



City of Seattle
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Key Dates:

April 25, 2021

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Budget & Revenue

<u>Bill Details</u>		<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
SHB 1406 (SB 5426)	Wealth tax Improving the equity of Washington state's tax code by creating the Washington state wealth tax and taxing extraordinary financial intangible assets. Institutes a 1% tax on financial intangible assets, exempting the first \$1 billion of assessed value.	H Approps	Frame
HB 1465	Estate tax Making the estate tax more progressive by exempting small estates, reducing estate taxes on medium estates, increasing the estate tax on larger estates, and addressing equity in homeownership and homelessness.	H Finance	Orwall
HB 1496	High valued assets tax Creating a more progressive tax system in Washington by enacting an excise tax on sales and extraordinary profits of high valued assets.	H Finance	Senn
ESSB 5083 (SHB 1080)	Capital budget 2021-2023 Concerning the capital budget.	H Rules	Frockett
ESSB 5092 (SHB 1094)	Operating budget Making 2021-2023 fiscal biennium operating appropriations and 2019-2021 fiscal biennium second supplemental operating appropriations.	S Conf appt	Rolfes
ESSB 5096	Capital gains tax Enacting an excise tax on gains from the sale or exchange of certain capital assets.	H Exec Action	Robinson
SB 5371	Sweetened beverage tax Funding public health services and health equity initiatives through a statewide sweetened beverage tax.	S Health & Long	Robinson

Education

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<p>Graduation reqs/emergency</p> <p>EHB 1121 Authorizes the State Board of Education to permit public and private schools to grant individual student emergency waivers from credit and subject area graduation requirements, graduation pathway requirements, or both, due to a disruption from a local, state, or national emergency.</p>	C 7 L 21	Santos
<p>Schools/equity training</p> <p>ESSB 5044 Adds equity, diversity, inclusion, and anti-racism to existing cultural competency training for school board directors, district staff, and school staff. Directs school districts to prioritize one of three professional learning days to focus first on these topics. Passed the Senate 30-19.</p>	H Passed 3rd	Das
<p>Diversity, etc./higher ed.</p> <p>E2SSB 5227 Concerning diversity, equity, inclusion, and antiracism training and assessments at institutions of higher education.</p>	H Passed 3rd	Randall
<p>Child care & early dev. exp.</p> <p>E2SSB 5237 (E2SHB 1213) Fair Start for Kids Act. Expanding accessible, affordable child care and early childhood development programs. Increased subsidy rates for providers, providing access to health care for providers, lowers co-pays for Working Connections Child Care families; increases eligibility for Working Connections Child Care; and expands Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) eligibility.</p>	H Passed 3rd	Wilson
<p>College bound scholarship</p> <p>ESSB 5321 Expanding access to the college bound scholarship.</p>	H Passed 3rd	Nobles
<p>CTC computer science degrees</p> <p>SSB 5401 Authorizing community and technical colleges to offer bachelor degrees in computer science.</p>	H Spkr Signed	Nguyen

Environment

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<p>Transportation fuel/carbon</p> <p>E3SHB 1091 (SB 5231) Reducing greenhouse gas emissions by reducing the carbon intensity of transportation fuel.</p>	S Passed 3rd	Fitzgibbon
<p>Recycling, waste, & litter</p> <p>E2SSB 5022 (HB 1118) Concerning the management of certain materials to support recycling and waste and litter reduction. Establishes minimum recycled content requirements for plastic beverage containers. Establishes optional single-use food service requirements for food service businesses.</p>	H Passed 3rd	Das

Climate commitment act

H Exec Action Carlyle

Concerning the Washington climate commitment act. Requires the Governor to establish a comprehensive program to implement the state's climate commitment and convene a Climate Commitment Task Force. Establishes a cap and invest program for greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions to be implemented by the Department of Ecology (Ecology).

[E2SSB 5126](#)

Upcoming Events: Appropriations (House) Public Hearing 4/19 @ 9:00 am, Appropriations (House) Exec Session 4/20 @ 9:00 am

Env. justice task force recs

H Passed 3rd Saldaña

Establishes environmental justice strategic plan incorporation, equitable community engagement and public participation, tribal consultation, assessment, and budget and funding obligation requirements for the departments of Health, Ecology, Agriculture, Natural Resources, Commerce, and Transportation, and the Puget Sound Partnership.

