the equal pay act and protecting worker communications about wages and employment opportunities.

Establishes the equal pay opportunity act.

Updates the existing state equal pay act to address income disparities, employer discrimination, and retaliation practices.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26  First reading, referred to Labor (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).


Concerning health plan coverage of reproductive health care.

Requires a health plan, issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2016, to: (1) Provide coverage for contraceptive drugs, devices, and other products approved by the federal food and drug administration; voluntary sterilization procedures; and applicable consultations, examinations, procedures, and medical services; and
(2) If it provides coverage for maternity care or services, also provide a covered person with substantially equivalent coverage to permit the voluntary termination of a pregnancy.

Requires the governor's interagency coordinating council on health disparities to conduct a literature review on disparities in access to reproductive health care.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1648 by Representatives Walsh, Springer, Nealey, Haler, and McBride
Concerning infrastructure financing for local governments.
Modifies the state contribution application process.
Increases the annual state contribution limit to seven million five hundred thousand dollars.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1649 by Representatives Sawyer and Shea
Concerning the recoupment of certain costs by collection agencies.
Authorizes a collection agency to recoup the surcharge for local homeless and housing assistance from the debtor for documents recording a lien or satisfaction of lien.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1650 by Representatives Hurst and Hudgins
Clarifying provisions regarding the seizure and disposition of marijuana and processed marijuana products by state and local law enforcement agencies.
Authorizes state and local law enforcement agencies to seize and sell at auction any marijuana, marijuana concentrates, and marijuana-infused products that have been illegally grown, produced, processed, or possessed in violation of the uniform controlled substance act, and that are subject to seizure and summary forfeiture.
Allows only those marijuana producers and processors licensed by the state liquor control board to participate as buyers in the auction.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Gaming (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1651 by Representatives Ryu, Goodman, Rodne, Griffey, Van Werven, Wylie, Moscoso, Ormsby, and Santos
Concerning definitions related to human trafficking.

Adds the following definitions for the purposes of chapter 19.320 RCW (human trafficking): Any person; forced labor; human trafficking; menace of any penalty; and work or service.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Labor (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1652 by Representatives Cody and Harris; by request of Health Care Authority
Concerning medicaid managed health care system payments for health care services provided by nonparticipating providers.
Addresses good faith efforts of a medicaid managed health care system to contract with a nonparticipating provider.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1653 by Representatives Reykdal, Takko, Fey, Sawyer, and Wylie
Creating a studded tire permit.
Requires the department of licensing to make a studded tire permit available to a vehicle owner upon submittal of a proper application and payment of the studded tire permit fee.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1654 by Representatives Peterson, Lytton, Fitzgibbon, Blake, and Walkinshaw
Controlling noxious weeds while still supporting pollen-rich forage plant communities for honey bees.
Requires the state noxious weed control board to conduct a pilot project that evaluates the advantages of purposefully replacing pollen-rich noxious weeds with native forage plants that can produce similar levels of pollen to support honey bee populations.
Expires June 30, 2018.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1655 by Representatives Moscoso, Shea, Young, Takko, Caldier, Condotta, DeBolt, and Fey
Modifying meeting times of the motorcycle safety education advisory board.
Requires the motorcycle safety education advisory board to meet quarterly at 7:00 p.m. on the first or second Friday of the last month of each quarter.
Concerning Washington's property assessment appeal procedures.
Changes timelines for certain property assessment appeal procedures.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Local Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Concerning Washington's property assessment appeal procedures.
Requires a taxpayer, within sixty days from the date a petition challenging an assessed value of leased commercial property is filed with the county board of equalization, to submit to the board rental income and expense statements for the two years prior to the assessment date.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Local Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Concerning the imposition of a filing charge for certain property assessment appeal petitions.
Authorizes the county legislative authority to require that a petition to the county board of equalization challenging the assessed value of a commercial property be accompanied by a reasonable filing charge.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Local Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1659 by Representatives Vick, Kirby, Parker, and Blake
Addressing the benefits of group life and disability insurance policies.
Authorizes a life insurer to include grief counseling benefits as part of a policy or certificate of group life insurance, with the prior approval of the insurance commissioner.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Business & Financial Services (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1660 by Representatives Pike, Reykdal, Orcutt, Dunshee, Scott, Pollet, Stanford, Pettigrew, Schmick, Vick, Harris, Rodne, and Tharinger
Ensuring that fishing opportunities in Washington are consistent with the economic contributions provided by the fishing user groups.
Requires the department of fish and wildlife, when making fisheries management determinations and setting fishing seasons, to maximize recreational fishing opportunity within available harvests before determining commercial fishing opportunity.
Requires the fish and wildlife commission, when using hatcheries to enhance fishing opportunities, to, consistent with all tribal treaty obligations, prioritize production at hatcheries based on their contribution to recreational fisheries.
Requires license fees and tax revenues deposited into the state wildlife account that are received from specific user groups to be appropriated to, and used for, activities that directly support or benefit the user group from which the funds were received.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1661 by Representatives Pike, Manweller, Johnson, Reykdal, and Rodne
Restoring resources to the capital budget.
Restores resources to the capital budget beginning with the 2015-2017 biennium.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1662 by Representatives Pike, Orcutt, Wilson, Hargrove, Vick, Shea, Taylor, and Condotta
Concerning design-build construction for transportation projects.
Requires the department of transportation to: (1) Develop a process for awarding competitively bid highway construction contracts for all projects; (2) Use a design-build procedure for all highway construction projects and all public works projects; and

