

THIRD DAY**JOINT SESSION**

Senate Chamber, Olympia
Wednesday, January 11, 2023

The President of the Senate, Lt. Governor Heck presiding, called the Senate to order.

The Sergeant at Arms, Mr. Andy Staubitz, announced the presence of the House of Representatives at the Chamber door.

The President called upon the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate and the Sergeant at Arms of the House to escort Speaker of the House, Laurie Jinkins, Speaker Pro Tempore Tina Orwall, Majority Caucus Chair Lillian Ortiz-Self, and Minority Caucus Vice Chair Kelly Chambers to the rostrum and members of the House of Representatives to seats within the Chamber.

Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8400, the President called the Joint Session to order. The Secretary called the roll of the members of the House of Representatives. The Secretary called the roll of the members of the Senate. The President declared that a quorum of the Legislature was present.

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The President of the Senate appointed a committee of honor consisting of Senators Hasegawa and Boehnke and Representatives Donaghy and Schmidt to escort the Justices of the Supreme Court to the Chamber.

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Sergeant at Arms Andy Staubitz announced the arrival of the Justices of the Supreme Court. The committee of honor escorted the Justices to seats at the front of the Chamber. The President introduced and welcomed: Associate Chief Justice Charles Johnson, Justice Barbara Madsen, Justice Susan Owens, Justice Debra Stephens, Justice Sheryl Gordon McCloud, Justice Mary Yu, and Justice Raquel Montoya-Lewis.

Sergeant at Arms Andy Staubitz announced the arrival of the statewide elected officials. The committee of honor escorted the statewide elected officials to seats at the front of the Chamber and were introduced: Secretary of State Steve Hobbs, Insurance Commissioner Mike Kreidler, State Treasurer Mike Pellicciotti and Commissioner of Public Lands Hilary Franz.

Sergeant at Arms Andy Staubitz announced the arrival of the Honorable Steven González, Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court. The committee of honor escorted Chief Justice González

to the rostrum. The President introduced and welcomed Chief Justice Gonzalez to the Joint Session.

The Sergeant at Arms Color Guard consisting of Pages Miss Lucy Clinton and Miss Jessie Dahl, presented the Colors.

The President led the Chamber in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The National Anthem was performed by José Iñiguez of Encanto Arts in Mattawa. Mr. Iñiguez was a guest of Senator Torres.

The prayer was offered by Reverend Amy Johnson, Minister for Sexuality Education & Justice, United Church of Christ National Ministries and Wayside United Church of Christ, Federal Way.

The President welcomed and introduced Chief Justice Steven González.

STATE OF THE JUDICIARY

Chief Justice González: “Thank you for the introduction. Thank you to all the members of the Legislature gathered here from both houses. Thank you, President Heck, Speaker Jinkins, our statewide electeds: Hilary Franz; Mike Pellicciotti; Steve Hobbs. I wanted to also thank our former Chief Justice Gerry Alexander who has joined us and is in the upper gallery. Thank you, sir, for your service. I also want to pause for a moment and thank my wife Michelle, who is here and has been a source of support and what has been, what allows me to do this work. Michelle, thank you. I love you. Outside of my prepared remarks, we have two sons both college students so the house is much quieter, and I was told that my speech should be bipartisan, and I said, ‘Well no, it’s actually nonpartisan.’ But since they are both at a school here in the state, I’ve worn a necktie that shows my support. I apologize for those who support ...[audio difficulties]. [Laughter.]

Having two children in college at once I think maybe there’s a way that the Treasurer can help me, that our check goes straight to the University of Washington so it’s less painful somehow. Thank you again for being here for the first in-person State of the Judiciary since 2019 when Justice Fairhurst gave those remarks. We miss her very much.

The pandemic has been a challenge for all of us. It challenged the judicial branch to provide equitable access to justice throughout the entire crisis. People in courthouses around the state rose to that challenge, and I thank them from the bottom of my heart. Actually, as I think about it, it wasn’t from courthouses, sometimes it was from garages and living rooms dressed well at least from the waist up.

