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House Bills

HB 1573 by Representatives Ortiz-Self, Kilduff, Lovick, Goodman, Frame, Senn, Callan, Appleton, Thai, Robinson, Lekanoff, Davis, Macri, and Leavitt

Eliminating a program orientation as a condition of eligibility and lessening noncompliance sanctions for the temporary assistance for needy families program.

Prohibits the department of social and health services from requiring applicants for temporary assistance for needy families to attend an orientation as a condition of eligibility.

Requires a family's grant to be reduced, if a recipient refuses for four consecutive months to engage in work and work activities required by the department, and allows the grant to be terminated if the department determines it appropriate.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Human Services & Early Learning.

HB 1574 by Representatives Callan, Eslick, Senn, Calder, Frame, Dolan, Fey, Wylie, Lovick, Thai, Shewmake, Valdez, Bergquist, Stanford, Doglio, Reeves, Robinson, Cody, Goodman, Lekanoff, Kloba, Slatter, Davis, and Macri

Increasing eligibility for child care and early learning programs for homeless and other vulnerable children.

Revises the definition of "eligible child" by including a child who is homeless, for purposes of early childhood education and assistance.

Requires the department of children, youth, and families to designate homeless children as a vulnerable population to allow eligibility and twelve-month

authorizations for working connections child care subsidies for homeless children.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Human Services & Early Learning.

Feb 5 HSEL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

HB 1575 by Representatives Stonier, Valdez, Ryu, Sells, Chapman, Cody, Macri, Peterson, Kloba, Lovick, Gregerson, Fey, Pollet, Senn, Riccelli, Lekanoff, Fitzgibbon, Bergquist, Stanford, Doglio, Tharinger, Goodman, Jinkins, Frame, and Davis

Strengthening the rights of workers through collective bargaining by addressing authorizations and revocations, certifications, and the authority to deduct and accept union dues and fees.

Addresses authorizations, revocations, certifications, and the authority to deduct and accept union dues and fees, in order to strengthen the rights of workers through collective bargaining.

Repeals RCW 41.59.100 (union security provisions--scope--agency shop provision, collection of dues or fees).

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Labor & Workplace Standards.

HB 1576 by Representatives Senn, Irwin, Goodman, Griffey, Ryu, Chapman, and Barkis

Concerning construction defect actions.

Requires the board of directors to provide notice to homeowners and each construction professional against whom an action is proposed, convene a meeting of homeowners to consider whether to bring an action, and secure the vote of the majority of the homeowners to proceed with the action, before the service of the summons and complaint on a defendant.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Civil Rights & Judiciary.

HB 1577 by Representatives Callan, Stonier, Steele, Vick, Bergquist, Senn, Slatter, Jenkin, Goodman, Pettigrew, Ybarra, Dent, Harris, Tarleton, Dolan, and Lekanoff

Concerning K-12 computer science education data.

Requires each school district to submit a report for the preceding academic year, to the office of the superintendent of public instruction, that includes the following: (1) The total number of computer science and related math programs offered in each school;

(2) The number and percentage of students who enrolled in a computer science program; and

(3) The number of computer science instructors at each school.

Requires the office to post that information conspicuously on its web site.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1578 by Representatives Lekanoff, Peterson, Doglio, Fitzgibbon, Shewmake, Robinson, Slatter, Valdez, Bergquist, Morris, Stanford, Tharinger, Cody, Jinkins, Kloba, Pollet, Frame, Davis, and Macri; by request of Office of the Governor

Reducing threats to southern resident killer whales by improving the safety of oil transportation.

Creates new requirements designed to reduce the current, acute risk from existing infrastructure and activities of an oil spill that could: (1) Eradicate our southern resident killer whales;

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-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Environment & Energy.

HB 1579 by Representatives Fitzgibbon, Peterson, Lekanoff, Doglio, Macri, Stonier, Tharinger, Stanford, Jinkins, Robinson, Pollet, Valdez, Cody, Kloba, Slatter, Frame, and Davis; by request of Office of the Governor

Implementing recommendations of the southern resident killer whale task force related to increasing chinook abundance.