Authorizes a disability insurer to include the following benefits as part of a policy or certificate of group disability insurance, with the prior approval of the insurance commissioner and where such benefits bear a reasonable relationship to the disability insurance with which they are intended to be offered: Will preparation services; financial planning and estate planning services; probate and estate settlement services; grief counseling; and other services as the insurance commissioner may identify by rule.
(3) Develop a plan to reduce the size of its engineering and technical workforce.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1663 by Representatives Pike, Wilson, Orcutt, Manweller, Zeiger, Hargrove, Vick, and Shea
Concerning certain legislators' participation on regional transportation planning organization transportation policy boards.
Grants voting status on the regional transportation planning districts' transportation policy boards to one legislator from each district.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Authorizing the issuance of one license plate for certain vehicles while maintaining existing license plate fees.
Allows the issuance of one license plate for certain vehicles.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1665 by Representatives Carlyle, Lytton, and Pollet
Increasing compensation for school directors in districts enrolling twenty thousand or more students.
Authorizes each member of the board of directors of a school district that enrolls twenty thousand students or more to receive compensation for attending board meetings and for performing other services on behalf of the school district.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1666 by Representatives Magendanz, Lytton, Muri, Bergquist, Hansen, Kilduff, and Caldier
Making the results on the statewide assessments available as norm-referenced results and as student growth percentiles.
Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to make available on the internet, results on the statewide assessments computed as norm-referenced results and as student growth percentiles where possible.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1667 by Representatives Cody, Jinkins, Robinson, and Tharinger
Establishing the bleeding disorder collaborative for care.
Requires the state health care authority to establish the bleeding disorder collaborative for care for the purpose of identifying and developing evidence-based practices to improve care to patients with bleeding disorders with specific attention to health care cost reduction.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1668 by Representatives Kilduff, Muri, Hurst, Fey, Stokesbary, Jinkins, Stambaugh, Kirby, Zeiger, and Sawyer
Restricting conditional releases of sexually violent predators outside their county of origin.
Requires a court, before authorizing release to a less restrictive alternative, to consider whether it is appropriate to release a sexually violent predator to his or her county of origin.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1669 by Representatives Riccelli, Harris, Cody, Tharinger, Van De Wege, Jinkins, Sawyer, Moeller, and S. Hunt
Establishing a task force on continuity of health coverage and care.
Creates the task force on continuity of health coverage and care.
Requires the governor to convene the initial meeting of the task force.
Requires the office of financial management to contract for a study of the affordability and availability of health care coverage to be completed by March 1, 2016, and submitted to the governor, the legislature, and the task force.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1670 by Representatives Walkinshaw, Schmick, Blake, Fagan, Pettigrew, Lytton, and Tharinger
Spurring agricultural innovations.
Addresses agricultural crop and animal sciences research.
HB 1674 by Representatives Pettigrew, Walsh, Goodman, Walkinshaw, Kagi, Appleton, Reykdal, Moscoso, Ormsby, McBride, and Jinkins; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Allowing youthful offenders who complete their confinement terms prior to age twenty-one equal access to a full continuum of rehabilitative and reentry services.

Provides equal access to a full continuum of rehabilitative and reentry services for youthful offenders who complete their confinement term before the age of twenty-one.

HB 1675 by Representatives Sullivan, Schmick, Cody, Harris, and Tharinger

Concerning the prescription of biological products and interchangeable biological products.

Addresses the prescription of biological products and interchangeable biological products.

HB 1676 by Representatives Short, Lytton, Kretz, and Blake

Understanding the effects of predation on wild ungulate populations.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to conduct a scientific, peer-reviewed study assessing the health of the state's wild ungulate population in game management units that have experienced a change in predator population dynamics due to the recovery of gray wolves.

HB 1677 by Representatives Short, Kretz, and Schmick

Giving preference to using the nearest available qualified firefighters upon notification of a forest fire.

Requires county commissioners to: (1) Establish and maintain a list of private contract firefighters, firms, corporations, and individuals qualified and available to provide fire suppression services in each county; and

(2) In developing the list, consider the entities' firefighting experience, knowledge of local terrain, geography, and community resources, and ownership of or access to and experience with equipment used in fire suppression.

Requires the department of natural resources to: (1) Based on the lists, compile and maintain a statewide list, to be organized by region, of private contract firefighters, firms, corporations, and individuals in each county; and

(2) Within one hour of receiving notification or otherwise learning of an active fire, determine whether government resources are available to be deployed for initial suppression.
Requires each regional fire service plan to include a strategy to use geographically convenient private contract firefighters and other individuals available to provide fire suppression services.

