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House Bills

HB 1270-S by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Buys, Blake, and Haler)
Increasing salmon populations in Washington through the implementation of a new fish hatchery management structure that is modeled on the proven, successful structure utilized by the state of Alaska for the past forty years.

DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE
Requires the department of fish and wildlife to issue one permit to a qualified regional aquaculture association based in a county that borders both Canada and the Puget Sound to construct and operate individual salmon hatcheries.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Feb 20 Referred to General Government & Information Technology.

HB 1311-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Muri, Reykdal, Magendanz, Springer, Fagan, S. Hunt, Klippert, and Wylie)
Concerning school library and technology programs.
DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE
Changes the name of "the school-library media program" to "the school library information and technology program."
Expands the duties of the program and the teacher-librarian.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1323-S by House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Reykdal, Sawyer, S. Hunt, and Pollet)
Repealing advisory votes.
DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE
Eliminates advisory votes.

HB 1345-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Lytton, Magendanz, and Bergquist)
Adopting a definition and standards of professional learning.
DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE
Adopts a statewide definition of effective professional learning.
Directs public schools and school districts to establish targeted, sustained, relevant professional learning opportunities that meet the definition and are aligned to state and district goals. Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1390-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Goodman, Holy, Jinkins, Kagi, Moscoso, Ormsby, and Pollet)
Concerning legal financial obligations.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Addresses legal financial obligations.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1420-S by House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Wilcox, Springer, Magendanz, G. Hunt, Muri, Kirby, Takko, Kilduff, and Hargrove)
Establishing a legislative task force on school siting.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Creates the legislative task force on school siting and requires the task force to review the issue of siting schools outside of urban growth areas.
Expires January 1, 2016.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 LG - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1424-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Orwall, Kagi, Jinkins, Gregerson, Goodman, Santos, Fey, and Sawyer)
Concerning suicide prevention.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires the department of health to adopt rules establishing minimum standards for the suicide assessment, treatment, and management training programs, including content specific to veterans and the assessment of issues related to imminent harm via lethal means or self-injurious behaviors.
Exempts certified registered nurse anesthetists from the training programs.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1445-S by House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Reykdal and Magendanz)
Using computer sciences to satisfy world language college admission requirements.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires the student achievement council, in collaboration with an organization that represents the public four-year institutions of higher education to facilitate a dialogue with state universities, regional universities, and The Evergreen State College on the curriculum, courses, and course sequencing necessary in the K-12 secondary schools to allow two years of computer sciences to count as two years of world languages for the purposes of admission into a four-year institution of higher education.
Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to conduct a study to assess the implication of adding ten minutes of instruction to the school day for grades one through eight for the purpose of learning a world language other than English.
Expires July 1, 2018.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 HE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1514-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Jinkins, Manweller, and Cody)
Concerning dental office support services.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Prohibits an entity or person from having an equity interest or investment in a dental practice operating in this state, unless he or she is a licensed dentist.
Authorizes an entity or person not licensed as a dentist to provide ordinary consulting and clerical services to a dentist under certain circumstances.
Imposes requirements on contracts between a licensed dentist, professional corporation, or professional limited liability company with an individual, association, partnership, or other entity not owned entirely by one or more licensed dentists.
-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 HCW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1540-S by House Committee on Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Kertz, Blake, Pettigrew, Condotta, Stanford, Lytton, Short, Sawyer, S. Hunt, Hurst, Moscoso, and Wylie)
Concerning tribal timber harvest excise tax agreements.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Authorizes the governor to enter into a tribal timber harvest excise tax agreement with the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Nation.
HB 1556-S by House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Hargrove, Walkinshaw, Zeiger, Pollet, Van Werven, Bergquist, Ortiz-Self, and Parker)

Strengthening the Washington advanced college tuition payment program by setting new requirements on the purchase and use of tuition units.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Allows purchasers to buy more tuition units per beneficiary and allows beneficiaries to use more units per year to strengthen the advanced college tuition payment program.

HB 1669-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored 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.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
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.

HB 1730-S by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Kirby and Vick)

Concerning the handling of earnest money.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Addresses the requirements of a holder of earnest money.


Enacting the Washington voting rights act.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Establishes the Washington voting rights act of 2015 to:
1. Authorize district-based elections;
2. Require redistricting and new elections in certain circumstances; and
3. Establish a cause of action to redress lack of voter opportunity.