The pandemic made clearer than ever the inequities within our justice system. But by making those issues more visible, the pandemic also made them more addressable. Courts and judicial branch partners across the state worked tirelessly at no small risk to themselves, to deliver access to justice to the people of Washington. We have identified and confronted many of the barriers to a fair and open system. We need to continue that work, and to do that, we need the Legislature’s continued partnership.

Time will not permit me to catalog all the good work that has happened in the last years since we were here. But I want to highlight a few things. The Washington Indian Child Welfare Act passed by this Legislature recognizes the painful and unjust history of indigenous children being taken from their families and from their communities. The Act imposes a heightened standard in cases where the state seeks to remove Indian children. Recently, we have expanded court calendars to make sure these cases are heard and decided promptly.

In addition, the pandemic left thousands without jobs, and many have faced eviction as a result of that and health issues. You passed legislation to provide counsel in eviction cases that we have helped to implement. Thank you for doing that work. In addition, the Dispute Resolution Centers and other community partners continue to help resolve through mediation, disputes between landlords and tenants, this lightens our court calendars and helps many people who will remain safe and housed.

I want to recognize some of those who have done the work: Clallam County Superior Court Commissioner Brandon Mack who established specialized family court calendars focused on native families and families with infants or toddlers; Pierce County Superior Court Commissioner Clint Johnson who worked with local attorneys to craft a highly successful eviction-prevention program with Right to Counsel; and the Clark County Volunteer Lawyers Program, they expanded the scope of their work to yet more vulnerable people during the COVID pandemic. I also want to recognize members of the organization, Civil Survival. Together with Kitsap, Pierce, and Thurston county courts they relieve the burden of unpayable court fines and fees for thousands of people. It was gratifying to see prosecutors and defenders working side-by-side with clerks to accomplish this work, together.

We have adopted new technologies during the pandemic and found ways to keep court doors open, sometimes just virtually. Remote access has made our courts more available to people in the same way that the Legislature has become more available for remote public participation. I think it's all to the good. Remote access has relieved the burden of travel from those unable to afford childcare or to take time off from work. It has allowed disabled people better, more inclusive access to justice. We've expanded electronic filings and the use of electronic signatures; we launched remote and hybrid trials; we gave remote hearing technology to litigants who didn't have it, giving them both the option and the means to appear remotely. Some of these pandemic necessities have been so effective we will adopt rules to make them permanent. We're in that process now.

But our work is not done. Deep disparities remain. The Board for Judicial Administration's Reimagining Our Courts Task Force expanded its work in response to the tragic and avoidable killing of George Floyd in May 2020. Racial justice must remain, is central to how we think about improving justice in our state.

For example, powerful research from the Minority and Justice Commission's Race and Justice Task Force shows that, well it shows what many from lived experiences already know, and that is that Court fines and fees criminalize poverty. They have a disparate, inequitable effect on communities of color without improving public safety, and they have for decades.

Our Gender and Justice Commission looked at gender, race, and poverty to show how bias affects our courtrooms. It found evidence of many gender-based inequities in the justice system, inequities that intensify when they're layered with race. In other words, Black women, Indigenous women, women of color, transgender women, and gender nonconforming folks face increased gender bias in the justice system. This hard data reinforces, again, what many know from their lived experience. But these reports give us tangible, actionable data we can point to as we push for improvements.

Our Interpreter Commission has made great improvements expanding not just to language interpreters but to in language access beyond just licensing and regulating interpreters. We are grateful to the legislature for its recent investment in interpreter reimbursements. Thank you.

Therapeutic courts are an increasingly important part of our work. I was pleased to hear the Governor yesterday speak about improving mental health diversion and treatment programs. I also want to thank the Legislature for funding new programs in district and municipal courts. Generally, though, success for all of us is keeping people with mental illness, people without housing,

people with drug dependency, and families and children out of court all together. We must do our best to keep kids in school and away from courts. Courts are neither the best nor most efficient place to remedy all of society's ills, yet we must be there when issues can't otherwise be resolved. We must have culturally competent courts, able to direct appropriate services. This is essential to protect both those who come to court and the public at large.