HB 1678 by Representatives Carlyle and Nealey; by request of Department of Revenue

Improving tax fairness for businesses engaged in electronic commerce by eliminating inconsistent tax treatment of digital business inputs, ensuring that prewritten computer software developers remain eligible for the manufacturing machinery and equipment sales and use tax exemption, and providing greater clarity for out-of-state sellers concerning their tax obligations.

Eliminates inconsistent tax treatment of digital business inputs.
Ensures that prewritten computer software developers remain eligible for the manufacturing machinery and equipment sales and use tax exemption.
Provides greater clarity for out-of-state sellers concerning their tax obligations.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1679 by Representatives Moeller and Harris
Concerning biological products.
Addresses the prescription of biological products and interchangeable biological products.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1680 by Representatives Condotta and Hurst
Providing a comprehensive spirits sales tax reduction for all consumers in both on-premise and off-premise settings.
Provides a comprehensive spirits sales tax reduction for consumers in on-premise and off-premise settings.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Gaming (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1681 by Representatives Tharinger, Wilcox, Van De Wege, Orcutt, Ryu, Tarleton, Fitzgibbon, Blake, Reykdal, Walkinshaw, Lytton, Moscoso, and Santos
Increasing jobs in the maritime trades industry.
Strengthens the maritime economy in the state.
Provides a tax preference for large entity-owned nonresident vessels to increase the length of time these vessels cruise the state’s waters.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Technology & Economic Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1682 by Representatives Fey, Stambaugh, Walsh, Riccelli, Goodman, Orwall, Zeiger, Appleton, Van De Wege, Lytton, Gregerson, Reykdal, Tarleton, Ortiz-Self, Kagi, Carlyle, Wylie, Bergquist, S. Hunt, Tharinger, Senn, Robinson, Moscoso, Pollet, Walkinshaw, McBride, and Jinkins
Improving educational outcomes for homeless students through increased in-school guidance supports, housing stability, and identification services.
Allows for homeless student education liaisons that will provide services to identified homeless students.
Requires the department of commerce, in consultation with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, to administer a grant program that links homeless students and their families with stable housing located in the homeless student's school district. This requirement is null and void if funding is not provided by June 30, 2015, in the omnibus appropriations act.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1683 by Representatives Clibborn, DeBolt, Pettigrew, Harris, Fagan, Jinkins, Wylie, and Tharinger
Concerning disclosure of provider compensation programs by health plan carriers.
Addresses the disclosure, by health plan carriers, of incentive payments for the prescription of specific formulary and nonformulary medications and descriptions and justifications for all provider compensation programs.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Concerning charges for the cost of providing public records in response to public records requests.
Addresses charges for the provision of public records.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1685 by Representatives Gregerson, Hudgins, McBride, Peterson, Bergquist, Ortiz-Self, Tarleton, Orwall, Robinson, Farrell, Riccelli, Fitzgibbon,
Walkinshaw, Senn, Lytton, Appleton, Ryu, Tharinger, Moscoso, Ormsby, Fey, and Jinkins
Establishing a Washington food policy forum.
Creates the Washington food policy forum which will be administered by the state conservation commission.
Requires the forum to develop recommendations to advance certain food system goals.
Expires July 1, 2017.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1686 by Representatives Scott, Young, Taylor, Kochmar, Vick, Condotta, Pike, Shea, and G. Hunt
Establishing the Washington state incandescent light bulb freedom act.
Establishes the Washington state incandescent light bulb freedom act.
Specifies that an incandescent light bulb that is manufactured commercially or privately in this state from basic materials that can be manufactured without the inclusion of any significant parts imported from another state, and is offered for sale and sold for use only within the borders of this state, is deemed to be in the stream of intrastate commerce, rather than interstate commerce, and is not subject to federal law or federal regulation.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1687 by Representatives Scott, McCaslin, Taylor, Van Werven, Wilson, Young, Vick, Condotta, Holy, Pike, Shea, Short, and G. Hunt
Declaring that the right to life begins at the moment the individual comes into being.
Establishes the Washington state life at conception act.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1688 by Representatives Scott, Taylor, Condotta, Holy, Shea, Griffey, Sawyer, Van Werven, Schmick, Kirby, and G. Hunt
Eliminating the use of automated traffic safety cameras.
Eliminates the use of automated traffic safety cameras.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1689 by Representatives Reykdal and Nealey
Concerning taxes on in-state broadcasters.
Addresses business and occupation taxation of in-state broadcasters.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Finance (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1690 by Representatives Walkinshaw, Rodne, Tharinger, Magendanz, Fitzgibbon, Stokesbary, Farrell, and Morris
Providing a tax deferral for the expansion of certain existing public facilities district convention centers.
Provides a sales and use tax deferral for the expansion of certain existing public facilities district convention centers.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Technology & Economic Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1691 by Representatives Van De Wege, S. Hunt, and Tharinger
Concerning remedies for actions under the public records act.
Authorizes a court to impose a fine on a responsible agency for denying the right to inspect or copy certain public records.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to State Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1692 by Representative Wylie
Adopting the imitation firearm manufacturing requirement act.
Establishes the imitation firearm manufacturing requirement act.
Allows individuals within the state to own or possess a look-alike or imitation firearm having the appearance, shape, or configuration of a firearm only if the entire exterior of the look-alike or imitation firearm is white, bright red, bright orange, bright yellow, bright green, bright blue, bright pink, or bright purple in color or a mixture of these colors.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1693 by Representatives Pollet and Tarleton
Concerning the University of Washington's alternative process for awarding contracts.
Addresses the alternative process for awarding contracts, by the University of Washington, with regard to the university: (1) Developing a program that provides training and support to help certified minority or certified woman-owned contractors qualify for subcontracting work on a roster project; and
(2) Reviewing postselection processes with entities for which it operates medical and hospital facilities.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to conduct an evaluation of the alternative process.

