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Upcoming Dates of Note

February 7, 2020	House of Origin Policy Cutoff
February 11, 2020	House of Origin Fiscal Cutoff
February 19, 2020	House of Origin Floor Cutoff
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March 6, 2020	Opposite House Floor Cutoff
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Education

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<p>Sexual health education</p> <p>ESSB 5395 Requires every public school to provide comprehensive sexual health education that is consistent with Washington state health and physical education standards.</p>	H Education	Wilson
<p>Menstrual products/schools</p> <p>SB 6073 Requires school districts and charter schools to make menstrual hygiene products available at no cost by the beginning of the 2021-22 school year.</p>	S EL/K-12	Dhingra

Environment

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<p>Low Carbon Fuel Standard</p> <p>E2SHB 1110 Directs the Department of Ecology to adopt a rule establishing a Clean Fuels Program (Program) to limit 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.</p> <p>Passed the House 52-44 on 1/30</p>	S Environment, En	Fitzgibbon

On-demand transportation emissions

H Approps

Fitzgibbon

[SHB 2310](#)
(SB 6399)

Reducing emissions from vehicles associated with on-demand transportation services. Requires certain service providers arranging for the transportation of people and food delivery to submit information to the Department of Ecology regarding vehicle miles driven and greenhouse gas emissions. Requires providers develop plans to meet greenhouse gas emission reduction goals by 2023. Requires providers to develop plans to minimize financial impacts to drivers.

Community property/clean energy

H Approps

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[SHB 2405](#)
(SB 6222)

Creates a commercial property assessed clean energy and resiliency (C-PACER) program that facilitates a partnership for the financing of energy efficiency retrofits and new construction. Authorizes a capital provider (private entity) to provide financing for qualifying capital improvements such as energy efficiency, water conservation, renewable energy, and resiliency projects which are repaid through assessments on property.

Greenhouse gas emissions

H Env & Energy

Fitzgibbon

*[HB 2892](#)

Revises the definitions of emission standard to include direct or indirect releases of emissions of contaminants into the ambient air. Authorizes the Department of Ecology to require persons who produce or distribute fossil fuels that emit greenhouse gases to comply with air quality and emissions standards or emission limits on greenhouse gases.

Upcoming Events: Environment & Energy (House) Public Hearing 2/3 @ 1:30 pm, Environment & Energy (House) Exec Session 2/4 @ 3:30 pm

Heating oil insurance

S 2nd Reading

Wellman

[SSB 6256](#)
(SHB 2424)

Directs the Pollution Liability Insurance Agency (PLIA) to design and implement a process to close out existing claims under the Heating Oil Pollution Liability Insurance Program. Prohibits the Heating Oil Pollution Liability Insurance Program from registering heating oil tanks for coverage after July 1, 2020. States the intent of the Legislature that the Underground Storage Tank Revolving Loan and Grant Program be used to assist owners and operators of heating oil tanks to remediate past releases and prevent future releases. Modifies the circumstances in which the State Treasurer may transfer funds from the Pollution Liability Insurance Program Trust Account into the PLIA Underground Storage Tank Revolving Account.

Upcoming Events: Capital Budget (House) Public Hearing 2/4 @ 8:00 am, Capital Budget (House) Exec Session 2/6 @ 1:30 pm

General Government**Bill Details****Status****Sponsor**[HB 2414](#)**Digital equity**

H Inn, Tech & E

Gregerson

Modeled after the federal bill, this bill would address broadband adoption and would support local digital inclusion plans and efforts, reaching vulnerable populations.

Facial recognition services

S Rules 2

Nguyen

Concerning the use of facial recognition services. Requires state or local government agencies (agencies) to develop an accountability report and an annual report that meet certain requirements on the use of a facial recognition service (service). Specifies agency requirements regarding public notification, testing prior to deployment, independent testing for accuracy across distinct subpopulations, and service operator training. Prohibits the use of a service for ongoing surveillance, except in support of law enforcement and pursuant to a search warrant or agency director determination under certain conditions. Specifies disclosure and record keeping requirements. Establishes a facial recognition task force.

[SSB 6280](#)**Personal data**

S Ways & Means

Carlyle

2020 Privacy Act. Provides Washington residents with the consumer personal data rights of access, correction, deletion, data portability, and opt out of the processing of personal data for specified purposes.

