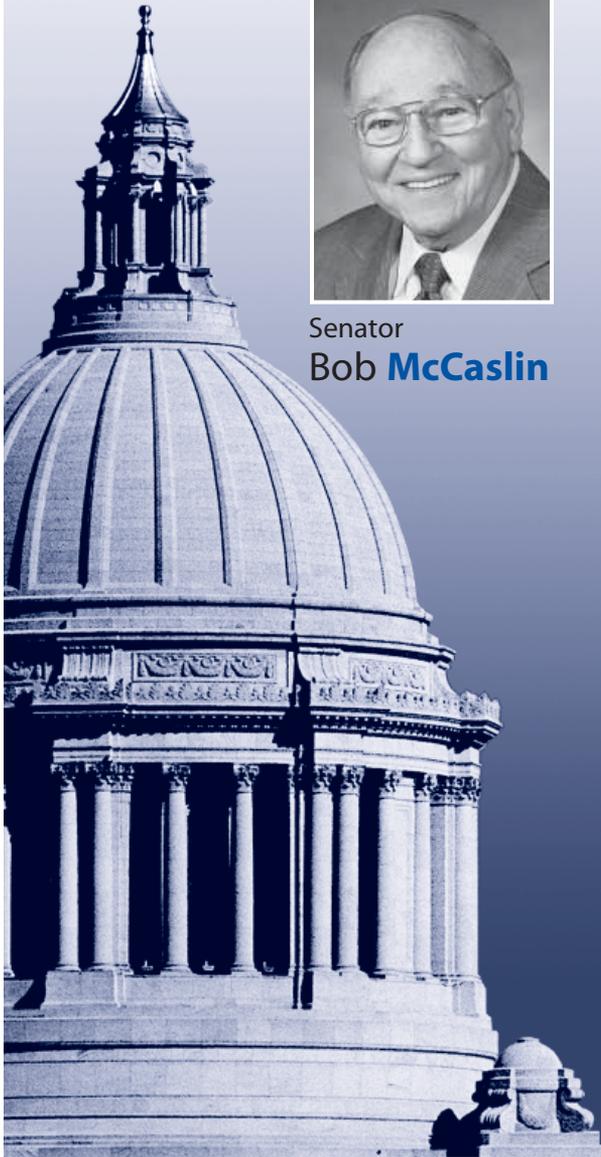


4th LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT



Senator
Bob **McCaslin**



This guide to government provides information on how to contact federal, state and local government offices and services.

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Sen. McCaslin speaks on the Senate floor.

Senator Bob **McCaslin**

4th Legislative District

112 Irv Newhouse Building
PO Box 40404
Olympia, WA 98504-0404
Olympia Office: (360) 786-7606
Fax: (360) 786-7173
E-mail: mccaslin.bob@leg.wa.gov

Toll-free Legislative Hotline

You may leave a message for me on the toll-free Legislative Hotline. Please call: 1-800-562-6000

Dear Friend,

I am pleased to provide you with this 4th Legislative District 2009 Government Guide.

Government and community officials are public servants, entrusted to be your voice and address your concerns. The information in this guide is assembled to help you find answers and information.

If you have a question, suggestion or a problem with any level of government, these are the people to contact. I hope you find the many resources listed in the guide helpful and useful.

Also included in the middle of this booklet is a brief summary of the 2009 legislative session to date.

It is truly an honor and a privilege to represent you. Please contact me or my office if I can be of assistance to you.

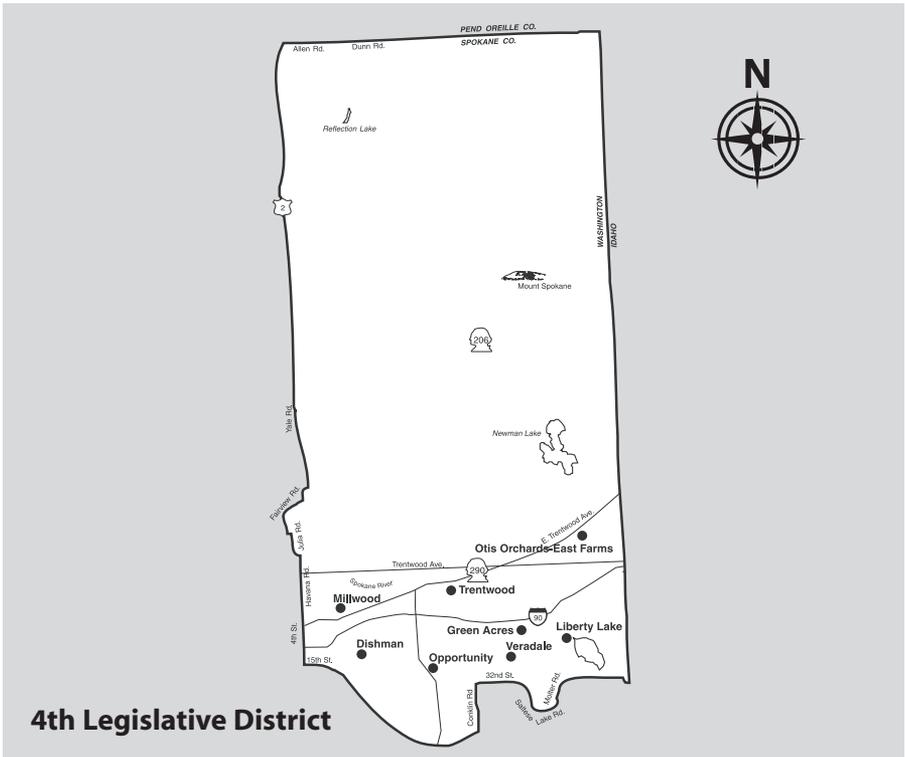
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Bob McCaslin".

Sen. Bob McCaslin
4th Legislative District

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4th Legislative District

Federal Government

Executive

President Barack H. Obama (term expires 2013)

E-mail: president@whitehouse.gov

Web site: www.whitehouse.gov

The White House

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue

Washington, DC 20500 (202) 456-1414

Presidential Greetings: The White House will send greetings from the President to anyone 80 or older, or to a couple celebrating a 50th (or higher) anniversary. Send a request at least one month in advance.