HB 1760-S by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Senn, Magendanz, Orwall, Stambaugh, Ortiz-Self, Kagi, Sells, Tharinger, Reykdal, Jinkins, Muri, Goodman, Riccelli, Robinson, Pollet, McBride, and Santos)

Providing students with skills that promote mental health and well-being and increase academic performance.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires the superintendent of public instruction to convene a work group to recommend comprehensive benchmarks for developmentally appropriate interpersonal and decision-making knowledge and skills of social and emotional learning for grades kindergarten through high school.
Requires educational service districts to develop and maintain the capacity to serve as a convener, trainer, and mentor for educators and other school district staff on social and emotional learning.

HB 1761-S by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Stanford, Vick, Kirby, Parker, Ryu, G. Hunt, Blake, Santos, and Hurst)

Addressing insurance producers, insurers, and title insurance agents activities with customers and potential customers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Addresses inducements by insurance producers, insurers, and title insurance agents.

HB 1762-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Riccelli, Schmick, Jinkins, Harris, Cody, Van De Wege, Robinson, and Tharinger)

Concerning the relationship between a health insurer and a contracting health care provider.
HB 1763-S by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Van De Wege, Lytton, Riccelli, and Tharinger)

Regulating music licensing agencies.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Regulates music licensing agencies.
Requires the department of licensing, in collaboration with the office of the attorney general, to conduct a consumer alert campaign to inform business proprietors of their rights and responsibilities regarding the public performance of copyrighted music.

Feb 18 BHS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to General Government & Information Technology.

HB 1780-S by House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Bergquist, Jinkins, S. Hunt, Appleton, Halter, MacEwen, Farrell, Harris, Tarleton, Fey, Pollet, Riccelli, and Sells)

Regulating interpreter services.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Authorizes the department of social and health services and the state health care authority to purchase interpreter services on behalf of limited-English speaking applicants and recipients of public assistance.

Authorizes the department of labor and industries to purchase interpreter services for medical and vocational providers authorized to provide services to limited-English speaking injured workers or crime victims.

Requires the department of enterprise services to develop and implement a model that all state agencies must use to procure spoken language interpreter services by purchasing directly from language access providers or through contracts with scheduling and coordinating entities, or both.

Authorizes the department of social and health services, the state health care authority, and the department of labor and industries to procure interpreters through the department of enterprise services if the demand for spoken language interpreters cannot be met through their respective contracts.

Feb 18 SG - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1814-S by House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Tarleton, Halter, Hargrove, Van Werven, Sells, Zeiger, and Reykdal)

Creating the certified public accounting scholarship program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Creates the certified public accounting scholarship program to increase the number of students pursuing the certified public accounting license in the state.

 Creates the certified public accounting scholarship transfer account.

Feb 18 HE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1815-S by House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Wylie, Harris, Takko, Moeller, and Ryu)

Revising local government treasury practices and procedures.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Modifies local government treasury provisions with regard to: (1) Acceptance of electronic payments; (2) Transaction processing costs; and (3) Loss or destruction of a warrant.

Feb 18 LG - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1825-S by House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Kilduff, Muri, Gregory, Halter, Riccelli, Walkinshaw, Zeiger, and McBride; by request of Governor Inslee)

Modifying the definition of resident student to comply with federal requirements established by the veterans access, choice, and accountability act of 2014.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Revises the definition of “resident student,” for purposes of chapter 28B.15 RCW (college and university fees), to comply with federal requirements established by the veterans access, choice, and accountability act of 2014.

Feb 18 HE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1852-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Calder, Jinkins, Young, Moeller, Short, Manweller, Hayes, Riccelli, Cody, and Tharinger)

Addressing the pediatric oral services essential health benefit category.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires health plans that offer pediatric oral services classified as diagnostic and preventive in the American dental association’s code on dental procedures and nomenclature before the health plan’s deductible is reached, unless prohibited by federal law and guidance.
HB 1879-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Walsh, Cody, Harris, Orwall, Tarleton, and Ormsby)

Directing the health care authority to issue a request for proposals for integrated managed health and behavioral health services for foster children.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires the state health care authority to issue a request for proposals to provide integrated managed health and behavioral health care for foster children receiving care through the medical assistance program.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 HCW - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1893-S by House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Sells, Haler, Moscoso, Zeiger, Pollet, S. Hunt, Appleton, Riccelfi, Tarleton, Ormsby, and Bergquist)

Increasing transparency in community and technical colleges by requiring certain budget detail to be available online.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires each community and technical college to: (1) Within thirty days of adopting its annual college budget, post on its web site the budgeted and nonbudgeted revenues and anticipated expenditures for all nonstate, nonappropriated funds and all other nonappropriated accounts; and (2) Within thirty days after fiscal closing, post on its web site the ending fund balances for all nonstate, nonappropriated funds and accounts from the previous fiscal year.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 HE - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1896-S by House Committee on Technology & Economic Development (originally sponsored by Representatives Smith, Hudgins, Tarleton, and Young)

Providing a statewide minimum privacy policy for disclosure of customer energy use information.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Prohibits an electric utility from disclosing or selling private or proprietary customer information for the purposes of marketing services or product offerings to a retail electric customer who does not already subscribe to that service or product, unless the electric utility has first obtained the customer's written or electronic permission to do so.