[SSB 6281](#)**Health Care****Bill Details****Status****Sponsor****Opioid reversal co-prescription**

H HC/Wellness

Macri

[HB 2337](#)
(SB 6447)

The bill would require a practitioner that prescribes a patient an opioid of 50 morphine milligrams or greater to also prescribe the patient an opioid overdose reversal (OOR) medication, or confirm the patient has a current prescription for OOR medication.

Mental health coverage

H HC/Wellness

Macri

[HB 2338](#)

Prohibiting discrimination in health care coverage. Expands health coverage mental health parity requirements. Expands health insurance nondiscrimination provisions.

Ambulance quality assurance fee

H Approps

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[*HB 2846](#)
(SB 6534)

Creating an ambulance transport quality assurance fee. The fee will be used to provide additional reimbursement to ambulance transport providers, support quality improvement efforts, and pay for administrative costs.

Upcoming Events: Appropriations (House) Public Hearing 2/5 @ 3:30 pm, Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Exec Session 2/3 @ 1:30 pm

Vapor products

S Health & Long

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[SB 6254](#)
(HB 2454)

Governor request bill. Requires all vapor product manufacturers be licenses by the Liquor and Cannabis Board and requires manufacturers and distributors to submit a list of product ingredients to the Department of Health. Bans the sale of vapor products containing vitamin E acetate and flavored vapor products. Limits nicotine concentrations in vapor products.

Upcoming Events: Health & Long Term Care (Senate) Exec Session 2/3 @ 1:30 pm

Housing, Homelessness & Affordability

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<p>Tenants/installment payments</p> <p>HB 1694</p> <p>Requires a landlord, upon receipt of a tenant's written request, to permit the tenant to pay deposits, nonrefundable fees, and last month's rent in installments. Prohibits a landlord from imposing a fee, charging interest, or otherwise imposing a cost on a tenant because a tenant elects to pay in installments.</p>	<p>H 2nd Reading</p>	<p>Morgan</p>
<p>Urban housing</p> <p>SHB 2343 (SB 6334)</p> <p>Concerning urban housing supply. Modifies the list of planning actions that certain cities are encouraged to take in order to increase residential building capacity. Changes the frequency of transit service that triggers a cap on minimum residential parking requirements for certain affordable housing units, from four times per hour to two times per hour. Exempts certain project actions from appeal under SEPA on the basis of impacts to the aesthetics element of the environment if they have undergone the design review process at the appropriate local government level. Modifies the definition of permanent supportive housing. Directs the Department of Ecology to initiate the rule-making process to remove parking as an element of the environment and as a component of the environmental checklist.</p>	<p>H Rules R</p>	<p>Fitzgibbon</p>
<p>Nonprofit housing/property tax</p> <p>HB 2384 (SB 6232)</p> <p>Concerning the property tax exemption for nonprofit organizations providing rental housing or mobile home park spaces to qualifying households.</p>	<p>H Finance</p>	<p>Doglio</p>
<p>Residential tenants</p> <p>HB 2453 (SB 6379)</p> <p>Requires a landlord to have a business reason to evict a tenant and requires more than 20 days notice. Includes month to month tenancies.</p>	<p>H Civil R & Judi</p>	<p>Macri</p>
<p>Multiple-unit dwellings/tax</p> <p>*HB 2620 (SB 6411)</p> <p>Expanding the property tax exemption for new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in urban growth areas.</p> <p>Upcoming Events: Finance (House) Public Hearing 2/4 @ 8:00 am, Finance (House) Exec Session 2/7 @ 1:30 pm</p>	<p>H Finance</p>	<p>Walen</p>
<p>Accessory dwelling units tax</p> <p>HB 2630 (SSB 6231)</p> <p>Providing a limited property tax exemption for the construction of accessory dwelling units. A 3-year exemption from the property tax for the value of physical improvements to a single-family residence is allowed; this bill extends that exemption specifically to ADUs.</p>	<p>H Finance</p>	<p>Walen</p>

Affordable housing/REET H Finance Walen
 Provides a Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) exemption when selling to a nonprofit or public housing authority for affordable housing.
[HB 2634](#)
(SB 6366)
 Upcoming Events: Finance (House) Public Hearing 2/4 @ 8:00 am, Finance (House) Exec Session 2/7 @ 1:30 pm, Housing Stability & Affordability (Senate) Exec Session 2/3 @ 1:30 pm

