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SENATE	SB 6113	SB 6114	SB 6115	SB 6116	SJR 8207		
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This publication includes digest and history for bills, joint memorials, joint resolutions, concurrent resolutions, initiatives, and substitutes. Engrossed measures may be republished if the amendment makes a substantive change.

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House Bills

HB 1396-S by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Clibborn, Orcutt, Fey, Zeiger, Fitzgibbon, Farrell, Tarleton, Peterson, McBride, Gregerson, and Goodman)

Incentivizing the use of alternative fuel commercial use vehicles with tax preferences.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the clean fuel vehicle incentives act.

Provides a credit against business and occupation taxes and public utility taxes to increase sales of commercial vehicles that use clean alternative fuel to ten percent of commercial vehicle sales by 2026.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 14 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Apr 20 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

HB 2194-S by House Committee on Technology & Economic Development (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunter, Hansen, Carlyle, Johnson, Walkinshaw, Ryu, and Santos)

Creating a funding stream and program for cancer research, prevention, and care.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses cancer research, prevention, and care.

Changes the composition of the life sciences discovery fund authority and expands the authority's duties.

Establishes an advisory committee to advise the authority on matters relating to cancer research.

Increases the tax on cigarettes and the tax on tobacco products.

Creates the fund to fight cancer and the fight cancer treasury fund.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 15 TED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; do not pass.

Apr 17 Referred to Finance.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

HB 2241 by Representatives Hudgins, Walsh, Orwall, Pettigrew, Moscoso, Reykdal, Walkinshaw, Ortiz-Self, Santos, Bergquist, Stanford, Appleton, and Gregerson

Aligning eligibility for the college bound scholarship program with the state need grant program.

Aligns eligibility for the college bound scholarship program with the state need grant program.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 23 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

HB 2242 by Representatives Hudgins, Magendanz, and Stanford

Concerning training state information technology employees in common business-oriented language (COBOL).

Requires the department of enterprise services, in collaboration with the office of the chief information officer and The Evergreen State College, to establish a pilot project to train state agency information technology employees, on a voluntary basis, in common business-oriented language programming with the goal of reducing costs for maintenance and repair of legacy systems.

Expires December 1, 2019.

- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
 Apr 23 First reading, referred to General Government & Information Technology (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --
 Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.
- HB 2243** by Representatives Hudgins, Magendanz, and Stanford
 Requiring a study of incentive methods for attracting high-demand talent in information technology and cybersecurity to state agencies.
 Requires the student achievement council, in collaboration with the state board for community and technical colleges and the workforce training and education coordinating board, to study the demand for qualified information technology and cybersecurity employees at state agencies.
 Expires July 1, 2016.
- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
 Apr 23 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --
 Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.
- HB 2244** by Representatives Hudgins, Magendanz, and Stanford
 Creating the cybersecurity conditional loan program.
 Creates the cybersecurity conditional loan program to support students interested in cybersecurity.
 Creates the cybersecurity conditional loan account.
- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
 Apr 23 First reading, referred to Higher Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --
 Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.
- HB 2245** by Representatives Hudgins, Wilcox, and S. Hunt
 Concerning the transfer of the state capital historical museum to the control of the department of enterprise services.
 Transfers responsibility for maintenance and leasing of the state capital historical museum from the Washington state historical society to the department of enterprise services.
 Allows the department of enterprise services to lease the state capital historical museum to other state agencies or private parties.
- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
 Apr 23 First reading, referred to General Government & Information Technology (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --
 Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.
- HB 2246** by Representatives Hudgins and Taylor
 Modifying specific statutory timelines governing the administration and organization of the joint administrative rules review committee that prescribe when member, alternate, chair, and vice chair appointments and final decisions regarding petitions for review must be made.
 Revises joint administrative rules review committee provisions with regard to member, alternate, chair, and vice chair appointments and final decisions regarding petitions for review.
- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
 Apr 23 First reading, referred to State Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --
 Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.
- HB 2247** by Representatives Wylie, Tarleton, Ryu, and Appleton
 Concerning local community development.
 Authorizes cultural access programs.
 Allows the imposition of sales and use taxes and additional regular property tax levies for the purposes authorized in this act.
 Provides tax credits to businesses in main street communities to promote contributions to main street programs.
- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
 Apr 24 First reading, referred to Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --
 Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.
- HB 2248** by Representatives Santos and Orwall
 Concerning transition services for special education students.
 Authorizes transition planning for students with disabilities as soon as practicable when educationally and developmentally appropriate.
- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --
 Apr 24 First reading, referred to Education (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --
 Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.
- HB 2249** by Representatives MacEwen, Stokesbary, and Pike
 Making a declared leave of absence of an elected official a vacancy in the office.