Prohibits an individual, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or other organization or commercial entity from capturing private or proprietary customer information for a commercial purpose unless the customer is informed before capturing the information and the customer's written or electronic permission to capture the information has been received.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 TED - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1911-S by House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Fitzgibbon and Tarleton)

Authorizing municipalities to create assessment reimbursement areas for the construction or improvement of water or sewer facilities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Revises the municipal water and sewer facilities act to authorize a municipality, as an alternative to certain procedures for financing the construction or improvement of water or sewer facilities, to: (1) Create an assessment reimbursement area on its own initiative, without the participation of a private property owner; (2) Finance all of the costs associated with the construction or improvement; and (3) Become the sole beneficiary of reimbursements.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 LG - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1919-S by House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representative S. Hunt)

Clarifying the timing of special elections.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Clarifies special election timing.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 SG - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 1923-S by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Zeiger, Bergquist, Kirby, Haler, Hargrove, and Parker)

Regulating income share agreements.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Provides for income share agreements which are an alternative to loans and would allow an individual to receive funds to pay for higher education or workforce development in exchange for a certain percentage of his or her income over a fixed period of time.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 BFS - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Appropriations.
HB 1932-S by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Walsh, Cádler, Carlyle, Gregerson, and Ryu)

Concerning medication management for youth.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the state health care authority to: (1) Require a second opinion review from an expert in psychiatry for all prescriptions of one or more antipsychotic medications of all children under eighteen years of age in the foster care system; and (2) Require all managed health care systems to develop and maintain a list of evidence-based treatments and other behavioral health resources under contract with the managed health care system.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 HCW - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 2131-S by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representative Kirby)

Regulating insurance for providers of commercial transportation services.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the insurance for providers of commercial transportation services act.

Requires personal vehicles, before being used to provide commercial transportation services, to be covered by a primary automobile insurance policy that specifically covers commercial transportation services.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 18 BFS - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

HB 2167 by Representatives Scott, Sells, Shea, Taylor, G. Hunt, Takko, and Pollet

Giving parents and guardians an unrestricted right to excuse their children from taking statewide assessments.

Gives parents and guardians an unrestricted right to excuse their children from taking statewide assessments.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 23 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

SB 5044-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Brown, Ericksen, and Hewitt)

Concerning mitigation measures for shoreline development.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires each master program provided in the shoreline management act to provide that: (1) An applicant for a proposed development may not be required to mitigate for environmental impacts that are not a direct result of the proposed development; (2) Environmental mitigation applied to a proposed development must be limited to mitigation measures that are proportional in scope to the environmental impacts that are a direct result of the proposed development; and (3) The local government administering and enforcing the permit system is responsible for demonstrating that mitigation measures applied to a proposed development satisfies certain master program provisions and must establish a process by which it may consult with federal agencies that require environmental mitigation for a proposed development.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

SB 5056-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Ericksen and Chase)

Concerning the use of chemical action plans.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of ecology to: (1) Complete and publish a chemical action plan for any flame retardant identified as a chemical of high concern for children within two years of the adoption of the rule that identifies that flame retardant; (2) Select substances that impact state water bodies, as identified by the United States environmental protection agency in the clean water act, for development of a chemical action plan; and (3) In consultation with the department of health, complete and publish a chemical action plan for two substances to identify, characterize, and evaluate uses and releases of the substances in the state, the levels of the substances present in the environment, and the levels of the substances present in state water bodies; and

--- Senate Bills ---

SB 5041-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators O'Ban, Fain, and Dammeier)

Concerning sexual exploitation.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Changes the name of the crime of patronizing a prostitute to sexual exploitation.