The address is:

Greetings Office

Office of the President

The White House

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue

Washington, DC 20500

Vice President Joseph R. Biden (term expires 2013)

E-mail: vice-president@whitehouse.gov

Web site: www.whitehouse.gov/vicepresident

The White House

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue

Washington, DC 20500 (202) 456-1414

United States Senators

Maria Cantwell, U.S. Senator (D) Seattle (term expires January 2013)

E-mail: Maria_cantwell@cantwell.senate.gov

Web: www.cantwell.senate.gov

511 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510 (202) 224-3441

Fax (202) 228-0514

TDD (202) 244-8273

Thomas S. Foley Courthouse

W. 920 Riverside, Suite 697, Spokane, WA 99201 (509) 353-2507

Fax (509) 353-2547

Patty Murray, U.S. Senator (D) Seattle (term expires January 2011)

E-mail: available only via web site

Web: <http://murray.senate.gov>

173 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510 (202) 224-2621

Fax (202) 224-0238

10 North Post Street, Suite 600, Spokane, WA 99201 (509) 624-9515

Fax (509) 624-9561

United States Representatives

www.house.gov

- Congressional Switchboard:** (202) 224-3121
 Senate Web site: www.senate.gov
 House Web site: www.house.gov
- Jay Inslee (Term expires January 2011)** (202) 225 6311
 1st District - U.S. Representative (D) Bainbridge Island
 403 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515-4701
 Fax (202) 226 1606
 Web site: www.house.gov/inslee
- Rick Larsen (Term expires January 2011)** (202) 225-2605
 2nd District - U.S. Representative (D) Arlington
 108 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515
 Fax (202) 225-4420
 Web site: www.house.gov/larsen
- Brian Baird (Term expires January 2011)** (202) 225-3536
 3rd District - U.S. Representative (D) Olympia
 2350 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515
 Fax (202) 225-3478
 Web site: www.house.gov/baird
- Doc Hastings (Term expires January 2011)** (202) 225-5816
 4th District - U.S. Representative (R) Pasco
 1214 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515-4704
 Fax (202) 225-3251
 Web site: www.hastings.house.gov
- Cathy McMorris-Rodgers (Term expires January 2011)** (202) 225-2006
 5th District - U.S. Representative (R) Spokane
 1708 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515
 Fax (202) 225-3392
 Web site: www.mcmorris.house.gov
- Norm Dicks (Term expires January 2011)** (202) 225-5916
 6th District - U.S. Representative (D) Tacoma
 2467 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515
 Fax (202) 226-1176
 Web site: www.house.gov/dicks
- Jim McDermott (Term expires January 2011)** (202) 225-3106
 7th District - U.S. Representative (D) Seattle
 1035 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515
 Fax (202) 225-6197
 Web site: www.house.gov/mcdermott
- Dave Reichert (Term expires January 2011)** (202) 225-7761
 8th District - U.S. Representative (R) Bellevue
 1223 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515
 Fax (202) 225-4282
 Web site: www.house.gov/reichert

Adam Smith (Term expires January 2011) (202) 225-8901
 9th District - U.S. Representative (D) Federal Way
 2402 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515
 Fax (202) 225-5893
 Web site: www.house.gov/adamsmith

United States Supreme Court

www.supremecourtus.gov

United States Supreme Court (202) 479-3000
 Web site: www.supremecourtus.gov

Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr.	Justice David Souter
Justice John Paul Stevens	Justice Clarence Thomas
Justice Antonin Scalia	Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg
Justice Stephen Breyer	Justice Anthony Kennedy
Justice Samuel Alito, Jr.	

Washington State Government

State Information 1- 800-321-2808
 Voter Information Hotline 1- 800-448-4881
 Washington state home page: www.access.wa.gov

Governor Chris Gregoire (360) 902-4111
 200 Legislative Building, PO Box 40002, Olympia, WA 98504-0002
 TTY (360) 753-4110
 Web site: www.governor.wa.gov
 E-mail: www.governor.wa.gov/contact/default.asp

Lieutenant Governor Brad Owen (360) 786-7700
 220 Legislative Building, PO Box 40400, Olympia, WA 98504-0400
 Web site: www.ltgov.wa.gov
 E-mail: owen.brad@leg.wa.gov

Secretary of State Sam Reed (360) 902-4151
 250 Legislative Building, PO Box 40220, Olympia, WA 98504-0220
 TTY (800) 422 8683
 Web site: www.secstate.wa.gov
 E-mail: sreed@secstate.wa.gov

Treasurer Jim McIntire (360) 902-9001
 230 Legislative Building, PO Box 40200, Olympia, WA 98504-0200
 TTY (360) 902-8963
 Web site: www.tre.wa.gov
 E-mail: watreas@tre.wa.gov

Auditor Brian Sonntag (360) 902 0370
 Insurance Building, Suite 200, PO Box 40021, Olympia, WA 98504-0021
 Web site: www.sao.wa.gov
 E-mail: sonntagb@sao.wa.gov

- Attorney General Rob McKenna** (360) 753-6200
 Highway/Licenses Building, POBox 40100, Olympia, WA 98504-0100
 TTY.....1 800-276-9883
 Web site: www.atg.wa.gov
 E-mail: www.atg.wa.gov/contactus.aspx
- Superintendent of Public Instruction Randy Dorn**..... (360) 725-6000
 Old Capitol Building, PO Box 47200, Olympia, WA 98504-7200
 TTY..... (360) 664-3631
 Web site: www.k12.wa.us
 E-mail: dorn@ospi.wednet.edu
- Insurance Commissioner Mike Kreidler**..... (360) 725-7000
 5000 Capitol Boulevard, PO Box 40255, Olympia, WA 98504-0255
 Web site: www.insurance.wa.gov
 E-mail: askmike@oic.wa.gov
- Commissioner of Public Lands Peter Goldmark** (360) 902-1004
 Natural Resources Building, PO Box 47001, Olympia, WA 98504-7001
 Fax (360) 902-1775
 Web site: www.dnr.wa.gov
 E-mail: information@dnr.wa.gov

Washington State Supreme Court

www.courts.wa.gov

- Washington State Supreme Court** (360) 357-2077
 Temple of Justice
 415 12th Avenue SW
 PO Box 40929
 Olympia, WA 98504-0929
- Nonpartisan Judiciary Supreme Court Term Expires
- Chief Justice Gerry L. Alexander (pos. 8) January 2013
 Associate Chief Justice Charles W. Johnson (pos. 4) January 2015
 Justice Tom Chambers (pos. 9) January 2013
 Justice Mary E. Fairhurst (pos. 3) January 2015
 Justice James M. Johnson (pos. 1) January 2011
 Justice Barbara A. Madsen (pos. 5) January 2011
 Justice Susan J. Owens (pos. 2) January 2013
 Justice Richard B. Sanders (pos. 6) January 2011
 Justice Debra L. Stephens (pos. 7) January 2015
- Clerk, Ronald R. Carpenter
 Deputy Clerk, Susan L. Carlson
 Administrator for the Courts, Jeff Hall
 Supreme Court Commissioner, Steven Goff
 Report of Decisions, Truman S. Fuller

