House Bills


Increasing academic rigor and streamlining assessment requirements for high school students.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 5/27/15)

Eliminates the tenth grade assessments in reading, writing, and mathematics and alternative assessments that students may use to obtain a certificate of academic achievement.

Requires students to meet the standard on the smarter balanced English language arts and mathematics assessments administered in high school, or demonstrate by the beginning of their senior year that they have met state standards using the SAT or ACT.

Intends for students who fail to meet the standard to take and pass locally determined courses in their senior year that align with their college or career goals, including, when available, high school transition courses.

Allows students in the graduating class of 2016 who have, by the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year, already met the standard on the tenth grade assessments in reading, writing, and mathematics, or satisfied the alternative assessments, to earn a certificate of academic achievement by these means, by the means identified in section 101(3) of this act, or by a combination of the two.

Declares it is the intent of the legislature for Washington to administer only the following for high school graduation:
The smarter balanced assessment in English language arts;
the smarter balanced assessment in mathematics; and
the statewide assessment in science, including, when operational, the comprehensive next generation science standards assessment.

HB 2258  by Representative Haler

Requiring a study to evaluate the impact of the property tax levy limitation on cities, counties, special purpose districts, and property owners.

Requires the department of revenue to evaluate the impact of the property tax levy limitation in chapter 84.55 RCW on cities, counties, special purpose districts, and property owners.

Expires December 30, 2016.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --
May 28 First reading, referred to Finance.
-- 2015 2ND SPECIAL SESSION --
May 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

HB 2259  by Representatives Klippert and Hayes

Concerning the crime of indecent exposure.
HB 2260 by Representatives Klippert and Hayes

Modifies provisions relating to the crime of indecent exposure.

-- 2015 2ND SPECIAL SESSION --

Jun 1 First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Adding the crime of sexual misconduct with a minor in the first degree to crimes that can be prosecuted up to six years after the offense.

Prohibits a violation of RCW 9A.44.093 (sexual misconduct with a minor in the first degree) from being prosecuted more than six years after the commission or discovery of the offense.

-- 2015 2ND SPECIAL SESSION --

Jun 1 First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2261 by Representatives Shea, Reykdal, Taylor, Scott, and Van Werven

Protecting utility customers by modifying the authority of utilities to backbill customers for charges missed due to utility error.

Modifies the authority of utilities to backbill customers for charges missed due to utility error.

-- 2015 2ND SPECIAL SESSION --

Jun 1 First reading, referred to Technology & Economic Development (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2262 by Representatives Bergquist, Muri, and Gregerson

Creating Washington tennis special license plates.

Creates Washington tennis special license plates to provide funds to cities to assist in the construction and maintenance of a public tennis facility with at least four indoor tennis courts.

-- 2015 2ND SPECIAL SESSION --

Jun 3 First reading, referred to Transportation (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

House Concurrent Resolutions

HCR 4407 by Representatives Sullivan and Kretz

Returning bills to their house of origin.

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 5/28/15)

Returns bills to their house of origin.

-- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

May 28 First Reading.
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.

SB 5177-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators O'Ban and Darneille; by request of Department of Social and Health Services)

Improving timeliness of competency evaluation and restoration services. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Concerning forensic mental health services.)

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 5/28/15)

Addresses forensic mental health services.

Encourages the department of social and health services to develop, on a phased-in basis, alternative locations and increased access to competency restoration services under chapter 10.77 RCW (criminally insane) for individuals who do not require in-patient psychiatric hospitalization level services.

Requires the department of social and health services to work with counties and the court to develop a screening process to determine which individuals are safe to receive competency restoration treatment outside the state hospitals.

Creates an office of forensic mental health services within the department of social and health services to prioritize goals of accuracy, prompt service to the court, quality assurance, and integration with other services.
Requires the administrative office of the courts to develop and prepare standard forms for court orders for forensic evaluation and competency restoration services and involuntary civil commitment.

Creates a court video testimony work group to consider and facilitate the use of video testimony by state competency evaluators and other representatives of the department of social and health services and the state hospitals in court matters.

--- 2015 REGULAR SESSION ---

Feb 24 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Minority; without recommendation.
Feb 25 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Mar 3 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
Mar 4 2nd substitute bill substituted. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 44; nays, 5; absent, 0; excused, 0.
-- IN THE HOUSE --
Mar 6 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
Apr 1 JUDI - Majority; do pass with amendment(s). Minority; do not pass. Referred to Appropriations.
Apr 7 APP - Majority; do pass with amendment(s) by Judiciary. Minority; do not pass. Referred to Rules 2 Review.
Apr 24 By resolution, returned to Senate Rules Committee for third reading.

--- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION ---

-- IN THE SENATE --
Apr 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.
May 27 Placed on third reading by Rules Committee.
May 28 Rules suspended. Returned to second reading for amendment. Floor amendment(s) adopted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 46; nays, 1; absent, 0; excused, 2.
-- IN THE HOUSE --
Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar. Placed on second reading. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 81; nays, 12; absent, 0; excused, 5.
-- IN THE SENATE --
President signed.
-- IN THE HOUSE --
Speaker signed.

-- OTHER THAN LEGISLATIVE ACTION --
Delivered to Governor.

SB 6050-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Hill)

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

--- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION ---
May 28 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 6125-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Honeyford, Keiser, and Warnick)
Concerning emergency drought response.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Makes appropriations for response to a statewide drought.

--- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION ---
May 28 1st substitute bill substituted. Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading. Third reading, passed; yeas, 47; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 2.
-- IN THE HOUSE --
First reading, referred to Appropriations. By resolution, returned to Senate Rules Committee for third reading.

--- 2015 2ND SPECIAL SESSION ---
-- IN THE SENATE --
May 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

SB 6126-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Braun)
Addressing collective bargaining.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)
Addresses collective bargaining provisions relating to transparent negotiations, binding interest arbitration, retirement benefits, and financial feasibility.

--- 2015 1ST SPECIAL SESSION ---
May 27 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. Minority; do not pass. Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

--- 2015 2ND SPECIAL SESSION ---
May 29 By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

SB 6128 by Senators Chase and Hasegawa
Concerning electronic product recycling.
Changes the composition of the board of directors of the Washington materials management and financing authority.

--- 2015 2ND SPECIAL SESSION ---

Jun 1  First reading, referred to Energy,
        Environment & Telecommunications.

--- Senate Concurrent Resolutions ---

SCR 8403  by Senators Schoesler and Fraser
Specifying the status of bills, memorials, and resolutions for
the 2015 regular and first special sessions of the Sixty-fourth
Legislature.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 5/29/15)

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

--- 2015 2ND SPECIAL SESSION ---

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

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

        -- IN THE SENATE --

Jun 1  President signed.