Provides law enforcement with the ability to seize and forfeit the property of buyers of sex who use that property to commit the crime of sexual exploitation.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 LAW - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority: do not pass.
Minority: without recommendation.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
(4) Create an external advisory committee for each chemical action plan developed to provide stakeholder input, expertise, and additional information. Makes an appropriation.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; do not pass.
Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5084-S by Senate Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Senators Becker, Frockt, Conway, Keiser, and Mullet; by request of Governor Inslee)

Modifying the all payer claims database to improve health care quality and cost transparency by changing provisions related to definitions regarding data, reporting and pricing of products, responsibilities of the office of financial management and the lead organization, submission to the database, and parameters for release of information.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Modifies statewide all-payer health care claims database provisions to improve health care quality and cost transparency by changing certain definitions regarding data, reporting and pricing of products, responsibilities of the office of financial management and the lead organization, submission to the database, and parameters for release of information.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 20 HLTH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5113-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senator Brown)

Requiring the department of commerce to coordinate and advance the siting and manufacturing of small modular reactors in the state to meet future energy supply, environmental, and energy security needs.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires the department of commerce to coordinate and advance the siting and manufacturing of small modular reactors in the state to meet future energy supply, environmental, and energy security needs.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5115-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senator Brown)

Studying the siting of small modular reactors in Washington.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires the energy facility site evaluation council to:
(1) Study matters relating to the siting of small modular reactors in the state; and
(2) Consult with the military department, the department of ecology, and the department of health to review the permitting responsibilities of those agencies as they may relate to siting small modular reactors.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5149-S by Senate Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Frockt, Conway, Bailey, and Parlette)

Concerning certificates of need appeals process.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Provides that any person other than the certificate of need applicant or recipient, including a health care facility or health maintenance organization, that has the right to an adjudicative proceeding under the administrative procedure act to contest the department of health's granting of a certificate of need application or other department authorization is, in the event that a final decision is rendered in favor of the certificate of need applicant or recipient, required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees and documented costs including any costs borne by the applicant or recipient associated with a delay of services or construction and any department costs and attorneys' fees associated with the appeal.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 20 HLTH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5167-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Benton and Angel)

Concerning the local option prohibition on the sale of liquor.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Addresses territory annexed into a city after passage of a liquor prohibition by that city.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5189-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Benton and Angel)

Concerning eminent domain.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Prohibits private property from being taken or damaged for public or private use that is to be transferred for use or possession by a governmental agency of another state.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 LAW - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority: do not pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5248-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Honeyford, Conway, Rivers, Keiser, Warnick, Kohl-Welles, King, and Braun)
Concerning performance of personal services by liquor industry members to retailers.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Authorizes the performance of certain personal services offered by a distiller, importer, manufacturer of spirits, or spirits importer to retailers.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 CL - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority: do not pass.
Minority: without recommendation.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5256-S by Senate Committee on Human Services, Mental Health & Housing (originally sponsored by Senators Darneille, Rolfes, and Chase)
Requiring reasonable suspicion before allowing strip searches of juveniles in juvenile detention facilities.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires reasonable suspicion before allowing a strip search of a juvenile in a juvenile detention facility.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 20 HSMH - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5274-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Schoesler, Sheldon, and Hewitt)
Revising the responsibilities of the joint administrative rules review committee.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Changes the duties of the joint administrative rules review committee relating to administrative rules.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 EET - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority: do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5280-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Braun, and Warnick)
Concerning the sale of beer and cider by grocery store licensees.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Authorizes certain grocery store licensees, upon approval by the state liquor control board, to receive an endorsement to permit the sale of beer and cider in a sanitary container brought to the premises by the purchaser, or provided by the licensee or manufacturer, and filled at the tap by the licensee at the time of sale.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 CL - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority: without recommendation.
Feb 20 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5292-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Roach, Billig, Hasegawa, and Benton)
Protecting children and youth from powdered alcohol.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Ensures the use, purchase, sale, and possession of powdered alcohol is treated in the same manner as other liquors.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 LAW - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Feb 23 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

SB 5309-S by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Security (originally sponsored by Senators Roach, Liias, Dansel, McCoy, Pearson, Keiser, and Benton; by request of Public Disclosure Commission)
Improving efficiency of public disclosure commission operations and requirements.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Changes the duties of the public disclosure commission with regard to improving the efficiency of the operations and requirements.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 20 GOS - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5321-S by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Senators Benton, Mullet, Hobbs, Angel, and Fain)
Concerning licensure of persons providing debt settlement services.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Establishes the debt settlement services act.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 FI - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
SB 5346-S by Senate Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Senators Ranker, Mullet, Darnelle, Liias, Conway, McAuliffe, Keiser, and Chase)

Providing first responders with contact information for subscribers of personal emergency response services during an emergency.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires employees of companies providing personal emergency response services, when requested by first responders during an emergency, to provide the name, address, and other information necessary for first responders to contact their subscribers within the jurisdiction of the emergency.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 20 HILTH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5353-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senator Angel)

Concerning marketing opportunities for spirits produced in Washington by craft and general licensed distilleries.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Authorizes certain distilleries to: (1) Serve spirit samples of their own production that are adulterated with water and/or ice; and
(2) Apply to the state liquor control board for an endorsement to sell spirits of its own production at retail for off-premises consumption at a qualifying farmers market; and
(3) Accept orders for spirits from customers and deliver spirits to customers if certain conditions are met.

