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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.


House Bills

HB 2116 by Representatives Kraft, Pellicciotti, Hudgins, Irwin, Volz, Appleton, Dolan, Van Werven, Ormsby, Jenkin, Stambaugh, Wylie, Muri, Stanford, McDonald, Doglio, Koster, McCabe, Pollet, and Pike
Establishing the legislative advisory committee on aging.
Creates the legislative advisory committee on aging to review issues of importance to the state's aging community which may include housing, long-term care, health and wellness, transportation, and finances.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 16 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

Granting relatives, including but not limited to grandparents, the right to seek visitation with a child through the courts.
Allows a relative to seek visitation with a child through the courts.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 16 First reading, referred to Judiciary (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2118 by Representatives Stambaugh and Shea
Clarifying authority of ethics boards.
Clarifies the ethics boards' authority.

Requires the executive ethics board's jurisdiction, with respect to an alleged violation, to be based on the statutes and rules in effect at the time of the alleged violation, with regard to the following: (1) Statewide elected officers and other officers and employees in the executive branch, boards and commissions, and institutions of higher education; and
(2) The activities of university research employees.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 16 First reading, referred to State Government, Elections & Information Technology (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2119 by Representatives Stambaugh, Van Werven, and Shea
Establishing ethics boards decision-making timelines.
Requires the ethics boards to make a determination within the forty-five day period following the closure of a public hearing on the merits of a complaint.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 16 First reading, referred to State Government, Elections & Information Technology (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2120 by Representatives Shea, Taylor, Santos, McCaslin, Ormsby, Young, Stanford, Pollet, Tarleton, and Condotta
Creating the Washington state preservation of liberty act condemning the unlawful detention of United States citizens and lawful resident aliens under the national defense authorization act.
Condemns the unlawful detention of United States citizens and lawful resident aliens under the national defense authorization act by establishing the Washington state preservation of liberty act.
HB 2121 by Representatives Pettigrew, Tarleton, and Macri
Repealing income eligibility for temporary assistance for needy families benefits for a child who lives with a nonparent caregiver.
Repeals RCW 74.12.037 (income eligibility criteria for temporary assistance for needy families benefits for children living with a nonparent caregiver).

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 17 First reading, referred to Finance (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2122 by Representative Taylor
Ensuring local government leave program changes are coordinated with Washington state retirement systems plans.
Requires a local government employer that participates in a retirement plan administered by the department of retirement systems to, before changing a system of providing sick, vacation, compensatory, or other forms of leave offered to employees: (1) Submit a detailed summary of the proposed changes to the department; and (2) Before implementing the change, receive a formal analysis from the department of impacts from the change on retirement benefit calculations.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 17 First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2123 by Representatives Manweller and Appleton
Concerning certification requirements for electrical trainees.
Creates alternative certification qualifications for: HVAC/refrigeration restricted specialty electricians; HVAC/refrigeration restricted specialty electricians; restricted, nonresidential maintenance specialty electricians; and nonresidential maintenance specialty electricians.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 17 First reading, referred to Labor & Workplace Standards (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2124 by Representatives Sawyer, Condotta, Taylor, Vick, Shea, Fitzgibbon, and Goodman
Prohibiting the use of public resources to assist the federal government in any activity that might impede or interfere with revenue to the operating budget pursuant to Washington state's regulation of marijuana and marijuana-related products as prescribed by the laws of the state of Washington.
Prohibits public employees from assisting or expending state resources to knowingly aid or assist the federal government with respect to an activity or inquiry related to a federal action or effort that results in the loss of revenue through interference with the state's marijuana market.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 17 First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2125 by Representatives Blake and Wilcox
Providing funding for a community-based approach to provide assistance with nonlethal management methods to reduce livestock depredations by wolves.
Creates the northeast Washington wolf-cattle management grant within the department of agriculture for the deployment of nonlethal deterrence resources, including equipment and tools, owned and strategically located locally to reduce the probability of livestock depredations by wolves.
Creates an advisory board to advise the department on the expenditure of the management grant funds.
Creates the northeast Washington wolf-cattle management account.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 17 First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2126 by Representatives Blake and Wilcox
Creating a community-based approach to provide assistance with nonlethal management methods to reduce livestock depredations by wolves.
Creates the northeast Washington wolf-cattle management grant within the department of agriculture for the deployment of nonlethal deterrence resources, including equipment and tools, owned and strategically located locally to reduce the probability of livestock depredations by wolves.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 17 First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).