Eliminates the termination and repeal, under the alternative process, of the alternative process for awarding contracts.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1694 by Representatives Sells, Peterson, Walkinshaw, McBride, Ormsby, Fitzgibbon, S. Hunt, Reykdal, Moscoso, and Pollet

Addressing retail and service employees who work on Thanksgiving day.

Requires a retail or service establishment employer to pay each of its employees, for hours worked on Thanksgiving day, wages at a rate of three times the amount of the employee's hourly rate.

Prohibits a retail or service establishment employer, or person acting on behalf of the employer, from adversely affecting the employment status, wages, hours, or employment conditions of a retail or service employee for the employee's refusal to work on Thanksgiving day.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Labor (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).


Establishing a priority for the use, reuse, and recycling of construction aggregate and recycled concrete materials in Washington.

Requires the department of transportation, state construction associations, and local governmental entities to develop and establish criteria and incentives for the use and recycling of construction aggregate and recycled concrete materials.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Environment (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1696 by Representative Haler; by request of Office of Financial Management

Modifying provisions related to tuition setting authority at public institutions of higher education.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1697 by Representatives Springer, Fitzgibbon, and Fey; by request of Office of Financial Management

Extending the expiration date of tax preferences for commute trip reduction programs.

Delays, until June 30, 2020, the expiration of tax preferences for commute trip reduction programs.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1698 by Representatives Appleton and Moscoso

Concerning medical cannabis.

Modifies medical cannabis provisions.

Expands the duties of the secretary of the department of social and health services.

Assures that qualifying patients are able to receive verification cards and cannabis for medical use without disruption.

Issues credentials to facilities and health care providers.

Allows for the issuance of verification cards.

Creates the medical cannabis advisory committee to provide advice and consultation to the state liquor control board, the secretary of the department of health, and the legislature.

Requires the department of social and health services to, with the advice and consultation of the medical cannabis advisory committee, establish and maintain an online, secure, and confidential database for certified health care professionals to report information about certain authorization practices.

Authorizes the University of Washington and Washington State University, upon approval by an institutional review board, to produce, process, dispense, and administer cannabis and cannabis products for purposes of research and treatment.

Exempts, from retail sales taxes, the sale of: (1) Marijuana, useable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products to qualifying patients and their designated providers in a licensed medical marijuana retailer; and (2) Cannabis at a certified medical cannabis clinic and at a certified affiliated medical cannabis dispensary.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Gaming (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 1699 by Representatives Blake, Kretz, Orcutt, Dent, Short, and Condotta

Addressing legal immunity in instances of citizen-initiated wildfire control.

Provides immunity from liability to an individual that enters privately owned or publicly owned land for the purpose of attempting to extinguish or control a wildfire.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
**House Joint Resolutions**


Amending the Constitution to address changes in state expenditures and revenues made by initiative.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to address changes in state expenditures and revenues made by initiative.

--- 2015 REGULAR SESSION ---
Jan 26  First reading, referred to State Government
(Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**HJR 4205** by Representatives Pike, Reykdal, Klippert, Manweller, Rodne, Hayes, Biess, Vick, Johnson, Stanford, Bergquist, and Condotta

Requiring all revenues from any state taxes levied for the purpose of funding local government public infrastructure to be paid into the state treasury, deposited into the public works assistance account, and used exclusively for funding local government public works projects.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to require revenues from state taxes levied for the purpose of funding local government public infrastructure to be paid into the state treasury, deposited into the public works assistance account, and used exclusively for funding local government public works projects.

--- 2015 REGULAR SESSION ---
Jan 26  First reading, referred to Appropriations
(Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

**Senate Bills**

**SB 5208-S** by Senate Committee on Human Services, Mental Health & Housing (originally sponsored by Senators Miloscia, Fain, Frockt, Litzow, Mullet, Kohl-Welles, Chase, Darneille, Pedersen, Keiser, and Hill)

Allowing the use of lodging taxes for financing workforce housing.

*(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)*

Uses lodging taxes to finance loans or grants to nonprofit organizations or public housing authorities for affordable workforce housing within one-half mile of a transit station.

--- 2015 REGULAR SESSION ---
Jan 23  HSMH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5299-S** by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Senators Benton, Mullet, Fain, Darneille, Hobbs, Angel, and Conway; by request of Department of Financial Institutions)

Updating, clarifying, and strengthening department of financial institutions’ enforcement, licensing, and examination statutes relating to residential mortgage lending, and enhancing the crime of mortgage fraud in the residential mortgage lending process.

