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**Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks**

*Karen Epps, Senior Coordinator* - 786-7424  
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- Agriculture
- Agricultural Pests, Diseases, and Chemical Treatment
- Commodity Commissions
- Conservation Districts
- Dairy Nutrient Management
- Food Labeling, Processing and Safety
- Livestock
- Recreation and State Parks
- Drought
- Water Resources

*Jeff Olsen, Senior Research Analyst* - 786-7428

- Fish and Wildlife Governance
- Wildlife Issues
- Fisheries and Aquaculture
- Geology and Surface Mining
- State Lands Management
- Forest Health and Fire
- Forestry and Timber
- Salmon Recovery
- Recreation and State Parks

*Alison Riffer, Committee Assistant* - 786-7430  
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**Early Learning & K-12 Education**

*Ailey Kato, Coordinator/Counsel* - 786-7434  
*(Lead Committee Contact)*

- Early Learning
- Student Health
- Student and Educator Safety
- Educational Opportunity Gap Oversight and Accountability Committee
- Student Discipline

*Alex Fairfortune, Counsel* - 786-7416

- Basic Education
- Special Education
- Levies
- Charter Schools

*Benjamin Omdal, Counsel* - 786-7442

- High School Graduation Requirements, including Statewide Assessments
- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Education
- Dual Language and Bilingual Education
- Dual Credits, College in the High School, Running Start
• Paraeducators
• Collective Bargaining for School Employees
• Educator Preparation, Certification, and Evaluation

*Liza Weeks, Committee Assistant – 786-7417
*Committee Contact*

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**Environment, Energy & Technology**

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*Lead Committee Contact*

- Energy Generation and Transmission
- Climate Policy

*Jan Odano, Analyst – 786-7486*

- Air/Water Quality
- Toxic Substances
- Solid Waste and Recycling
- Oil Spills and Prevention

*Angela Kleis, Research Analyst – 786-7469*

- Technology
- Telecommunications
- Electric Vehicles

*Greg Vogel, Counsel - 786-7413*

- Shoreline Management Act
- Puget Sound Partnership

*Alison Riffer, Committee Assistant - 786-7430*
*Committee Contact*

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**Financial Institutions, Economic Development & Insurance**

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*Lead Committee Contact*

- Banking
- Credit Unions
- Credit Ratings and Scoring
- Payday Lending
- Foreclosures
- Mortgage Brokers
- Public Depositories
- Securities Regulation
- Homeowners’ and Condo Associations
- Insurance Property and Casualty
- Life Insurance

*Kelpee Gunn, Analyst – 786-7429*

- Economic Development and Incentives
- International Trade and Export Assistance
- Landlord-Tenant
- Regional and Sector Based Development
- Regulatory Assistance
- Technical Assistance to Businesses
- Small Business Assistance
- Tourism

Sierra Daley, Committee Assistant – 786-7463
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# Health & Long Term Care

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- Health Care Professions
- Public Health
- Private Health Insurance
- Prescription Drugs
- Telemedicine

**Kevin Black, Counsel – 786-7747**
- ITA/Forensic Commitments
- Behavioral Health including Substance Use, State Hospitals and Mental Health

**LeighBeth Merrick, Research Analyst - 786-7445**
- Developmental Disabilities
- Opioids
- Long-Term Care
- Medicaid
- Hospital Regulation

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# Behavioral Health Subcommittee

of the Health & Long Term Care Committee

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- ITA/Forensic Commitments
- Mental Health
- Substance Use Disorders
- State Hospitals

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(Committee Contact)
Higher Education & Workforce Development

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(Lead Committee Contact)
- Colleges and Universities
- Financial Aid
- Governance
- Tuition
- Academic Affairs
- Medical Education
- Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC)
- Textbooks
- Veterans Issues

Kellee Gunn, Research Analyst - 786-7429
- Campus Safety/Sexual Assault Prevention
- Faculty Issues
- For-Profit Schools
- Student Issues
- Workforce Education