HB 2127 by Representatives Haler, Cody, Harris, Schmick, and Johnson
Establishing a medical school loan program.
Creates the medical student loan program to increase the rural physician workforce in the state.
Requires the office of student financial assistance to administer the program and gives the office certain powers and duties.
Creates the medical student loan account.
Senate Bills

SB 5826  by Senators Hobbs, Zeiger, O'Ban, Conway, Fain, Keiser, Hunt, and Saldaña
Concerning eligibility for veteran or national guard tuition waivers.
Removes the language "or in another location" for the purpose of higher education tuition and fees waivers for eligible veterans and national guard members.

SB 5827  by Senators Braun and Rolfes
Concerning definitions and reporting requirements for municipalities receiving lodging tax revenues.
Addresses lodging tax revenue provisions regarding the addition of the definition of "tourist" and reporting requirements for municipalities that receive the revenue.

SB 5828  by Senators Palumbo, Rolfes, Frockt, Kuderer, Hunt, and Saldaña
Limiting disclosure of information about the religious affiliation of individuals.
Prohibits employers, state or local government agencies or public employees, and state and local law enforcement agencies from providing, collecting, disclosing, and/or requiring the disclosure of information on the religious belief, practice, or affiliation of an individual.
Exempts the following from disclosure under the public records act: Records that relate to or contain personally identifying information about an individual's religious beliefs, practices, or affiliation.

SB 5829  by Senators Fain, Keiser, Conway, and Hunt
Addressing paid family leave.
Addresses the provision of paid family leave for the birth or placement of a child for adoption or foster care with an employee and for a qualifying exigency under the federal family and medical leave act.

SB 5830  by Senator Chase
Concerning sexual violence crime fees.
Requires an individual who is charged with committing sexually violent crimes or criminal offenses with a substantial nexus to sexual violence to pay a fee upon the commission of the crime.
Creates the Washington sexually oriented crime fee account.

SB 5831  by Senators Damneille, Keiser, Kuderer, and Hunt
Concerning assessment of the needs of girls and young women concurrently involved in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems.
Requires the state institute for public policy, in consultation with the state supreme court gender and justice commission, to conduct a statewide study on the needs of dually involved females.
Defines "dually involved female" as a female under eighteen years old who has concurrent involvement with both the child welfare and juvenile justice systems in the state.

SB 5832  by Senator Wilson
Creating an academic bill of rights.
Establishes the campus free expression act and the academic freedom and whistleblower protection act.
Creates an academic bill of rights.

SB 5833  by Senators Honeyford, Frockt, Braun, Fain, Angel, and Hunt
Addressing the minimum retirement allowance under the teachers' retirement system, plan 1.
Addresses plan 1 of the teachers' retirement system with regard to an increase in the minimum retirement allowance.
SB 5834 by Senator Baumgartner
Concerning the licensing of bonded spirits warehouses.
Establishes a license for bonded spirits warehouses that authorizes the storage and handling of bulk, barreled, or bottled spirits.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 16 First reading, referred to Commerce, Labor & Sports.
CLS - Majority; do pass.
Public hearing, executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Commerce, and Labor & Sports at 1:30 PM.

SB 5835 by Senators Keiser, Baumgartner, Fain, Conway, Cleveland, Rivers, Kuderer, Braun, Rossi, Hasegawa, Hunt, and Saldaña
Promoting healthy outcomes for pregnant women and infants.
Requires the state health care authority to: (1) Require that health care facilities that provide newborn delivery services to medical assistance clients establish certain policies and procedures regarding placement of a newborn on the mother's chest and room-in practices where the newborn and mother share the same room; (2) Provide guidelines for hospitals to use when establishing the policies and procedures; (3) Require managed care organizations to report on the frequency in which they are able to adhere to the policies and procedures; and (4) Include advanced registered nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives when establishing certain performance measures.
Requires the department of labor and industries to provide online education materials explaining the respective rights and responsibilities of employers and employees who have a health condition related to pregnancy or childbirth.
Requires the attorney general to investigate complaints and provide enforcement.
Creates the healthy pregnancy advisory committee to: (1) Develop a strategy for improving maternal and infant health outcomes; and (2) Conduct its activities in consultation with the maternal mortality review panel.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 16 First reading, referred to Commerce, Labor & Sports.
CLS - Majority; do pass.
Public hearing, executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Commerce, and Labor & Sports at 1:30 PM.

SB 5836 by Senators Fain, Cleveland, Baumgartner, Keiser, Braun, Hasegawa, Conway, Hunt, and Saldaña
Enhancing enforcement of the equal pay act.
Updates the existing state equal pay act to reflect the equal status of workers in the state and requires men and women in the same job to be compensated as equals.

