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Weekly Overview

Last week marked another key milestone this session. All bills had to pass off the floor of the chamber in which they were originally introduced by March 13th or they are now considered dead unless it is deemed Necessary to Implement the Budget (NTIB). This means House bills had to pass off the House floor and Senate bills off the Senate floor. Both chambers were mostly on the floor leading up to Wednesday’s cutoff debating and voting on bills. They were on the floor late into the night on most days. Bills that passed off the floor in their house of origin will then flip sides and go through the same process they’ve been through in their house of origin. After Wednesday’s house of origin cutoff, hearings resumed again as policy committees consider bills that have been sent over from the opposite house.

At this point [over 2,300 bills](#) have been introduced this session:

- About 1,500 bills made it through the house of origin policy cutoff
- 1,010 bills made it through the house of origin fiscal cutoff
- 684 bills made it through house of origin cutoff. You can see a list of bills that past house of origin cutoff [here](#).

This upcoming week the focus is mostly on committee hearings as we start to work towards the next cutoff – April 3rd is opposite house policy cutoff. Another big focus this week will be when the Economic and Revenue Forecast Council releases the next revenue forecast on March 20th. This will help inform the legislature on how much money the state has to work with as each chamber prepares their proposed 2019-21 budgets. The chambers take turns each biennium on which one releases their budget first. This year it is the House’s turn to release their budget first and we are hearing it will be released the week of March 25th, likely early in the week.

Upcoming Dates of Note:

April 3, 2019	Last day to read in committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from opposite house, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
April 9, 2019	Last day to read in opposite house committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
April 17, 2019**	Last day to consider (pass) opposite house bills (5 p.m.) (except initiatives and alternatives to initiatives, budgets and matters necessary to implement budgets, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and closing of the session).
April 28, 2019	Last day allowed for regular session under state constitution.

** After the 94th day, only initiatives, alternatives to initiatives, budgets and matters necessary to implement budgets, matters that affect state revenue, messages pertaining to amendments, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and closing of the session may be considered.

Education

Bill Details

Status

Sponsor

2SHB 1303	Child care/higher education Directs the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to exempt certain full-time students from work requirements for Working Connections Child Care program benefits. This bill passed out of the House with a vote of 90-6 (2 excused).	S EL/K-12	Shewmake
2SHB 1344 (SB 5436)	Child care access work group Upcoming Events: Early Learning & K-12 Education (Senate) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 1:30 pm Directs the Department of Commerce to contract for a regional assessment of the child care industry to be completed by July 1, 2020. Requires the Child Care Collaborative Task Force (CCCTF) to develop a child care cost estimate model to determine the full costs providers would incur when providing high quality child care, including recommended teacher-child ratios based on research and best practice. This bill passed out of the House on March 5th with a vote of 72-24 (2 excused).	S EL/K-12	Reeves
E2SHB 1391 (2SSB 5484)	Early achievers program Adjusts rating levels and associated deadlines for participants in the Early Achievers (EA) program. Directs the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to adopt policies related to providing incentives and removing barriers for child care and Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program providers participating in the EA program. Establishes a Cost of Child Care Regulations Work Group. This bill was voted out of the House on March 5th with a vote of 96-0 (2 excused).	S EL/K-12	Senn
HB 1547	Basic education funding Would implement Superintendent Reykdal's levy plan of a 22% levy lid, with a \$3,500 per pupil maximum.	H Approps	Dolan
SHB 1644 (SSB 5665)	Youth development work group Creates a youth development work group in the Department of Children, Youth, and Families. HB 1644 passed out of the House on March 4th with a vote of 90-7 (1 excused).	S Human Svcs, Ree	Ortiz-Self
HB 1866	Day care prof dev compliance Upcoming Events: Early Learning & K-12 Education (Senate) Public Hearing 3/22 @ 8:00 am Allows child care centers to have until August 1, 2024, to comply with changes to professional development requirements after the effective date of the bill. This bill was voted out of the House on March 5th with a vote of 96-0 (2 excused).	S EL/K-12	Dent
SSB 5089	Early learning access Upcoming Events: Human Services & Early Learning (House) Exec Session 3/20 @ 1:30 pm Allows enrollment, as space is available, in the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) for children who turn three at any time during the school year if the children's family income is at or below 110 percent of the federal poverty level and the children have received early intervention services or have participated in Early Head Start. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 6th with a vote of 48-0 (1 excused).	H H Svcs & Erly	Wellman

E2SSB 5091	<p>Special education funding</p> <p>Upcoming Events: Education (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 3:30 pm</p> <p>Would increase the special education excess cost multiplier from the current 0.9609 to 1.00. The bill passed out of the Senate on March 9th with a vote of 46-0 (3 excused).</p>	H Education	Wellman
SSB 5313	<p>School levies</p> <p>Upcoming Events: Ways & Means (Senate) Public Hearing 3/21 @ 3:30 pm</p> <p>An amended version of Governor Inslee's proposal, SSB 5313 would return to a levy base, calculated by a district's state and federal revenue, and implement a 20 percent levy lid or a \$3,500 per pupil.</p>	S Ways & Means	Wellman
SB 5316	<p>School enrichment levies</p> <p>Would change the current levy lid of the lesser of \$1.50/\$1,000AV or \$2,500 per pupil, to a district's option.</p>	S EL/K-12	Wellman
E2SSB 5393 (SHB 1340)	<p>College promise scholarship</p> <p>Upcoming Events: College & Workforce Development (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 1:30 pm</p> <p>Establishes the Washington College Promise Scholarship Program (WCPS) and replaces the State Need Grant. Makes the WCPS awards an entitlement, except after two consecutive quarters of personal income declines. Modifies the maximum WCPS award to be the total cost of tuition. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 9th with a vote of 27-18 (4 excused).</p>	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Palumbo
ESSB 5395 (HB 1407)	<p>Sexual health education</p> <p>Requires every public school to provide comprehensive sexual health education as an integral part of the curriculum that is evidence-informed. The bill passed out of the Senate on February 27th with a vote of 28-21.</p>	H Education	Wilson
2SSB 5437 (2SHB 1351)	<p>ECEAP eligibility</p> <p>Upcoming Events: Human Services & Early Learning (House) Exec Session 3/20 @ 1:30 pm</p> <p>Expanding eligibility to the early childhood education and assistance program.</p>	H H Svcs & Erly	Wilson
SB 5466	<p>School district levies</p> <p>Would implement Superintendent Reykdal's levy plan of a 22% levy lid, with a \$3,500 per pupil maximum.</p>	S EL/K-12	Wellman
SSB 5532	<p>Special education</p> <p>Upcoming Events: Education (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 3:30 pm</p> <p>This bill would require school districts to provide at least a half day of professional learning on special education topics and convene an ongoing special education advisory committee to advise the district of special education needs. The bill passed out of the Senate on March 9th with a 46-0 vote (3 excused).</p>	H Education	Braun

Student debt

H Coll & Wkf Dev Lias

Upcoming Events: College & Workforce Development (House) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

[2SSB 5774](#)

Enacts the Student Loan Relief and Reform Act. Creates an income share agreement pilot program. Establishes a student loan refinancing program. Specifies required disclosures and borrower protections for each program. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 6th with a vote of 40-8 (1 excused).

Vulnerable children/care

H H Svcs & Erly Nguyen

Upcoming Events: Human Services & Early Learning (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 1:30 pm, Human Services & Early Learning (House) Exec Session 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

[2SSB 5820](#)**(SHB 1574)**

Directs the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to designate homeless children as a vulnerable population to allow eligibility and 12- month authorizations for Working Connections Child Care subsidies. The bill passed out of the Senate on March 11th with a vote of 45-3 (1 excused).

International medical grads

H HC/Wellness Saldaña

Upcoming Events: Health Care & Wellness (House) Public Hearing 3/22 @ 9:00 am

[2SSB 5846](#)**(HB 2104)**

Creates the international medical graduate (IMG) work group to develop recommendations for the creation of an IMG assistance program. The bill passed out of the Senate on March 13th with a vote of 44-4 (1 excused).

Environment**Bill Details****Status****Sponsor****Greenhouse gas/transp. fuels**

S Environment, En Fitzgibbon

Upcoming Events: Environment, Energy & Technology (Senate) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 10:00 am

[E2SHB 1110](#)
(SB 5412)

This legislation will reduce carbon emissions and harmful tail pipe emissions, improve air quality, generate revenue for local utilities, and keep economic benefits from WA state produced bio fuels, in our state. Directs the Department of Ecology (ECY) to adopt a rule establishing a Clean Fuels Program (CFP) to limit the greenhouse gas emissions per unit of transportation fuel energy to 10 percent below 2017 levels by 2028 and 20 percent below 2017 levels by 2035. The bill passed out of the House on March 12th with a vote of 53-43 (2 excused).