*(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)*

Updates, clarifies, and strengthens department of financial institutions’ enforcement, licensing, and examination statutes relating to residential mortgage lending, and enhances the crime of mortgage fraud in the residential mortgage lending process.

--- 2015 REGULAR SESSION ---
Jan 22  FI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Jan 23  Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5573** by Senators Frockt, Rivers, Mullet, Hargrove, Hobbs, Keiser, Pedersen, Kohl-Welles, and McAuliffe; by request of Governor Inslee and Attorney General

Concerning youth substance use prevention associated with tobacco and drug delivery e-cigarettes and vapor products.

Addresses vapor inhalation products.

--- 2015 REGULAR SESSION ---
Jan 26  First reading, referred to Health Care.

**SB 5574** by Senators Hobbs, Mullet, Nelson, Frockt, Hatfield, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Pedersen, Darneille, McAuliffe, Habib, Cleveland, and Conway

Concerning health plan coverage of reproductive health care.

Requires a health plan, issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2016, to: (1) Provide coverage for contraceptive drugs, devices, and other products approved by the federal food and drug administration; voluntary sterilization procedures; and applicable consultations, examinations, procedures, and medical services; and

(2) If it provides coverage for maternity care or services, also provide a covered person with substantially equivalent coverage to permit the voluntary termination of a pregnancy.

Requires the governor's interagency coordinating council on health disparities to conduct a literature review on disparities in access to reproductive health care.

--- 2015 REGULAR SESSION ---
Jan 26  First reading, referred to Health Care.

**SB 5575** by Senators Braun, Honeyford, and Hatfield

Providing sales and use tax exemptions to encourage coal-fired electric generation plants to convert to natural gas-fired plants.

Provides a sales and use tax exemption for labor and services rendered in respect to the constructing of new structures, and expansion or renovation of existing structures, for the purpose of converting a coal-fired electric generation facility into a natural gas-fired plant.
Expires July 1, 2025.

SB 5576  by Senators Baumgartner and Braun
Addressing worker reporting of workplace injuries for purposes of industrial insurance.
   Modifies reporting requirements for workplace injuries for purposes of industrial insurance.
   -- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
   Jan 26  First reading, referred to Energy, Environment & Telecommunications.

SB 5577  by Senators Braun and Cleveland
Concerning pharmaceutical waste.
   Requires the department of ecology to initiate a negotiated rule-making process with the state's qualified pharmaceutical waste handling facilities, the state hospital association, and other interested parties to develop an alternative to the department's April 2008 interim enforcement policy for pharmaceutical waste.
   -- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
   Jan 26  First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 5578  by Senators Dammeier, Darneille, Conway, O'Ban, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, and Fraser
Giving preferences to housing trust fund projects that involve collaboration between local school districts and housing authorities or nonprofit housing providers to help children of low-income families succeed in school.
   Requires the department of commerce to give preference to housing trust fund projects involving collaborative partnerships between local school districts and either public housing authorities or nonprofit housing providers, that help children of low-income families succeed in school.
   -- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
   Jan 26  First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5579  by Senators Dammeier, Roach, Becker, Padden, Conway, Darneille, Hobbs, Angel, Honeyford, Pearson, Sheldon, and Hatfield
Exempting certain firearms transfers involving licensed security guards from background check requirements.
   Exempts from background check requirements, the transfer of a firearm between private security guards and the transfer of a firearm between the owner of the firearm and a private security guard.
   -- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
   Jan 26  First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5580  by Senators Dammeier and Kohl-Welles
Requiring ticket brokers and resellers to make certain disclosures.

SB 5581  by Senators Angel and Hobbs
Addressing the benefits of group life and disability insurance policies.
   Authorizes a life insurer to include grief counseling benefits as part of a policy or certificate of group life insurance, with the prior approval of the insurance commissioner.
   Authorizes a disability insurer to include the following benefits as part of a policy or certificate of group disability insurance, with the prior approval of the insurance commissioner and where such benefits bear a reasonable relationship to the disability insurance with which they are intended to be offered: Will preparation services; financial planning and estate planning services; probate and estate settlement services; grief counseling; and other services as the insurance commissioner may identify by rule.
   -- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
   Jan 26  First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

SB 5582  by Senators Cleveland, Rivers, Keiser, and Kohl-Welles
Prescribing penalties for allowing or permitting unlicensed practice of massage therapy or reflexology.
   Imposes penalties on an owner of a massage business or reflexology business where the unlicensed practice of massage therapy or reflexology has been committed.
   -- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
   Jan 26  First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5583  by Senator Dansel
Providing the fish and wildlife commission with the tools necessary to enact changes to the status of a species.
   Requires the fish and wildlife commission, if it has listed a terrestrial mammal species statewide as endangered, threatened, or sensitive in this state, to consider any petitions for removing a species from classification on a regional basis.
   -- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
   Jan 26  First reading, referred to Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5584  by Senator Dansel
Concerning water quality determinations made by the department of ecology.
   Requires water quality determinations by the department of ecology to be based on a preponderance of actual site-based, source-specific environmental testing.
   -- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
   Jan 26  First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.
SB 5585 by Senators Dansel, Mullet, and Braun
Granting counties and cities greater flexibility with real estate excise tax proceeds.  
Addresses the use of real estate excise tax proceeds by counties and cities.  
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --  