SB 5837 by Senators Saldaña, Hawkins, Hobbs, Hasegawa, Frockt, and Kuderer
Expanding high occupancy vehicle lane access to blood-collecting or distributing establishment vehicles.
Authorizes vehicles that deliver or collect blood, tissue, or blood components for a blood-collecting or distributing establishment to use high occupancy vehicle lanes.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 16 First reading, referred to Transportation.
Feb 20 Scheduled for public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM. (Subject to change)

SB 5838 by Senators Rossi, Kuderer, Palumbo, Braun, Hunt, Fain, O'Ban, Hawkins, Brown, Sheldon, Rivers, Zeiger, Angel, Bailey, Honeyford, Miloscia, Walsh, Wilson, Becker, Warnick, Mullet, and Hobbs
Concerning the capital construction of and bonding for addressing the facilities maintenance backlog for the state parks and recreation commission.
Establishes the securing the future of Washington's state parks bonding act.
Authorizes the state finance committee to issue general obligation bonds to provide funds for the provision of needed capital improvements consisting of the predesign, design, maintenance, construction, modification, renovation, expansion, equipping, and other improvement of state buildings and facilities for the parks and recreation commission.
Creates the Evans state parks preservation account.

-- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
Feb 16 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5839 by Senators Carlyle, Cleveland, Chase, Kuderer, Conway, Darnaille, Frockt, Ranker, Saldaña, Rolfes, Hasegawa, Pedersen, McCoy, Takko, Nelson, and Hunt
Repealing a tax preference for prescription drug warehousing firms to invest in rural and high-need area opioid use disorder treatment and support infrastructures.
Requires the secretary of the department of health, in coordination with the state health care authority and the University of Washington's alcohol and drug abuse institute, to develop a grant program to provide funding to accountable communities of health, the Dr. Robert Bree Collaborative, the University of Washington, Washington State University, and the department of health.
Repeals a tax preference for prescription drug warehousing firms.
Creates the opioid use disorder treatment account.
Requires the department of health to: (1) Estimate the increase to the general fund due to the repeal of the tax preference; and
(2) Notify the state treasurer of the estimated amount.
   Requires the state treasurer to transfer that amount
   from the general fund to the opioid use disorder treatment
   account.

   -- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
   Feb 16   First reading, referred to Human Services,
            Mental Health & Housing.

SB 5840  by Senator Palumbo
Simplifying business and occupation tax administration.
   Imposes an additional business and occupation tax, on
   persons engaging in business activities that are subject to
   tax under any other section of chapter 82.04 RCW, that is
   equal to the tax payable under all other sections of chapter
   82.04 RCW multiplied by 14.7 percent.
   Allows a business and occupation tax deduction of no
   more than sixteen thousand six hundred sixty-seven
   dollars multiplied by the number of months in the
   reporting period.
   Authorizes the department of revenue to relieve a
   person of the requirement to file returns and pay taxes
   otherwise due under chapter 82.04 RCW (B&O taxes) and
   chapter 82.16 RCW (public utility taxes) if certain
   conditions are met.

   -- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
   Feb 17   First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5841  by Senators Cleveland and Conway
Concerning worker safety on roadways and roadsides.
   Addresses the requirements of a driver of a motor
   vehicle when approaching a stationary or slow moving
   highway construction vehicle, a highway maintenance
   vehicle, a solid waste vehicle, a utility service vehicle, a
   work zone vehicle, a highway construction or
   maintenance worker, or a flagger.

   -- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
   Feb 17   First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5842  by Senator Kuderer
Relating to the Washington toxic horsemeat prevention
act.
   Introduced by title and introductory section only,
   relating to the Washington toxic horsemeat prevention act.

   -- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
   Feb 17   First reading, referred to Agriculture,
            Water, Trade & Economic
            Development.

SB 5843  by Senators Schoesler and Nelson
Authorizing waivers of legislative mailing restrictions in
response to manifest error.
   Allows the senate committee on facilities and
   operations or the executive rules committee of the house
   of representatives to grant a waiver on legislators' mailing
   restrictions, in individual cases of extreme hardship due to
   manifest error of no fault of the legislator.

   -- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
   Feb 17   First reading, referred to State
            Government.
            SGOV - Majority; do pass.

Executive action taken in the Senate
Committee on State Government at 8:00
AM.

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8206 by Senators Braun, Takko, Pearson,
Fortunato, Schoesler, Bailey, Warnick,
Angel, Rivers, Walsh, and Becker
Amending the Constitution to preserve the right to hunt
and fish.
   Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to
   preserve the right to hunt and fish.

   -- 2017 REGULAR SESSION --
   Feb 16   First reading, referred to Natural
            Resources & Parks.