There are things we can do. Therapeutic courts decrease recidivism, improve community safety, and help people make life-altering, positive changes. We know this is true. For example, eighty-one percent of King County Drug Court *participants* — not just graduates — have no new felonies thirty-six months after treatment.

On racial justice, we still have work to do. In June 2020, following the George Floyd uprisings and under the leadership of then Chief Justice Stephens, we issued an open letter drafted initially by Justice Yu that recognized the justice system's role in perpetuating systemic racism. Judicial branch leaders, from every level of court, rose to the challenge of addressing systemic racism. Many of these leaders are here today, as are members of the Racial Justice Consortium that has moved this work forward.

That Consortium brought together judicial branch partners to develop a plan to address systemic racism in the courts. That group included judges from every court level as well as court clerks, court administrators, attorneys, and community members who have lived the trauma of a racialized justice system, and so have an essential perspective on how to change it.

In addition, we became the first court in the nation to adopt a statewide rule targeting both implicit and explicit racial bias in jury selection. This rule, General Rule 37, strengthens the prohibition against the use of race based peremptory challenges in jury selection, making our juries more diverse and representative of Washington's diverse communities. The rule also bars both intentional race discrimination and "implicit" race discrimination or bias in jury selection. Our rule has become a national model for change.

The pandemic forced us to engage with each other in new ways. In 2021, our annual Judicial Summit included not just judges and court partners but also leaders from the Legislative and Executive branches. Out of the pandemic, we have forged stronger bonds, and those bonds are necessary to address what lies ahead.

Our state is growing fast. This presents challenges and opportunities for Washington courts. We hope, with your continued support, Washington's courts can continue to address the complex demands of justice. We appreciate the investments of the Legislature in our branch.

Court funding has always been a challenge in Washington. In territorial times, traveling judges were paid from the fines and fees they themselves collected from litigants. While that is no longer the case, all too much of the funding for our judicial branch IT system still comes from district and municipal court fines and fees. Court fines and fees are disparately imposed on the poorest and most marginalized communities. This needs to change.

Our courts face many challenges. Court security is an increasing concern. People come to court because they are commanded to or because they are there asking for justice and protection of their individual rights. Our democracy depends on people having a safe and fair place to adjudicate their disputes. Courthouses must be safe. As recent events demonstrate, not all of them are.

We have traveled far along the road to justice, but we still have far to go. We need your help to continue our progress.

Thank you to the Legislature for hosting us here today, thank you to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to my colleagues on the Supreme Court, the judges of the Court of Appeals, Superior Courts, and District and Municipal Courts for their work. We have accomplished much, and I look forward to

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working with all of you to fulfill the promise of equal justice under the law.

Earlier this week, Justice Montoya-Lewis was able to swear in newly-elected members across the way, and I was here swearing in new members of the Senate.

It is the most diverse group we have ever seen. Our Court is now more diverse than it has ever been.

But studies that we have done on group decision making, including deliberations by juries, how that diverse groups make better decisions than homogenous groups do. On every objective measure, except for one.

It takes more time. I expect you might find that too.

But I also expect you might find yourself making good decisions and strong legislation that we'll get to review in due course.

I want to thank you all again for inviting us here, and I hope you can join us if you can for a reception downstairs in the Columbia Room starting immediately after we leave here.”

The President thanked Chief Justice González for his remarks.

The President called upon the committee of honor to escort Chief Justice González from the rostrum and the Chief Justice retired from the Chamber.

The President called upon the committee of honor to escort the statewide elected officials from the Chamber.

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MOTION

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Joint Session was dissolved.

The Sergeant at Arms of the Senate and the Sergeant at Arms of the House escorted Speaker of the House, Laurie Jinkins, Speaker Pro Tempore Tina Orwall, Majority Caucus Chair Lillian Ortiz-Self, and Minority Caucus Vice Chair Kelly Chambers and members of the House of Representatives from the Senate Chamber.