Addresses the need to increase the amount of chinook salmon in the state's waters by implementing recommendations of the southern resident killer whale task force.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Rural Development, Agriculture, & Natural Resources.

HB 1580 by Representatives Blake, Kretz, Kirby, Peterson, Appleton, Shewmake, Morris, Cody, and Jinkins; by request of Office of the Governor

Concerning the protection of southern resident orca whales from vessels.

Finds a person guilty of a natural resource infraction if the person causes a vessel or other object to: (1) Approach within four hundred yards of a southern resident orca whale; or

(2) Exceed a speed greater than seven knots over ground at any point located within one-half nautical mile of the whales.

Prohibits commercial whale watching operators from approaching or intercepting within six hundred fifty yards in the direction of the whales.

Requires a commercial whale watching license for businesses engaged in commercial whale watching activities.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to implement a limited-entry whale watching license program for the inland waters of the state for all whale species.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Rural Development, Agriculture, & Natural Resources.

HB 1581 by Representatives Fey, Riccelli, Wylie, Doglio, Jinkins, and Ormsby

Funding local housing trust fund programs in certain cities.

Authorizes certain city legislative authorities to impose a sales and use tax on the sale of or charge made for tangible personal property consumed, or labor and services rendered in respect to the constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving of new or existing buildings or other structures, including the sale of services or charges made for the clearing of land and the moving of earth excepting the mere leveling of land used in commercial farming or agriculture.

Requires money collected from the taxes to be deposited in the city's local housing trust fund.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Housing, Community Development & Veterans.

HB 1582 by Representatives Gregerson, Kloba, Peterson, Valdez, Pollet, Wylie, Appleton, Bergquist, Doglio, Reeves, Tharinger, Kirby, Jinkins, and Macri

Addressing manufactured/mobile home tenant protections.

Modifies the manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act regarding rental agreement terms; prohibited acts by landlords; transfer of agreement; failure to renew, and grounds for termination of, a tenancy or occupancy;

written notice for rent increase; and orders to limit dissemination of unlawful detainer actions.

Allows the enforcement of rules against a tenant if, with respect to new or amended rules not contained within the rental agreement: (1) They only go into effect at the end of the term of the rental agreement;

(2) He or she has agreed, in writing, to the rule;

(3) He or she was provided at least ninety days' written notice of the rule; and

(4) The attorney general has approved the rule.

Exempts housing and low-income assistance organizations from the definition of "door-to-door" solicitations.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Civil Rights & Judiciary.

HB 1583 by Representatives Kraft, Pollet, Harris, Griffey, Slatter, Stonier, and Wylie

Concerning mosquito control districts.

Addresses certain provisions regarding the collection of tax and lien foreclosures in other statutes to govern certain matters as applied to mosquito control districts.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 1584 by Representatives Riccelli, Ormsby, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Lovick, Ramos, Stanford, and Leavitt

Restricting the availability of state funds to regional transportation planning organizations that do not provide a reasonable opportunity for voting membership to certain federally recognized tribes.

Requires a regional transportation planning organization, in order for the organization to be eligible to receive state funds that are appropriated for the organizations, to provide a reasonable opportunity for voting membership to federally recognized tribes that hold reservation or trust lands within the planning area of the organization.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Relations.

Feb 4 Committee relieved of further consideration.
Referred to Transportation.

HB 1585 by Representatives Doglio, DeBolt, Harris, Dye, Irwin, Stonier, Riccelli, Volz, Lovick, Frame, Fey, Schmick, Appleton, Kretz, Orcutt, Senn, Cody, Macri, Valdez, Jinkins, Kloba, and Ormsby

Increasing the traumatic brain injury fee.

Requires a person found to have committed a traffic infraction to be assessed a fee of five dollars per infraction.