[E2SSB 5141](#)**General Government****Bill Details****Status****Sponsor**

[SHB 1016](#) **Juneteenth**
Making Juneteenth a legal holiday.

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[SHB 1095](#) **Emergency assistance/tax**
Concerning the taxation of governmental financial assistance programs addressing the impacts of conditions giving rise to a gubernatorial or presidential emergency proclamation by creating state business and occupation tax and state public utility tax exemptions, a sales and use tax exemption for the receipt of such financial assistance, and clarifying the sales and use tax obligations for goods and services purchased by recipients of such financial assistance.

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[ESHB 1189](#) **Tax increment financing**
~~(2SSB 5211)~~
Concerning tax increment financing.

S Passed 3rd Duerr

[ESHB 1443](#) **Cannabis industry/equity**
(SB 5388)
Concerning social equity within the cannabis industry.

H Passed FP Morgan

[SSB 5013](#) **Local redistricting deadline**
Concerning local redistricting deadlines.

S Passed FP Hunt

[SSB 5025](#) **Consumer protection act**
Concerning the consumer protection improvement act.

H Passed 3rd Rolfes

[SB 5032](#) **Alt public works contracting**
Concerning the reauthorization and improvements to alternative public works contracting procedures.

S Passed FP Hasegawa

<u>SB 5101</u>	Emerg. mgmt. council/tribes Establishes tribal representation by adding two representatives of federally recognized tribes to the Emergency Management Council.	S Passed FP	Stanford
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Health Care

<u>Bill Details</u>		<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<u>SHB 1129</u>	International medical grads Concerning the licensure of international medical graduates.	H Spkr Signed	Valdez
<u>E2SHB 1152</u> <u>(SB 5173)</u>	Comp health districts Supporting measures to create comprehensive public health districts. Creates a workgroup to determine adequate funding of comprehensive public health districts for cities, counties and the state with the goal of providing equitable access to public health services.	H Passed FP	Riccelli
<u>ESHB 1273</u> <u>(SB 5070)</u>	Menstrual products/schools Requires school districts, charter schools, state-tribal compact schools, private schools, and institutions of higher education to make menstrual hygiene products available at no cost by the beginning of the 2022-23 school year.	H Passed FP	Berg
<u>E2SHB 1477</u>	National 988 system Implementing the national 988 system to enhance and expand behavioral health crisis response and suicide prevention services.	S 2nd Reading	Orwall
<u>E2SSB 5052</u>	Health equity zones Creating health equity zones. Requires the Department of Health to designate health equity zones statewide and develop projects that address disparities.	H Passed 3rd	Keiser
<u>SSB 5068</u>	Postpartum period/Medicaid Extends postpartum Apple Health coverage from 60 days to 12 months.	Del to Gov	Randall
<u>SSB 5149</u> <u>(HB 1201)</u>	Found. public health funding Establishes a covered lives assessment for health carriers, Medicaid, managed care organizations, and third-party administrators to provide funding for foundational public health services.	S Ways & Means	Robinson
<u>2SSB 5195</u>	Opioid overdose medication Concerning opioid overdose reversal medication.	H Passed 3rd	Lias

<u>SSB 5228</u>	Medical training/equity Addressing disproportionate health outcomes by building a foundation of equity in medical training. Requires public medical schools to develop health equity curriculum for medical students. Requires public medical school students to complete a course, or courses, on health equity prior to graduating.	Del to Gov	Randall
<u>2SSB 5313</u>	Health ins. discrimination Concerning health insurance discrimination.	H Passed 3rd	Lias
<u>E2SSB 5399</u>	Universal health care commission Concerning the creation of a universal health care commission.	H Passed 3rd	Randall