Requires the state liquor control board to issue special permits to certain distilleries for an event not open to the general public, including at the licensed premises of the applying distillery, for the purpose of tasting and selling spirits of its own production. Authorizes licensed retailers to sell gift certificates and gift cards intended to be exchanged for consumer goods, including alcohol, produced and sold by the licensee.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; do not pass.
Feb 20 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5381-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Billig, Frockt, Pedersen, Kohl-Welles, Rolfs, Liias, Nelson, Fraser, Cleveland, McCoy, and McAuliffe)

Creating a protocol for the return of firearms in the possession of law enforcement agencies.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Establishes the Sheena Henderson act.
Requires law enforcement agencies to: (1) Before returning a privately owned firearm, confirm that the individual to whom the firearm will be returned is the individual from whom the firearm was obtained or an authorized representative of that person and that he or she is eligible to possess a firearm; and
(2) Develop a notification protocol that allows a family or household member to use an incident or case number to request to be notified when a law enforcement agency returns a privately owned firearm.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Feb 23 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

SB 5398-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Rivers and Hasegawa; by request of Liquor Control Board)
Concerning marijuana, useable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products in public.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Addresses consuming or opening a package containing marijuana, useable marijuana, marijuana-infused products, or marijuana concentrate in view of the general public or in a public place.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5417-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Rivers, Mullet, Dansel, Cleveland, Hatfield, and Hill)
Concerning local government marijuana policies.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Eliminates the dedicated marijuana fund and creates the dedicated marijuana account.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; without recommendation.
Feb 20 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5425-S by Senate Committee on Energy,
Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Ericksen and Dansel)

Providing a sales and use tax exemption for qualified broadband equipment.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides a sales and use tax exemption for qualified broadband equipment used for the primary purpose of providing retail broadband service to underserved areas in the state, if the equipment is located in the underserved area and is purchased by a business that provides broadband service.

Provides a business and occupation tax credit on the capital costs associated with providing retail broadband service using qualified broadband equipment.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19  EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.

SB 5449-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice
(originally sponsored by Senators Braun, Rivers, Brown, Hobbs, Dammeier, Becker, Mullet, Sheldon, Warnick, Fain, Honeyford, Hewitt, and Frockt)

Creating a tax division of the court of appeals.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates a new tax appeal division in the court of appeals to resolve appeals of tax disputes.

Transfers the powers, duties, and functions of the state board of tax appeals to the tax division of the court of appeals.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19  LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; do not pass.

Feb 20  Passed to Ways & Means.

SB 5498-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice
(originally sponsored by Senators Pedersen and O'Ban; by request of Department of Social and Health Services and Uniform Law Commission)

Revising the uniform interstate family support act.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises the uniform interstate family support act.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19  LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20  Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Feb 23  Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5507-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor
(originally sponsored by Senators Braun, Rivers, Sheldon, Angel, and Schoesler)

Addressing appeals by employers of department of labor and industries' fines or civil penalties.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses employers' appeals of fines or civil penalties imposed by the department of labor and industries.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19  CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5563-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications
(originally sponsored by Senators Honeyford, Sheldon, and Ericksen)

Providing a business and occupation tax exemption for environmental handling charges.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides a business and occupation tax exemption to producers, retailers, and stewardship organizations for environmental handling charges.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19  EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5596-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor
(originally sponsored by Senators King, Hewitt, Kohl-Welles, and McAuliffe)

Creating a special permit for a manufacturer of wine to hold a private event for the purpose of tasting and selling wine of its own production.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates a special permit for a manufacturer of wine to hold a private event for the purpose of tasting and selling wine of its own production.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19  CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20  Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Bailey, Ranker, Hatfield, Baumgartner, Lias, and Rolfes)

Protecting waterways from pollution from synthetic plastic microbeads.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Prohibits producing, manufacturing, or selling personal care products or over-the-counter drugs containing synthetic plastic microbeads.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority: do not pass.

Minority: without recommendation.

Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5622-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Sheldon, Miloscia, Angel, Becker, Warnick, and Pearson)

Concerning the use of empirical science to support agency actions affecting land use.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of fish and wildlife and the department of ecology, where a significant agency action will change, supersede, or invalidate a local land use policy or will directly or indirectly diminish the allowed uses of a private property, to include in its required list of sources all empirical science relied upon by the agency in the course of preparing to take the significant agency action.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority: do not pass.