Fourth District State Legislators

- Senator Bob McCaslin** (360) 786-7606
 112 Irv Newhouse Building, PO Box 40404, Olympia, WA 98504-0404
 Web site: www.leg.wa.gov/senate/mccaslin
 E-mail: mccaslin.bob@leg.wa.gov
- Representative Larry Crouse** (360) 786-7820
 404 John O'Brien Building, PO Box 40600, Olympia, WA 98504-0600
 Web site: www.leg.wa.gov/house/crouse
 E-mail: crouse.larry@leg.wa.gov
- Representative Matthew Shea** (360) 786-7984
 405 John O'Brien Building, P.O. Box 40600, Olympia, WA 98504-0600
 Web site: www.leg.wa.gov/house/she
 E-mail: shea.matt@leg.wa.gov

Spokane County

www.spokanecounty.org

- Spokane County Courthouse** (509) 477-5790
 1116 W. Broadway, Spokane, WA 99260
 Courthouse Hours: 8:30a.m.-5:00p.m.
- Spokane County Commissioners Office** (509) 477-2265
- District #1 – Todd Mielke (R) (509) 477-2265
 E-mail: tmielke@spokanecounty.org
 - District #2 – Mark Richard (R) (509) 477-2265
 E-mail: mrichard@spokanecounty.org
 - District #3 – Bonnie Mager (D) (509) 477-2265
 E-mail: bmager@spokanecounty.org
- Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich (R)** (509) 477-4739
 E-mail: sheriff@spokanecounty.org
- Fax (509) 477-5641
 - Jail (509) 477-4759
- Assessor Ralph Baker (R)** (509) 477-3698
 Fax (509) 477-3697
- Auditor Vicki Dalton (D)** (509) 477-2270
 E-mail: vdalton@spokanecounty.org
 Fax (509) 477-2270
- Clerk Thomas R. Fallquist (R)** (509) 477-2211
 Fax (509) 477-3916
- Treasurer Skip Chilberg (D)** (509) 477-4713
 Fax (509) 477-3674
- Prosecuting Attorney Stephen J. Tucker** (509) 477-3661
- Medical Examiner Sally Aiken, MD** (509) 477-2296

Division of Building and Planning (509) 477-3675

Spokane County Air Pollution Control Authority (509) 477-4727

Spokane Transit Authority (509) 328-RIDE

Fares:

Children 5 and under	FREE
Youth Monthly Pass	\$26.00
Adults	\$2.50
Adult Monthly Pass	\$33.00
V.I.P. Day Pass w/I.D.	\$2.50

Spokane Valley Chamber of Commerce

President and CEO: Eldonna Shaw

Board of Directors:

Barry Baker	Mandy Desgrosellier	Patsy Gayda	John Guarisco
Nancy Holmes	Jennifer Johnson	Ross Kelley	Mike King
Shawn Lindhorst	Doug Ransdell	Kevin Rasler	Shelley Runolfson
Chuck Stocker	Andrew Worlock	Steve Yucho	

Ex-Officio Members (non-voting):

Harry Sladich	Mark Peters	Ben Cabildo	Ken Briggs
Noel Bacnis	Rich Munson	Wendy Van Orman	Daniel Mork
Mark Richard	Jim Huttenmaier	Chuck Simpson	

Executive Committee:

- Dr. Philip L. Rudy - Chair, Philip L. Rudy, DDS
- Bill King - Chair Elect, ITT Technical Institute
- Eldonna Shaw - President, Greater Spokane Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Terri Montano - Treasurer, Spokane Eye Clinic
- Lee Cameron - Secretary, Mirabeau Park Hotel
- Chris Armstrong - Vice Chair, Lilac City Septic
- Damon Smith - Vice Chair, DCI Engineers
- Rustin Hall - Past Chair, ALSC Architects
- Jim Bowles - Member at Large, UBS Financial Services

Municipalities

City of Spokane Valley (509) 921-1000
 11707 East Sprague Avenue, Suite 106, Spokane Valley, WA 99206
 Web site: www.spokanevalley.org
 Mayor: Richard Munson
 E-mail: rmunson@spokanevalley.org
 City Council: Position #1 - Diana Wilhite, Council Member
 E-mail: dwilhite@spokanevalley.org
 Position #2 - Steve Taylor, Council Member
 E-mail: staylor@spokanevalley.org

Position #3 - Rose Dempsey, Council Member

E-mail: rdempsey@spokanevalley.org

Position #4 - Gary Schimmels, Council Member

E-mail: gschimmels@spokanevalley.org

Position #5 - Richard Munson, Mayor

E-mail: rmunson@spokanevalley.org

Position #6 - Bill Gothman, Council Member

E-mail: bgothmann@spokanevalley.org

Position #7 - Dick Denenny, Deputy Mayor

E-mail: ddenenny@spokanevalley.org

City of Liberty Lake (509) 755-6700

22710 E. Country Vista Drive Liberty Lake, WA 99019

Web site: www.libertylakewa.gov

Mayor: Wendy Van Orman

E-mail: wvorman@libertylakewa.gov

City Council: Position #1 - Susan Schuler (509) 922-4572

E-mail: sschuler@libertylakewa.gov

Position #2 - Neal Olander (509) 921-7612

E-mail: nolander@libertylakewa.gov

Position #3 - David Crump (509) 891-8104

E-mail: dcrump@libertylakewa.gov

Position #4 - Odin Langford (509) 921-1818

E-mail: olangford@libertylakewa.gov

Position #5 - Judi Owens (509) 928-2093

E-mail: jowens@libertylakewa.gov

Position #6 - Brian Saysr (509) 475-5778

E-mail: bsaysr@libertylakewa.gov

Position #7 - Patrick Jenkins (509) 928-2220

E-mail: pjenkins@libertylakewa.gov

City of Millwood (509) 924-0960

9103 E. Fredrick, Millwood, WA 99206

Web site: www.cityofmillwood.org

Mayor: Dan Mork

E-mail: millwoodmayor@comcast.net

City Council: Glenn Bailey Kevin Freeman Joyce Kiphart

Doug Morton Brian Votava

City of Spokane (509) 625-6250

808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd., Spokane, WA 99201

Web site: www.spokanecity.org

Mayor: Mary Verner

E-mail: mverner@spokanecity.org

City Council: President: Joe Shogan

E-mail: jshogan@spokanecity.org

- Council Members: District # 1, Position 1 - Bob Apple
E-mail: bapple@spokanecity.org
- District # 1, Position 2 - Al French
E-mail: afrench@spokanecity.org
- District # 2, Position 1 - Richard Rush
E-mail: rrush@spokanecity.org
- District # 2, Position 2 - Michael Allen
E-mail: mallen@spokanecity.org
- District #3, Position 1 - Steve Corker
E-mail: scorker@spokanecity.org
- District # 3, Position 2 - Nancy McLaughlin
E-mail: nmclaughlin@spokanecity.org

Irrigation Districts

- Trentwood Irrigation #3** (509) 922-7532
4402 N. Sullivan Rd., Spokane, WA 99216
- Orchard Avenue Irrigation District #6** (509) 926-4563
8101 E. Buckeye Ave., Spokane Valley, WA 99212
- North Spokane Irrigation District #8** (509) 467-6727
7221 N. Regal, Spokane, WA 99217
- Hutchison Irrigation District #16** (509) 926-4634
618 N. Sargent, Spokane Valley, WA 99212
- Pasadena Irrigation District #17** (509) 926-5535
9227 E. Upriver Dr., Spokane, WA 99206
- Model Irrigation District #18** (509) 926-5759
1506 S. Pierce Rd., Spokane, WA 99206
- Consolidated Irrigation District #19** (509) 924-3655
120 N. Greenacres Rd., Greenacres, WA 99016
- Moab Irrigation District #20** (509) 226-0545
P.O. Box 81, Newman Lake, WA 99025
25805 E. Trent, Newman Lake, WA 99025

Water Districts

- East Spokane Water District #1** (509) 926-6072
704 S. Coleman Rd., Spokane, WA 99212
Meetings: 1st Tuesday, 7:00pm
- Irvin Water District #6** (509) 924-9320
11907 E. Trent Ave., Spokane, WA 99206
Meetings: 2nd Tuesday, 4:30pm

- Vera Water and Power District** (509) 924-3800
 601 N. Evergreen Rd., P.O. Box 630, Spokane, WA 99216
 Meetings: 2nd Wednesday, 5:30pm
- Modern Electric Water Company** (509) 926-9800
 904 N. Pines Rd., Spokane, WA 99212
 PO Box 11187, Spokane, WA 99211
 Meetings: 3rd Wednesday, 5:30pm
- Spokane County Water District #3** (509) 536-0121
 5221 E. Desmet Ave., Spokane, WA 99212
 PO Box 11187, Spokane, WA 99212
 Meetings: every Tuesday, 10:00am
- Liberty Lake Sewer District #1** (509) 922-5443
 22510 E. Mission, Spokane, WA 99019
 Meetings: 3rd Wednesday, 7:00pm

Fire Districts

- District #1, Spokane Valley** (509) 928-1700
 10319 E. Sprague Ave., Spokane Valley, WA 99206
 Meetings: 1st and 3rd Monday, 4:00pm
- District #2, Fairfield** (509) 523-5030
 202 N. Railroad Ave., Fairfield, WA 99012
 Meetings: 2nd Monday, 7:00pm
- District #8, Valleyford/Moran Prairie** (509) 926-6699
 12100 E. Palouse HWY., PO Box 345 Valleyford, WA 99036
 Meetings: 2nd Tuesday, 6:00pm
- District #9, Mead** (509) 466-4602
 3801 Farwell Rd., Mead, WA 99021
 Meetings: 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 7:00pm
- District #10, Garden Springs** (509) 244-2425
 929 S. Garfield Rd., Airway Heights, WA 99011
 Meetings: 1st Tuesday, 6:00pm
- District #12, Latah (evenings only)** (509) 283-2206
 PO Box 173, Latah, WA 99018
 Meetings: 2nd Tuesday, location and time changes
- District #13, Newman Lake** (509) 226-1482
 W. Newman Dr., Newman Lake, WA 99025
 Meeting: 3rd Monday at Station 1, 10236 N. West Newman Lake Dr.
 Mailing Address: Newman Lake Fire and Rescue, PO Box 70, Newman Lake, WA 99025

Fire (non-Emergency)

East Farms.....	(509) 928-1700
Freeman.....	(509) 926-6699
Glenrose.....	(509) 926-6699
Greenacres.....	(509) 928-1700
Hangman Hills.....	(509) 926-6699
Liberty Lake-Moab.....	(509) 928-1700
Mica.....	(509) 926-6699
Millwood.....	(509) 928-1700
Moran.....	(509) 926-6699
Newman Lake.....	(509) 226-1482
Painted Hills.....	(509) 926-6699
Ponderosa.....	(509) 928-1700
Spokane Valley.....	(509) 928-1700
Valley Chapel.....	(509) 926-6699
Valleyford.....	(509) 926-6699
Veradale.....	(509) 928-1700
Saltese.....	(509) 926-6699

Ambulance • Fire • Police • Emergencies

At any time of the day or night, you may contact needed emergency services simply by dialing 911 and giving the following information:

1. Nature of the emergency.
2. Exact location—street address, etc.
3. Number of the phone from which you are calling.
4. WAIT—Additional information may be needed.
5. Always make sure the operator hangs up first.

Community Services

2-1-1 is a simple, easy to remember number that offers a “front door” to health and human services resource information, whether someone is looking for help, or hoping to give help. Simply dial “2-1-1” to get connected and get answers. If you cannot reach this service by dialing 2-1-1, call the toll free number at 1-866-904-9060 Eastern Washington 2-1-1 is a regional call center, operated by Spokane Mental Health in partnership with Spokane County United Way. Eastern Washington 2-1-1 connects Spokane, Ferry, Pend Orielle and Stevens county residents to trained information and referral specialists. Eastern Washington 2-1-1 staff answers calls using a comprehensive database of health and human services that include: (Corner of Shannon & Wall) Spokane, WA 99205

Dental Care	Emergency Shelter
Cops Northeast Rent and mortgage assistance	Counseling and support groups
Food and Clothing	Health care
Volunteering	Donations
	Transportation

Spokane County Library District

www.sclld.org

Administrative Office	(509) 893-8200
4322 N. Argonne Rd., Spokane, WA 99212	
Spokane Valley Library	(509) 893-8400
12004 E. Main, Spokane, WA 99206	
Argonne Library	(509) 893-8260
4322 N. Argonne Rd., Spokane, WA 99212	
Otis Orchards Library	(509) 893-8390
22324 E. Wellesley, Otis Orchards, WA 99027	

School Districts

Central Valley School District #356	(509) 228-5400
East 19307 Cataldo, Spokane Valley, WA 99016	
Superintendent: Ben Small	
(509) 228-5404	
Web site: www.cvsd.org	
East Valley School District #361	(509) 924-1830
12325 East Grace, Spokane Valley, WA 99216	
Superintendent: John Glenewinkel	
(509) 924-1830	
Web site: www.evsd.org	
Mead School District #354	(509) 465-6000
12828 N. Newport Hwy., Mead, WA 99021	
Superintendent: Tom Rockefeller	
(509) 465-6014	
Web site: www.mead354.org	
Orchard Prairie School District #123	(509) 467-9517
7626 N. Orchard Prairie Rd., Spokane, WA 99217	
Superintendent: Duane Reidenbach	
(509) 467-9517	
Web site: www.orchardprairie.org	
Riverside School District #416	(509) 464-8201
3415 N. Newport Hwy., Chattaroy, WA 99003	
Superintendent: Roberta Kramer	
(509) 464-8201	
Web site: www.riversidesd.org	
West Valley School District #363	(509) 924-2150
2805 N. Argonne Rd., Spokane, WA 99212	
Superintendent: Polly Crowley	
(509) 924-2150	
Web site: www.wvsd.com	

Higher Education

- Spokane Community College** (509) 533-7000
 1810 N. Greene St., Spokane, WA 99212
 Web site: www.scc.spokane.edu
- Spokane Falls Community College** (509) 533-3500
 3410 W. Fort George Wright Dr., Spokane, WA 99224
 Web site: www.spokanefalls.edu
- Eastern Washington University** (509) 359-6200
 526 5th St., Cheney, WA 99004-2431
 Web site: www.ewu.edu
- EWU Riverpoint Student Services**
 668 N. Riverpoint Blvd., Spokane, WA 99202 (509) 368-6506
- Washington State University at Spokane** (509) 358-7500
 600 N. Riverpoint Blvd., Spokane, WA 99201
 Web site: www.spokane.wsu.edu
- Gonzaga University** (509) 328-4220
 502 E. Boone Ave., Spokane, WA 99258
 Web site: www.gonzaga.edu
- Whitworth College** (509) 777-1000
 300 W. Hawthorne Rd., Spokane, WA 99251
 Web site: www.whitworth.edu

Neighborhood Services

Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

- Law Enforcement**
 Spokane County Sheriff (509) 477-2240
 Washington State Patrol (509) 456-4101
- Neighborhood Substations**
 Top Cops (509) 625-3350
 1201 W. First, Spokane, WA 99201-4101
- COPS Logan** (509) 625.3334
 802 E. Sharp, Spokane, WA 99207
- COPS Neva-Wood** (509) 625.3353
 4707 N. Addison, Spokane, WA 99207
- Cops North Central** (509) 625-3348
 630 W. Shannon (509) 625-3343
 5208 N. Market, Spokane, WA 99217-6132
- Cops Southwest** (509) 625-3328
 1608 W. 6th #7, Spokane, WA 99204-3438

COPS West	(509) 625-3340
1901 W. Boone, Spokane, WA 99201-2816	
SCOPE North	(509) 477-6377
9435 N. Newport Highway, Spokane, WA 99218	
Spokane County S.C.O.P.E. Coordinator	(509) 477-4717
Road and Weather Conditions	
Pass Report	1-800-695-7623
Weather	(509) 244-6395

Community Resources

Abortion Alternatives (Life Services Crisis Pregnancy Centers)	(509) 327-0701
Abuse and Domestic Violence Services	1-800-563-6025
American Indian Community Center	(509) 535-0886
Children’s Home Society of Washington Adaption Resource Center	(509) 747-4174
Lutheran Social Services of Washington and Idaho	(509) 747-8224
Open Adoption Services	(509) 328-6274
Spokane Crime Reporting Center (formerly “Crime Check”)	(509) 456-2233
Spokane Housing Authority	(509) 328-2953

Children and Family Services

Adoption Support Specialists	(509) 363-3379
Catholic Charities	(509) 358-7300
Childcare Referral Service	(509) 484-0048
Child Find	1-800-426-5678
Child Support/Enforcement	(509) 363-5000
Children’s Alliance	(509) 747-7205
Child Protective Services (DSHS)	1-800-562-5624
Children’s Home Society of Washington	(509) 747-4174
Crisis Pregnancy Center	(509) 327-0701
Displaced Homemaker Programs	(509) 533-3752
Domestic Violence Hotline	1-800-562-6025
Family & Children’s Ombudsman	1-800-571-7321
Missing Children Clearinghouse	1-800-543-5678
Ogden Hall Shelter For Women & Children	(509) 327-7737
Runaway (Youth Crisis) Hotline	1-800-448-4663
Spokane Neighborhood Action Programs	(509) 456-7111
Vanessa Behan Crisis Nursery	(509) 535-3155
Dominicare In-Home Support Services	(509) 935-4925
Elderly Services Information & Assistance	(509) 458-7450
Family Home Care	(509) 473-4900
Friend to Friend Volunteers	(509) 483-1600
Fundamentals of Caregivers Training	(509) 458-2509

Healthy Seniors/Wellness Screening Clinic	(509) 324-1600
Holy Family Adult Day Health	(509) 482-2475
Home and Community Services	(509) 323-9400
Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program	(509) 456-7133
Long-Term Care Ombudsman, Toll-Free	1-800-660-7133
Nursing Home Complaints	1-800-660-7133
Nursing Home Information	1-800-660-7133
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)	(509) 344-7787
Meals on Wheels (Valley)	(509) 924-6976
Senior Energy Outreach Program	(509) 456-7164
Senior Nutrition Program	(509) 324-1532
Senior Services, Catholic Charities	(509) 328-8400
Senior Times Newspaper	(509) 924-2440
Spokane Valley Foundation	(509) 924-0507
Telephone Reassurance and Friendly Visiting	(509) 328-6771
Title V Senior Community Service Employment	(509) 325-7712
YWCA 24-Hour Domestic Violence Hotline	(509) 326-2255
Welfare Fraud Hotline	1-800-562-6906
WIC (Women/Infant/Child) Services	1-800-322-2588

Disability Resources

The Arc	(509) 328-6326
Brain Injury Association of Washington	(509) 473-6153
Career Connections	(509) 928-0423
Coalition of Responsible Disabled	(509) 326-6355
Client Assistance Program	(509) 747-0749
Community Access Program	(509) 323-7517
Division of Developmental Disabilities	(509) 329-2900
Disability Insurance Benefits	1-800-562-6074
Brain Injury Association	(509) 473-6153
Learning Skills Center	(509) 326-9540
Nova Services	(509) 928-1588
Service for People of Disability	(509) 532-3074

Public Safety Agencies

Emergencies	911
Spokane Police Department (non-emergency)	(509) 625-4000
Spokane County Sheriff	(509) 477-4739
Spokane Crime Reporting Center	(509) 532-9266
Fire Department Offices - Information	(509) 625-7000

Senior Services

AARP Senior Employment Program.....	(509) 325-7712
Aging and Adult Services	1-800-422-3263
Aging and Long-Term Care of Eastern Washington.....	(509) 458-2509
ALTCEW Home Health Aide.....	(509) 473-4900
Alzheimer's Association	(509) 483-8456
Dental Care Access Program for the Elderly	(509) 458-2509

Senior Citizens Centers

Corbin Senior Activity Center - 827 W. Cleveland	(509) 327-1584
East Central Senior Center - 500 S. Stone.....	(509) 625-6693
Hillyard Senior Center - 4001 N. Cook	(509) 482-0803
Project Joy.....	(509) 535-0584
Sinto Senior Center - 1124 W. Sinto	(509) 327-2861
Southside Senior Activity Center - 2727 S. Mt. Vernon	(509) 535-0803
Mid-City Senior Center – 1222 W. 2nd.....	(509) 747-3257
Valley Senior Citizens Center	(509) 926-1937

Youth and Teen Resources

Adolescent Support Group.....	(509) 533-5470
Boys and Girls Club of Spokane.....	(509) 489-0741
Chase Youth Commission	(509) 625-6078
Crisis Residential Center.....	(509) 624-2868
Crosswalk.....	(509) 838-6596
Libby Teen Center.....	(509) 536-8152
Spokane Service Team	(509) 456-7660
Spokane Area WDC Youth Council	(509) 625-6210
Teen-Aid, Inc.....	(509) 482-2868
YMCA Teen Programs	(509) 838-3577

Health Services

AIDS/HIV Information Hotline	1-800-272-2437
Alcohol and Drug Help.....	1-800-562-1240
American Cancer Society.....	1-800-227-2345
American Diabetes Association.....	(509) 624-7478
American Heart Association	(509) 536-1500
American Lung Association	1-800-732-9339
Basic Health Plan of Washington State.....	1-800-660-9840
Blue Cross	1-800-562-1011
Cancer Information	1-800-422-6237
Daybreak Youth Services	(509) 927-1688

Division of Developmental Disabilities.....	(509) 329-2900
Health Consumer Assistance	1-800-525-0127
Holy Family Hospital Cancer Care Line	(509) 482-2254
Horizon Hospice	(509) 489-4581
Hospice of Spokane.....	(509) 456-0438
Hospital/Home Health Care Complaint Hotline	1-800-633-6828
Medicaid Information	1-800-562-3022
Inland Northwest Blood Center.....	(509) 624-0151
Inland Empire Task Force on Eating Disorders.....	(509) 482-2437
Spokane County Health District Clinical Services.....	(509) 324-1500
Spokane Mental Health	(509) 838-4651
Spokane Sexual Assault Center.....	(509) 624-7273
Visiting Nurse Association.....	(509) 534-4300

Major Hospitals

Deaconess.....	(509) 458-5800
Holy Family	(509) 482-0111
Sacred Heart.....	(509) 474-3131
Shriners Children’s Hospital	(509) 455-7844
Valley Hospital & Medical Center	(509) 924-6650
Veterans Administration Medical Center.....	(509) 434-7000

Health Clinics

Christ Clinic.....	(509) 325-0393
Downtown CHAS Medical Clinic.....	(509) 835-1205
Inland Northwest Genetics Clinic.....	(509) 535-2278
Greenacres Healthcare Center.....	(509) 924-3374
Northeast CHAS Medical Clinic	(509) 487-1604
People’s Clinic	(509) 928-6383
Project Access	(509) 532-8877
Riverside Medical Clinic	(509) 292-2700
Spokane Falls Family Clinic.....	(509) 326-4343

Other Services

Better Business Bureau of the Inland Northwest	(509) 455-4200
Chamber of Commerce	(509) 624-1393
Department of Labor and Industries.....	(509) 324-2600
Department of Transportation Ombudsman.....	(360) 705-7866
Driver’s License Office - East Spokane.....	(509) 921-2358
Driver’s License Office - North Spokane.....	(509) 482-3882
Gambling Commission.....	(509) 329-3666
Spokane County Air Pollution Control Authority	(509) 477-4727

Spokane County Head Start/ECEAP.....	(509) 533-4800
Spokane Humane Society.....	(509) 467-5235
Vehicle Emissions Testing.....	(509) 329-3491
Vehicle License Renewal.....	(509) 477-2222

Toll-Free Numbers

Address Confidentiality Program.....	1-800-822-1065
Amber Alert for Missing Children.....	1-800-843-5678
Attorney General (Consumer Protection).....	1-800-551-4636
Business Assistance Hotline.....	1-800-237-1233
Charitable Solicitation Information.....	1-800-332-4483
Client Relations Hotline (L&I).....	1-800-547-8367
Consumer Check on Contractors.....	1-800-647-0982
Emergency Services (24 hours).....	1-800-258-5990
Emission Control (Ecology).....	1-800-272-3780
Ferry Information.....	1-800-843-3779
Fire Reports (DNR).....	1-800-562-6010
Game Poaching.....	1-800-477-6224
Hazardous Substances (Ecology).....	1-800-633-7585
Hazardous Waste Spills Hotline.....	1-800-258-5990
Industrial Insurance Fraud (L&I).....	1-800-547-8367
Information (State).....	1-800-321-2808
Insurance Claims (Consumer Protection).....	1-800-562-6900
Legislative Hotline.....	1-800-562-6000
Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TTY).....	1-800-635-9993
Lottery	
Agent Only.....	1-800-732-5101
Recording Winning Numbers.....	1-800-545-7510
Natural Resources, Department of.....	1-800-527-3305
Poison Information Center.....	1-800-732-6985
Recycling Hotline (Ecology).....	1-800-732-9253
Revenue, Department of.....	1-800-647-7706
Social Security.....	1-800-772-1213
Support Enforcement.....	1-800-729-7580
Tourist Information Hotline.....	1-800-544-1800
Toxic Chemical and Oil Spills.....	1-800-258-5990
Underground Storage Tanks.....	1-800-826-7716
Utilities & Transportation Commission (UTC).....	1-800-562-6150
Veterans Affairs.....	1-800-562-2308
Voter Information.....	1-800-448-4881
Water Works Certification Program.....	1-800-525-2536
Woodcutting, Slash Fire Permits.....	1-800-527-3305
Wood Smoke Information (Ecology).....	1-800-523-4636
Workers' Compensation Claims.....	1-800-547-8367

Voter Registration

To register to vote, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- A legal resident of Washington state
- At least 18 years old by election day

You may register to vote at any time, but you must be registered at least 30 days in advance of an election if you wish to vote at a polling place on election day. You may also register between 30 and 15 days before an election, but you must do so at a location designated by the county elections officer, and you will be required to vote by absentee ballot.

How to register: Mail-in registration forms are available from your county auditor or county elections department as well as many public libraries, schools and other government offices. "Motor Voter" registration is offered when you renew or apply for your driver's license.

Absentee ballots: You may request an absentee ballot as early as 45 days before an election. (No absentee ballots are issued on election day except to hospitalized voters). Absentee ballots may be requested either by phone or by mail from the county elections officer. You may also apply in writing to automatically receive an absentee ballot before each election.

NOTE: Absentee ballots must be signed and postmarked or delivered to the county election officer on or before election day.

An Invitation to Olympia

Washington's Capitol Building and its surrounding campus make Olympia one of the nation's most beautiful state capitals. The Capitol Campus is a year-round tourist destination and the Legislative Building is its centerpiece. Originally completed in 1927, the Capitol was refurbished for the state's Centennial in 1989. Olympia visitors also can enjoy the Temple of Justice where the Supreme Court meets, the Governor's Mansion, the Old Capitol Building and several veterans' memorials situated on the 30-acre campus.

Capitol Tours: Public tours are held daily from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. on the hour (registration not required). Larger groups or schools should call 360-902-8880 to schedule a private tour.

How Your Voice Can Be Heard

Washington has one of the most open legislatures in the country. Every bill being considered by the House or Senate must be discussed in open hearings before the appropriate committees. The general public is welcome and encouraged to attend committee hearings and to testify on issues important to them. While words like "hearing" and "testify" may sound forbidding, they simply represent your opportunity to come to Olympia and tell lawmakers how you feel before action is taken on an issue. For more information on how to testify effectively, write or call the Legislative Information Center at (360) 786-7573.

You can leave messages supporting or opposing bills or issues for your state representatives, senator and the governor by calling the toll-free Legislative Hotline at 1-800-562-6000. The hotline is available Monday through Friday from 8am to noon and 1 to 4:30pm during the interim. During the legislative session they are available Monday through Friday from 8am until 8pm and Saturday from 9am to 1pm. When you call, be prepared to leave your name, address and telephone number so we can contact you after receiving your message. It's helpful if you are specific about the issue or bill you are calling about, and who should receive your message. If you don't get through the first time, please try again.

The Washington State Legislature

Washington has two legislative bodies representing 49 legislative districts. The House of Representatives has 98 members serving two-year terms. The Senate has 49 members serving four-year terms. There are two representatives and one senator from each legislative district, comprised of approximately 120,000 people.

The Legislature convenes in regular session each year on the second Monday in January. The sessions are constitutionally limited to 105 days in odd-numbered years and 60 days in even-numbered years. Extraordinary or special sessions may be called by the governor, or the Legislature may call itself into session by a two-thirds vote of both houses.

Legislative Information on the Internet

In the interest of improved public access to legislative information, the Washington State Legislature has created the LEGInfo public access service on the Internet at www.leg.wa.gov.

Senate Web: www.leg.wa.gov/senate

House Web: www.leg.wa.gov/house

Any citizen with a computer with sound system and access to the Internet can listen to all deliberations of the Legislature LIVE. The deliberations are also stored for later access on demand. This service is free and is provided by TVW, the statewide nonprofit television network which is the equivalent of C-SPAN at the national level. Just visit TVW's web site at www.tvw.org. The software required—RealAudio©—is also free and can be downloaded over the Internet from www.real.com.

How To Become A Page For The Washington State Senate

The Washington State Legislature has one of the most comprehensive page programs in the United States. Hundreds of students throughout Washington State have an opportunity each year to take part in the legislative process. To serve as a page, a student must meet several requirements including:

- Grade point average of C+ or better;
- be at least 14 years of age and have not reached 17th birthday;
- parent/guardian permission;
- principal/teacher permission;
- Social Security Number (must be obtained before paging appointment)

A page's work schedule generally goes from Sunday through Friday. The workday begins at 7:45 am and ends at 5 pm with 2 hours each day scheduled for page school where they learn about the legislative process. Qualified Page host home listings are available to pages and their families for consideration.

The uniform is a white blouse or shirt and black slacks or dress pants. The Senate furnishes the pages with a jacket. For further questions about being a page in Olympia, please call 360-786-7560, Turner Lucretia@leg.wa.gov, or visit www.leg.wa.gov/Senate/Administration/PageProgram.

2009 Mid-Session Update

March 2009

Dear Friends,

It's a privilege to return to the Washington State Senate and continue serving you in this fine institution. We are more than halfway through the 2009 legislative session, and now is a good time to give you an update on our progress.

The Democrat-controlled Senate has addressed a number of issues – some legitimate and some frivolous. We have taken votes on everything from circumventing the Electoral College to expanding civil unions.

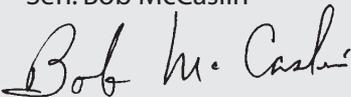
The pink – let's say – donkey in the room is the budget. Years of irresponsible government overspending has resulted in our state facing a budget deficit of more than \$9 billion. I am disappointed that, at this point, the majority party has yet to offer any ideas as to how to address this problem in a substantial way.

There are even some in Olympia who want to raise your taxes. Many of you are struggling, and you want to know why government can't live within its means like your family has to do.

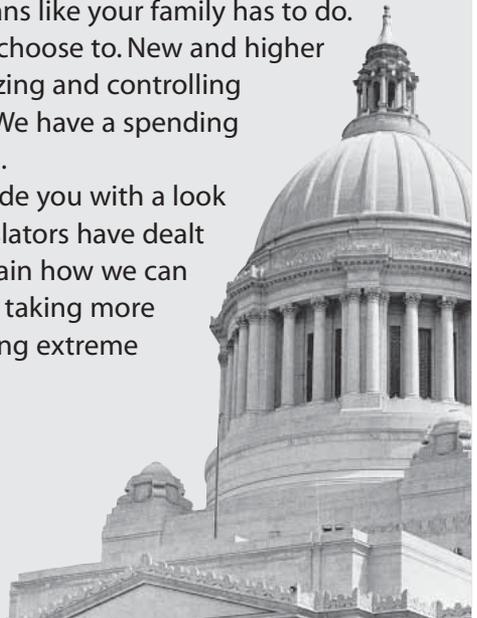
The answer is we can... if we choose to. New and higher taxes are not the answer. Prioritizing and controlling Olympia's runaway spending is. We have a spending problem, not a revenue problem.

The following insert will provide you with a look at some of the major issues legislators have dealt with so far this session, and explain how we can solve the budget deficit without taking more money from your wallet or making extreme cuts to vital services.

Sen. Bob McCaslin



4th District



Balance the state budget without tax increases?

Yes, we can!

- Without decimating taxpayer-funded services for the most vulnerable
- Without huge layoffs of service providers
- Without undermining public education

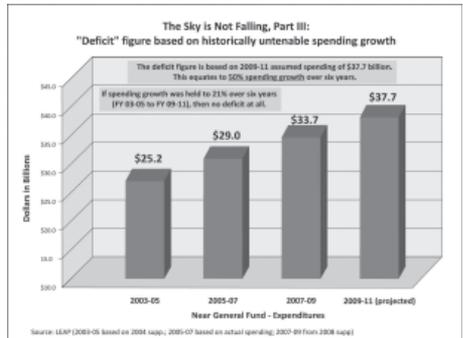
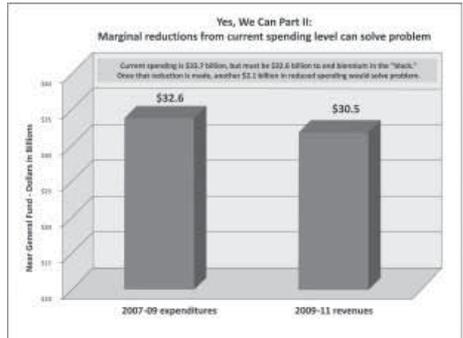
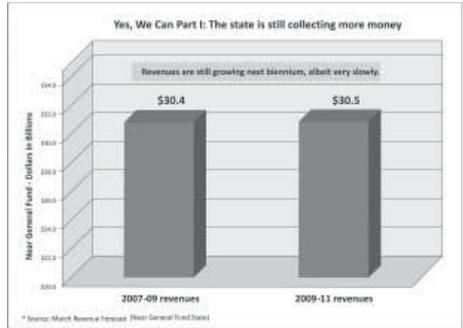
Olympia does not have a revenue shortage: State government expects to collect **slightly more revenue (\$66 million)** in 2009-11 than it has in 2007-09.

What the Legislature should do:

- Balance this biennium's budget.
- From there it is \$2.1 billion in reduced spending to match projected 2009-11 revenues – **NOT** \$9 billion.
- Add entitlement caseloads and carry-forward costs, then reduce discretionary spending (based on priorities) to balance the new budget.

We must build the 2009-11 budget using these principles:

1. Protect services for the most vulnerable, even if it means sacrifices in other popular areas of the budget. For example, preserving services for the most needy and those with no income should have priority over pay raises for state employees who already have jobs.
2. Do not increase taxes and do not pass the buck to voters by asking them to approve a tax increase. Higher taxes will further hurt our economy. Taxpayers should not have to bail out state government's poor budgeting decisions.



3. Adopt a budget that is transparent and sustainable. Do not balance it with gimmicks that would only make future budget problems worse. Do not slash popular services first to make a case for tax or fee increases. Policy changes made to reduce spending need to be sustainable in future years.

Mid-Session Rewind

Senate Republicans win approval of “Lesson learned” bill

Senate Joint Resolution 8209, a proposed amendment to the Washington State Constitution, would require the deposit of “exceptional” state revenues into the rainy-day account. Between 2005 and 2007, the state collected \$2.4 billion that would have been saved, not spent, if SJR 8209 had been adopted prior to 2005.

Senate Republican bill to help ensure jail time for crooks that swindle the elderly passes

I am very pleased that a bill I introduced to help bring justice to those who swindle the elderly passed unanimously in the Senate. **Substitute Senate Bill 5380** would extend the statute of limitations for several felony crimes committed by deception. It’s a very sad fact that people, especially the elderly who live alone, fall prey to schemes that can be concealed because the perpetrator is otherwise associated with a legitimate business. People might not even know they’ve been swindled for years or in the case of elderly people, their families might discover the crime after the person dies. SSB 5380 is now before the House of Representatives for consideration.

Bill to create neighborhood voting districts passes Senate

It’s an oddity in some local government structures, like my own Spokane Valley, that it is possible to elect seven people from the same apartment complex to the city council. I introduced Substitute Senate Bill 5716 to help spread out a city’s elected representatives and bring geographic diversity and more community involvement to our local governments. The bill would allow the citizens of a city to divide it into neighborhood voting districts.

Supporting our military families

I was very proud to support two measures aimed at making life easier for our brave men and women serving in uniform. **Substitute Senate Bill 5248** would make Washington a partner in the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, which allows military children moving to another state in midyear to enter at the same grade level.

Senate Bill 5008 would make it more convenient for members of the U.S. military on active duty to obtain a hunting license in Washington. Under this proposal any active duty member of the U.S. Armed Forces, or any member of the National Guard or the reserves who has been called to active duty, may purchase a hunting license in Washington without the additional burden of completing a hunter safety course. Both bills are now before the House of Representatives for consideration.

Senate passes “everything but marriage” domestic partners bill

Washington law currently defines marriage as a union between one man and one woman. This law has been upheld by the Washington State Supreme Court. In the last two years, domestic partnerships between persons of the same sex were created in law and many rights of marriage were granted to domestic partners. This year’s measure,

Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5688, grants full rights of marriage to same sex couples – a decision that belongs to the people. Senate Republicans offered an amendment to send the bill to the ballot, but it was rejected by the majority party. This bill is now before the House of Representatives for consideration.

Transportation

ESHB 1978 contains the 2009 Supplemental Transportation Budget. Major policy items include:

- \$16.5 million of additional funding for snow and ice removal;
- \$20 million of federal emergency funds for flood damage to highways;
- \$8.9 million for increased WSDOT and WSF fuel costs;
- \$6.2 million for ferry system operating costs;
- \$190,000 for rehabilitation of the SR 532/84th Ave NW bridge deck with intent language to provide an additional \$1.51 million in 2009-11; and
- Various transfers between transportation accounts to balance funds through June 30, 2009.

The federal stimulus bill provides funding for some shovel-ready programs. SB 5458 implements the economic stimulus transportation funding and appropriations in Washington State. Among other projects, funding is provided for preservation/paving work on SR 206/Jct US 2 to Bruce Road.

OSPI's plan to scrap the WASL

Beginning in spring 2010, the state will replace the WASL with two new tests: the Measurements of Student Progress (MSP) in grades 3-8 and the High School Proficiency Exams (HSPE).

The new state assessment system will be called the Washington Comprehensive Assessment Program (WCAP). Superintendent Randy Dorn has six goals related to state testing:

- Shorten the tests;
- reduce the amount of time students spend on written responses;
- return scores more quickly;
- increase the use of technology (statewide computer testing);
- provide more diagnostic information (strengths and weaknesses) to teachers/families; and,
- minimize costs.

Dorn's plan calls for computer-delivered reading, math and science tests to be available as an option to school districts beginning in 2010 with the goal of statewide implementation by 2012.

In closing...

I hope you find this update informative. Please know that my door is always open should you find yourself in Olympia. If you have any questions about the topics covered in this newsletter or any other legislative matter, please do not hesitate to contact me or my office.



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