Housing, Homelessness, & Affordability

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<u>ESHB 1070</u>	Housing/local tax revenue Modifying allowed uses of local tax revenue for affordable housing and related services to include the acquisition and construction of affordable housing and facilities.	C 27 L 21 Ryu
<u>E2SHB 1083</u>	Relocation assistance Concerning relocation assistance for tenants of closed or converted manufactured/mobile home parks.	C 28 L 21 Gregerson
<u>ESHB 1108</u>	Foreclosure assistance Maintaining funding and assistance for homeowners navigating the foreclosure process.	H Spkr Signed Orwall
<u>E2SHB 1220</u>	Emergency shelters & housing Supporting emergency shelters and housing through local planning and development regulations.	H Passed FP Peterson
<u>ESHB 1236</u>	Residential tenants Protecting residential tenants from the beginning to end of their tenancies by penalizing the inclusion of unlawful lease provisions and limiting the reasons for eviction, refusal to continue, and termination.	H Spkr Signed Macri
<u>E2SHB 1277</u> (SB 5279)	Housing/revenue source Providing for an additional revenue source for eviction prevention and housing stability services. Establishes a \$100 surcharge on recorded documents to fund various housing services.	S 2nd Reading Ormsby
<u>E2SHB 1335</u>	Racial restrictions/review Concerning review and property owner notification of recorded documents with unlawful racial restrictions.	H Passed FP Valdez
<u>ESHB 1410</u>	Home foreclosure/taxes Protecting taxpayers from home foreclosure.	S Passed 3rd Volz

<u>SHB 1438</u>	Property tax/health expenses Expanding eligibility for property tax exemptions for service-connected disabled veterans and senior citizens by modifying income thresholds for eligibility to allow deductions for common health care-related expenses.	H ref/S recede	Orcutt
<u>SHB 1494</u>	Antidisplacement/prop. tax Providing housing safety, security, and protection for Washington families by creating the antidisplacement property tax exemption.	H Approps	Harris-Talley
<u>HJR 4204</u>	Residential ex./property tax Concerning a constitutional amendment providing for a residential real property exemption from property taxes levied for state purposes.	H Approps	Harris-Talley
<u>E2SSB 5160</u>	Landlord-tenant relations Addressing landlord-tenant relations by providing certain tenant protections during the public health emergency, providing for legal representation in eviction cases, establishing an eviction resolution pilot program for nonpayment of rent cases, and authorizing landlord access to certain rental assistance programs.	H Passed 3rd	Kuderer
<u>ESSB 5235</u>	Housing options & limits Increasing housing unit inventory by removing arbitrary limits on housing options.	S Passed FP	Lias
<u>E2SSB 5287</u>	Afford. housing incentives Concerning affordable housing incentives.	S Passed FP	Das
<u>ESSB 5408</u>	Homestead exemption Concerning the homestead exemption.	H Passed 3rd	Stanford

Police Reform

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<u>ESHB 1054</u>	Peace officer tactics, equip Establishing requirements for tactics and equipment used by peace officers.	H Conf appt Johnson
<u>SHB 1088</u> (SB 5067)	Impeachment disclosures Requires the Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys to update its policy addressing potential impeachment disclosures and develop and maintain online training for potential impeachment disclosures consistent with the policy.	H Spkr Signed Lovick

<u>E2SHB 1089</u> (SB 5069)	Law enforcement audits Concerning compliance audits of requirements relating to peace officers and law enforcement agencies. Authorizes the state auditor to review a deadly force investigation to determine whether the involved actors complied with all applicable rules and procedures.	H Spkr Signed	Ramos
<u>ESHB 1267</u>	Police use of force Concerning investigation of potential criminal conduct arising from police use of force, including custodial injuries, and other officer-involved incidents.	H Passed FP	Entenman
<u>E2SHB 1310</u>	Uses of force by officers Concerning permissible uses of force by law enforcement and correctional officers.	H Conf appt	Johnson
<u>E2SSB 5051</u> (HB 1082)	Peace & corrections officers Concerning state oversight and accountability of peace officers and corrections officers.	H Passed 3rd	Pedersen
<u>SSB 5055</u>	Law enforcement grievances Concerning law enforcement personnel collective bargaining. Establishes an arbitrator selection procedure for grievance arbitrations for law enforcement personnel that applies to all disciplinary grievance arbitrations heard on or after January 1, 2022.	C 13 L 21	Nguyen
<u>SSB 5066</u>	Officer duty to intervene Requires a peace officer to intervene when the officer witnesses a fellow peace officer engaging in the use of excessive force. Requires a peace officer who observes wrongdoing by a fellow officer to report the wrongdoing to the officer's supervisor.	H Passed 3rd	Dhingra
<u>E2SSB 5259</u> (2SHB 1092)	Law enforcement data Concerning law enforcement data collection.	S Passed FP	Nobles
<u>ESSB 5263</u>	Personal injury defenses Concerning defenses in personal injury and wrongful death actions where the person injured or killed was committing a felony.	H Spkr Signed	Frocht