Residential tenants H Civil R & Judi Macri
 Concerning residential tenant protections. Modifies the uniform 14-day pay or vacate notice and unlawful detainer action summons. Authorizes stay of an unlawful detainer judgment if the tenant will be able to pay the judgment with emergency rental assistance funds. Requires the tenant to provide a copy of the pledge of emergency rental assistance to stay the judgment and for the landlord to provide documentation necessary to process such assistance. Removes the prohibition on eligibility for judicial discretion if a tenant is issued three or more 14-day notices within the previous 12-month period.
[HB 2724](#)
(SSB 6378)

Landlord mitigation/victims H Civil R & Judi Riccelli
 Expanding the landlord mitigation program to alleviate the financial burden on victims attempting to flee domestic violence, sexual assault, unlawful harassment, or stalking.
 ***[HB 2732](#)**
 Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Exec Session 2/5 @ 8:00 am, Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Exec Session 2/7 @ 10:00 am

Criminal justice/housing H Civil R & Judi Davis
 Addressing housing concerns for individuals impacted by the criminal justice system.
 ***[HB 2878](#)**
(SB 6490)

County business excise tax H Finance Macri
 Authorizing counties with populations over two million to impose an excise tax on business.
 ***[HB 2907](#)**
 Upcoming Events: Finance (House) Public Hearing 2/4 @ 8:00 am

Urban centers/multiple-units S 3rd Reading Wagoner
 Expanding the property tax exemption for new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in urban centers.
[SSB 5366](#)

SEPA/shelters & encampments H Env & Energy Nguyen
 Exempts permit actions to site a temporary shelter or transitional encampment for people experiencing homelessness from State Environmental Policy Act requirements.
[ESSB 5946](#)

Identicards/homelessness S Transportation Liias
 Raises the age range to allow qualifying individuals up to age 25 to receive a Washington State identicard at reduced cost. Requires the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to assist youth under age 25 who do not have a permanent residence address to apply for identicards.
[SB 6304](#)
(HB 2607)

Manufactured/Mobile homes property

S Housing Stabil

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*[SB 6230](#)
(HB 2610)

Amends the Manufactured/Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act (MHLTA) as follows: requires landlords to provide notices of opportunity to purchase with respect to the sale or lease of manufactured/mobile home community; provides certain organizations and associations a fixed period of time within which to express intent to purchase or lease and make an offer, during which time the landlord shall not make a final unconditional acceptance of an offer from others; requires, rather than encourages, landlords to negotiate in good faith; and imposes civil penalties for failure to comply.

Multiple-unit dwellings/tax

S Housing Stabil

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*[SB 6411](#)
(HB 2620)

Expanding the property tax exemption for new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in urban growth areas.

Public Safety**Bill Details****Status****Sponsor**[HB 1374](#)**Local government firearm regulation**

H Civil R & Judi

Macri

Repeals the statute that preempts local jurisdictions from adopting laws relating to firearms.

[HB 2241](#)
(SB 6076)**Assault weapons**

H Civil R & Judi

Peterson

Makes it unlawful for a person to manufacture, possess, distribute, import, transfer, sell, offer for sale, purchase, or otherwise transfer an assault weapon or a large capacity magazine.

[SHB 2467](#)**Firearm background checks**

H Approps

Hansen

Establishing a centralized single point of contact background check system for firearms transfers.

*[HB 6163](#)**Unlawful possession firearm**

S Rules 2

Dhingra

Prohibits a person from possessing a firearm if the person has been charged with driving or physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and the person has a history of three or more prior offenses within ten years, vehicular homicide, or vehicular assault.

[2SSB 5164](#)**Public assistance crime victims**

S Ways & Means

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Expands eligibility of the food assistance program for legal immigrants, state family assistance programs, and medical care services (MCS) to include victims of certain crimes including human trafficking.

[SB 6076](#)
(HB 2241)**Assault weapons**

S Law & Justice

Kuderer

Makes it unlawful for a person to manufacture, possess, distribute, import, transfer, sell, offer for sale, purchase, or otherwise transfer an assault weapon or a large capacity magazine.