SB 5586 by Senators Conway, Hasegawa, Keiser, and Darneille
Restricting the social security offset to disability compensation.  
Exempts from social security offset requirements, workers who applied to receive social security retirement benefits before the date of their injury and workers receiving social security benefits before their injury.  
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 5587 by Senators Becker and Kohl-Welles; by request of State Treasurer
Authorizing funding and expenditures for the hosting of the annual conference of the national association of state treasurers.  
Specifies that, when soliciting gifts, grants, or donations to host an official conference within the state of a national association as approved by the state treasurer, the state treasurer and designated employees are presumed not to be in violation of the solicitation and receipt of gift provisions in chapter 42.52 RCW (ethics in public service).  
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --  

SB 5588 by Senators Roach, Liias, Habib, Mullet, Frockt, Miloscia, Fain, Hobbs, Chase, Hasegawa, Hill, Keiser, and Fraser
Concerning Washington's property assessment appeal procedures.  
Changes timelines for certain property assessment appeal procedures.  
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --  

SB 5589 by Senators O'Ban, Pedersen, Pearson, and Roach
Encouraging fairness in disciplinary actions of peace officers.  
Prohibits a law enforcement agency from taking punitive action against a peace officer solely because the officer's name was placed on a potential impeachment list.  
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5590 by Senators Dammeier, Frockt, and Keiser; by request of Health Care Authority
Concerning medicaid managed health care system payments for health care services provided by nonparticipating providers.  
Addresses good faith efforts of a medicaid managed health care system to contract with a nonparticipating provider.  
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5591 by Senators Liias, Roach, Hasegawa, Fain, McCoy, Keiser, Pearson, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, and Conway
Allowing emergency medical services to develop community assistance referral and education services programs.  
Authorizes a provider of emergency medical services to develop a community assistance referral and education services program to provide community outreach and assistance to residents of its district to advance injury and illness prevention and allows the program to partner with hospitals to reduce readmissions.  
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --  

SB 5592 by Senators Hasegawa and Conway; by request of Department of Licensing
Allowing fingerprint-based background checks for the licensing of any security guard.  
Addresses fingerprint-based background checks for all security guard license applicants.  
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

SB 5593 by Senators Dammeier, Padden, Cleveland, O'Ban, Pedersen, Becker, and Kohl-Welles
Concerning delivery and payment for health care services by hospitals for inmates and persons detained by law enforcement.  
Addresses the payment for and delivery of health care services by hospitals for inmates and persons detained by law enforcement.  
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --  
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5594 by Senators Becker, Bailey, Braun, Angel, Parlette, Schoesler, Dammeier, and Hewitt
Concerning federal funding programs requiring changes in state law.  
Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to report to the legislature regarding federal funding programs greater than twenty-five million dollars in biennial expenditures affecting the state's health and human services agencies and the common school system that specify conditions requiring changes in state statutes as a condition of receiving federal funding.
SB 5595  by Senators Becker and Bailey
Clarifying association health plans provisions.
Declares that association health care plans meeting certain standards should be continued as a means of providing health care as the affordable care act is implemented.

SB 5596  by Senators King, Hewitt, Kohl-Welles, and McAuliffe
Creating a special permit by a manufacturer of wine to hold a private event for the purpose of tasting and selling wine of its own production.

SB 5597  by Senator Roach
Concerning requirements for real estate appraisers.
Modifies real estate appraiser provisions relating to licensing real estate appraisers by reciprocity, fingerprint-based background checks for real estate appraiser applicants, and creating an inactive status for real estate appraisers.

SB 5598  by Senators Conway, Warnick, Kohl-Welles, and Keiser; by request of Department of Labor & Industries
Creating a dedicated account for elevators, lifting devices, moving walks, manufactured and mobile homes, recreational and commercial vehicles, factory built housing and commercial structures, and contractor registration and compliance activities.
Creates the construction registration inspection account for elevators, lifting devices, moving walks, manufactured and mobile homes, recreational and commercial vehicles, factory built housing and commercial structures, and contractor registration and compliance activities.

SB 5599  by Senators Dammeier, Keiser, and Darneille; by request of Department of Social and Health Services
Removing expiration dates for training and certification exemptions for certain long-term care workers.
Eliminates the expiration of training and certification exemptions for certain long-term care workers.

SB 5600  by Senators Dammeier, Keiser, Darneille, and Kohl-Welles; by request of Department of Social and Health Services
Modifying certain definitions concerning the abuse of vulnerable adults.
Modifies abuse of vulnerable adult provisions relating to the definitions of "abuse" and "restraints."

SB 5601  by Senators Warnick, Rivers, Schoesler, and Honeyford
Requiring the Washington state department of agriculture to approve the comparable recertification standards of private entities for the purposes of waiving the recertification requirements under the Washington pesticide control act.
Requires the department of agriculture to approve the comparable recertification standards of private entities for the purposes of waiving the recertification requirements under the pesticide control act.