Alison Riffer, Committee Assistant - 786-7430
(Committee Contact)

Housing Stability & Affordability

Brandon Popovac, Coordinator/Counsel - 786-7465
(Lead Committee Contact)
- Housing Affordability
- Housing Stability
- Housing Authorities
- Housing Trust Fund
- Homeless Housing Program
- Transitional Housing Operating and Rent Program
- Homelessness Prevention
- Youth Homelessness
- Manufactured/Mobile Home Parks
- Manufactured/Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act

Jeff Olsen, Senior Research Analyst - 786-7428
- Housing Affordability

Liza Weeks, Committee Assistant – 786-7417
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Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation

Alison Mendiola, Coordinator/Counsel – 786-7488
(Lead Committee Contact)
• Economic Services
• Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
• WorkFirst
• SNAP (Food Stamps)
• Aged, Blind, and Disabled
• Pregnant Women Assistance (PWA)
• Child Welfare/Child Protection
• Family Assessment Response (FAR)
• Foster Care
• Legal Representation in Dependencies
• Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA)

Kevin Black, Counsel - 786-7747
• Juvenile Justice

Kelsey-anne Fung, Counsel - -786-7479
• Corrections/Offender Reentry
• Sex Offenders: Civil commitment
• At-Risk Youth/CHINS/Truancy
• Status Offenders
• Domestic Violence Issues
• Crime Victims
• Criminal Justice Treatment Account
• Vulnerable Adults/Abuse and Neglect, APS

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(Committee Contact)

Labor & Commerce

Susan Jones, Coordinator/Counsel - 786-7404
(Lead Committee Contact)
• Industrial Insurance
• Unemployment Insurance
• Worker Retraining
• Professional Licensing
• Tribal Compacts
• Gambling
• Horse Racing
• Lottery

Richard Rodger, Senior Counsel - 786-7461
• Liquor
• Marijuana
• Personnel Practices
• Employment Standards
• Family and Medical Leave
Jarrett Sacks, Counsel - 786-7448
- Consumer Protection
- Apprenticeships
- Prevailing Wage
- Construction Trades Licensing and Regulation
- Labor Trafficking
- Collective Bargaining

Dana King, Committee Assistant – 786-7784
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Law & Justice

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- Collection Issues
- Tort Law
- DUI
- Firearms
- General Criminal and Civil
- Guardianship and Probate Issues
- Business Law
- Unpiloted Aerial Vehicles
- Uniform Laws

Shani Bauer, Senior Counsel - 786-7468
- Firearms
- Sex Offenders
- Domestic Violence Protection Orders
- Home-owners Associations
- Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act
- New Crimes and Sentencing Changes
- General Criminal Issues
- Motor Vehicle Related Issues

Melissa Burke-Cain, Senior Counsel - 786-7755
- Human Trafficking
- General Civil and Court Related Subject Matter
- Court Administration Issues
- Domestic Violence
- General Criminal
- Laws Relating to Animal Cruelty
- Family Law
- Public Health-Related Court and Criminal Matters

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Local Government

**Bonnie Kim, Coordinator/Counsel - 786-7316**  
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- Administrative Procedures Act  
- City and County Governance  
- Growth Management Act  
- Property Taxes  
- Public Contracting Procedures  
- Public Works  
- Special Purpose Districts

**Greg Vogel, Counsel - 786-7413**  
- Annexation  
- Emergency Management  
- Fire Protection  
- Growth Management Act  
- Government Incorporation  
- Land Use and Development  
- Special Purpose Districts  
- Vesting

**Dana King, Committee Assistant – 786-7784**  
*(Committee Contact)*

State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

**Sam Brown, Coordinator/Counsel - 786-7470**  
*(Lead Committee Contact)*  
- Veterans Affairs  
- Military Affairs  
- Ethics and Conflict of Interest  
- Public Records and Disclosure  
- Open Public Meetings  
- Elections  
- Campaign Finance  
- Initiatives and Referendums  
- Signature Gathering  
- Performance Management of State Government Programs and Agencies

**Jarrett Sacks, Counsel – 786-7448**

**Melissa Van Gorkom, Research Analyst – 786-7491**  
- Audits of State Government Programs and Agencies  
- Emergency Management  
- Information Technology at State Agencies  
- Public Contracting Procedures  
- Public Works  
- Administrative Procedure Act  
- Civil Service
Transportation

Kelly Simpson, Senior Coordinator/Counsel - 786-7403
(Lead Committee Contact)

Budget Assignments:
- Washington State Transportation Commission

Policy Assignments:
- Utilities and Transportation Commission (passenger/property transportation)
- State and Regional Transportation Governance
- State and Regional Transportation Planning
- Transportation Element of Growth Management Act
- Special Purpose Districts

Hayley Gamble, Fiscal Coordinator - 786-7452

Budget Assignments:
- Joint Transportation Committee (JTC)
- Office of State Treasurer (OST) (Bond Retirement and Interest)
- Legislative Evaluation and Accountability Program (LEAP)
- Office of Financial Management (OFM)
- Budget Bill Development and Coordination

Policy Assignments:
- Financial Plans/Fund Balances
- Bonds Issuance and Retirement

Erica Bramlet, Fiscal Analyst - 786-7321

Budget Assignments:
- DOT – Toll Operations
- DOT – Highway Improvements
- DOT – Management
- DOT – Highway Maintenance
- DOT – Highway Preservation
- DOT – Traffic Operations
- DOT – Planning, Data, and Research
- DOT – Program Management and Support
- Archeology and Historic Preservation
- State Parks and Recreation

Policy Assignments:
- Tolls
- Highways
- Environmental Issues
Daniel Masterson, Fiscal Analyst – 786-7454

Budget Assignments:
- Board of Pilotage
- Utilities and Transportation Commission
- Washington State Ferries
- Operating
- Capital
- DOT – Information Technology
- DOT – Rail
  - Operating
  - Capital
- DOT – Local Programs
- DOT – Aviation
- DOT – Public Transportation

Policy Assignments:
- Washington State Ferries
- Rail
- Local Transit Agencies, including Sound Transit
- Utilities and Transportation Commission (marine pilotage and rail)

Kim Johnson, Senior Counsel - 786-7472

Budget Assignments:
- Budget Bill Development and Drafting
- DOT – Public/Private Partnerships
- Traffic Safety Commission

Policy Assignments:
- Tolls
- Traffic Safety and Rules of the Road
- Tribal Issues
- Bicycles
- Motorcycles and Motor Scooters
- Transportation Security Issues (e.g., valid identification and legal presence)
- Initiative and Referendum Issues

Bryon Moore, Senior Fiscal Analyst - 786-7726

Budget Assignments:
- Department of Licensing
  - Drivers
  - Vehicles
- Department of Agriculture
- Washington State Patrol
  - Operating
  - Capitol
- DOT – Information Technology
- DOT – Equipment Fund
- DOT – Charges from Other Agencies
- DOT – Facilities
  - Operating
  - Capital
- Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board (FMSIB)
- Transportation Improvement Board (TIB)
- County Road Administration Board (CRAB)
Policy Assignments:

- Department of Licensing
  - Drivers
  - Vehicles
- State Transportation Revenue Forecast
- State and Local Transportation Taxes and Fees
- Washington State Patrol