Prohibits the fee from being reduced or waived.

Requires the five-dollar fee to be deposited into the traumatic brain injury account.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1586 by Representatives Doglio, DeBolt, Appleton, Dye, Irwin, Ortiz-Self, Stonier, Riccelli, Volz, Harris, Lovick, Goodman, Klippert, Frame, Fey, Schmick, Sullivan, Kretz, Pollet, Senn, Cody, Macri, Valdez, Jinkins, and Ormsby

Expanding the traumatic brain injury fee to other traffic-related offenses.

Requires an assessment of a two-dollar fee for the offenses and/or penalties regarding nonpayment of tolls detected through use of photo toll systems; the use of automated traffic safety cameras; and automated school bus safety cameras on school buses.

Requires the revenue from the fee to be forwarded to the state treasurer for deposit in the traumatic brain injury account.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1587 by Representatives Riccelli, Entenman, Harris, Stonier, Peterson, Chandler, Gregerson, Thai, Senn, Hudgins, Macri, Lekanoff, Griffey, Steele, Goehner, Wylie, Appleton, Chapman, Lovick, Shewmake, Valdez, Bergquist, Morris, Doglio, Robinson, Tharinger, Goodman, Pollet, Slatter, Ormsby, and Frame

Increasing access to fruits and vegetables for individuals with limited incomes.

Creates the fruit and vegetable incentives program to increase fruit and vegetable consumption among food insecure individuals with limited incomes.

Requires the department of health to: (1) Administer the program;

(2) Collaborate with other state agencies whose missions and programs closely align with this program;

(3) Provide resources, coordination, and technical assistance to program partners for targeted outreach to food insecure populations; and

(4) Distribute a fruit and vegetable benefit of no less than thirty dollars per summer farmers market season to each eligible participant in the women, infant, and children farmers market nutrition program.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Human Services & Early Learning.

Feb 1 HSEL - Majority; do pass.

Feb 5 Referred to Appropriations.

HB 1588 by Representatives Vick, Hoff, Steele, Stokesbary, Orcutt, Corry, Young, Sutherland, Gildon, MacEwen, Rude, Shea, Harris, Barkis, Jenkin, and Kraft

Clarifying the prohibition of the imposition of a local income tax.

Declares that the legislature restates its refusal to delegate to a city, county, or city-county, as a whole or as a governing body, the power to impose a tax on the personal income of individuals or households.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1589 by Representatives Chapman, Rude, Blake, Lovick, Goodman, Griffey, Irwin, Volz, Mead, Eslick, Sells, Ryu, Pollet, Stonier, Peterson, Fey, Senn, Gregerson, Riccelli, Lekanoff, Appleton, Steele, Tharinger, and Leavitt

Exempting correctional employees from paying for certain background checks related to firearms.

Provides an exemption for correctional employees from the restrictions on carrying a firearm if the employees have completed government-sponsored law enforcement firearms training.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Civil Rights & Judiciary.

HB 1590 by Representatives Doglio, Dolan, Macri, Cody, Gregerson, Wylie, Appleton, Robinson, Ormsby, Frame, and Davis

Allowing the local sales and use tax for affordable housing to be imposed by a councilmanic authority.

Authorizes a county legislative authority to impose a local sales and use tax without going through the election process.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Housing, Community Development & Veterans.

HB 1591 by Representatives Gregerson, Peterson, Macri, Doglio, Appleton, Thai, Robinson, Jinkins, Lekanoff, Slatter, and Davis

Concerning the rights of persons experiencing homelessness.

Addresses the rights of homeless people to survive in public.

Prohibits discrimination based on the housing status of a homeless person.

Prohibits a homeless person from being subject to criminal or civil penalties or harassment by law enforcement, public or private security personnel, or agents of public-private partnerships, for surviving in public space when that person has no reasonable alternative but to survive in public space and existing local shelters are inadequate in number or are functionally inaccessible.

