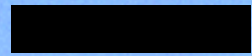




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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
 AGRICULTURE & ECOLOGY COMMITTEE
 COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
June 12	8:00 a.m.	Olympia	Full	Persistent bio-accumulative toxins	Work Session
June 15	8:00 a.m.	Olympia	Full	Drought update	Work Session
June 18	8:00 a.m.	Olympia	Full	Animal disease prevention and control programs	Work Session
Sep 10	8:00 a.m.	Lacey	Full (joint with Sen Environment, Energy & Water in conjunction w/Governor's Office)	Legislative/Executive Water Study	Work Session/Public Hearing
Sep 19	Afternoon	Olympia	Full	Climate change	Work Session
Oct 9	Afternoon	Olympia	Full	Agricultural liens	Work Session
November Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full	1. Update on progress of Legislative/Executive Water Study 2. Agricultural Economy	1. Work Session 2. Work Session/Public Hearing

PROJECT TITLE: Executive/Legislative Water Study

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A review of the progress of a study conducted by representatives of the Governor's office and the Legislature regarding instream flows for fish, municipal water needs, and the relinquishment provisions of the state's water codes.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Kenneth Hirst; Caroleen Dineen

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Agricultural Liens

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine whether a state central filing system for liens on farm products that satisfies federal requirements for such systems should be established in this state.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:** HB 1503, SHCR 4408

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Caroleen Dineen

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: Bill Lynch

PROJECT TITLE: Animal Disease Prevention and Control Programs

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine the programs of the federal government and the state's Department of Agriculture to prevent the introduction into this country of mad cow and hoof and mouth diseases in livestock and for isolating and preventing the spread of such diseases if they are introduced.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Kenneth Hirst

COMPLETION DATE: June 18, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Persistent Bio-accumulative Toxins

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The current state operating budget requires the Department of Ecology to develop for review by the Legislature a proposed long-term strategy to address persistent, bio-accumulative and toxic chemicals in the environment. The committee will review the report developed by the department proposing such a strategy and comments on the strategy by representatives of the state's environmental and business communities.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: Section 301(28), Chapter 1, Laws of
2000 2nd Special Session.

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Jason Callahan

COMPLETION DATE: June 12, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Climate Change

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine the potential impacts of climate change in this state and will review examples of public and private sector policies that have been implemented.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: SHB 1921; ESSB 5674

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Caroleen Dineen; Jason Callahan

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Drought Update

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will receive an update from the federal Natural Resources Conservation Service and the state's Department of Ecology regarding water supplies and stream flows forecasted for the remainder of the water year.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE:

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Kenneth Hirst

COMPLETION DATE: June 15, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Agricultural Economy

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine the general status of the state's agricultural industry and the effects of legislation enacted during the 2001 legislative sessions.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Kenneth Hirst

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES:

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
November Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	Work Session

PROJECT TITLE: Long-Term Care Studies

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor the development of various reports dealing with the implementation of ward closures at the state psychiatric hospitals, SHB 1341 (COPEs Waiver), and long-term care worker wage increases.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: ESSB 6153, Sec 205-206

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Bernard Dean, Amy Hanson

COMPLETION DATE:

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Sentencing Policy Study

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor Sentencing Guidelines Commission comprehensive review and evaluation of state sentencing policy. The review and evaluation will include an analysis of whether current sentencing ranges and standards, as well as existing mandatory minimum sentences, existing sentence enhancements, and special sentencing alternatives, are consistent with the purposes of the Sentencing Reform Act as set out in statute.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: ESSB 6153, Sec 223

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Bernard Dean

COMPLETION DATE: December 1, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Joint Legislative Task Force on Nursing Homes

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A task force will evaluate the nursing home payment system and submit its recommendations to the Legislature no later than December 1, 2003.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: SHB 2242, Sec 17-18

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Bernard Dean, Senate staff

COMPLETION DATE: December 1, 2003

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Developmental Disabilities Studies

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor various studies being conducted on programs within the Developmental Disabilities Division, including: 1) an evaluation by JLARC of client outcomes of the High School Transition program; 2) a study of possible alternative uses of the land and facilities currently used by state-operated Residential Habilitation Centers; and 3) the movement of up to 80 individuals to community residential settings from the residential habilitation centers, consistent with the division's *Olmstead* planning efforts.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: ESSB 6153, SSB 6155

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Amy Hanson

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Medical Assistance Cost Containment

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Medical Assistance Administration was directed in the 2001-03 budget to restrain the growth of health care costs through a combination of cost containment and utilization strategies. Appropriations committee staff will monitor the development and implementation of such strategies. In addition, staff will monitor the Washington State Institute for Public Policy (WSIPP) health cost containment study.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: ESSB 6153

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Amy Hanson

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Higher Education Student Cost Study

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) Cost Study data collection process. Analyze how Cost Study relates to tuition setting and state share of student FTE funding for all institutions and branch campuses.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE:

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Laurie Schaffler

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Higher Education Salaries

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Review Higher Education Salary model. (FTEs and Dollars) Prepare recommendations for submitting salary (B-6) data for future budget review process.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Laurie Schaffler

COMPLETION DATE: September 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Student Financial Aid, Waivers and Institutional Financial Aid

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) policy and administrative process for allocation of student financial aid. Review institutional student tuition waivers and financial aid (3.5 percent of tuition revenue).