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Ways & Means

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- Operating Budget Issues
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- Revenue Policy Issues
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- Local Government Assistance
- Municipal Research Council
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- Attorney General
- House of Representatives
- Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee
- Joint Legislative Systems
- LEAP Committee
- Senate
- Special Appropriations to the Governor
- State Treasurer
- Statute Law Committee (Code Reviser)
- Sundry Claims
Michele Alishahi, Fiscal Analyst - 786-7433
- Central Washington University
- Community and Technical Colleges
- Eastern Washington University
- The Evergreen State College
- Student Achievement Council
- University of Washington
- Washington State University
- Western Washington University
- Workforce Training and Education Board
Amanda Cecil, Senior Fiscal Analyst - 786-7460
- Board for Volunteer Firefighters
- Collective Bargaining
- Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials
- Department of Retirement Systems
- Employee Compensation
- Employee Compensation/Health Benefits
- PEBB Benefits
- Pensions
- Public Employment Relations Commission
- SEBB Benefits
- State Actuary
- State Investment Board

**Sarah Emmans, Fiscal Analyst, 786-7478**
- DCYF – Early Learning
- DCYF – Program Support
- DCYF – Child Welfare
- DSHS – Child Support Services
- DSHS – Economic Services
- TANF Issues
- Board of Industrial Insurance Appeals
- Employment Security Department
- Labor and Industries
- Office of Administrative Hearings
- Bond Retirement and Interest

**Kayla Hammer, Fiscal Analyst - 786-7303**
- DCYF – Juvenile Rehabilitation
- Department of Corrections
- DSHS – Special Commitment Center
- K-12: OSPI, Education Reform, Institutional Education
- Center for Childhood Deafness and Hearing Loss
- School for the Blind

**Jed Herman, Senior Fiscal Analyst - 786-7346**
- Columbia River Gorge Commission
- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Ecology
- Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Department of Natural Resources
- Environmental and Land Use Hearing Office
- Military Department
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Pollution Liability Insurance Agency
- Puget Sound Partnership
- Recreation and Conservation Office
- State Conservation Commission
- Utilities and Transportation Commission

**Maria Hovde, Senior Fiscal Analyst - 786-7474**
- Caseload Forecast Council
- DSHS – Developmental Disabilities
- DSHS – Long Term Care
- Department of Services for the Blind
- Department of Veterans Affairs

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- Revenue Policy Issues
Jeff Naas, Senior Fiscal Analyst - 786-7708
- K-12 Education (all but OSPI and Education Reform)
- K-12 Local Levies
- K-12 Capital
- Charter Schools

Corban Nemeth, Fiscal Analyst - 786-7736
- Arts Commission
- Commission on African-American Affairs
- Commission on Asian-American Affairs
- Commission on Hispanic Affairs
- Courts:
  - Commission on Judicial Conduct
  - Court of Appeals
  - Law Library
  - Office of the Administrator for the Courts
  - Office of Civil Legal Aid
  - Office of Public Defense
  - Supreme Court
- Criminal Justice Training Commission
- Department of Commerce
- Department of Financial Institutions
- Department of Licensing (non-transportation)
- Eastern Washington Historical Society
- Forensics Investigation Council
- Gambling Commission
- Horse Racing Commission
- Human Rights Commission
- Minority and Women's Business Enterprises
- Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
- Office on Indian Affairs
- State Patrol (non-transportation)
- Washington State Historical Society

Sarian Scott, Outlook Coordinator - 786-7729
- Four-Year Budget Outlook
- Information Technology, Statewide
- Interagency Billing Model
- Lease Facilities, Statewide
- Board of Accountancy
- Consolidated Technology Services
- Department of Enterprise Services
- Economic and Revenue Forecast Council
- Office of Chief Information Officer
- Office of Financial Management
- Office of the Governor
- Office of the Lieutenant Governor
- Public Disclosure Commission
- Secretary of State
- State Auditor
- State Lottery Commission
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- Health Benefits Exchange
- Insurance Commissioner
- HCA – Low Income Health Care (Medicaid)

Travis Sugarman, Senior Fiscal Analyst - 786-7446
- Board of Tax Appeals
- Department of Health
- Department of Revenue
- DSHS/HCA Behavioral Health
- DSHS – Admin and Support Services
- DSHS – Information System Services
- DSHS – Payments to Other Agencies
- DSHS – Vocational Rehabilitation
- Liquor and Cannabis Board

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