Requires money appropriated by the legislature for civil legal aid to indigent persons to be administered by the office of civil legal aid and be used for contracting with qualified legal aid programs for legal representation of indigent persons in matters relating to the rights of homeless people.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Civil Rights & Judiciary.

HB 1592 by Representatives Kilduff, Leavitt, Doglio, Frame, Bergquist, Goodman, Ortiz-Self, Thai, Valdez, Pollet, Callan, Stonier, Appleton, Lovick, Shewmake, Jinkins, Lekanoff, and Slatter

Establishing the Washington children's educational savings account program.

Requires the student achievement council to establish the Washington children's educational savings account program to: (1) Increase college attendance and boost college savings among residents, particularly low-income families;

(2) Foster a college bound identity in young residents;

(3) Promote the financial security, financial literacy, and economic stability of families and increase their ability to save for college;

(4) Establish college savings accounts for low-income kindergartners in public schools; and

(5) Coordinate with the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the financial education public-private partnership to engage schools, school districts, and community organizations to develop pilot projects to market the savings account program.

Creates the Washington children's educational savings account program account.

Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to College & Workforce Development.

HB 1593 by Representatives Chopp, Sullivan, Ormsby, Cody, Harris, Lovick, Jinkins, Kilduff, Riccelli, Pettigrew, Davis, Stonier, Macri, Robinson, Ortiz-Self, Frame, Senn, Slatter, Schmick, Chandler, Caldier, Tarleton, Appleton, Dolan, Thai, Shewmake, Valdez, Bergquist, Reeves, Goodman, Lekanoff, and Pollet; by request of Office of the Governor

Establishing a behavioral health innovation and integration campus within the University of Washington school of medicine.

Creates a behavioral health innovation and integration campus within the University of Washington school of medicine that will include inpatient treatment capacity and focus on inpatient and outpatient care for people with behavioral health needs while training a behavioral health provider workforce.

Requires the University of Washington school of medicine to report to the office of financial management and the appropriate legislative committees with plans on development and siting of a teaching hospital to provide inpatient care for up to one hundred fifty people to receive care under the involuntary treatment act.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to College & Workforce Development.

HB 1594 by Representatives Chandler and Chapman

Clarifying the exemption for wiring and equipment associated with telecommunication installations.

Exempts the following from the requirements of chapter 19.28 RCW regarding electricians and electrical installations: (1) Wires and equipment that fall within section 90.2(b)(5) of the national electrical code, 1981 edition;

(2) Wires and equipment within the communication worker safety zone or power supply space, on poles supporting electric utility transmission or distribution lines or wires; and

(3) Electric utility-owned equipment between a meter base and meter.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Labor & Workplace Standards.

HB 1595 by Representatives Stonier, Eslick, Wylie, Appleton, Doglio, Ormsby, and Leavitt

Concerning the sharing of information between participants in multidisciplinary coordination of child sexual abuse investigations.

Addresses multidisciplinary child protection teams and involvement of agencies and counties in the investigation of child sexual abuse, online sexual exploitation and commercial sexual exploitation of minors, child fatality, child physical abuse, and criminal child neglect cases.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Public Safety.

HB 1596 by Representatives Kirby and Tharinger

Concerning flexibility schools and zones.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction to develop a process for school districts to apply to have one or more schools within the district designated as a flexibility school.

Subjects the flexibility schools and zones to the supervision of the superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education to the same extent as other public schools.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1597 by Representatives Pollet, Doglio, Tarleton, Goodman, Slatter, Senn, Fitzgibbon, Appleton, Thai, Valdez, Ryu, Stanford, Reeves, Frame, Macri, and Shewmake

Incorporating comprehensive measurements of greenhouse gas emissions from certain fossil fuels into state environmental laws.

Requires the department of ecology, in consultation with the utilities and transportation commission, the chair of the energy facility site evaluation council, the department of natural resources, and the department of commerce, to adopt a rule to establish an upstream emissions rate that incorporates production, gathering, processing, transmission, storage, and distribution emissions that occur before the end use of natural gas or final point of commerce for the natural gas in the state.