MORNING SESSION

The Senate was called to order at 11:43 a.m. by the President of the Senate, Lt. Governor Heck presiding.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Pedersen the reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was approved.

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate advanced to the fourth order of business.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

January 11, 2023

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Speaker has signed:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8400,

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8401,

and the same are herewith transmitted.

MELISSA PALMER, Deputy Chief Clerk

MOTION

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate advanced to the fifth order of business.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 5243 by Senator Wellman

AN ACT Relating to high school and beyond planning; amending RCW 28A.230.090, 28A.230.215, 28A.230.091, 28A.230.310, 28A.230.320, 28A.300.900, and 28A.655.250; adding a new section to chapter 28A.230 RCW; and repealing RCW 28A.655.270.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5244 by Senator Fortunato

AN ACT Relating to creating the second amendment firearm education and training (SAFE-T) act for legislators; adding a new section to chapter 44.04 RCW; and creating new sections.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

SB 5245 by Senator Wilson, J.

AN ACT Relating to biosolids; amending RCW 70A.226.005, 70A.226.007, 70A.226.010, 70A.226.020, and 70A.226.030; and adding new sections to chapter 70A.226 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology.

SB 5246 by Senators Holy, King, Lovelett and Wilson, J.

AN ACT Relating to fiscal notes for supreme court decisions; and amending RCW 43.88A.010, 43.88A.020, 43.88A.030, 43.132.020, 43.132.040, 43.132.810, and 28A.300.0401.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 5247 by Senators Nobles, Saldaña, Lovelett, Randall and Shewmake

AN ACT Relating to developing opportunities for service and workforce programs to support climate-ready communities; adding new sections to chapter 43.41 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 28C.18 RCW; creating a new section; and repealing RCW 43.330.310, 50.12.320, and 28C.18.170.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

SB 5248 by Senators Braun and Mullet

AN ACT Relating to using COVID-19 relief funding on high quality tutoring and rigorous extended learning programs; creating new sections; making an appropriation; and providing expiration dates.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5249 by Senator Shewmake

AN ACT Relating to expanding eligibility for the working families' tax credit to everyone age 18 and older; amending 2021 c 195 s 4 (uncodified); reenacting and amending RCW

82.08.0206; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and providing a contingent expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5250 by Senator Shewmake

AN ACT Relating to the senior and disabled veterans property tax exemption; amending RCW 84.36.383; and creating new sections.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5251 by Senators Valdez and Boehnke

AN ACT Relating to streamlining the licensing process for a commercial driver's license by allowing the department to waive requirements for applicants that previously surrendered the license, allowing the license to be renewed online, and modifying the license test fees; amending RCW 46.25.088 and 46.25.060; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5252 by Senators Valdez and Padden

AN ACT Relating to modifications necessary to comply with federal regulations regarding dissemination of federal bureau of investigation criminal history record information; and amending RCW 18.88B.080, 43.43.832, 43.43.837, and 74.39A.056.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

SB 5253 by Senator Van De Wege

AN ACT Relating to requiring a training and certification program for individuals who apply fire-resistant materials; adding new sections to chapter 49.17 RCW; creating a new section; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5254 by Senators Van De Wege, Braun, Mullet and Wilson, L.

AN ACT Relating to the leasing of state lands; and amending RCW 79.13.010.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5255 by Senator Kuderer

AN ACT Relating to establishing a lump sum reporting system; amending RCW 26.23.020, 26.23.060, and 26.23.070; adding a new section to chapter 26.23 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 5256 by Senators Saldaña, Wilson, C., Kuderer, Lovelett and Nobles

AN ACT Relating to making permanent and expanding the child welfare housing assistance program; amending RCW 74.13.802; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

SB 5257 by Senators Nobles, Wilson, C., Lovelett and Lovick

AN ACT Relating to ensuring elementary school students receive sufficient daily recess for mental and physical health; adding a new section to chapter 28A.230 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.210 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5258 by Senators Shewmake and Gildon