Feb 23 Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5635-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Darneille, Padden, Kohl-Welles, O'Ban, Fraser, and Pearson)

Collecting DNA at jail and corrections facilities as part of the intake process.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Changes DNA collection requirements at jails and correctional facilities.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5659-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Ericksen, Sheldon, Pearson, Braun, Hatfield, Hobbs, Mullet, and Benton)

Directing state investments of existing litter tax revenues under chapter 82.19 RCW in material waste management efforts without increasing the tax rate.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Places existing litter tax revenue in material waste management efforts without increasing the tax rate.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

And refer to Ways & Means.

Minority: do not pass.

Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5680-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Hobbs, Honeyford, and Angel)

Assisting small businesses licensed to sell spirits in Washington state.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Changes payment requirements of license issuance fees for licensees who are holders of former state liquor store operating rights or owners of former contract liquor stores, and who are qualified as a small business.

Allows a group of individual retailers, authorized to sell spirits for consumption off the licensed premises, to accept delivery of spirits intended for multiple licensees at the licensed premises of any one of the individual licensees, or at a warehouse facility registered with the state liquor control board.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

And refer to Ways & Means.

Minority: do not pass.

Minority: without recommendation.

Feb 20 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5670-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Braun, Chase, Kohl-Welles, Sheldon, Hatfield, Rivers, Bailey, Dansel, Ericksen, Becker, and Hewitt)

Clarifying expenditures under the state universal communications services program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Clarifies expenditures for the state universal communications services program.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

And refer to Ways & Means.

Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5737-S by Senate Committee on Accountability & Reform (originally sponsored by Senators Miloscia and Chase)

Concerning government performance and accountability.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the performance management act.

Creates the office of performance management in the office of the governor and intends that the office of performance management should: (1) Be granted administrative authority over state performance management programs, ensuring that all executive branch
agencies properly implement lean performance management systems;
(2) Coordinate performance assessments of state agencies by independent examiners; and
(3) Analyze and report agency performance systems, data, and assessment results to the public, appropriate agencies, and the legislature.
Requires state agencies to adopt an agency strategic plan, an agency ethics plan, a workforce learning and training development and workforce performance management system, and an agency performance management implementation plan.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19  ACRE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Minority; do not pass.
Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5755-S  by Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Hill, Ranker, Dannoier, Braun, Keiser, Billig, Becker, Brown, Kohl-Welles, Chase, Conway, Darneille, Hasegawa, Fain, Habib, Hewitt, Pedersen, Jayapal, and McAuliffe)
Addressing and mitigating the impacts of property crimes in Washington state.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Responds to the findings of the state justice reinvestment task force by: (1) Changing sentencing policy to require supervision of certain people convicted of property offenses;
(2) Providing treatment, if needed, and programs to reduce recidivism; and
(3) Providing additional support to local governments and victims of property crime.
Changes the duties and composition of the sentencing guidelines commission.
Provides for termination and review, under the sunset act, of the sentencing guidelines commission’s authorities as established in this act.
Requires the sentencing guidelines commission, if requested by a legislator, to prepare a racial and ethnic impact analysis that describes the effects of proposed legislation on the racial and ethnic composition of the criminal offender population or recipients of human services.
Requires the department of commerce to: (1) Establish a law enforcement grant program and a pretrial grant program;
(2) Use an advisory committee to evaluate grant applications and monitor the effectiveness of grant projects in terms of property crime reduction;
(3) Consult with counties and local law enforcement agencies when determining grant eligibility requirements and criteria; and
(4) Report to the sentencing guidelines commission on the effectiveness of the grant programs.
Authorizes the prosecuting attorney to file a special allegation when sufficient evidence exists to show that an accused is a habitual property offender.
Makes appropriations.
Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

SB 5766-S  by Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Roach, O’Ban, Padden, and Darneille)
Concerning monitoring agencies providing electronic monitoring.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires a supervising agency to establish terms and conditions of electronic monitoring for each individual subject to electronic monitoring in the supervising agency's jurisdiction and requires a monitoring agency to comply with those terms and conditions.
Provides that defendants who have a prior conviction for a violent offense, a sex offense, or for escape in the first, second, or third degree are ineligible for electronic monitoring while awaiting trial.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19  LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Feb 20  Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5775-S  by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Braun and Baumgartner)
Improving the accuracy of the prevailing rate of wage.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires the department of labor and industries, in establishing the prevailing rate of wage, to use a stratified random sampling methodology.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19  CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Feb 20  Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Feb 23  Made eligible to be placed on second reading.