Requires the energy facility site evaluation council, the department of ecology, and an air pollution control agency to: (1) Apply a natural gas upstream emissions rate and global warming potential consistent with the adopted rule mentioned above; and

(2) Require a carbon dioxide mitigation plan to provide mitigation based upon the carbon dioxide equivalents associated with both the end use of the natural gas and the production, gathering, processing, transmission, storage, and distribution of natural gas consistent with the adopted rule.

Requires the utilities and transportation commission, gas companies, and electrical companies to use a natural gas upstream emissions rate and global warming potential consistent with the adopted rule.

Requires the study of environmental impact information for a proposed potential site to evaluate greenhouse gas emissions consistent with the adopted rule.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Environment & Energy.

HB 1598 by Representatives Doglio, Dolan, Pollet, and Macri

Providing code cities of a certain size with the ability to annex unincorporated areas without a referendum provision pursuant to a jointly approved interlocal agreement with the county.

Authorizes a code city to annex unincorporated territory under an interlocal agreement.

Authorizes the county legislative authority of certain counties and the governing body of certain code cities to jointly initiate an annexation process for unincorporated territory by adopting an interlocal agreement between the county and the code city within the county.

Requires the county and code city to jointly agree on the boundaries of the annexation.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 1599 by Representatives Stonier, Harris, Dolan, Ortiz-Self, MacEwen, Kilduff, Young, Valdez, Wylie, Volz, Bergquist, Stanford, Tharinger, Lekanoff, Pollet, Slatter, and Ormsby

Promoting career and college readiness through modified high school graduation requirements.

Addresses high school graduation requirements and the promotion of career and college readiness.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1600 by Representatives Schmick, Dent, Dye, and Barkis

Siting tenant-owned mobile home parks for senior citizens.

Authorizes a county to allow the development of mobile home park subdivisions and manufactured housing subdivisions for senior citizens that are located outside of urban areas.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Environment & Energy.

Senate Bills

SB 5572 by Senators Honeyford, Takko, Short, Warnick, Schoesler, and King

Authorizing modernization grants for small school districts.

Addresses eligibility, prioritization, disbursement, and reporting requirements for school construction assistance program modernization grants for small school districts.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5573 by Senators Warnick, Hunt, Fortunato, Takko, Zeiger, Wilson, C., Hasegawa, Walsh, Schoesler, McCoy, Honeyford, Rolfes, Sheldon, Lias, Darneille, Keiser, Nguyen, Saldaña, Van De Wege, and Wilson, L.

Concerning domestic violence and traumatic brain injury.

Requires the department of social and health services, in consultation with the Washington traumatic brain injury strategic partnership advisory council, to recommend or develop an educational handout regarding traumatic brain injury for victims of domestic violence.

Requires the educational handout to be included as part of the informational brochures provided to persons seeking protection orders.

Requires training of law enforcement officers in the handling of domestic violence complaints to include recognizing the signs of possible or probable traumatic brain injury.

Requires a peace officer responding to a domestic violence call to provide victims with a copy of the educational handout.

Requires law enforcement agencies to include a notation of a probable incident of traumatic brain injury in their written record when it involves an incident of domestic violence.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation.

SB 5574 by Senators Salomon, Bailey, Wellman, Walsh, Takko, Hobbs, Short, Warnick, Mullet, Keiser, Brown, Becker, Kuderer, Nguyen, and Wilson, C.

Concerning K-12 computer science education data.

Requires each school district to submit a report for the preceding academic year, to the office of the superintendent of public instruction, that includes the following: (1) The total number of computer science and related math programs offered in each school;

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-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5575 by Senators Salomon, Darneille, Das, Frockt, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, Nguyen, Saldaña, and Wilson, C.; by request of Attorney General

Creating a program for the consolidation of traffic-based financial obligations to facilitate reinstatement of driving privileges that are suspended because of failure to pay.