Office of firearm violence

S Ways & Means Dhingra

Creates the Office of Firearm Violence Prevention within the Department of Commerce. Duties of the Office include: collecting data and identifying gaps in data needed for ongoing analysis, policy development and implementation of firearm violence intervention and prevention strategies; researching, identifying and recommending policy options; researching, identifying and applying for non-state funding to support the work; working with the Office of Crime Victim Advocacy to identify opportunities to better support victims of firearm violence; and administering a grant program on firearm violence intervention and prevention. Assistant Chief Diaz testified in support and the bill passed out of Senate Law and Justice.

[SSB 6288](#)**Safety Net & Civil Rights****Bill Details****Status****Sponsor****Domestic worker protections**

H Labor & Workpl

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* [HB 2511](#)
([SB 6247](#)) Providing labor protections for domestic workers.

Upcoming Events: Labor & Workplace Standards (House) Exec Session 2/4 @ 3:30 pm

Court arrests

H Civil R & Judi

Thai

[HB 2567](#)
([SB 6522](#))

Aims to protect all people from warrantless civil immigration arrests at courts, prohibits court staff and prosecutors from using state and local justice resources to report people for federal immigration enforcement, and requires courts to collect data on immigration agents' surveillance of courthouses in Washington.

Upcoming Events: Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Exec Session 2/5 @ 8:00 am, Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) Exec Session 2/7 @ 10:00 am

Long-term care workers

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[HB 2681](#)
([SB 6205](#))

Requires home care agencies and the consumer directed employers to establish certain protocols related to employee discrimination and abuse. Requires the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) to convene a stakeholder work group to recommend best practices for training employers, workers, and clients to keep home care settings free from discrimination and abusive conduct. Authorizes L&I to assess a civil penalty up to \$5,000 for instances of noncompliance.

Upcoming Events: Labor & Workplace Standards (House) Exec Session 2/4 @ 3:30 pm

Driver's license suspensions

S Law & Justice

Salomon

[SB 6153](#)

Concerning driver's license suspensions and revocations.

WIC fruit & vegetable benefit

S Ways & Means

Lovelett

[SSB 6309](#)

Expanding access to nutritious food. Subject to available funds, the DOH must distribute a fruit and vegetable benefit of at least \$32 per summer farmers market season to each eligible participant in the WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program.

[SSB 6313](#)

Allows persons to vote in a primary election if they are 17 years old, but will be 18 by the general election. Requires that DOL provide an automated process for 16 and 17 year olds to sign up to register to vote. Requires that public universities, if requested by the student government, and certain public university branch campuses open student engagement centers to provide ballots.

Transportation

Bill Details

Status

Sponsor

Local transportation revenue

H Trans

Ramos

[HB 2362](#)
[\(SB 6652\)](#)

Creates a new 2 percent transportation utility tax, increases in the existing transportation benefit district sales tax authority to 0.4 percent and makes it councilmanic, and allows local governments to impose a five cent gas.

Auto. traffic safety cameras

S Transportation

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Establishing additional uses for automated traffic safety cameras for traffic congestion reduction and increased safety.

[SB 5789](#)
[\(ESHB 1793\)](#)

Allows automated traffic safety cameras to be used to detect the following: Stoplight violations; railroad crossing violations; stopping when traffic obstructed violations; stopping at intersection or crosswalk violations; public transportation only lane violations; stopping, standing, or parking violations at locations restricted for emergency response vehicle entry or exit or the boarding or disembarking of public transportation vehicles, including public ferries. Specifies that a public transportation vehicle is any motor vehicle, streetcar, train, trolley vehicle, ferry boat, or other device, vessel, or vehicle owned or operated by a transit authority that is used for carrying passengers and that operates on established routes.

Councilmember Strauss, Chief Scoggins (SFD), and Captain Sean O'Donnell (SPD) testified in support at the public hearing in the Senate last week. The House version passed 56-40 on 1/30.

Regional transit authorities

S Transportation

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*[SB 6606](#)

Requires Sound Transit to transition from the 1996 car tab valuation schedule to the 2006 valuation schedule, which would reduce ST revenue by \$1 billion, or \$2.9 billion long term if they bond to replace the immediate lost revenue. Retains the existing 1.1% MVET that was repealed by I-976. By making a legislative change to an Initiative the bill requires a 2/3 vote of the Legislature.

Upcoming Events: Transportation (Senate) Public Hearing 2/4 @ 3:30 pm