SB 5602  by Senators Warnick, Braun, Sheldon, Schoesler, Angel, Bailey, and Honeyford
Prohibiting public entities from giving or loaning public funds to bargaining unit representatives for nongovernment functions.
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SB 5603  by Senators Warnick and Rolfs; by request of Department of Agriculture
Changing cottage food operation provisions.
Changes the maximum annual gross sales amount of cottage food products to twenty-five thousand dollars.
Allows the department of agriculture to increase that amount in rule.

SB 5604  by Senators Lias and Roach
Addressing the review and evaluation of countywide planning policies under the growth management act.
Modifies growth management act provisions relating to the review and evaluation of countywide planning policies.
SB 5605 by Senators Darneille, Jayapal, Kohl-Welles, and McAuliffe
Concerning the arrest of sixteen and seventeen year olds for domestic violence assault.
Authorizes a police officer, under certain circumstances, to arrest a person who: (1) Is sixteen or seventeen years old; and
(2) Within the preceding four hours has assaulted a family or household member.

SB 5606 by Senators Jayapal, Rivers, Frockt, King, Keiser, and Kohl-Welles
Modifying provisions related to licensing and scope of practice for dental professionals.
Permits dental hygienists and dental assistants to take impressions under certain circumstances.
Authorizes the issuance of a limited license to dental hygienists who actively practice or are licensed in Canada.

SB 5607 by Senators Conway, Dammeier, Darneille, O'Ban, and Padden
Concerning the complaint procedure for the modification or termination of guardianship.
Addresses complaint procedures for the modification or termination of guardianship.

SB 5608 by Senators Miloscia, Conway, Keiser, Darneille, and Hasegawa
Prohibiting employers from asking about arrests or convictions before an applicant is determined otherwise qualified for a position.
Establishes the Washington fair chance act.
Prohibits an employer from including any question on an application for employment, from inquiring either orally or in writing, from receiving information through a criminal history background check, or from otherwise obtaining information about an applicant's arrests or convictions before having determined that the applicant is otherwise qualified for the position.
Authorizes the state to: (1) Educate the public about this act and disseminate information about it; and
(2) Form an advisory body representing the views of a broad variety of stakeholders to provide recommendations regarding improved enforcement of this act.

SB 5609 by Senators Bailey, Ranker, Hatfield, Baumgartner, Lias, and Rolfes
Protecting waterways from pollution from synthetic plastic microbeads.
Prohibits producing, manufacturing, or selling personal care products or over-the-counter drugs containing synthetic plastic microbeads.

SB 5610 by Senators Benton and Billig
Requiring an annual permit fee on studded tire use.
Requires the department of licensing to issue: (1) A studded tire permit, authorizing the use of studded tires, to a vehicle owner upon submittal of a proper application and payment of the studded tire permit; and
(2) An identifying marker that the vehicle owner must place on the vehicle license plate for the studded tire permit to be valid.
Requires the studded tire permit fees to be used for highway preservation related to damage caused by studded tires.

SB 5611 by Senators Benton and Keiser
Addressing excessive overdraft fees.
Prohibits a financial institution from charging a continuous overdraft fee beyond the initial overdraft fee or fees charged when the depositor exceeded the available balance of the account.

SB 5612 by Senators Benton and Keiser
Restricting check cashing fees.
Requires a payor financial institution to pay a check drawn on it against an account with a sufficient balance at face value without regard to whether the payee holds an account at the bank and prohibits charging a fee to the payee for payment of the check.

SB 5613 by Senator Benton
Raising the cap on the total number of small loans a borrower may have in a twelve-month period.
Changes the total number of small loans a borrower may have from eight to sixteen in a twelve-month period.

SB 5614 by Senators Benton, Angel, Lias, Bailey, Baugh, and Ranker
Addressing excessive fees charged for the withdrawal of a small loan.
Schoesler, Warnick, Ranker, Hobbs, and Parlette

Concerning the maintenance and operations of parks and recreational land acquired through the conservation futures program.

Authorizes a county to use: (1) Up to twenty-five percent of the total amount for maintenance and operations of recreational land if it has acquired rights and interests in one hundred or more acres of certain real property; and

(2) Beginning January 1, 2025, up to thirty percent of the total amount for maintenance and operations of recreational land if it has acquired rights and interests in four hundred or more acres of certain real property and has collected a conservation futures levy for twenty or more years.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5615 by Senators Benton, Sheldon, Bailey, Padden, Rivers, Angel, Schoesler, Warnick, Roach, Honeyford, and Pearson

Exempting certain firearms transfers involving military members, law enforcement officers, and corrections officers from background check requirements.

Exempts from background check requirements, the transfer of a firearm between: (1) Members of the armed forces, members of the national guard, or a member of the armed forces and a member of the national guard; (2) A member of the armed forces or the national guard and a family member; (3) A member of the armed forces or the national guard and a close personal acquaintance for the purpose of maintaining the firearm while the member is under orders of deployment; and (4) Law enforcement officers, corrections officers, or a law enforcement officer and a corrections officer.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5616 by Senators Benton, Hobbs, Angel, Keiser, Fain, Roach, Hatfield, Conway, Chase, and Baumgartner

Concerning pawnbroker fees and interest rates.