AN ACT Relating to increasing the supply and affordability of condominium units and townhouses as an option for homeownership; amending RCW 64.35.105, 64.50.010, 64.50.020, 64.50.040, 64.50.050, 64.90.250, 64.90.605, 64.90.645, 64.90.665, 64.90.670, 64.90.675, 82.45.010, 82.45.010, 82.02.060, and 58.17.060; reenacting and amending RCW 64.38.010; adding a new section to chapter 19.27 RCW; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 5259 by Senators Keiser, King, Conway and Lovick

AN ACT Relating to ensuring commerce and workplaces are safe from product theft; amending RCW 69.50.535; adding a new section to chapter 82.04 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 19 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5260 by Senators Keiser, Robinson, Saldaña, Conway, Stanford, Kuderer and Randall

AN ACT Relating to protecting and assisting Washington employers that provide access to, or benefits for, reproductive health care services; adding a new section to chapter 82.04 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.16 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 49 RCW; creating a new section; and providing expiration dates.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5261 by Senator Braun

AN ACT Relating to deadlines concerning permits, licenses, or endorsements of cemetery authorities; and amending RCW 68.05.215, 68.05.225, 68.05.245, and 18.39.020.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5262 by Senator Braun

AN ACT Relating to amending the filing deadlines for cemetery districts to file annual reports with the secretary of state; and amending RCW 23.95.255.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

SB 5263 by Senators Salomon, Rivers, Saldaña, Nobles, Lovick, Lovelett, Hunt, Hasegawa, Mullet, Trudeau, Robinson, Pedersen, Wellman, Muzzall, Wilson, C., Kuderer, Keiser, Lias, Van De Wege and Frame

AN ACT Relating to access to psilocybin services by individuals 21 years of age and older; amending RCW 7.48.310, 49.60.180, 18.130.010, 18.130.040, 18.130.040, 18.130.180, and 43.70.250; reenacting and amending RCW 69.50.101 and 43.79A.040; adding a new section to chapter 15.130 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 18 RCW;

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prescribing penalties; providing effective dates; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5264 by Senators Wellman, Wilson, C. and Hasegawa

AN ACT Relating to minimum employment requirements for paraeducators; amending RCW 28A.413.040; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5265 by Senators Kuderer, Valdez, Cleveland, Dhingra, Pedersen and Trudeau

AN ACT Relating to establishing firearms-related safety measures to increase public safety by prohibiting the manufacture, importation, distribution, selling, and offering for sale of assault weapons, and by providing limited exemptions applicable to licensed firearm manufacturers and dealers for purposes of sale to armed forces branches and law enforcement agencies and for purposes of sale or transfer outside the state, and to inheritors; reenacting and amending RCW 9.41.010; adding new sections to chapter 9.41 RCW; creating a new section; prescribing penalties; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 5266 by Senators Shewmake and Van De Wege

AN ACT Relating to the protection and restoration of riparian areas; adding a new section to chapter 89.08 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 77.85 RCW; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5267 by Senators Kuderer, Stanford and Pedersen

AN ACT Relating to safeguarding the public safety by protecting railroad workers; adding a new chapter to Title 49 RCW; prescribing penalties; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5268 by Senators Hasegawa and Warnick

AN ACT Relating to equity and efficiencies in public works procurement including modifying small works roster requirements; amending RCW 39.04.010, 39.19.030, 39.10.200, 39.10.210, 39.10.220, 39.10.230, 39.10.240, 39.10.330, 39.10.360, 39.10.380, 39.10.385, 39.10.908, 28A.335.190, 28B.10.350, 28B.50.330, 35.22.620, 35.23.352, 35.61.135, 35.82.076, 36.32.235, 36.32.250, 36.77.075, 39.04.200, 39.04.380, 39.12.040, 52.14.110, 53.08.120, 54.04.070, 57.08.050, 70.44.140, 87.03.436, and 43.131.408; adding new sections to chapter 39.04 RCW; creating a new section; repealing RCW 39.04.155 and 39.04.156; providing effective dates; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

SB 5269 by Senator Shewmake

AN ACT Relating to transforming and growing Washington state manufacturing; adding a new section to chapter 43.330 RCW; and creating new sections.

