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<td>HB 3010</td>
<td>Representatives Graves, Stokesbary, Wilcox, Caldier, Maycumber, Dent, McCaslin, and Young</td>
<td>Creating and funding a school choice scholarship program for foster students. Creates the foster student scholarship program to provide children and youth in foster care with the option to attend the public or private school of their caregiver's choice. Requires the department of children, youth, and families to: (1) Administer the program; and (2) Submit a program report to the legislature. Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education to cooperate with the department to provide any data needed for the report. Creates the foster student scholarship account. Provides a business and occupation tax credit for contributions made by a person to the foster student scholarship account.</td>
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<td>SB 5886-S</td>
<td>by Senate Committee on Ways &amp; Means (originally sponsored by Senator Ranker)</td>
<td>Creating the orca protection act. (AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/03/18) Establishes the orca protection act. Requires the department of fish and wildlife to: (1) In order to facilitate the enforcement of RCW 77.15.740, provide extra protection to newborn calves, and protect critical feeding areas, conduct patrols during the twenty-two most active weeks for southern resident killer whale viewing activity each year and prioritize Wednesday through Monday patrols when the activity is most active; (2) In the event that orca whales are not present, place emphasis on patrols that protect living marine resources in northern Puget Sound; (3) Coordinate with appropriate federal, tribal, county, and nongovernmental partners to identify research and management actions undertaken that relate to impacts from human-generated marine noise; and (4) Identify relevant research findings and management actions undertaken and identify options and recommendations on potential actions the state can take. Includes as a natural resource infraction, when a person causes: (1) An aircraft to approach within two hundred yards of a southern resident orca whale; or (2) A vessel to exceed a speed over ground of seven knots within four hundred yards of a southern resident orca whale. Requires the Salish Sea institute at Western Washington University to: (1) Convene a meeting to improve the coordination of recovery strategies for southern resident killer whales between Washington and British Columbia; and (2) Establish timelines for recovery actions. Increases the endangered wildlife special license plate fees and requires at least five dollars for each initial or renewal plate to be used for orca-related activities.</td>
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SB 6269-S2  by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Ranker, Rolfes, Carlyle, Darnelle, Hasegawa, Pedersen, Conway, Keiser, Hunt, Frocht, Kuderer, Chase, Lillas, and Saldaña; by request of Department of Ecology)

Strengthening oil transportation safety.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/03/18)

Addresses oil transportation safety.

Finds that the department of ecology’s oil spill program faces a critical funding gap due to the lack of adequate revenue to fully fund the prevention and preparedness services required by state law, including the 2015 oil transportation safety act.

Declares an intent to: (1) Provide adequate revenue to fully fund prevention and preparedness services required by state law;

(2) Direct the department of ecology to specifically address the risks of oils submerging and sinking; and

(3) More extensively coordinate with our Canadian partners in order to protect the state’s economy and its shared resources.

Requires the department of ecology to: (1) Establish the Salish Sea shared waters forum to address common issues in the cross-boundary waterways between Washington state and British Columbia such as: Enhancing efforts to reduce oil spill risk, addressing navigational safety, and promoting data sharing; and

(2) In consultation with the Puget Sound partnership and the pilotage commission, complete a report of vessel traffic and vessel traffic safety within the Strait of Juan de Fuca, Puget Sound area that includes the San Juan archipelago, its connected waterways, Haro Strait, Boundary Pass, Rosario Strait, and the waters south of Admiralty Inlet.

Provides a July 1, 2021, expiration date for the Salish Sea shared waters forum.

Floor amendment(s) adopted.

Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed; yeas, 42; nays, 7; absent, 0; excused, 0.

Mar 6 Scheduled for public hearing and executive session in the House Committee on Appropriations at 8:00 AM in anticipation of other legislative action.

SB 6280-S  by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Darnelle, O’Ban, Kuderer, Hasegawa, and Conway)

Issuing an identicard for offenders released from prison facilities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of corrections, working in conjunction with the department of licensing, to create an identicard program to provide offenders, released within the state, with a state-issued identicard.

Requires the department of licensing to charge the department of corrections a fee sufficient to cover fifty percent of the costs of an identicard.

Amends the expiration date in section 5, chapter 181, Laws of 2015, relating to state fire service mobilization.

Extends an expiration date that affects state fire service mobilization.

SB 6283-S  by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Takko, Rivers, and Palumbo)

Extending an expiration date that affects state fire service mobilization.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/14/18)

Amends the expiration date in section 5, chapter 181, Laws of 2015, relating to state fire service mobilization, and postpones the date to July 1, 2024.
Jan 26  Public hearing in the Senate Committee on State Government and Tribal Relations & Elections at 8:00 AM.

Jan 31  Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on State Government and Tribal Relations & Elections at 8:00 AM.

Feb 5  Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 10:00 AM.
Feb 6  WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 10:00 AM.

Feb 12  Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
Feb 14  1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 48; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1.

Feb 15  First reading, referred to Public Safety (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
Feb 19  Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety at 1:30 PM.
Feb 20  PS - Majority; do pass.
Executive action taken in the House Committee on Public Safety at 1:30 PM.
Feb 22  Referred to Appropriations.

SB 6317-S by Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks (originally sponsored by Senators Van De Wege, King, Rivers, Takko, Hasegawa, and Saldaña; by request of Department of Fish and Wildlife)

Increasing commercial fishing license fees for nonresidents.
(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/03/18)

Increases the fees for a nonresident to purchase a commercial fishing license.

Authorizes the director of the department of fish and wildlife to issue permits to members of the Wanapum band of Indians to take other freshwater food fish for ceremonial and subsistence purposes.

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Jan 22  Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water, and Natural Resources & Parks at 1:30 PM.
Feb 22  AWNP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water, and Natural Resources & Parks at 1:30 PM.
Feb 23  Referred to Ways & Means.
Feb 24  Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 9:00 AM.
Feb 26  WM - Majority; do pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 10:00 AM.

Mar 1  Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
Mar 3  1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 49; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0.

-- IN THE HOUSE --
Mar 5  First reading, referred to Appropriations (Not Officially read and referred until adoption of Introduction report).
Mar 6  Scheduled for public hearing and executive session in the House Committee on Appropriations at 8:00 AM. (Subject to change)

SB 6628 by Senator Baumgartner
Creating the Washington state resident medical education access act.
Estabishes the Washington state resident medical education access act of 2018.
Requires at least ninety percent of the students admitted into the University of Washington medical education programs and the Washington State University medical education programs to be resident students.
Requires the total pool of admitted students, for purposes of calculating the percent of students admitted into the University of Washington medical education programs, to be calculated as the nonresident and resident students net the number of nonresident Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, and Idaho students.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --
Mar 3  First reading, referred to Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SCR 8408 by Senator Baumgartner
Designating April 1st as Governor Jay Inslee Integrity Day.
Designates the first day of April as Governor Jay Inslee Integrity Day.

-- 2018 REGULAR SESSION --
Mar 5  First reading, referred to State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions