

FIFTEENTH DAY

NOON SESSION

Senate Chamber, Olympia
Monday, January 28, 2019

The Senate was called to order at 12:01 p.m. by the President of the Senate, Lt. Governor Habib presiding. No roll call was taken.

MOTION

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

MOTION

There being no objection, the Senate advanced to the first order of business.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

February 18, 2019
SB 5023 Prime Sponsor, Senator Hasegawa: Concerning an ethnic studies curriculum for public school students. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Rolfes, Chair; Frockt, Vice Chair, Operating, Capital Lead; Mullet, Capital Budget Cabinet; Braun, Ranking Member; Brown, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Bailey; Becker; Billig; Carlyle; Conway; Darneille; Hasegawa; Hunt; Keiser; Lias; Palumbo; Pedersen; Rivers; Schoesler; Van De Wege; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 25, 2019
SB 5028 Prime Sponsor, Senator Hunt: Declaring September the month of the kindergartner. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5028 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Wilson, C., Vice Chair; Hawkins, Ranking Member; Holy; Hunt; McCoy; Mullet; Padden; Pedersen; Salomon and Wagoner.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019
SB 5067 Prime Sponsor, Senator Zeiger: Modifying certain common school provisions. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5067 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Wilson, C., Vice Chair; Hawkins, Ranking Member; Holy; Hunt; McCoy; Mullet; Padden; Pedersen; Salomon and Wagoner.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019
SB 5068 Prime Sponsor, Senator Wellman: Updating the term essential academic learning requirements to state learning standards to reflect current terminology. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Wilson, C., Vice Chair; Hawkins, Ranking Member; Holy; Hunt; McCoy; Mullet; Padden; Pedersen; Salomon and Wagoner.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019
SB 5071 Prime Sponsor, Senator Zeiger: Repealing certain obsolete common school provisions. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Wilson, C., Vice Chair; Hawkins, Ranking Member; Holy; Hunt; McCoy; Mullet; Padden; Pedersen; Salomon and Wagoner.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2019
SB 5082 Prime Sponsor, Senator McCoy: Creating a committee to promote and expand social emotional learning. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: That Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5082 be substituted therefor, and the second substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Rolfes, Chair; Mullet, Capital Budget Cabinet; Billig; Carlyle; Conway; Darneille; Hasegawa; Hunt; Keiser; Lias; Palumbo; Pedersen; Rivers and Van De Wege.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Braun, Ranking Member; Brown, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Honeyford, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Bailey; Becker; Schoesler; Wagoner; Warnick and Wilson, L..

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 25, 2019
SB 5097 Prime Sponsor, Senator Cleveland: Concerning the licensure and certification of massage therapists and reflexologists. Reported by Committee on Health & Long Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5097 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Cleveland, Chair; Randall, Vice Chair; O'Ban, Ranking Member; Bailey; Becker; Dhingra; Frockt; Keiser and Van De Wege.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019

SB 5319 Prime Sponsor, Senator Rivers: Concerning the reimbursement rate primary care providers receive to participate in medicaid. Reported by Committee on Health & Long Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Cleveland, Chair; Randall, Vice Chair; O'Ban, Ranking Member; Bailey; Becker; Dhingra; Frockt; Keiser and Van De Wege.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 25, 2019

SGA 9135 WILLIAM DOWNING, appointed on January 12, 2018, for the term ending December 31, 2022, as Member of the Public Disclosure Commission. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Hunt, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Member; Hasegawa and Takko.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019

SGA 9189 JACELYN (JACKIE) M. BOSCHOK, appointed on July 16, 2018, for the term ending June 30, 2021, as Member of the Women's Commission, Washington State. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Hunt, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Member; Hasegawa and Takko.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019

SGA 9190 GRACIELA G. COWGER, appointed on July 16, 2018, for the term ending June 30, 2021, as Member of the Women's Commission, Washington State. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Hunt, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Member; Hasegawa and Takko.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019

SGA 9193 REGINA MALVEAUX, appointed on July 16, 2018, for the term ending June 30, 2020, as Member of the Women's Commission, Washington State. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Hunt, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Member; Hasegawa and Takko.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019

SGA 9196 GRACE HUANG, appointed on July 19, 2018, for the term ending June 30, 2019, as Member of the Women's Commission, Washington State. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Hunt, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Member; Hasegawa and Takko.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019

SGA 9198 TARA S. FAIRFIELD, appointed on July 30, 2018, for the term ending June 30, 2019, as Member of the Women's Commission, Washington State. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Hunt, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Member; Hasegawa and Takko.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019

SGA 9199 MONICA A. HOLLAND, appointed on July 30, 2018, for the term ending June 30, 2019, as Member of the Women's Commission, Washington State. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Hunt, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Member; Hasegawa and Takko.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019

SGA 9200 RITUJA INDAPURE, appointed on July 27, 2018, for the term ending June 30, 2020, as Member of the Women's Commission, Washington State. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Hunt, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Member; Hasegawa and Takko.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SGA 9204 DAWN E. RAINS, appointed on August 7, 2018, for the term ending June 30, 2021, as Member of the Women's Commission, Washington State. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Hunt, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Member; Hasegawa and Takko.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 25, 2019

SGA 9205 MICHELLE Y. MERRIWEATHER, appointed on August 16, 2018, for the term ending June 30, 2020, as Member of the Women's Commission, Washington State. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Hunt, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Member; Hasegawa and Takko.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

FIFTEENTH DAY, JANUARY 28, 2019

2019 REGULAR SESSION

MOTION

On motion of Senator Liias, all measures listed on the Standing Committee report were referred to the committees as designated.

MOTION

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

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 5666 by Senators Sheldon, Fortunato, Warnick, Becker, Short and Takko

AN ACT Relating to modifying the types of off-road vehicles subject to local government regulation; and amending RCW 46.09.360 and 46.09.455.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

SB 5667 by Senators Becker and Takko

AN ACT Relating to public records request administration; and amending RCW 40.14.026, 42.56.570, and 36.22.175; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections.

SB 5668 by Senators Takko, Warnick and Fortunato

AN ACT Relating to moneys received at auctions conducted by registered tow truck operators; and amending RCW 46.55.130.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5669 by Senator Liias

AN ACT Relating to removing the ability of school districts to withhold grades and transcripts of pupils; and amending RCW 28A.635.060.

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

SB 5670 by Senators Wagoner, Palumbo, Holy, Hobbs and Honeyford

AN ACT Relating to expanding the allowable powers of fire protection districts; amending RCW 52.12.031; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.160 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

SB 5671 by Senators Wagoner, Palumbo, Holy, Hobbs and Honeyford

AN ACT Relating to bid limits for purchases and public works by fire protection districts; and amending RCW 52.14.110.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

SB 5672 by Senators Cleveland, O'Ban, Walsh, Wellman, Darneille, Dhingra, Hunt and Keiser

AN ACT Relating to adult family home specialty services; and adding a new section to chapter 70.128 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5673 by Senators Randall, Saldaña, Wilson and C.

AN ACT Relating to parking enforcement; adding a new section to chapter 47.04 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 81.112 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 36.57A RCW.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5674 by Senators Rivers and Cleveland

AN ACT Relating to creating the dental laboratory registry within the department of health and establishing minimum standards for dental laboratories serving dentists in Washington state; and adding a new chapter to Title 70 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5675 by Senators Takko, Van De Wege, Salomon, Warnick and McCoy

AN ACT Relating to drought preparedness and response; amending RCW 43.83B.400, 43.83B.405, 43.83B.410, 43.83B.415, and 43.83B.430; adding new sections to chapter 43.83B RCW; decodifying RCW 43.83B.005, 43.83B.200, 43.83B.210, 43.83B.300, 43.83B.345, 43.83B.360, 43.83B.380, and 43.83B.385; repealing RCW 43.83B.220, 43.83B.230, and 43.83B.336; and providing an expiration date.

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

SB 5676 by Senators Takko, Walsh and Short

AN ACT Relating to authorizing cities planning under the growth management act to impose certain real estate excise taxes by councilmanic action; and amending RCW 82.46.035.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

SB 5677 by Senator Keiser

AN ACT Relating to the creation of a promoter's permit authorizing promoters to assist liquor licensees in the organization of public events where liquor is sold; adding a new section to chapter 66.20 RCW; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5678 by Senators Keiser and King

AN ACT Relating to the creation of additional training requirements for licensed marijuana retailers and their employees; and reenacting and amending RCW 69.50.357.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5679 by Senators Hasegawa, Conway and Darneille

AN ACT Relating to local government responsibility and accountability in mitigating impacts of public facilities on certain surrounding neighborhoods with high poverty and concentrations of persons of color; and adding a new section to chapter 35.21 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

SB 5680 by Senators Liias, Zeiger and Takko

AN ACT Relating to the creation of parks benefit districts; adding a new section to chapter 35.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35.61 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 36.69 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.14 RCW; and adding a new chapter to Title 36 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

SB 5681 by Senators Dhingra, Das, Pedersen, Hasegawa, Saldaña, McCoy and Liias

AN ACT Relating to domestic violence; amending RCW 9.95.210, 10.99.050, 9.94A.500, 9.94A.660, 9.94A.662, 9.94A.664, 9.94A.704, 9.94A.722, 10.05.010, 10.05.015, 10.05.020, 10.05.030, 10.05.040, 10.05.120, 10.05.140, 10.05.160, 26.50.035, 26.50.110, 26.50.160, and 36.28A.410; amending 2017 c 272 ss 7 and 8 (uncodified); reenacting and amending RCW 10.31.100; adding new sections to chapter 26.50 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 9.94A RCW; adding a new section to chapter 10.05 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 26 RCW; creating new sections; prescribing penalties; providing effective dates; providing expiration dates; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 5682 by Senators King, Takko, Braun, Mullet and Walsh

AN ACT Relating to allowing certain beer and wine license holders to sell small amounts of spirits; and amending RCW 66.24.630 and 66.24.035.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5683 by Senators Wellman, Hasegawa, Keiser, Wilson, C., Darneille, Hunt, Salomon and Das

AN ACT Relating to establishing the welcome to Washington baby act to create family supports through universal home visiting programs and a statewide family linkage program for resources and referrals; amending RCW 43.216.130 and 43.216.157; adding new sections to chapter 43.216 RCW; creating new sections; recodifying RCW 43.216.130, 43.216.152, 43.216.155, 43.216.157, and 43.216.159; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SB 5684 by Senators Nguyen, Wilson, C., Randall, Cleveland, Wellman and Das

AN ACT Relating to revising economic assistance programs by updating standards of need, revising outcome measures and data collected, and reducing barriers to participation; amending RCW 74.04.770, 74.08A.010, 74.08.025, 74.08A.410, 74.08A.411, and 74.08A.250; reenacting and amending RCW 74.08A.260; adding a new section to chapter 74.08A RCW; creating a new section; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation.

SB 5685 by Senators Bailey, Rolfes, Warnick and O'Ban

AN ACT Relating to requiring a primary contact in schools to recognize, screen, and respond to emotional or behavioral

distress in students; adding a new section to chapter 28A.320 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

SB 5686 by Senators Bailey, Holy and Warnick

AN ACT Relating to health care coverage for retired or disabled school employees that served as a locally elected official; and adding a new section to chapter 41.05 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5687 by Senators Bailey, Braun, Holy, Becker, Brown, Warnick and Walsh

AN ACT Relating to allowing new government employees the option of opting out of retirement system membership if the employee is age sixty or older when first hired, or when the employee's employer opts into retirement plan participation; amending RCW 41.40.023, 41.35.030, and 41.32.032; adding new sections to chapter 41.40 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 41.35 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 41.32 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 41.50 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5688 by Senators Cleveland, Walsh and Becker