Referred to Committee on Business, Financial Services, Gaming & Trade.

SB 5270 by Senator Saldaña

AN ACT Relating to keeping communities together by limiting the department of corrections' assistance with federal immigration enforcement activities; amending RCW 72.09.270, 72.09.460, and 9.94A.733; adding a new section to chapter 72.09 RCW; creating a new section; repealing RCW 9.94A.685; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

SB 5271 by Senators Cleveland and Robinson

AN ACT Relating to protecting patients in facilities regulated by the department of health by establishing uniform enforcement tools; amending RCW 18.46.010, 18.46.050, 18.46.130, 70.42.010, 70.42.130, 70.42.180, 70.127.010, 70.127.170, 70.127.213, 70.230.010, 70.230.070, 71.12.710, 71.12.500, 70.38.025, 70.38.111, 70.38.260, 70.170.020, 18.64.005, 18.64.011, 18.64.047, 18.64.165, 18.64A.020, 18.64A.060, 69.45.080, 69.43.100, 69.43.140, 69.50.302, 69.50.303, 69.50.304, 69.50.310, 69.50.320, and 69.41.080; reenacting and amending RCW 71.12.455, 71.24.025, and 71.24.037; adding a new section to chapter 18.46 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 70.42 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 70.127 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 70.230 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 71.12 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 71.24 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 18.64 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 69.38 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 69.45 RCW; repealing RCW 18.64.200, 18.64.390, and 69.50.305; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5272 by Senators Liias and King

AN ACT Relating to speed safety camera systems on state highways; amending RCW 46.63.030 and 46.63.075; and adding a new section to chapter 46.63 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5273 by Senators Valdez and Shewmake

AN ACT Relating to requiring public employers to provide employee information to exclusive bargaining representatives; adding a new section to chapter 41.56 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 41.59 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28B.52 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 41.80 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5274 by Senators Valdez and Dhingra

AN ACT Relating to expanding eligibility in certain public employment positions for lawful permanent residents; amending RCW 36.27.040, 41.08.070, 41.12.070, 41.14.100, and 77.15.075; and adding a new section to chapter 10.93 RCW.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

SB 5275 by Senator Robinson

AN ACT Relating to expanding access to benefits provided by the school employees' benefits board; amending RCW 41.05.011, 41.05.050, and 41.05.740; reenacting and amending RCW 41.05.021; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5276 by Senators King and Liias

AN ACT Relating to avoiding interest arbitrage charges on bond proceeds in the capital vessel replacement account; amending 2022 c 186 s 406 (uncodified); and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5277 by Senator Wilson, L.

AN ACT Relating to extending tax preferences for dairy, fruit and vegetable, and seafood processors; amending RCW 82.04.4268, 82.04.4266, 82.04.4269, and 82.04.260; creating a new section; and providing expiration dates.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5278 by Senator Wilson, L.

AN ACT Relating to implementing audit recommendations to reduce barriers to home care aide certification; amending RCW 18.88B.031; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5279 by Senator Wilson, J.

AN ACT Relating to expanding a sales and use tax deferral program for affordable housing to include structures initially used as temporary employee housing for employees constructing warehouses, distribution centers, and other large facilities; amending RCW 82.92.005, 82.92.007, 82.92.010, 82.92.030, and 82.92.040; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Housing.

SB 5280 by Senators Frame and Boehnke

AN ACT Relating to the duty of clergy to report child abuse or neglect; amending RCW 26.44.030; and reenacting and amending RCW 26.44.020.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

SB 5281 by Senator Saldaña

AN ACT Relating to modifying the aircraft fuel excise tax; amending RCW 82.42.020, 82.42.030, 82.42.090, 43.84.092, and 43.84.092; reenacting and amending RCW 82.42.010; adding a new section to chapter 82.42 RCW; creating a new section; providing effective dates; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5282 by Senators Valdez and MacEwen

AN ACT Relating to authorizing vehicle dealers to file a report of sale; and amending RCW 46.12.650.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5283 by Senator Van De Wege

AN ACT Relating to the waiver of the fundamentals examination for professional engineer and land surveyor licensing applicants by comity; and amending RCW 18.43.100.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5284 by Senators Nguyen and Keiser

AN ACT Relating to improving transparency in campaign finance disclosure; and amending RCW 42.17A.205, 42.17A.207, 42.17A.235, 42.17A.255, 42.17A.260, 42.17A.265, 42.17A.345, 42.17A.640, and 42.17A.785.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

SB 5285 by Senator Nguyen

AN ACT Relating to adding a new caseload for the official caseload forecast for the number of people eligible for the working families' tax credit under RCW 82.08.0206; and amending RCW 43.88C.010.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5286 by Senators Robinson and King

AN ACT Relating to modifying the premium provisions of the paid family and medical leave program; and amending RCW 50A.10.030.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5287 by Senators Wilson, J. and Nguyen

AN ACT Relating to a study on the recycling of wind turbine blades; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology.

SB 5288 by Senators Robinson, Muzzall and Hawkins

AN ACT Relating to physical therapists performing intramuscular needling; amending RCW 18.74.010; and adding a new section to chapter 18.74 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5289 by Senator Shewmake

AN ACT Relating to allowing the use of impact fees for law enforcement; and amending RCW 82.02.090.

Referred to Committee on Local Government, Land Use & Tribal Affairs.

SB 5290 by Senators Mullet and Kuderer

AN ACT Relating to consolidating local permit review processes; amending RCW 36.70B.140; and adding new sections to chapter 36.70B RCW.

Referred to Committee on Local Government, Land Use & Tribal Affairs.

SB 5291 by Senators Schoesler, Dozier, Mullet, King, Wagoner and Liias

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AN ACT Relating to the timely issuance of certain liquor licenses, renewals, and endorsements; and amending RCW 66.24.010.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5292 by Senators Randall, Rolfes and MacEwen

AN ACT Relating to accessing certain aquatic lands by a public transportation benefit area; and adding a new section to chapter 36.57A RCW.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 5293 by Senators Rolfes and Robinson

AN ACT Relating to improving the fiscal process by updating accounts administered by the office of financial management, creating new accounts including one for the opioid litigation settlement and one for the receipt of federal funds, and reenacting accounts created in the supplemental budget bill; amending RCW 43.41.450, 41.06.280, 41.06.285, 43.84.092, and 43.84.092; reenacting RCW 43.79.567 and 43.330.365; adding new sections to chapter 43.79 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 38.52 RCW; providing effective dates; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5294 by Senator Rolfes

AN ACT Relating to actuarial funding of state retirement systems; amending RCW 41.45.060 and 41.45.150; repealing 2021 c 334 s 747 (uncodified); providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5295 by Senators Wilson, L., Rolfes and Gildon

AN ACT Relating to eliminating accounts; amending RCW 43.84.092 and 43.84.092; decodifying RCW 43.99N.040; repealing RCW 13.40.466, 43.72.902, 43.83.300, 43.83.310, 43.83.320, 43.83.370, and 70A.135.100; providing effective dates; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5296 by Senators Nobles and Van De Wege

AN ACT Relating to interruptive military service credit for members of the state retirement systems; and amending RCW 41.04.005.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5297 by Senators Van De Wege, Salomon, Rivers, Wilson, L. and Liias

AN ACT Relating to nontribal commercial salmon fisheries in Washington waters of the Columbia river; amending RCW 77.50.030 and 77.65.160; adding a new section to chapter 77.70 RCW; creating a new section; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SCR 8402 by Senators Hunt, Wellman, Kuderer, Rolfes, Keiser, Conway and Hasegawa

Renaming the Natural Resources Building as the Jennifer Belcher Building.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Pedersen, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of Senate Bill No. 5263 which had been designated to the Committee on Health & Long-Term Care and was referred to the Committee on Labor & Commerce.

At 11:45 a.m., on motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate adjourned until 12:30 p.m. Thursday, January 12, 2023.

DENNY HECK, President of the Senate

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