Addresses pawnbroker interest rates and other fees.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

SB 5617 by Senators Warnick, Fraser, Hatfield, Fain, Litzow, Liias, and Hobbs

Concerning marine, off-road recreational vehicle, and snowmobile fuel tax refunds based on actual fuel taxes paid.

Restores the refund percentages of fuel tax purchases made by boaters, off-road vehicle riders, and snowmobilers into nonhighway-purpose accounts established to benefit nonhighway users of fuel.

Declares it is the legislature's intent to honor its commitment when the refund amounts from nonhighway-purpose fuel tax purchases are no longer necessary to repay bonded debt associated with the 2003 and 2005 motor vehicle fuel tax increases.

Specifies that as of July 1, 2031, the state will apply the total percentage of nonhighway-purpose fuel tax refunds into the proper nonhighway user accounts for boaters, off-road vehicle riders, and snowmobilers.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5618 by Senator McCoy

Requiring the department of ecology to notify residents of a highly impacted community when initiating review of certain environmental permit applications.

Requires the department of health to identify highly impacted communities in this state and to consider, at a minimum, areas that have certain characteristics.

Requires the department of ecology to provide notice to persons residing in a highly impacted community when initiating a review of an environmental permit application for issuance or reissuance for a facility or multiple facilities within or near a highly impacted community and when initiating development of a remedial action or the review of a proposed remedial action within or near a highly impacted community.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Energy, Environment & Telecommunications.

SB 5619 by Senators Bailey, Kohl-Welles, Frockt, and McAuliffe; by request of State Board for Community and Technical Colleges

Concerning basic education for adults at community and technical colleges.

Requires state appropriations to the state board for community and technical colleges to include a separate appropriation to provide basic education for adults.

Requires the caseload forecast council to estimate the anticipated number of full-time equivalent students who will enroll in basic education for adults courses in community and technical colleges and submit the forecast to the governor and members of the legislative fiscal committees.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 5620 by Senators Bailey, Kohl-Welles, Frockt, Schoesler, and Conway; by request of State Board for Community and Technical Colleges

Authorizing waivers of building fees and services and activities fees for certain military service members.

Authorizes the governing boards of the community and technical colleges, the state universities, the regional universities, and The Evergreen State College to waive all or a portion of building fees and services and activities fees not covered by the United States department of defense tuition assistance program for military service members eligible to participate in the program.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

SB 5621 by Senators King, Liias, Fain, Hobbs, and Angel

Concerning the definition of the practice of dentistry.
Revises the definition of the practice of dentistry.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5622 by Senators Sheldon, Miloscia, Angel, Becker, Warnick, and Pearson
Requiring that the departments of fish and wildlife and ecology use empirical science to support agency actions affecting land use.
Requires significant agency actions by the department of ecology and the department of fish and wildlife to be supported with empirical science acquired through proper use of the scientific method, peer review, reproduction of results, and journal publication.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Energy, Environment & Telecommunications.

SB 5623 by Senators Sheldon, Angel, Miloscia, Becker, Warnick, and Conway
Modifying the operation of motorcycles on roadways laned for traffic.
Allows an operator of a motorcycle to: (1) Overtake and pass in the same lane occupied by the vehicle being overtaken; and
(2) Operate the motorcycle between lanes of traffic or between adjacent lines or rows of vehicles if the motorcycle is traveling at a rate of speed no more than ten miles per hour over the speed of traffic flow and not more than thirty-five miles per hour.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5624 by Senators Keiser, Honeyford, and Conway
Concerning financing essential public infrastructure.
Improves access and reliability to low-cost financing for essential public infrastructure projects by providing credit enhancements and pooling access to private market capital.
Takes effect January 1, 2016, if the proposed amendment to Article VIII, section 1 of the state Constitution, guaranteeing the obligation of debt for essential public infrastructure, is approved by the voters at the next general election.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5625 by Senators Frockt, Keiser, Conway, Cleveland, Jayapal, and Hasegawa
Establishing a task force on continuity of health coverage and care.
Creates the task force on continuity of health coverage and care.
Requires the governor to convene the initial meeting of the task force.
Requires the office of financial management to contract for a study of the affordability and availability of health care coverage to be completed by March 1, 2016, and submitted to the governor, the legislature, and the task force.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care.

SB 5626 by Senators Frockt, Jayapal, Keiser, Conway, Kohl-Welles, and Hasegawa
Requiring detailed enrollment data for the health benefit exchange.
Requires the state health benefit exchange to capture detailed enrollment and demographic data for enrollment processed for qualified health plans and medicaid plans and post monthly enrollment reports to the web page.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Health Care.

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8204 by Senators Keiser, Honeyford, and Conway
Amending the Constitution to allow the state to guarantee debt issued on behalf of a political subdivision for essential public infrastructure.
Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to allow the state to guarantee debt issued on behalf of a political subdivision for essential public infrastructure.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Jan 26 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.