Creates a program for the consolidation of traffic-based financial obligations from multiple courts of limited jurisdiction into a consolidated payment plan, to help reinstate driving privileges that are suspended because of failure to comply with a notice of traffic infraction, criminal complaint, or citation for a moving violation.

Requires the program to be managed by the administrative office of the courts.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Law & Justice.

SB 5576 by Senators Wilson, C., Nguyen, Palumbo, Warnick, Frockt, Hunt, Kuderer, and Saldaña

Improving climate science education.

Requires common schools to give instruction in science with special reference to the environmental and sustainability standards.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to establish and manage a grant program for nonprofit community-based organizations and educational service districts to create and implement plans to provide teacher training in next generation science standards, including climate science standards.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

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SB 5577 by Senators Rolfes, Frockt, Lias, McCoy, Dhingra, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, Saldaña, and Wilson, C.; by request of Office of the Governor

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-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

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Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5578 by Senators Van De Wege, Liias, Carlyle, Frockt, Billig, Conway, Hunt, Pedersen, Palumbo, McCoy, Dhingra, Keiser, Kuderer, Saldaña, and Wilson, C.; by request of Office of the Governor

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Energy & Technology.

SB 5579 by Senators Billig, Carlyle, Pedersen, Palumbo, Hasegawa, Keiser, Rolfes, Saldaña, Van De Wege, Frockt, Conway, Hunt, Liias, Dhingra, Kuderer, and Nguyen

Concerning the volatility of crude oil received in the state by rail.

Prohibits a facility from loading or unloading crude oil into or from a rail tank car, or from storing crude oil produced from the Bakken region, unless the oil has a vapor pressure of less than nine pounds per square inch.

Requires a facility that receives crude oil from a railroad car, when providing notice to the department of ecology, to include information on the type and vapor pressure of the crude oil received.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Environment,
Energy & Technology.

SB 5580 by Senators Rolfes, Palumbo, Frockt, Dhingra, Keiser, Kuderer, and Saldaña; by request of Office of the Governor

Implementing recommendations of the southern resident killer whale task force related to increasing habitat and forage fish abundance.

Addresses the need to increase the amount of chinook salmon in the state's waters by implementing recommendations of the southern resident killer whale task force.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Agriculture,
Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5581 by Senators Rolfes, Braun, Carlyle, Keiser, and Saldaña; by request of Department of Revenue

Improving the effectiveness and adequacy of state tax laws by clarifying and simplifying nexus provisions, by decreasing compliance and administrative burdens for taxpayers and the department of revenue, by facilitating the collection of new tax revenue resulting from the United States supreme court's decision in South Dakota v. Wayfair, Inc., by providing more consistent tax obligations for both domestic and foreign sellers, and by simplifying the expiration of sales tax sourcing mitigation payments to local governments on September 30, 2019.

Makes revisions to tax statutes with regard to the following: Clarification and simplification of nexus provisions; marketplace facilitators; the repeal and modification of conflicting and unnecessary statutes; the assurance of continuing compliance with the streamlined sales and use tax agreement and addressing potential federal preemption; the elimination of unfair tax advantages for foreign marketplace sellers and peer-to-peer car rental marketplace facilitators; and sourcing mitigation for local governments.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5582 by Senators Saldaña, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, and Nguyen

Increasing funding for affordable housing.

Increases the real estate excise taxes on property that sells for one million dollars or more to fund affordable housing.

Requires money received from the excise taxes to be deposited into the public works assistance account, the education legacy trust account, the city-county assistance account, the Washington housing trust fund, and the general fund.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5583 by Senators Wilson, C., Van De Wege, Holy, Walsh, Darneille, Zeiger, Saldaña, Cleveland, Nguyen, Hawkins, Billig, Dhingra, Hasegawa, and Kuderer

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-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation.