Provides that an elective office becomes vacant upon a declared leave of absence from duties that is not due to medical or health-related reasons or military obligations.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 28 Prefiled for introduction.

Apr 29 First reading, referred to State Government (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

House Concurrent Resolutions

HCR 4404 by Representatives Sullivan and Kretz

Returning bills to their house of origin.

(DIGEST AS ADOPTED)

Returns bills to their house of origin.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 24 Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, adopted.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, adopted.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Speaker signed.

-- IN THE SENATE --

President signed.

-- OTHER THAN LEGISLATIVE ACTION --

Filed with Secretary of State.

HCR 4405 by Representatives Sullivan and Kretz

Adjourning the 2015 Regular Session of the Sixty-fourth Legislature SINE DIE.

(DIGEST AS ADOPTED)

Adjourns the 2015 regular session of the sixty-fourth legislature SINE DIE.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 24 Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, adopted.

-- IN THE SENATE --

Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, adopted.

-- IN THE HOUSE --

Speaker signed.

-- IN THE SENATE --

President signed.

-- OTHER THAN LEGISLATIVE ACTION --

Filed with Secretary of State.

HCR 4406 by Representatives Sullivan and Kretz

Specifying the status of bills, memorials, and resolutions for the 2015 first special session of the sixty-fourth legislature.

Specifies the status of bills, memorials, and resolutions for the 2015 first special session of the sixty-fourth legislature.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 28 Prefiled for introduction.

Apr 29 Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, adopted.

-- IN THE SENATE --

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

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, adopted.

Senate Bills

SB 6113 by Senators Jayapal, Frockt, Kohl-Welles, Nelson, Fraser, and Hasegawa

Aligning eligibility for the college bound scholarship program with the state need grant program.

Aligns eligibility for the college bound scholarship program with the state need grant program.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 23 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

SB 6114 by Senators Frockt and Kohl-Welles; by request of State Treasurer

Concerning fiscal reform.

Establishes a state income tax.

Reduces the state sales tax.

Eliminates the state property tax.

Reduces business and occupation taxes for certain businesses.

Requires seventy-five percent of revenue collected under sections 101 through 810 of this act to be used exclusively for the purpose of making ample provision for the education of all children resident within the state.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to reduce a school district levy authority by an amount no less than eighty percent of the additional annual basic education allocations to the district for expenditures that the office identifies as being supported by school excess levy revenues.

Declares it is the intent of the legislature that the net new revenue generated as a result of this act be used to reduce the dependence of school districts on excess levies for maintenance and operation support of the basic education program.

Takes effect if the proposed amendment to Article VII of the state Constitution, authorizing income taxes, is approved by the voters at a general election held in November 2016.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

SB 6115 by Senator Chase

Limiting tax imposed by a city or town on a water distribution business, a sewerage system business, or water and sewerage system business.

Prohibits a city or town from imposing a tax on the privilege of conducting a water distribution business, a sewerage system business, or a water and sewerage system business at a rate that exceeds six percent unless the rate is first approved by a majority of the voters of the city or town voting on the proposition.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 24 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Security.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

SB 6116 by Senators Sheldon, Baumgartner, Hewitt, Braun, Rivers, Becker, Ericksen, Schoesler, and Honeyford

Prohibiting the use of sick leave benefits, compensation, or health benefits for educational employees during a strike or work stoppage.

Prohibits certain appropriated money from being expended for sick leave benefits, compensation, or health benefits during the time an employee engages in a strike or work stoppage.

Allows a school district board of directors, during a strike or a work stoppage, to require a signed statement from a licensed health care provider that an employee's absence was due to illness or injury.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 27 Prefiled for introduction.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 29 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8207 by Senators Frockt and Kohl-Welles; by request of State Treasurer

Concerning a constitutional amendment regarding the structure and limitations for taxation in the state of Washington.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution regarding the structure and limitations for taxation in the state.

-- 2015 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.