SB 5787-S  by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators Jayapal, Fain, McAuliffe, Darneille, and Hasegawa)
Concerning a model policy and procedures for language access by limited-English proficient parents of students.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires the state school directors’ association to, with the assistance of the office of the superintendent of public instruction, develop a model policy and procedures for language access by limited-English proficient parents.
Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Convene an advisory committee to develop sample materials for school districts to disseminate to school employees and parents regarding parents’ rights under the model policy developed by the state school directors’ association and the resources available to assist
parents and guardians in accessing the services available to
them;
(2) Maintain and have available upon request a list of
school districts that have and have not adopted the state
school directors' association's model policy; and
(3) Develop a list of and post information on the agency's
web site regarding language access services providers
available to school districts and training programs that are
available to support school districts in preparing employees
for how to access and effectively use an interpreter.
Requires each school district to: (1) Establish its own
language access policy and procedures and make them
available on the district's web site; and
(2) Notify the office of the superintendent of public
instruction whether the district adopted the model policy,
procedures, and sample materials or the district adopted
something different.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be
substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Feb 20 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5803-S by Senate Committee on Early Learning &
K-12 Education (originally sponsored by
Senators Dammeyer, McAuliffe, and Keiser)
Concerning the notification of parents when their children
are below basic on the third grade statewide English
language arts assessment.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires elementary schools, each spring before the
administration of the statewide student assessment in
English language arts, to require meetings between teachers
and parents of students in third grade who are reading below
grade-level or who scored in the basic or below basic level
on the prior year's statewide student assessment.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be
substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second
reading.
Feb 23 Made eligible to be placed on second
reading.

SB 5809-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice
(originally sponsored by Senator Benton)
Concerning the disclosure of information during
negotiations for the acquisition of real property by
government agencies.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Addresses the provision of just compensation to real
property owners during negotiations for the acquisition of
the property by government agencies.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be
substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second
reading.

SB 5823-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice
(originally sponsored by Senators Rivers and Litzow)
Concerning guardians ad litem.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires guardians ad litem to notify each party and
court of any conflicts of interest before accepting
appointment as a guardian ad litem.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be
substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second
reading.
Feb 23 Made eligible to be placed on second
reading.

SB 5842-S by Senate Committee on Energy,
Environment & Telecommunications
(originally sponsored by Senators Braun, Hatfield,
Ericksen, Sheldon, and Chase)
Providing a compliance path based on sound utility planning
under the energy independence act.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Modifies energy independence act provisions relating to
energy conservation and renewable energy targets.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be
substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Minority; without recommendation.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second
reading.

SB 5846-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor
(originally sponsored by Senators Warnick,
Braun, and Ericksen)
Granting exemptions to the plumbing and electrical codes.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Requires the director of the department of labor and
industries to exempt from the requirements of the plumbing
and electrical codes, minor or incidental work that does not
require certification in order to protect public health or
safety.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be
substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second
reading.

SB 5849-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice
(originally sponsored by Senators Padden,
Pedersen, Hatfield, and Pearson)
Authorizing establishment of ethics defense trust funds.
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Authorizes a state officer to establish an ethics defense
trust fund and name a trustee if the state officer is subject to
a complaint for an ethics violation filed or issued under
chapter 42.52 RCW (ethics in public service) relating to the
state officer's official duties.
SB 5891-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice
(originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Padden, Keiser, Conway, Chase, and Hasegawa)

Concerning the trafficking of persons.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Designates the office of crime victims advocacy as the single point of contact in state government regarding the trafficking of persons.

Creates the Washington state clearinghouse on human trafficking as an information portal to share and coordinate trafficking victim advocacy.

Reestablishes the state task force against the trafficking of persons.

Requires that human trafficking information be posted in public restrooms.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires establishments that maintain restrooms for use by the public to post, in all restrooms of the establishment, a notice which may be in a variety of languages and include toll-free telephone numbers a person may call for assistance, including numbers for the national human trafficking resource center and the state office of crime victims advocacy.

Authorizes the office of crime victims advocacy to work with businesses, other establishments, and human trafficking victim advocates to adopt policies for the placement of the notices.

SB 5884-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice
(originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Darnelle, Padden, Keiser, Conway, Chase, and Hasegawa)

Concerning the trafficking of persons.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Designates the office of crime victims advocacy as the single point of contact in state government regarding the trafficking of persons.

Creates the Washington state clearinghouse on human trafficking as an information portal to share and coordinate statewide efforts to combat the trafficking of persons.

Reestablishes the state task force against the trafficking of persons which will be chaired by the director of the office of crime victims advocacy.