Appliance efficiency

S Environment, En Morris

[2SHB 1444](#)
(2SSB 5115)

Repeals federally-preempted appliance efficiency and testing standards. Amends the state appliance efficiency and testing standards for certain state- covered appliances. Establishes new minimum efficiency and testing standards for certain appliances. This bill passed out of the House on March 5th with a vote of 57-41.

Transp. electrification

S Environment, En Fey

[SHB 1512](#)

Upcoming Events: Environment, Energy & Technology (Senate) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 8:00 am

Provides clear legislative authority for all utilities, public and private, to be able to offer incentive programs and services in electrification of transportation for its customers and rate payers. This bill will provide the clear authority language municipal and publicly-owned utilities have needed to be able to offer incentive programs in the electrification of transportation for its customers, including advertising programs to promote the utility's service, incentives or rebates. The bill passed out of the House on March 12th with a vote of 64-33 (1 excused).

Recycling S Environment, En Mead
[E2SHB 1543 \(SSB 5545\)](#) Establishes the Recycling Development Center within the Department of Ecology (ECY) to further the development of markets and processing for recycled commodities and products. Changes the distributions and uses of funds in the Waste Reduction, Recycling, and Litter Control Account. This bill passed out of the House on March 6th with a vote of 64-32 (2 excused).

Product degradability S Ag/Water/Natura Ramos
Upcoming Events: Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks (Senate) Exec Session 3/19 @ 1:30 pm, Environment, Energy & Technology (Senate) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 8:00 am
[ESHB 1569](#) Restricts the labeling and marketing of the degradability of certain products, including plastic products, film bags, food service products, and film products. Empowers the Attorney General, cities, and counties to enforce marketing and labeling requirements. Establishes penalties for violations and a revolving account in the custody of the State Treasurer for state receipts of penalties, for use in enforcement of marketing and labeling requirements. The bill passed out of the House on March 11th with a vote of 60-37 (1 excused).

Oil transportation safety S Environment, En Lekanoff
Upcoming Events: Environment, Energy & Technology (Senate) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 10:00 am
[ESHB 1578 \(SSB 5578\)](#) Requires a tug escort in Rosario Strait and connected waterways to the east for laden oil tankers of between 5,000 and 40,000 deadweight tons and for articulated tug-barges and certain towed waterborne vessels of at least 5,000 deadweight tons, beginning in 2020. Directs the Board of Pilotage Commissioners (BPC), in consultation with the Department of Ecology (ECY), to adopt tug escort rules by 2025 addressing certain oil tankers of between 5,000 and 40,000 deadweight tons, articulated tug-barges, and towed waterborne vessels or barges of at least 5,000 deadweight tons operating in Puget Sound. Directs the ECY to develop and maintain a model to assess oil spill risks in Washington waters and the oil spill risk reduction potential of an emergency response towing vessel serving waterways located near the San Juan Islands. This bill passed out of the House with a vote of 70-28.

Chinook abundance S Ag/Water/Natura Fitzgibbon
[2SHB 1579](#) Upcoming Events: Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks (Senate) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 1:30 pm
Implements recommendations of the southern resident killer whale task force related to increasing chinook abundance. This bill passed out of the House on March 7th with a vote of 59-39.

Orca whales/vessels S Ag/Water/Natura Blake
[2SHB 1580 \(2SSB 5577\)](#) Increases the distance within which a vessel or other object may not approach a southern resident orca whale

(orcas). Establishes commercial whale watching and alternate operator licenses, sets fees for the licenses, and requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) to report on the license program. Directs the DFW to convene an independent science panel to analyze the most current and best available science regarding noise impacts to orcas by small vessels and whale watching vessels. Requires the topic of sustainable whale watching to be included in the statewide tourism marketing plan. This bill passed out of the House on March 7th with a vote of 78-20.

Single-use plastic straws

H Env & Energy

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Upcoming Events: Environment & Energy (House) Exec Session 3/21 @ 8:00 am

[ESSB 5077](#)

The current language requires food service establishments must provide straws upon request to persons with disabilities along with any other local ordinances restricting plastic straws to at least meet the requirements of the bill. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 4th with a vote of 27-21 (1 excused).

Clean energy

H Env & Energy

Carlyle

Upcoming Events: Environment & Energy (House) Exec Session 3/19 @ 3:30 pm, Finance (House) Public Hearing 3/21 @ 1:30 pm

[E2SSB 5116](#)
(2SHB
1211)

This "100% clean electricity" legislation would transition Washington State to clean energy future by removing carbon emissions from the generation of electricity. If passed, the bill would require utilities to gradually transition away from fossil-fuel generated electricity. It includes a coal elimination deadline of 2025 and final clean grid deadline of 2045. The bill requires all electric utilities to eliminate from electric rates all costs associated with delivering electricity generated from coal-fired power plants by December 31, 2025; requires each electric utility to make all retail sales of electricity greenhouse gas neutral by January 1, 2030; requires each electric utility to meet 100 percent of its retail electric load using non-emitting and renewable resources by January 1, 2045; establishes an administrative penalty equal to \$60 for each MWh for noncompliance with the three standards. This bill was voted out of the Senate on March 1st with a vote of 28-19 (2 excused).

Electrical net metering

H Env & Energy

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[E2SSB 5223](#)
(HB 1862)

Creates a process for each electric utility to create a new standard rate or tariff schedule once June 30, 2029, or the 4 percent for the cumulative generating capacity available for net metering systems is reached, whichever comes first. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 4th with a vote of 29-19 (1 excused).

Plastic bags

H Env & Energy

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Upcoming Events: Environment & Energy (House) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 1:30 pm

[ESSB 5323](#)
(2SHB
1205)

Prohibits a retailer from providing a customer a single use plastic bag, a paper or reusable plastic bag that does not meet recycled content requirements. Requires a retailer to collect a pass-through charge of \$0.08 for each recycled content large paper or plastic carryout bag provided. Preempts local carryout bag ordinances, except for ordinances establishing a \$0.10 pass-through charge in effect as of January 1, 2019. Specifies recycled content requirements for paper and plastic bags. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 5th with a vote of 31-44 (4 excused).

Plastic packaging

H Env & Energy

Rolfes

[E2SSB 5397](#)
(HB 1204)

Upcoming Events: Environment & Energy (House) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 1:30 pm

Requires Department of Ecology (DOE) to hire a third party independent contractor to conduct a study on the amount and types of plastic, the management and disposal of plastic packaging in the state, identify alternatives to achieve certain goals for recycled packaging, and provide a report with findings and recommendations, including product stewardship, to the Legislature by October 31, 2020. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 8th with a vote of 48-0 (1 excused).

Environ. health disparities

H State Govt & Tr Saldaña

Upcoming Events: State Government & Tribal Relations (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 1:30 pm

[2SSB 5489](#)

Creates a task force to recommend strategies for state agencies to incorporate environmental justice principles into their responsibilities. Requires state agencies to adopt the cumulative impact analysis for the purposes of identifying highly impacted communities. Provides that the task force provide guidance to agencies, the Legislature, and the Governor regarding how to use the cumulative impact analysis for designating highly impacted communities. Requires the Department of Health to initiate a process to develop model policies for implementing task force recommendations. Requires state agencies to submit a report on progress made towards reducing environmental burdens and attaining environmental health targets. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 8th with a vote of 27-21 (1 excused).

Orca whales/vessels

H RDev, Ag&NR Rolfes

Upcoming Events: Rural Development, Agriculture, & Natural Resources (House) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 8:00 am

[2SSB 5577](#)
(2SHB
1580)

Makes it unlawful for a person to cause a vessel to approach or fail to disengage a vessel within 300 yards of a southern resident orca and specifies that it is unlawful to position a vessel within 400 yards behind a southern resident orca. Makes it unlawful for a person to cause a vessel to exceed a seven knot speed limit within one-half nautical mile of a southern resident orca. Establishes a commercial whale watching license and sets fees for the license. Requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to adopt rules by January 1, 2021, for holders of a commercial whale watching license to reduce the daily and cumulative impacts on southern resident orca whales and consider the economic viability of license holders. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 7th with a vote of 46-3.

Clean car standards & prog.

H Env & Energy Nguyen

Upcoming Events: Environment & Energy (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 3:30 pm

[SB 5811](#)
(HB 1999)

Authorizes the Department of Ecology (DOE) to adopt California zero emission vehicle program regulations. Expands the types of vehicles required to meet California standards to include medium duty vehicles. Expands the types of vehicles on which a manufacturer is required to affix a label that discloses comparative greenhouse gas emissions for that new vehicle to include medium duty vehicles. This bill passed the Senate on March 4th with a vote of 26-22 (1 excused).

Greenhouse gas cap and trade

S Environment, E Carlyle

Upcoming Events: Environment, Energy & Technology (Senate) Public Hearing 3/21 @ 10:00 am

[SB 5981](#)

Implements a greenhouse gas emissions cap and trade program.

General Government

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<p>Capital gains tax/prop. tax</p> <p>HB 1172 (SB 5314)</p> <p>Assisting Washington families by improving the fairness of the state's tax system by enacting a capital gains tax and providing property tax relief.</p> <p>Imposes a tax, beginning January 1, 2020, on all individuals for the privilege of selling or exchanging long-term capital assets or receiving Washington capital gains.</p>	H Finance	Santos
<p>Personal delivery devices</p> <p>ESHB 1325 (SSB 5378)</p> <p>Establishes a regulatory framework for the operation of personal delivery devices, which are automated devices intended to deliver property via sidewalks and crosswalks. This bill passed out of the House on March 12th with a vote count of 94-3 (1 excused).</p>	S Transportation	Kloba
<p>Municipal B&O tax apportion.</p> <p>SHB 1403</p> <p>Upcoming Events: Ways & Means (Senate) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 3:30 pm</p> <p>Modifies the apportionment formula for local business and occupation tax. This bill passed out of the House on March 4th with a vote of 96-0 (2 excused).</p>	S Ways & Means	Frame
<p>Broadband service</p> <p>3SHB 1498 (2SSB 5511)</p> <p>Upcoming Events: Environment, Energy & Technology (Senate) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 8:00 am</p> <p>Creates the Governor's Statewide Broadband Office. Requires the Public Works Board to establish a competitive grants and loans program for broadband. Authorizes public utility districts to temporarily provide retail Internet services. Authorizes port districts to provide wholesale Internet services outside of the district. Modifies and extends the Universal Communications Services program. This bill passed out of the House on March 8th with a vote of 95-1 (2 excused).</p>	S Environment, En	Hudgins
<p>Collective bargaining/dues</p> <p>SHB 1575 (SSB 5623)</p> <p>Upcoming Events: Labor & Commerce (Senate) Public Hearing 3/21 @ 8:30 am</p> <p>Provides that public employers and public employee organizations are not liable in claims or causes of action for deducted union fees that were permitted by law and deducted before the Janus v. AFSCME decision. Eliminates public employees' right to make a legal claim or seek judicial enforcement of a right related to membership dues under the new provisions of the act. Removes union security provisions from various collective bargaining statutes. Creates provisions for employees to provide electronic or recorded voice authorization to deduct membership dues. Authorizes a cross-check process to determine union representation for certain public employees, upon a showing of interest of 50 percent of the employees in the bargaining unit. This bill passed out of the House on March 11th with a vote of 57-41.</p>	S Labor & Commerc	Stonier
<p>HB 1743</p> <p>Prevailing rate of wages</p>	S Labor &	Ormsby

(SSB 5766)

Commerc

Provides that prevailing wage rates for residential construction are established by wage and hour surveys, unless survey information is insufficient. Provides for interim rates pending the establishment of rates based on surveys. This bill passed out of the House on March 1st with a vote of 95-0 (3 excused).

[ESHB 1839](#)
(SB 5813)

Arena projects/taxes

S Ways & Means Sullivan

Requiring eligible arena projects to fully pay the state and local sales tax within ten years of commencing construction. Passed House: 3/11/19, 94-4.

[SHB 1847](#)

Aircraft noise abatement

S Local Governme Pellicciotti

Expands the dimensions of existing impacted areas established to alleviate and abate the impact of aircraft noise on areas surrounding an airport. This bill passed out of the House on March 4th with a vote of 55-41 (2 excused).

[HB 1918](#)

Community preservation auth.

S Local Governmen Santos

Upcoming Events: Local Government (Senate) Public Hearing 3/21 @ 8:00 am

?Establishes the purposes for which a Community Preservation and Development Authority (CPDA) must be formed. Modifies the process by which a CPDA and its initial board of directors is established. Authorizes the Central District CPDA within the city of Seattle. Passed House: 3/9/19, 96-0.

[ESSB 5024](#)

Local taxing districts

H Local Govt Hasegawa

Upcoming Events: Local Government (House) Public Hearing 3/22 @ 10:00 am

Requires certain local utility districts that serve 10,000 or more customers to disclose state and local tax rate information by September 1, 2019. Requires certain local utility districts with less than 10,000 but more than 5000 customers to begin disclosing tax rate information upon their next billing system update or by January 1, 2024, whichever is sooner. Requires tax rate information be made available upon request for services for which no billing statements are issued. Requires each electric utility to provide either written or electronic notice of public hearings where changes in electricity rates will be considered or approved by the Utilities and Transportation Commission or governing body. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 11th with a vote of 46-2 (1 excused).

[SSB 5063](#)
(HB 1209)

Ballots, prepaid postage

H State Govt & Tr Nguyen

Upcoming Events: State Government & Tribal Relations (House) Exec Session 3/22 @ 8:00 am

Requires prepaid postage on return envelopes for all elections, with county costs for the postage to be reimbursed by the state. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 5th with a vote of 42-3 (4 excused).

[SSB 5163](#)
(SHB 1135)

Wrongful injury or death

H Civil R & Judi Hasegawa

Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 10:00 am

Removes the requirements that second tier beneficiaries' parents and siblings reside in the United States

at the time of the decedent's death and be dependent on the decedent for financial support in order to recover in a wrongful death or survival action. Clarifies damages that may be recovered in wrongful death and survival causes of action. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 5th with a vote of 30-17 (2 excused).

Consumer data

H Inn, Tech & Ec Carlyle

Upcoming Events: Innovation, Technology & Economic Development (House) Public Hearing 3/22 @ 10:00 am

[2SSB 5376](#)
(2SHB
1854)

Requires controllers to facilitate requests to exercise consumer rights regarding access, correction, deletion, restriction of processing, data portability, and objection for targeted advertising. Requires controllers to conduct risk assessments under certain conditions. Specifies the thresholds a business must satisfy for the requirements set forth in this act to apply. Provides that violation of this act violates the Consumer Protection Act. Requires controllers using facial recognition for profiling to meet certain requirements. Prohibits the use of facial recognition technology by all state and local government agencies to engage in ongoing surveillance of specified individuals in public spaces unless in support of law enforcement or in an emergency. Requires the Office of Privacy and Data Protection to conduct an analysis on the public sector use of facial recognition technology. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 1st with a vote of 46-1 (2 excused).

Local government procurement

H Local Govt Takko

Allows counties of any population to create a purchasing department. Allows counties and water-sewer districts to procure public works with a unit priced contract. Increases the small works roster process and limited public works project cost thresholds. Requires a municipality soliciting competitive bids for public works to disclose all bids received if requested by a bidder. Changes the date by which a bidder must protest to within two business days of when a municipality discloses all bids received or, if no request is made, bid opening. Increases public works contract thresholds for public utility districts, second class cities and towns, first class cities, and fire protection districts. Allows a second class city or town to award certain competitive public works contracts to a bid within 5 percent of the lowest bid until July 2022. Requires a Capital Projects Advisory Review Board study of local government public works contracting processes by November 1, 2020. Expires all provisions in the act on March 31, 2021. This bill was passed out of the Senate on March 8th with a vote of 45-3 (1 excused).

[ESSB 5418](#)
(SHB 1359)

Broadband service

H Inn, Tech & Ec Wellman

Upcoming Events: Innovation, Technology & Economic Development (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 10:00 am

[2SSB 5511](#)
(3SHB
1498)

Creates the Governor's Statewide Broadband Office. Requires the Public Works Board to establish a competitive grants and loans program for broadband. Authorizes public utility districts (PUDs) to temporarily provide retail Internet services. Authorizes port districts to provide wholesale Internet services outside of the district. Modifies and extends the Universal Communications Services program. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 6th with a vote of 47-0 (2 excused).

Retirement savings program

H ConsPro&Bus Mullet

Upcoming Events: Consumer Protection & Business (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 1:30 pm, Consumer Protection & Business (House) Exec Session 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

[E2SSB 5740](#)

Requires certain employers to automatically enroll its employees into an individual retirement account in

the Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program at the Department of Commerce. Passed Senate: 3/08/19, 31-17.

Legislature/code of conduct	H State Govt & Tr	Dhingra
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Upcoming Events: State Government & Tribal Relations (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 1:30 pm

[SSB 5861](#)

Directs the Public Disclosure Commission to create a training course for lobbyists on the legislative code of conduct. Requires notification of a lobbyist's clients if the lobbyist is suspended for a violation of the legislative code of conduct. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 6th with a vote of 29-18 (2 excused).

[SB 5961](#)

WA tax structure	S Ways & Means	Saldaña
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This bill sponsored by seven Senate democrats would establish a capital gains tax.

Health Care

Bill Details

Status

Sponsor

Opioid medications/schools	S Health & Long	Pollet
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Upcoming Events: Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Exec Session 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

[2SHB 1039](#)

Requires high schools in school districts with over 2,000 students, and allows other public schools, to obtain and store opioid overdose medication to assist a person at risk for an opioid-related overdose. Directs the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop opioid-related overdose guidelines and training requirements for public schools and school districts. Requires certain public institutions of higher education to develop a plan to maintain and administer opioid overdose medication in residence halls. Passed out of the House 82 -15 on March 4th and is scheduled for executive session in the Senate Committee on Health & Long Term Care on March 20th.

[2SHB 1331](#)
(SSB 5380)

Opioid use disorder	H 2nd Reading	Cody
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Declares that opioid use disorder is a public health crisis. Requires state agencies to: (1) Increase access to evidence-based opioid use disorder treatment services; (2) Promote coordination of services within the substance use disorder treatment and recovery support system; (3) Strengthen partnerships between opioid use disorder treatment providers and their allied community partners; (4) Expand the use of the state prescription drug monitoring program; and (5) Support comprehensive school and community-based substance use prevention services. The Senate version is scheduled for a hearing in House Health Care & Wellness on March 19th. The House version did not pass by Wednesday's cutoff so is considered dead.

[2SHB 1394](#)
(2SSB
5431)

Behavioral health facilities	S Behavioral Heal	Schmick
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Upcoming Events: Behavioral Health Subcommittee to Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Exec Session 3/22 @ 1:30 pm

Relates to behavioral health facilities and programs needed to ensure a continuum of care for behavioral

health patients. The House version has been scheduled for a hearing in the Senate Behavioral Health Subcommittee on March 15th. The Senate version did not pass by Wednesday's cutoff so is considered dead.

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S Health & Long
T Robinson

Upcoming Events: Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 1:30 pm, Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Exec Session 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

[2SHB 1497](#)
(SB 5732)

Addresses the governmental public health system which is comprised of the department of health, state board of health, local health jurisdictions, sovereign tribal nations, and Indian health programs. Requires funding for the governmental public health system to be restructured to support foundational public health services, and in restructuring, there must be efforts to reinforce current governmental public health system capacity and implement service delivery models allowing for system stabilization and transformation. Passed off of the House floor on March 5th 98-4; Executive Session in the the Senate Committee on Health & Long Term Care scheduled for March 20th.

Individual health ins market

S Health & Long
T Cody

Upcoming Events: Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

[E2SHB 1523](#) (ESSB 5526)

Requires the Washington Health Benefit Exchange to develop standardized health plans. The standardized plans must be designed to reduce deductibles, make more services available before the deductible, provide predictable cost sharing, maximize subsidies, limit adverse premium impacts, reduce barriers to maintaining and improving health, and encourage choice based on value, while limiting increases in health plan premium rates. Passed the House on March 8th with a vote count of 57-41. Awaiting executive session in the Senate Committee on Health & Long Term Care on March 20th.

Medical debt

S Law & Justice Jinkins

Upcoming Events: Law & Justice (Senate) Exec Session 3/21 @ 10:00 am

[SHB 1531](#)
(SB 5530)

Lowers the prejudgment interest rate on medical debt and bans certain actions in supplemental proceedings related to medical debt. Amends the prohibited practices section of the Collection Agency Act with respect to medical debt. Prohibits health care providers and facilities from selling or assigning medical debt to any person licensed as a collection agency until at least 120 days after the initial billing statement has been transmitted to the patient or other responsible party. Passed out of the House on March 1st with a 90-4 vote; executive session in the Senate Committee on Law & Justice on March 21st.

UW behavioral health campus

H Passed 3rd Chopp

[E2SHB 1593](#) (SSB 5516)

Creates a behavioral health innovation and integration campus within the University of Washington School of Medicine (UW School of Medicine). Directs the UW School of Medicine to submit a development and siting plan to the Office of Financial Management and Legislature by December 1, 2019. Preempts local land use regulations if the behavioral health teaching hospital is sited in Seattle. Passed out of the House with a vote of 95-0 on March 13th.

[EHB 1638](#)

Vaccine preventable diseases

S Health & Long
T Harris

Would repeal the personal belief exemption for the Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR) vaccine. The bill passed of the House floor with a vote of 57 to 40 on March 5th and has been referred to Senate Health & Long Term Care.

Emerging therapies work grp

S Health & Long
T Schmick

Upcoming Events: Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 1:30 pm, Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Exec Session 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

[SHB 1869](#)

Establishes the Emerging Therapies Work Group to develop a comprehensive analysis of emerging therapies, defined as health care treatments that cost over \$100,000 annually, and their impacts on patients. Passed out of the House 97-0 on March 4th; executive session in the Senate Committee on Health & Long Term Care on March 20th.

Afford. care act protections

S Health & Long
T Davis

Upcoming Events: Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Exec Session 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

[SHB 1870](#)

(SSB 5805)

Puts key patient protections such as banning pre-existing condition exclusions from the Affordable Act into state law. Both bills were amended as they moved out of the policy committees with the same changes. The House version passed off the House floor with a vote of 56 to 38 on March 1st. It has been scheduled for a hearing in Senate Health & Long Term Care on March 15th.

Rx drug utilization mngmt

S Health & Long
T Jinkins

Upcoming Events: Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Public Hearing 3/22 @ 8:00 am

[ESHB 1879](#)

(SB 5806)

Requires clinical review criteria used to establish a prescription drug utilization management protocol be evidence-based. Requires a health carrier or review organization that restricts coverage of a prescription drug through a prescription drug utilization management protocol to provide the patient and the prescribing practitioner with access to a clear, readily accessible, and convenient process to request an exception. Establishes requirements and timelines for step therapy exception requests. Passed out of the House on March 8th.

Behavioral health, integrate

H HC/Wellness
Dhingra

Upcoming Events: Health Care & Wellness (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 1:30 pm

[E2SSB](#)

[5432 \(SHB 1393\)](#)

Concerning fully implementing behavioral health integration for January 1, 2020, by removing behavioral health organizations from law; clarifying the roles and responsibilities among the health care authority, department of social and health services, and department of health, and the roles and responsibilities of behavioral health administrative services organizations and medicaid managed care organizations; and making technical corrections related to the behavioral health system. Relates to fully implementing behavioral health integration.

[E2SSB](#)

[5444 \(2SHB\)](#)

Forensic mental health care

H Civil R & Judi
Dhingra

Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 8:00 am

1513) Related to the Trueblood settlement agreement, which was agreed on by the parties in the lawsuit, would provide timely competency evaluations and restoration services to persons suffering from behavioral health disorders within the forensic mental health care system. The Senate version is scheduled for a hearing in House Civil Rights & Judiciary on March 20th. The House version did not pass by Wednesday's cutoff so is considered dead.

Individual health ins market H HC/Wellness Frockt
 Increasing the availability of quality, affordable health coverage in the individual market.

[ESSB 5526](#)
(E2SHB 1523) Governor requested public option bills, which include establishing a public option (called Cascade Care), establishing standard plan design for health insurance plans sold on the Exchange, and looking into other options to control costs such as cost sharing reductions. The House version passed on March 8th. Passed out of the Senate 36 - 13 on March 13th.

Universal health care system H HC/Wellness Randall
 Directs the Health Care Authority to convene a work group to study the establishment of a universal health care system in Washington, and for the workgroup to report its findings by November 15, 2020. Passed out of the Senate on March 13th with a 28-21 vote.

[2SSB 5822](#)
(HB 1877)

Housing & Homelessness

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<p>Home foreclosure/taxes</p> <p><u>E2SHB 1105</u></p> <p>Upcoming Events: Local Government (Senate) Public Hearing 3/21 @ 8:00 am</p> <p>Modifies home foreclosure provisions regarding the protection of taxpayers. Creates the counselor referral hotline account and the housing counseling activities account. Passed out of the House on March 12th with a vote of 39-48.</p>	S Local Government	Orwall
<p>Real estate taxes/housing</p> <p><u>EHB 1219</u> (SB 5195)</p> <p>Upcoming Events: Housing Stability & Affordability (Senate) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 1:30 pm</p> <p>Counties and cities may use REET II revenue for the planning, acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, replacement, rehabilitation, or improvement of facilities serving the homeless and affordable housing projects. House version passed on March 5th.</p>	S Housing Stabil	Walen
<p>Affordable housing/sales tax</p> <p><u>SHB 1406</u> (SB 5646)</p> <p>Upcoming Events: Housing Stability & Affordability (Senate) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 1:30 pm</p> <p>Authorizes a county or city to impose a local sales tax, credited against the state sales tax, for affordable or supportive housing. Passed out of the House on March 5th with a 66-32 vote.</p>	S Housing Stabil	Robinson
<p><u>ESHB 1453</u></p> <p>Residential tenants</p>	S Housing Stabil	Macri

Makes a number of changes to the Residential Landlord-Tenant Act, including: affording tenants 14 days (up from three days) to comply with a notice to pay rent or vacate prior to commencement of an unlawful detainer action; defining "rent," and providing that continued tenancy or relief from forfeiture may not be conditioned on the payment of any amount other than rent; and authorizing the use of judicial discretion in unlawful detainer proceedings. Passed out of the House March 5th.

Homeless youth services

S Housing Stabil Callan

Upcoming Events: Housing Stability & Affordability (Senate) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

[HB 1657](#)
(SB 5470)

Defines "street outreach services" to mean a program that provides services and resources either directly or through referral to street youth and unaccompanied young adults and authorizes the Office of Homeless Youth Prevention and Protection Programs to provide these services. Eliminates the 75-bed cap for HOPE centers and the prohibition on youth who are subject to a child in need of services petition receiving HOPE center services. Eliminates educational and experiential qualifications for HOPE center staff, but requires licensure of HOPE center staff by the Department of Children, Youth, and Families. Allows innovative youth and young adult homelessness approaches to serve both youth and young adults. House version passed on March 1st.

Public facilities mitigation

S Local Governme Santos

[SHB 1724](#)
(SB 5679)

Requires a city with a population greater than 550,000 that permits, constructs, or operates a public facility in a neighborhood with a high poverty level and high rate of ethnic diversity to request the entity (local government agency, transit authority, or public facility district) operating or constructing the facility to assess and mitigate the negative impacts that the facility has had, or may have, on the surrounding neighborhood. Requires the entity operating or constructing the facility to develop a mitigation plan and consider the potential or actual disparate racial, social, and economic impacts of the public facility on nearby residents, including paying for residential parking necessitated by the facility causing the impact. Authorizes an entity to negotiate with other local jurisdictions who have a direct interest in having created the negative impacts, but the residents must be held harmless. Passed out of the House on March 4th.

Prevailing rate of wages

S Labor & Commere Ormsby

[HB 1743](#)
(SSB 5766)

Provides that prevailing wage rates for residential construction are established by wage and hour surveys, unless survey information is insufficient. Provides for interim rates pending the establishment of rates based on surveys. Passed out of the House on March 1st.

Short-term rentals

S Financial Inst, Ryu

[SHB 1798](#)
(SB 5870)

Upcoming Events: Financial Institutions, Economic Development & Trade (Senate) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 8:00 am

Requires short-term rental owners and online platforms to register with the Department of Revenue, collect and remit taxes, and comply with certain consumer safety requirements. Passed out of House on March 7th.

Urban residential building

H Passed 3rd Fitzgibbon

[E2SHB 1923](#)

Requires cities with a population of less than 10,000 that are planning fully under the Growth Management Act (GMA) to either take certain actions to increase residential building capacity and housing affordability, or make certain updates to the housing element of their comprehensive plan. Passed out of the House on

March 13th.

Sr's, disab. vets/prop tx ex

H Finance

Dhingra

Upcoming Events: Finance (House) Public Hearing 3/21 @ 1:30 pm

[ESSB 5160](#)

Modifies the qualifying income thresholds for the property tax exemption and deferral programs for low-income senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, and veterans beginning with taxes levied for collection in 2022. Passed out of the Senate on March 7th.

Common interest ownership

H Civil R & Judi

Pedersen

Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Exec Session 3/22 @ 10:00 am

[ESSB 5334](#)
[\(HB 1306\)](#)

Amends the Washington Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act and provisions in other related chapters to: revise the implied warranties applicable to condominiums; provide to association officers and board members the same immunity from liability as is provided to officers and directors of nonprofit corporations; and make a number of other miscellaneous amendments and technical corrections with respect to common interest communities.

Residential tenants

H Civil R & Judi

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Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 10:00 am

[ESSB 5600](#)

Extends the 3-day notice to pay and vacate for default in rent payment to 14 days notice for tenancies under the Residential Landlord-Tenant Act. Creates a uniform 14-day notice to pay and vacate that includes information on how tenants can access legal and advocacy resources. Requires the Department of Commerce to provide translated versions of the uniform 14-day notice on its website in at least the top 10 languages used in the state. Requires a landlord to first apply any tenant payment to rent before applying the payment toward other charges. Prohibits continued tenancy and relief from forfeiture to be conditioned upon tenant payment or satisfaction of any monetary amount other than rent. Provides the court with discretion to provide relief from forfeiture or to stay a writ of restitution based upon the required consideration of certain factors and with the burden of proof for relief on the tenant. Authorizes the court to consider the reasonableness of late fees and costs and attorneys' fees before awarding such fees. Passed out of Senate March 9th.

Accessory dwelling units

H Local Govt

Palumbo

[ESSB 5812](#)
[\(SHB 1797\)](#)

Requires cities and counties to adopt ordinances and development and zoning regulations that authorize creating accessory dwelling units within designated urban growth areas. Passed out of the Senate on March 11th.

SEPA/shelters & encampments

H Env & Energy

Nguyen

[ESSB 5946](#)

SB 5946 was introduced last and received a public hearing in the Senate Housing Stability & Affordability Committee and then executive action on February 20th, where it passed out of Committee. During the public hearing, the state team spoke to how the legislation would help local jurisdictions permit shelters and encampments as short term or transitional places for the homeless while they await permanent housing, how SEPA review of shelters and encampments can delay the stand up of shelters for as much as six months to a year while adding to the cost. Other stakeholders who testified in support included King County, Housing Alliance, DESC, and the Seattle/King County Coalition on Homelessness. Passed out of Senate March 5th.

Public Safety

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<p><u>SHB 1002</u></p>	<p>Rape in the third degree</p>	<p>S Rules 2 Orwall</p>
<p>Eliminates the evidentiary requirement that the victim clearly expressed their lack of consent by words or conduct in order to prove rape in the third degree. This bill passed out of the House on February 7th with a vote of 96-0 (2 excused).</p>		
<p><u>HB 1016</u> <u>(SB 5910)</u></p>	<p>Sexual assault kit notice</p>	<p>S Health & Long T Caldier</p>
<p>Requires a hospital that does not perform sexual assault evidence kit collection or does not have an appropriate provider available, to notify any individual who presents at the emergency department requesting a sexual assault evidence kit collection that it does not provide the service, and to coordinate care with the local community sexual assault agency to assist the patient in finding a facility with an appropriate provider available. Creates a civil penalty of \$2,000 for failure to comply with this requirement. This bill passed out of the House on February 7th with a vote of 96-0 (2 excused).</p>		
<p><u>SHB 1041</u></p>	<p>Certificates of discharge</p>	<p>S Law & Justice Hansen</p>
<p>Upcoming Events: Law & Justice (Senate) Public Hearing 3/21 @ 10:00 am</p> <p>Modifies the process for obtaining a certificate of discharge for felony convictions. Expands eligibility criteria for vacating criminal convictions. This bill passed out of the House on March 1st with a vote of 95-0 (3 excused).</p>		
<p><u>HB 1055</u></p>	<p>No-contact orders/arrest</p>	<p>S Rules 2 Entenman</p>
<p>Authorizing law enforcement to arrest persons in violation of certain no-contact orders involving victims of trafficking and promoting prostitution offenses. This bill passed out of the House on February 14th with a vote of 96-0 (2 excused).</p>		
<p><u>HB 1149</u></p>	<p>Sex. assault protect. orders</p>	<p>S Law & Justice Jinkins</p>
<p>Upcoming Events: Law & Justice (Senate) Exec Session 3/21 @ 10:00 am</p> <p>HB 1149 clarifies requirements to obtain a sexual assault protection order. This important legislation passed the House floor with a vote of 81 yeas, 14 nays, and 3 excused. The bill responds to the State Supreme Court's decision in Roake v. Delman, 189 Wn.2d 775 (2018) by clarifying requirements to obtain a sexual assault protection order.</p>		
<p><u>2SHB 1166</u></p>	<p>Sexual assault</p>	<p>S Law & Justice Orwall</p>
<p>Upcoming Events: Law & Justice (Senate) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 10:00 am, Law & Justice (Senate) Exec Session 3/21 @ 10:00 am</p> <p>The bill address rape kits need by outlining time frames for testing, provides \$13 million in funding and places a moratorium on the destruction of unreported kits. This bill passed out of the House on March 6th with a vote of 97-0 (1 excused).</p>		
<p><u>2SHB 1216</u></p>	<p>School safety & well-being</p>	<p>S EL/K-12 Dolan</p>

(2SSB 5317) Upcoming Events: Early Learning & K-12 Education (Senate) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 1:30 pm

Establishes a statewide network for school safety with a state center, regional centers through the educational service districts, and an advisory committee, subject to appropriations. Requires school districts to establish school-based threat assessment programs. Directs OSPI to monitor safety plans and threat assessment programs, subject to appropriations. Tasks the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee with completing a study on the first responder building mapping information system. Adds safe school plan and safety drill requirements. This bill passed out of the House on March 7th with a vote of 83-14 (1 excused).

	Domestic violence/law enf.	S Law & Justice	Jinkins
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[SHB 1225](#) SHB 1225 strengthens our protections for law enforcement and domestic violence victims by authorizing law enforcement to temporarily remove firearms when making an arrest for domestic violence, creates protocols for inquiring of the victim regarding the abuser's access to and past use of firearms and requires that firearms secured in connection with a domestic violence call may not be returned to the owner or person from whom it was obtained until five business days have elapsed since the firearm was obtained;. SHB 1225 also requires courts to consider all information in a domestic violence incident report regarding the defendant's possession of and access to firearms, and allows the court to include a firearm prohibition as a condition of release and order the defendant to surrender all firearms upon release. This bill passed out of the House on March 5th with a vote of 60-38.

	Sex offenses/modify SOL	S Law & Justice	Griffey
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[SHB 1231](#) HB 1231 eliminates or extends the statute of limitations for certain felony sex offenses. This bill passed out of the House on March 6th with a vote of 89-7 (2 excused).

	Emergency aid/prostitution	S Law & Justice	Pellicciotti
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[HB 1382](#) Provides immunity from prosecution for Prostitution if the evidence for the charge was obtained as a result of a person seeking emergency assistance in certain circumstances. This bill passed out of the House on March 6th with a vote of 97-0 (1 excused).

	Patronizing a prostitute	S Law & Justice	Pellicciotti
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[SHB 1383](#) Raises the classification for any second or subsequent conviction for the crime of patronizing a prostitute from a misdemeanor to a gross misdemeanor. This bill passed out of the House on March 6th with a vote of 97-0 (1 excused).

	Pistol sales or transfers	S Law & Justice	Goodman
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[EHB 1465](#) Removes a provision allowing a dealer to deliver a pistol to a purchaser who produces a valid concealed pistol license prior to the completion of a state background check. Expires the provisions of the bill six months after the date on which the Washington State Patrol determines that a single point of contact firearm background check system is operational in the state. This bill passed out of the House on March 12th with a vote of 59-35 (4 excused).

	Impaired driving	H Passed 3rd	Klippert
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[ESHB 1504](#) Concerning impaired driving. This bill passed out of the House on March 13th with a vote of 96-0 (2 excused).

Domestic violence

S Law & Justice

Goodman

Upcoming Events: Law & Justice (Senate) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 10:00 am, Law & Justice (Senate) Exec Session 3/21 @ 10:00 am

[E2SHB 1517](#)
(SB 5681)

Modifies definitions to distinguish domestic violence (DV) between family and household members from intimate partner DV to allow for enhanced data collection. Requires development of a new DV risk assessment module for the Washington ONE risk assessment tool. Adds requirements for DV offenders participating in the Special Drug Offender Sentencing Alternative. Establishes requirements for a DV offender participating in deferred prosecution. Modifies community custody conditions for DV offenders and the length of time a DV no-contact order remains in effect when it is a sentencing condition. Authorizes enforcement of Canadian civil DV protection orders. This bill passed out of the House on March 6th with a vote of 97-0 (1 excused).

Native American women

S State Govt/Trib

Mosbrucker

[2SHB 1713](#)

Establishes two liaison positions within the Washington State Patrol (WSP) for the purpose of building relationships between government and native communities. Requires the WSP to develop a best practices protocol for law enforcement response to missing persons reports for indigenous women and other indigenous people. Requires the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs to provide the WSP with government-to-government training. This bill passed out of the House on March 6th with a vote of 98-0.

Firearms/undetectable, etc.

S Law & Justice

Valdez

[SHB 1739](#)

Establishes criminal penalties applicable to undetectable firearms and untraceable firearms. This bill passed out of the House on March 4th with a vote of 55-41 (2 excused).

Arrest & jail alternatives

S Behavioral Heal

Lovick

Upcoming Events: Behavioral Health Subcommittee to Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Public Hearing 3/22 @ 1:30 pm

[2SHB 1767](#)

Creates a grant program administered through the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs to support local initiatives to properly identify criminal justice system involved persons with substance use disorders and other behavioral health needs and engage those persons with therapeutic interventions and other services. This bill passed out of the House on March 6th with a vote of 89-8 (1 excused).

Protection, etc. orders

S Law & Justice

Jinkins

[SHB 1786](#)

This bill aligns our standards and procedures for firearm surrender for all protection orders, including domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and anti-harassment. The standards reflected in this policy are based on best practices to ensure that guns are removed from dangerous, volatile situations. This bill passed out of the House on March 5th with a vote of 56-42.

Marijuana retailer penalties

S Law & Justice

Pettigrew

[HB 1792](#)

Creates a gross misdemeanor crime applicable when an employee of a marijuana retail outlet sells marijuana products to a person under age 21 in the course of their employment. Provides that an employee of a marijuana retailer may still be prosecuted under applicable felony provisions of the Controlled Substances Act in certain circumstances, including when the employee makes the sale to the underage person outside the course of the person's employment. Creates a misdemeanor crime applicable when a marijuana retailer or employee of the retailer allows a person under the age of 21 to enter or remain on the premises of the retail outlet (unless otherwise authorized in law). This bill passed out of the House on March 7th with a vote

	Firearm background checks	S Law & Justice	Hansen
	Upcoming Events: Law & Justice (Senate) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 10:00 am, Law & Justice (Senate) Exec Session 3/21 @ 10:00 am		
<u>SHB 1949</u>	Conducting a feasibility study to examine and make recommendations regarding the establishment of a single point of contact firearm background check system. This bill is the first step towards centralizing our firearms background check system which is important for uniform checks and background check enforcement. This bill passed out of the House on March 6th with a vote of 97-0 (1 excused).		
	Harassment	S Law & Justice	Stokesbary
<u>HB 2129</u>	Changes the name of the crime of "Cyberstalking" to "Cyber Harassment" and narrows the type of conduct that is criminalized under the offense; makes changes to the elements of the crime of Stalking to include placing another person under electronic surveillance and intending to unlawfully surveil another person; and modifies the circumstances in which Cyber Harassment and Stalking offenses elevate from a gross misdemeanor to a felony. This bill passed out of the House on March 5th with a vote of 98-0.		
	Extreme risk protect. orders	H Civil R & Judi	Frockt
<u>ESSB 5027</u>	Authorizes the court to enter an extreme risk protection order (ERPO) against a person under the age of eighteen years and requires notice to the person's parent or guardian of the legal obligation to safely secure any firearms. Allows a restrained party under the age of eighteen to petition the court to seal from public view court records relating to an ERPO proceeding. Passed Senate: 3/05/19, 43-5.		
	School resource officers	H Education	Wellman
<u>2SSB 5141</u>	Defines school resource officer (SRO). Requires school districts that choose to have a SRO program to confirm that the SRO has received training on specific topics; directs school districts with a SRO program to annually review and adopt an agreement with local law enforcement that incorporates certain elements; and creates a grant program to fund SRO training. Passed the House yeas; 48; nays, 0.		
	Trafficking victims assist.	H Approps	Saldaña
<u>SSB 5164</u> <u>(HB 1971)</u>	Upcoming Events: Appropriations (House) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 3:30 pm Expands eligibility of the state Food Assistance Program for legal immigrants, the state family assistance programs, and the Medical Care Services (MCS) program to include certain victims of human trafficking. Requires the Health Care Authority to monitor expenditures for MCS and freeze new enrollment if expenditures exceed amounts appropriated in the state's operating budget. Provides definitions for the terms "victim of human trafficking" and "qualifying family member," which limit the scope to noncitizens and their family members who have taken steps to obtain special status with the federal government. Passed Senate: 3/07/19, 48-0.		
<u>SSB 5181</u>	Invol. treatment procedures	H Civil R & Judi	Kuderer
	Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 8:00 am		

Prohibits a person detained for 72 hours under the involuntary treatment act from possessing a firearm for six months following detention on the basis that the person presents a likelihood of serious harm. Restores a person's firearm rights automatically six months after detention and requires returning the person's firearms and their concealed pistol license. Allows the person to petition the court for restoring of their firearm rights before the end of the six-month period. Passed Senate: 3/07/19, 26-19.

Incomp. for trial/firearms

H Civil R & Judi

Dhingra

Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 8:00 am

[SB 5205](#)

Prohibits a person from possessing a firearm if his or her charges are dismissed based on incompetency to stand trial and the court makes a finding indicating that the person has a history of one or more violent acts. Passed Senate: 3/07/19, 30-17.

[SB 5339](#)
(HB 1488)

Death penalty elimination

H Public Safety

Carlyle

Eliminates the death penalty and provides that all persons convicted of aggravated first degree murder must be sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of release or parole. Passed Senate: 2/15/19, 28-19.

[ESSB 5434](#)
(HB 1530)

Weapons in certain locations

H Civil R & Judi

Wilson

Prohibits possession of firearms on the premises of any licensed child care center, child care center provided-transportation, or other child care center facility. Requires a family day care provider to secure firearms on the premises in a locked gun safe or unloaded in a locked room with a trigger lock or other disabling device. Passed Senate: 3/11/19, 26-21.

[SB 5508](#)
(HB 1464)

Concealed pistol licenses

H Civil R & Judi

Palumbo

Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 10:00 am

Clarifies the background check for an original concealed pistol license must be conducted through the Washington State Patrol Criminal Identification Section and must include a fingerprint background check through the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Passed Senate: 3/04/19, 47-0.

[SB 5605](#)
(SHB 1500)

Marijuana misdemeanors

H Public Safety

Nguyen

Requires a court to vacate a misdemeanor marijuana possession conviction upon request if the applicant was age twenty-one or older at the time of the offense. Passed Senate: 3/11/19, 29-19.

[SB 5649](#)

Sexual assault/adjust SOLs

H Public Safety

Dhingra

Upcoming Events: Public Safety (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 3:30 pm

Eliminates or extends the statutes of limitations for several sex offenses. Eliminates the evidentiary requirement that the victim clearly expressed their lack of consent by words or conduct in order to prove rape in the third degree. Eliminates or extends the statutes of limitations for several sex offenses. Eliminates the evidentiary requirement that the victim clearly expressed their lack of consent by words or conduct in order to prove rape in the third degree. Eliminates or extends the statutes of limitations for several sex offenses. Eliminates the evidentiary requirement that the victim clearly expressed their lack of consent by words or conduct in order to prove rape in the third degree. Passed Senate: 2/20/19, 48-0.

[E2SSB 5720](#)

Involuntary treatment act

H Civil R & Judi

Dhingra

(HB 1814) Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 8:00 am

Increases the initial detention period under the Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) from 72 hours to five days, excluding weekends and holidays, beginning January 1, 2020. Modifies definitions of likelihood of serious harm, gravely disabled, and violent act under the ITA. Expands single-bed certifications on July 1, 2026, to include patients detained due to a substance use disorder. Applies certain ITA provisions relating to adults to minors. Passed Senate: 3/07/19, 46-2.

Safety Net & Civil Rights

Bill Details

Status

Sponsor

Certificates of discharge

S Law & Justice

Hansen

Upcoming Events: Law & Justice (Senate) Public Hearing 3/21 @ 10:00 am

[SHB 1041](#)

The New Hope Act promotes successful reentry by modifying the process for obtaining certificates of discharge and vacating conviction records. Passed House: 3/1/19, 95-0.

Domestic violence/workplace

S Labor &
Commer

Mosbrucker

Upcoming Events: Labor & Commerce (Senate) Public Hearing 3/21 @ 8:30 am

[EHB 1056](#)

Creates a Joint Legislative Task Force on domestic violence and workplace resources to identify the role of the workplace in helping to curb domestic violence. The Task Force would include one member from each of the four caucuses in the House of Representatives (House) and Senate, two of whom serve as co-chairs; one member representing each of the following: Association of Washington Business; National Federation of Independent Business; Washington Hospitality Association; Washington Retail Association; Washington State Labor Council; Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs; Washington Coalition Against Domestic Violence; and a federally recognized tribe; a business owner; a survivor of domestic violence; and up to two additional members. Passed House: 3/6/19, 97-0.

Health care employees

S Labor &
Commer

Riccelli

[SHB 1155](#) [\(SSB 5190\)](#)

Health care workers have pursued this bill for more than 10 years. This policy ensures front line health care workers are able to provide the best care possibly by allowing them to have uninterrupted breaks and closing the mandatory call loophole that allows employers to skirt our safety laws around mandatory overtime. Passed House: 3/6/19, 63-34.

Paid family & medical leave

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[SHB 1399](#) [\(SSB 5449\)](#)

Reorganizes the Paid Family and Medical Leave statutes. Makes revisions to definitions, voluntary plans, waiting periods, and other matters. Authorizes employer to waive several statutory provisions and to offer supplemental benefits. Adds provisions concerning privacy and access to confidential records. Passed House: 3/01/19, 71-23.

<p>ESHB 1450 (ESSB 5478)</p>	<p>Noncompetition covenants</p>	<p>S Labor & Commerc</p>	<p>Stanford</p>
<p>After four years of policy development and negotiation, an agreed upon vehicle which addresses experiences of workers are required to sign noncompete agreements which restricts them from taking jobs after employment ends or taking second jobs to supplement their hours and income. The policy will prohibit the use of non-competes for low and mid-wage workers (up to \$100K/year), presumes any noncompete restricting work for longer than 18 months is unreasonable and prohibits restrictions on moonlighting for any worker earning less than twice the minimum wage. Passed House: 3/12/19, 55-41.</p>			
<p>SHB 1587 (SB 5583)</p>	<p>Fruits and vegetables access</p>	<p>S Human Svcs, Ree</p>	<p>Riccelli</p>
<p>Upcoming Events: Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation (Senate) Exec Session 3/21 @ 1:30 pm Passed House: 3/04/19, 82-14.</p>			
<p>SHB 1602</p>	<p>Consumer debt</p>	<p>S Law & Justice</p>	<p>Reeves</p>
<p>Upcoming Events: Law & Justice (Senate) Exec Session 3/21 @ 10:00 am</p>			
<p>Changes the post judgment interest rate for unpaid consumer debt to 9 percentage points above the prime rate, unless the judgment interest rate is specified in the contract. Increases the bank account and wage garnishment exemptions for judgments on consumer debt. Modifies the writs and forms for garnishment and continuing lien on earnings to specify whether a writ is for consumer debt, and outlines debtor exemption rights for consumer debt. Passed House: 3/01/19, 72-22.</p>			
<p>ESHB 1692</p>	<p>Agency employees/harassment</p>	<p>S State Govt/Tri</p>	<p>Jinkins</p>
<p>Upcoming Events: State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections (Senate) Public Hearing 3/22 @ 1:30 pm</p>			
<p>This bill seeks to protect employee information that they may report regarding sexual harassment. The bill outlines that unless by court order, an agency is prohibited from disclosing records concerning an agency employee who has made a claim of workplace sexual harassment or stalking with the employing agency, if the record is requested by a person alleged in the claim to have sexually harassed or stalked the agency employee and the agency reasonably believes, after having conducted an investigation, that the alleged act occurred. It outlines a court process for civil remedy if this were violated. Passed House: 3/7/19, 98-0.</p>			
<p>ESHB 1696</p>	<p>Wage and salary information</p>	<p>S Labor & Commerc</p>	<p>Dolan</p>
<p>Prohibits an employer from seeking the wage or salary history of an applicant or requiring that the wage or salary history meet certain criteria, with some exceptions. Requires an employer to provide the wage scale or salary range for the job title to an employee both upon hire and annually, and upon request. Passed House: 3/9/19, 56-40.</p>			
<p>EHB 1706 (SB 5753)</p>	<p>Subminimum wage/disabilities</p>	<p>S Labor & Commerc</p>	<p>Frame</p>
<p>Eliminates special certificates that allow an employer to pay below the minimum wage to workers with disabilities. Passed House: 3/11/19, 81-17.</p>			

Payment/limitations period

S Law & Justice Walen

Upcoming Events: Law & Justice (Senate) Exec Session 3/21 @ 10:00 am

[HB 1730](#)

Provides that any payment of principal or interest made after the limitations period for commencing a cause of action has expired shall not revive or extend the limitations period. Provides that an acknowledgement or promise made after the limitations period for commencing a cause of action has expired shall not revive or extend the limitations period. Passed House: 3/1/19, 94-0.

[HB 1906](#) (SB 5868)**Dolores Huerta day**

S 2nd Reading Ortiz-Self

Recognizes April 10 as Dolores Huerta Day. Passed House: 3/4/19, 62-34.

[EHB 2020](#) (SB 5929)**Employment investigations**

S State Govt/Trib Dolan

Upcoming Events: State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections (Senate) Public Hearing 3/22 @ 1:30 pm

Protects victims and encourages people report reporting of sexual harassment and employment discrimination by exempting the names of complainants, other accusers and witnesses from public disclosure. Floor Activity: Passed House: 3/5/19, 97-1.

[ESSB 5035](#) (SHB 1072)**Prevailing wage laws**

H Labor & Workpla Salda?a

Upcoming Events: Labor & Workplace Standards (House) Public Hearing 3/18 @ 1:30 pm, Labor & Workplace Standards (House) Exec Session 3/21 @ 8:00 am

Extends the time period for filing a prevailing wage complaint from 30 days to 60 days from the acceptance date of the public works project. Modifies the penalty structure for prevailing wage violations, including increasing the minimum penalty for a violation to \$5,000 or an amount equal to 50 percent of the prevailing wage violation, whichever is greater. Requires contractors to retain payroll records for three years and to submit certified payroll records at least once per month. This bill passed out of the Senate on March 1st with a vote of 40-7 (2 excused).

[ESB 5165](#)**Discrimination/immigration**

H Civil R & Judi Salda?a

Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Exec Session 3/22 @ 10:00 am

The Washington Law Against Discrimination is expanded to prohibit discrimination based on a person's citizenship or immigration status, unless differential treatment on the basis of citizenship or immigration status is authorized by federal or state law, regulation, or government contract.

[SB 5207](#)**Felony voting rights notices**

H State Govt & T Dhingra

Upcoming Events: State Government & Tribal Relations (House) Exec Session 3/19 @ 1:30 pm, State Government & Tribal Relations (House) Exec Session 3/22 @ 8:00 am

Requires the Department of Corrections to notify an inmate of the process for provisional and permanent restoration of voting rights before the termination of authority over the inmate. Passed Senate: 2/25/19, 37-12.

[ESSB 5258](#)**Isolated worker protection**

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(HB 1728)

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Upcoming Events: Labor & Workplace Standards (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 3:30 pm

This legislation requires certain employers who employ custodians, security guards, hotel or motel workers, or room-service employees who spend a majority of their working hours alone to adopt a sexual harassment policy, provide sexual harassment training, provide a list of resources to employees, and to provide panic buttons to each isolated worker. It also requires L&I to establish procedures for licensing property service contractors. Passed Senate: 2/13/19, 47-0.

LGBTQ commission

H State Govt & Tr Wilson

Upcoming Events: State Government & Tribal Relations (House) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

[E2SSB 5356](#)
(HB 2065)

Establishes a Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Commission in the Office of the Governor, subject to appropriations. Designates June of each year as LGBTQ month with the fourth week in June designated as a time to celebrate the contributions LGBTQ people have made to the state. Passed Senate: 3/06/19, 34-14.

[2SSB 5376](#)
(2SHB 1854)

Consumer data

H Inn, Tech & Ec Carlyle

Upcoming Events: Innovation, Technology & Economic Development (House) Public Hearing 3/22 @ 10:00 am

[ESB 5429](#)
(SHB 1246)

Referred and diverted youth

H H Svcs & Erly L Nguyen

Upcoming Events: Human Services & Early Learning (House) Exec Session 3/20 @ 1:30 pm

Requires the Department of Children, Youth & Families (DCYF) to allow proposals to receive Community Juvenile Accountability Program (CJAP) funds to be submitted to support programs for youth who are referred to the program by law enforcement rather than being formally diverted or charged within the juvenile justice system. Requires DCYF to implement a stop loss policy preventing a funding shift of more than two percent of CJAP funds away from a single county within a single year. Requires DCYF to implement a stop loss policy limiting the loss in funding for any juvenile court from one year to the next based on funding formula changes. Passed Senate: 2/20/19, 48-0.

[ESSB 5478](#)
(ESHB 1450)

Noncompetition covenants

H Labor & Workpla Liias

Upcoming Events: Labor & Workplace Standards (House) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 3:30 pm

After four years of policy development and negotiation, an agreed upon vehicle which addresses experiences of workers are required to sign noncompete agreements which restricts them from taking jobs after employment ends or taking second jobs to supplement their hours and income. The policy will prohibit the use of non-competes for low and mid-wage workers (up to \$100K/year), presumes any noncompete restricting work for longer than 18 months is unreasonable and prohibits restrictions on moonlighting for any worker earning less than twice the minimum wage. Passed Senate: 3/05/19, 30-18.

[E2SSB 5497](#)
(2SHB 1815)

Immigrants in the workplace

H Civil R & Judi Wellman

Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Public Hearing 3/22 @ 10:00 am

Keep Washington Working Act - The bill would create model policies for limiting immigration enforcement consistent with federal and state law and would prevent state and local law enforcement from using local tax

dollars to assist in performing the functions of a federal immigration officer. Passed Senate: 3/07/19, 30-16.

Youth courts

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Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 8:00 am

[SB 5640](#)

Expands the jurisdiction of youth courts to include juveniles aged twelve to seventeen. Expands the jurisdiction of youth courts to include civil infractions. Passed Senate: 3/08/19, 48-0.

Transportation

Bill Details

Status

Sponsor

[HB 1160](#)

Transportation budget 19-21

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(SB 5214)

Makes transportation appropriations for the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium.

Motorized foot scooters

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Upcoming Events: Transportation (Senate) Public Hearing 3/20 @ 3:30 pm

[ESHB 1772](#)

(SSB 5751)

Authorizes local authorities to regulate the operation of motorized foot scooters and shared scooters within their jurisdictions. Permits electric-assisted bicycles and motorized foot scooters to park as bicycles are permitted to park. Limits fine maximums for moving and parking violations involving shared scooters to fine amounts assessed to riders of bicycles, and mandates that they be assessed on the person responsible for the violation. Mandates that scooter share operators carry commercial general liability insurance coverage with a limit of at least \$1 million for each occurrence and \$5 million in the aggregate, and automobile liability insurance coverage with a combined single limit of at least \$1 million. Passed House: 3/12/19, 85-13.

Green transportation

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Upcoming Events: Transportation (House) Exec Session 3/20 @ 3:30 pm

[HB 2042](#)

The bill includes major reforms to move away from the costs and pollution of fossil fuels and toward cleaner technology, including: ☐ Making electric vehicles more affordable and accessible for everyone; ☐ Increasing the network of electric car chargers across the state; ☐ Helping transit agencies transition to electric buses; ☐ Solving the last-mile problem in mass transit, to get you from a ferry terminal, bus stop or train station to your final destination; and ☐ Enhancing efforts to get cars off the road through increased carpooling, vanpooling, telecommuting, walking, biking, or taking mass transit instead of driving alone to work every day.

Electric transportation

S Ways & Means

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Upcoming Events: Ways & Means (Senate) Public Hearing 3/19 @ 3:30 pm

[2SSB 5336](#)

(HB 1664)

Exempts up to \$1,000 of sales and use tax on certain new or used battery electric vehicle purchases or leases under \$45,000. Limits the cumulative sales and use tax exemptions to \$100 million and the exemption will expire once it hits that aggregate level. Amends tax incentives for clean alternative fuel commercial vehicles. Authorizes (1) the governing bodies of a municipal utility or a public utility district

commission to adopt and (2) an electric utility regulated by the Utilities and Transportation Commission to submit an electrification of transportation plan that establishes that utility outreach and investment in the electrification of transportation infrastructure does not increase net costs to ratepayers in excess of 0.0025. Provides the incentive rate of return on investment authorized by the UTC for electric vehicle supply equipment deployed consistent with a electrification of transportation plan expires December 31, 2030.

<u>SSB 5723</u> (ESHB 1966)	Pedestrian, etc. safety	H Trans	Saldaña
	Modifies the rules of the road to clarify how motor vehicles, pedestrians, bicyclists and other users are to share the road. Provides an additional penalty for certain traffic infractions involving a motor vehicle and a vulnerable user of the road, and deposits the penalty monies into a new account dedicated to educating law enforcement officers, prosecutors and judges about opportunities for enforcement of traffic infractions and offenses committed against vulnerable roadway users. Passed Senate: 3/05/19, 48-0.		
<u>SB 5970</u>	Transportation funding bonds	S Rules 2	Hobbs
	Authorizing bonds for transportation funding.		
<u>SSB 5971</u>	Transportation funding	S Ways & Means	Hobbs
	Concerning transportation funding.		
<u>SSB 5972</u>	Additive trans funding	S Rules 2	Hobbs
	Concerning additive transportation funding and appropriations.		