AN ACT Relating to athletic trainers; amending RCW 18.250.010, 18.250.040, 18.250.050, 43.70.442, and 43.70.442; reenacting and amending RCW 69.41.010; adding a new section to chapter 18.250 RCW; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5689 by Senators Liias, Saldaña, Pedersen, Wellman, Wilson, C., Randall, Hunt, McCoy and Salomon

AN ACT Relating to preventing harassment, intimidation, bullying, and discrimination in public schools; adding a new section to chapter 28A.600 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.642 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW; and repealing RCW 28A.300.285.

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

SB 5690 by Senators Saldaña and Keiser

AN ACT Relating to creating the universal worker protections act; amending RCW 39.12.010, 49.46.010, 49.46.010, 50.04.100, 50.04.298, 50.12.070, 51.08.070, 51.08.180, and 51.12.020; reenacting and amending RCW 49.48.082; adding a new section to chapter 39.12 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 49.52 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 49.48 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 49.46 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 50.04 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 51.12 RCW; adding new chapters to Title 49 RCW; creating new sections; repealing RCW 39.12.100, 50.04.140, 50.04.145, 51.08.181, and 51.08.195; prescribing penalties; providing effective dates; and providing expiration dates.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5691 by Senators Saldaña, Liias, Hunt, Wellman and Keiser

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AN ACT Relating to extending collective bargaining rights to employees of the legislative branch of state government; amending RCW 41.80.005 and 41.80.010; and adding new sections to chapter 41.80 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5692 by Senators Rolfes, McCoy, Takko and Wellman

AN ACT Relating to recreational fishing and hunting licenses; amending RCW 77.08.010, 77.12.810, 77.32.070, 77.32.155, 77.32.350, 77.32.370, 77.32.430, 77.32.440, 77.32.450, 77.32.460, 77.32.470, 77.32.480, 77.32.520, 77.32.570, 77.32.575, 77.12.712, 77.12.714, 77.12.716, 77.12.718, and 77.32.580; adding new sections to chapter 77.32 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 77.12 RCW; repealing 2009 c 420 s 7, 2011 c 339 s 40, 2016 c 223 ss 7, 8, and 9, and 2017 3rd sp.s. c 3 ss 1, 2, and 3 (uncodified); prescribing penalties; providing effective dates; providing expiration dates; and declaring an emergency.

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

SB 5693 by Senators Saldaña, Keiser, Hasegawa and Das

AN ACT Relating to transparency in agricultural supply chains; amending RCW 19.320.010; adding a new section to chapter 19.320 RCW; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5694 by Senator King

AN ACT Relating to commercial beekeeper drivers; amending RCW 46.25.010, 46.25.055, and 46.25.075; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5695 by Senators Liias, King, Zeiger and Saldaña

AN ACT Relating to high occupancy vehicle lane penalties; amending RCW 46.61.165 and 47.52.025; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5696 by Senators Warnick and Takko

AN ACT Relating to payments in lieu of real property taxes; amending RCW 77.12.201 and 77.12.203; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SB 5697 by Senators Cleveland, Darneille and Nguyen

AN ACT Relating to the sale and installation of solid fuel burning devices; and amending RCW 70.94.455, 70.94.457, and 70.94.483.

Referred to Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology.

SB 5698 by Senators Keiser, Takko, Salomon, Hobbs, Palumbo, Mullet and Saldaña

AN ACT Relating to ensuring for a skilled and trained workforce in high hazard facilities; adding a new chapter to

Title 49 RCW; prescribing penalties; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5699 by Senator Cleveland

AN ACT Relating to protecting consumers from charges for out-of-network health care services; amending RCW 48.43.005, 48.43.093, and 41.05.017; reenacting and amending RCW 18.130.180; adding a new section to chapter 48.30 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 70.41 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 70.230 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 70.42 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.371 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 48 RCW; creating new sections; prescribing penalties; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5700 by Senators Nguyen, Darneille, Wellman, Rolfes, Kuderer, Das and Cleveland

AN ACT Relating to the release of juveniles in the custody of juvenile rehabilitation; and amending RCW 13.40.210.