Delays, until June 30, 2017, the expiration of the commercially sexually exploited children statewide coordinating committee.

Requires establishments that maintain restrooms for use by the public to post, in all restrooms of the establishment, a notice which may be in a variety of languages and include toll-free telephone numbers a person may call for assistance, including numbers for the national human trafficking resource center and the office of crime victims advocacy.

SB 5892-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications
(originally sponsored by Senator Ericksen)

Encouraging reliable distributed solar energy.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides a public utility tax credit to a utility in an amount equal to certain investment cost recovery payments.

SB 5907-S by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education
(originally sponsored by Senators Mcauliffe, Chase, Cleveland, and Litzow)

Creating a sales and use tax exemption for technology sold to, or used in, public schools.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides a sales and use tax exemption on the sales of technology to, and the use of technology in, public schools.
SB 5908-S by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Chase, Cleveland, Billig, Kohl-Welles, Habib, and Hasegawa)

Concerning restraint or isolation of students, including students with disabilities, in public schools.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Prohibits schools from physically restraining or isolating a student except when the student's behavior poses an imminent likelihood of serious harm to that student or another person.

Requires the state school directors' association to adopt a model policy limiting restraint or isolation of students in public schools.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Feb 20 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5933-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators O'Ban, Kohl-Welles, Miloscia, Fraser, Fain, Padden, Hasegawa, Litzow, Dammeyer, Chase, and Conway)

Establishing a statewide training program on human trafficking laws for criminal justice personnel.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the office of crime victims advocacy to establish a statewide training program on Washington's human trafficking laws for criminal justice personnel.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5942-S by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Rivers, Rolfes, Litzow, Mullet, Dammeyer, Billig, and Fain)

Concerning an outcome evaluation of the national guard youth challenge program.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the state institute for public policy to conduct a longitudinal outcome evaluation of the national guard youth challenge program to determine the impact of the program on students as they proceed through high school and into postsecondary education or their careers.

Expires August 15, 2025.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Feb 20 Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5952-S by Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Braun and Baumgartner)

Creating an exemption from the intents and affidavits requirements when paying prevailing wages.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Exempts certain public works contractors, subcontractors, and material suppliers from the requirement to submit a statement of intent to pay prevailing wages and an affidavit of wages paid.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority: do not pass.
Minority: without recommendation.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5965-S by Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Warnick, Hatfield, Pearson, Hobbs, and Bailey)

Evaluating mitigation options for impacts to baseflows and minimum instream flows.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of ecology to: (1) Produce a report evaluating options for mitigating the effects of permit-exempt groundwater withdrawals on base flows and minimum instream flows; and (2) Consult with the office of the attorney general when preparing the report.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 AWRD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5972-S by Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Schoesler, Hatfield, and Warnick)

Concerning the procurement of seeds by state agencies.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires agencies, when purchasing seed, to require suppliers of seed to ensure the identity and purity of the seed through appropriate testing performed by the state department of agriculture or other agency authorized under the laws of any state, territory, or possession that has standards and procedures approved by the United States secretary of agriculture to ensure the identity and purity of seed.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19 AWRD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6004-S by Senate Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Braun, Honeyford, and Hatfield)

Providing for the acquisition of coal displacement power.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Allows electrical companies, that participated previously in the retirement of a coal-fired generation plant in this state by purchasing coal transition power, to receive the same rate of return on power purchase agreements that will displace the coal transition power purchase agreements.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19  EET - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
        Minority; do not pass.
        Minority; without recommendation.
        Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6019-S by Senate Committee on Law & Justice
(originally sponsored by Senators Padden, Pedersen, Frockt, and O’Ban)
Addressing adjudicative proceedings by state agencies.
DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE
Addresses state agency adjudicative proceedings with regard to ex parte communications, entry of final orders, and issuance of final decisions or proposals for decisions by administrative law judge.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 19  LAW - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Feb 20  Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6045 by Senators Becker and Frockt
Extending the hospital safety net assessment.
Delays, until July 1, 2019, the expiration of the hospital safety net assessment.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 23  First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 6046 by Senators Rolfes and Hasegawa
Providing for a vote of the public to authorize public utility districts to provide telecommunications services.
Authorizes public utility districts to provide telecommunications services.
Requires a public utility district to develop a written implementation plan describing how the district intends to provide retail telecommunications services before constructing, purchasing, acquiring, developing, financing, leasing, licensing, handling, providing, adding to, contracting for, interconnecting, altering, improving, repairing, operating, or maintaining telecommunications facilities for the provision of retail telecommunications services.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 23  First reading, referred to Energy, Environment & Telecommunications.