Public Safety

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<u>E2SHB 1320</u> (SB 5297)	H Passed FP	Goodman
Civil protection orders Modernizing, harmonizing, and improving the efficacy and accessibility of laws concerning civil protection orders.		
<u>HB 1578</u>	H Approps	Goodman
State v. Blake decision Responding to the State v. Blake decision.		

<u>ESSB 5038</u>	Open carry of weapons Prohibiting the open carry of certain weapons at public permitted demonstrations and the state capitol.	H Passed 3rd	Kuderer
<u>ESB 5135</u>	Unlawfully summoning police Concerning unlawfully summoning a police officer.	H Spkr Signed	Das
<u>ESSB 5226</u>	License suspensions/traffic Concerning the suspension of licenses for traffic infractions.	S Passed FP	Salomon
<u>SB 5475</u>	Controlled subst. possession Concerning knowing possession of a controlled substance.	S Law & Justice	Mullet
<u>ESB 5476</u>	State v. Blake decision Responding to the State v. Blake decision by addressing justice system responses and behavioral health prevention, treatment, and related services. Upcoming Events: Appropriations (House) Public Hearing 4/19 @ 9:00 am, Appropriations (House) Exec Session 4/21 @ 9:00 am	H Approps	Dhingra

Safety Net & Civil Rights

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<u>HB 1072</u>	Civil legal aid funds/use Removes the prohibition on the use of civil legal aid funds by the state's Office of Civil Legal Aid (OCLA), to represent individuals who are in the United States without legal authority.	Del to Gov Lekanoff
<u>E2SHB 1073</u>	Paid leave coverage Expands coverage of the Paid family and Medical leave programs.	Del to Gov Berry
<u>ESHB 1078</u> (SB 5086)	Voter eligibility/felony Restoring voter eligibility for all persons convicted of a felony offense who are not in total confinement under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections.	C 10 L 21 Simmons
<u>ESHB 1140</u>	Juvenile access to attorneys Concerning juvenile access to attorneys when contacted by law enforcement. Requires law enforcement to provide juveniles with access to an attorney prior to any waiver of the juvenile's constitutional rights.	H Passed FP Johnson
<u>SHB 1151</u>	Public assistance Requires the Department of Social and Health Services to update the standards of need for cash assistance programs. Allows Consolidated Emergency Assistance to be provided more than once in a 12	C 9 L 21 Leavitt

month period when directed by the Governor. Provides a one-time cash benefit and transitional food assistance to certain qualifying households.

<u>ESHB 1297</u> (SB 5387)	Working families tax exempt. Concerning working families tax exemption.	H Passed FP	Thai
<u>HB 1399</u>	Prof. licensure/convictions Reducing barriers to professional licensure for individuals with previous criminal convictions.	H Passed FP	Vick
<u>SHB 1411</u>	Health care workforce Expanding health care workforce eligibility.	S Passed 3rd	Simmons
<u>ESSB 5061</u> (HB 1098)	Unemployment insurance Concerning unemployment insurance.	C 2 L 21	Keiser
<u>2SSB 5214</u>	Economic assistance programs Concerning economic assistance programs. Reinvests in and reduces barriers to Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).	H Passed 3rd	Nguyen
<u>ESSB 5284</u>	Subminimum wage/disabilities Eliminating subminimum wage certificates for persons with disabilities.	Del to Gov	Randall

Transportation

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<u>E3SHB 1091</u> (SB 5231)	Transportation fuel/carbon Reducing greenhouse gas emissions by reducing the carbon intensity of transportation fuel.	S Passed 3rd Fitzgibbon
<u>SHB 1301</u>	RTA fare enforcement options Providing expanded options for fare enforcement by regional transit authorities.	Del to Gov Fitzgibbon