



WASHINGTON STATE SENATE COMMITTEE SERVICES POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Revenue Policy Counsel

The Washington State Senate office of Senate Committee Services is currently recruiting to fill a position as legal counsel for revenue policy for the Ways and Means committee of the Washington State Senate. Senate Committee Services assists Senators in developing and evaluating alternatives to achieve their policy objectives. This is a full-time, non-partisan position, exempt from civil service.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

In supporting committees of the Washington State Senate, duties and responsibilities of legal counsel include:

- Providing non-partisan staff support to Senators.
- Conducting legal, policy, and fiscal research and analysis.
- Drafting and analyzing legislation and related legislative documents.
- Presenting legislation and policy issues to committees of the Senate.
- Monitoring and evaluating implementation of legislation by state and local government agencies.
- Responding to inquiries on a wide variety of policy and budget issues related to the committee assignment areas.

DESIRABLE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND QUALIFICATIONS

- A Juris Doctorate and membership (active or inactive) in a state bar association is required for this position.
- Substantive knowledge of Washington state tax law is desirable.

DESIRABLE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND QUALIFICATIONS (Continued)

- Working knowledge of legislative process derived from experience working in a legislative or public policy making organization or setting.
- Proficiency in multiple computer applications, including Excel spreadsheets and word processing software, presentation applications, and on-line research
- Demonstrated research, analytical, and organizational skills.
- Must be pro-active, creative, service-oriented, and have excellent analytical, writing, problem solving, and oral presentation skills.
- Must be willing to work long, irregular hours and be capable of handling the complex and difficult situations that a fast-paced, results oriented, high pressure legislative environment offers.

SALARY

Based on experience and education.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Interested applicants should submit: (1) a brief letter of interest describing specific qualifications for the position; and (2) a current resume detailing experience and education. References may be requested at a later date.

Please send to:

David Schumacher, Ways and Means Senior Staff Coordinator
Senate Committee Services
PO Box 40466
Olympia, Washington 98504-0466

Applications must be received by July 14, 2006. Interviewing and selection will begin immediately.

Phone contact: Maria Hovde at (360) 786-7710.