Referred to Committee on Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation.

SB 5701 by Senators King and Honeyford

AN ACT Relating to the reconveyance of state forestlands to counties for the purpose of creating county-owned community forests; and amending RCW 79.22.300, 79.22.310, and 79.22.320.

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

SB 5702 by Senators Warnick and Hobbs

AN ACT Relating to the fairness of public works bidding; and amending RCW 39.04.105.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

SB 5703 by Senator Kuderer

AN ACT Relating to examinations under oath when a person claims a loss under an insurance contract; and amending RCW 48.18.460.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions, Economic Development & Trade.

SB 5704 by Senators Liias, Mullet, Darneille, Hasegawa, Wilson, C., Das, Hunt, Wellman, Walsh, Billig, Nguyen and Van De Wege

AN ACT Relating to establishing the Washington children's educational savings account program; reenacting and amending RCW 43.79A.040; adding a new chapter to Title 28B RCW; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SJM 8008 by Senators Bailey and O'Ban

Urging federal legislation to prohibit the sale of tobacco and vapor products to anyone under the age of twenty-one.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long Term Care.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Liias, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Liias, the Senate advanced to the eighth order of business.

MOTION

Senator Palumbo moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION
8607

By Senator Palumbo

WHEREAS, Washington hospitality is the industry that serves. It cares about its people, growing careers, and giving back to local communities; and

WHEREAS, Our collective interest in food, beverages, and lodging accommodations are a part of the past, present, and future of our state; and

WHEREAS, As an industry filled with opportunity and hope, hospitality is driven by the passion, determination, and spirit of nearly three hundred thousand people in local communities across the state; and

WHEREAS, Jobs in hospitality can positively transform lives. From first jobs to second chances at employment and lifelong careers. There is a place for everyone in hospitality; and

WHEREAS, A majority of the owners and operators who are attending Hill Climb today began as dishwashers and front desk clerks. Their success is not by chance — they have worked hard to get to where they are today; and

WHEREAS, Hospitality businesses give back to their communities by supporting local youth sports teams, reading programs, and teachers, donating to local nonprofits and providing food and beverages for community events; and

WHEREAS, These same businesses also give back to the state.

In 2017, the hospitality industry generated 1.3 billion dollars in sales tax and Business & Occupation Tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, As the hospitality industry makes up 10.1 percent of the total workforce in Washington, hospitality employers are just as passionate about their team members as they are with any other part of their business. Strong and cohesive teams are essential to succeeding in the industry; and

WHEREAS, Hospitality is a part of the fabric of America with 24.3 percent of the workforce born outside the United States and these employees, like any other, are empowered to rise through the career ladder; and

WHEREAS, Diversity and representation within the industry continues to grow. Nearly one-third of lodging establishments and restaurants are owned by women and additionally, nearly thirty percent of hospitality businesses are minority-owned; and

WHEREAS, The Washington Hospitality Association is proud to serve more than six thousand five hundred small, medium, and large hospitality members in Washington state; and

WHEREAS, January 28, 2019, marks the twenty-second Hill Climb for the organization, the largest grassroots day on the hill for the hospitality industry;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize the positive impact of the hospitality industry in communities across Washington as it continues to create jobs and contribute to the strength and economic vitality of our state; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the membership of the Washington Hospitality Association, and Washington Hospitality Association president and CEO, Anthony Anton.

Senator Palumbo spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8607.

The motion by Senator Palumbo carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

At 12:09 p.m., on motion of Senator Liias, the Senate adjourned until 12:00 o'clock noon, Tuesday, January 29, 2019.

CYRUS HABIB, President of the Senate

BRAD HENDRICKSON, Secretary of the Senate

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