SB 5584 by Senators Mullet, Takko, Wilson, L., and Hobbs; by request of Board of Pilotage Commissioners

Concerning joint self-insurance programs for property and liability risks.

Permits the board of pilotage commissioners to: (1) Participate in a local government joint self-insurance program covering liability risks; and

(2) Participate in the program to obtain liability insurance coverage, but not property insurance coverage.

Prohibits the board of pilotage commissioners from receiving anything of value for services rendered in connection with a self-insurance program.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Economic Development & Trade.

SB 5585 by Senator Takko

Concerning cooperation between conservation districts.

Allows two or more conservation districts to: (1) Engage in joint activities by agreement between or among them including engineering a program or project concerned with the conservation of renewable natural resources; and

(2) Make professional engineering available to them.

-- 2019 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 24 First reading, referred to Local Government.

SB 5586 by Senators Darneille, Rivers, Hasegawa, Fortunato, Hunt, Wilson, C., Takko, Rolfes, Schoesler, Warnick, Honeyford, Walsh, Wilson, L., Zeiger, Sheldon, McCoy, Lias, Keiser, Kuderer, Nguyen, and Saldaña

Requiring traumatic brain injury screenings for children entering the foster care system.

Requires a child entering the foster care system to have a screening for identification of a traumatic brain injury.

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Jan 24 First reading, referred to Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation.

SB 5587 by Senators Salomon, Takko, Short, Brown, Honeyford, and Van De Wege

Authorizing product certification agencies to certify building products and methods of construction, design, and systems as an alternate code compliance for modern technical methods, devices, and improvements.

Revises the state building code act by adding to the list of purposes for the act as follows: (1) To foster innovation; and

(2) To aid in demonstrating compliance with adopted codes by ensuring that materials, building products, methods of construction, designs, and systems receiving a

listing or evaluation from a product certification agency is an acceptable method that demonstrates compliance with the requirements of the code or standard.

Authorizes a product certification agency to certify building materials, products, methods of construction, designs, and systems for modern technical methods, devices, products, and improvements.

Requires the certification to include a listing of the acceptance criteria referenced in the evaluation or listing report.

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SB 5588 by Senators Hawkins, Palumbo, Ericksen, Van De Wege, Fortunato, Short, Billig, Hobbs, Braun, Takko, Warnick, Sheldon, Wagoner, Hunt, Das, Zeiger, Wellman, King, Nguyen, Hasegawa, Kuderer, Bailey, Rivers, Holy, Wilson, L., Padden, Walsh, Dhingra, Frockt, Keiser, Lias, O'Ban, and Wilson, C.

Authorizing the production, distribution, and sale of renewable hydrogen.

Authorizes public utility districts to produce and distribute renewable hydrogen for use in internal operations and for sale or distribution.

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SB 5589 by Senators Schoesler, Mullet, Becker, Brown, Hobbs, King, Bailey, Fortunato, O'Ban, Rivers, Padden, Wagoner, Wilson, L., Honeyford, Warnick, Short, Ericksen, Holy, Hawkins, and Walsh

Prohibiting local taxes based on employee wages, employee hours, or the number of employment positions.

Prohibits a city or town from imposing a tax measured by employee wages, employee hours, or the number of employment positions.

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SB 5590 by Senators Schoesler, Mullet, Becker, Short, Fortunato, O'Ban, Walsh, Hobbs, Warnick, Bailey, Honeyford, Hawkins, King, Van De Wege, and Wilson, L.

Establishing school district depreciation subfunds for the purposes of preventative maintenance.

Requires a school district to establish a depreciation subfund for the school district to reserve funds for future facility and equipment needs.

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SB 5591 by Senator Schoesler

Exempting previously registered vehicles from the stolen vehicle check fee.

Exempts a person, applying for a certificate of title for a vehicle previously registered in another state or country,

from the fifteen-dollar fee if the applicant previously registered the vehicle in this state and maintained ownership of the vehicle while registered in another state or country.

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