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Laurie Schaffler

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: K-12 Learning Assistance Program Funding

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Review the history of LAP funding, including formula changes, and studies and recommendations regarding the funding formula. Work with staff from the Washington Institute for Public Policy on gathering and analyzing school district LAP funding data from the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. Monitor and work with Institute staff on the budget proviso directing the Institute to examine options for revising the LAP funding formula.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:** ESSB 6153

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Denise Graham

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: OSPI, Institute for Public Policy

PROJECT TITLE: Funding for K-12 Remediation Programs

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Gather and analyze data on state and federal funding for K-12 remediation programs, including the Learning Assistance Program, special education, and Title 1. The questions to be addressed include the following: What are the funding formulas? What can the funding be used for and what are the purposes of the funding? Are there overlaps in the purposes of each program?

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Denise Graham

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: I-728 Funding

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Analyze information gathered by OSPI on school districts' budgeted use of I-728 funding.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Denise Graham

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: OSPI

PROJECT TITLE: Chronic Neglected Children

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Determine the costs and savings of adding chronic neglect children to the abuse and neglect definition.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:** HB 1344

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Heather Flodstrom

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: OFM, DSHS fiscal staff

PROJECT TITLE: Monitor Welfare Reauthorization

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor federal welfare reauthorization discussions, while continuing the on-going review of state monitoring reports and research on welfare reform evaluations and studies in other states.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Heather Flodstrom

COMPLETION DATE: Ongoing

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: JLARC Caseload Study

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The 2001 Legislature provided funding for JLARC to complete a study of caseloads within the DSHS Division of Developmental Disabilities and Children's Administration. Staff level discussions and reviews will assist JLARC with the study.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:** ESSB 6153

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Amy Hanson, Heather Flodstrom

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: JLARC

PROJECT TITLE: Risk Management Task Force

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor the activities of the Risk Management Task Force. Governor Locke and Attorney General Christine Gregoire have created a Risk Management Task Force to review the state's risk management practices and to recommend possible policy changes.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Linda Brooks, Trudes Hutcheson

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Impact study on new retire-rehire provisions

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor the office of the state actuary's review of the actuarial impact of the temporary expansion of the post-retirement employment limitations provided in ESSB 5937.

BILL/RESOLUTION

COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: ESSB 5937

STAFF: Andréa Hardy

COMPLETION DATE: Ongoing

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Mental Health Parity Study

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Review information obtained by the Health Care Authority from the federal government, private health plans, and other relevant sources with regard to the cost of implementation of mental health parity by the federal employees' health benefits program in 2001.

BILL/RESOLUTION

COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: ESSB 6153, SEC. 213

STAFF: Andréa Hardy

COMPLETION DATE:

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Pension Governance Study

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor the progress of the Office of the State Actuary's study of pension governance issues and the analysis and determinations of the Joint Committee on Pension Policy with relation to the study.

BILL/RESOLUTION

COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: N/A

STAFF: Andréa Hardy

COMPLETION DATE: January 1, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Watershed planning implementation funding

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor the progress of the blue ribbon panel's recommendations on funding options for implementing projects and activities in watershed plans.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: ESSB 6153, Sec 302 (14)

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Jeff Olsen

COMPLETION DATE: December, 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Fish Program Evaluation

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor the Department of Fish & Wildlife's evaluation of the Fish Program, including an analysis of the program's activities to determine if they support the agency's strategic plan.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: ESSB 6153, Sec 307 (14)

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Jeff Olsen

COMPLETION DATE: December, 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September TBA	TBA	TBA	Capital Budget Workgroup on Higher Education	Review how higher education is provided in Washington and the implications for capital expenditures.	Work session
September TBA	TBA	TBA	Capital Budget Workgroup on Funding K-12 Facilities	Review funding of K-12 capital needs and possible additional state funding sources.	Work session
November TBA	TBA	TBA	Capital Budget Workgroup on Higher Education	Review how higher education is provided in Washington and the implications for capital expenditures.	Work session
November TBA	TBA	TBA	Capital Budget Workgroup on Funding K-12 Facilities.	Review funding of K-12 capital needs and possible additional state funding sources.	Work session
Committee Assembly Nov. 29th or 30th	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maintenance backlog in State Parks. 2. Special Commitment Center update. 3. Capital needs of local jails. 4. Update on Capital Budget studies and workgroups. 	Work Session/ Public Hearing

PROJECT TITLE: Capital Budget-Related Issues

PRIORITY: 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project will monitor the studies required in the Capital Budget, particularly the study on FTEs, monitor capital and legal issues related to the Special Commitment Center and Less Restrictive Alternatives, and study, visit, or monitor other capital projects. It will also monitor the capital-related activities of agencies, higher education institutions and school districts, including their implementation of capital projects and their development of capital facilities plans and forecasts to determine future program and facility needs. Of particular interest will be the Department of Corrections and the Department of Social and Health Services.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: SHB 1359, SSB 6155

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Susan Howson, Charlie Gavigan, Jeff Olsen

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: K-12 School Construction Funding

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project establishes an informal workgroup comprised of the co-chairs of the House Capital Budget Committee and the House Education Committee, or their designees, to review the current K-12 construction funding process and formula, identify possible additional funding mechanisms to increase stability of available funding resources for facilities, and evaluate potential future demands on the system. The workgroup will invite participation from the Senate, OFM, State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and other interested parties.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: SHB 1359, SSB 6155, HB 2173

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Charlie Gavigan

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Capital Needs and Priorities of Higher Education

PRIORITY: 3

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project establishes an informal workgroup comprised of the co-chairs of the House Capital Budget Committee and the House Higher Education Committee to review the capital needs of higher education and whether the current approach to providing public higher education opportunities throughout the state, including the six public four year institutions, their branch campuses and education centers, and the thirty-four community colleges, is the most effective and cost efficient way to meet the anticipated enrollment demand and students' education needs. This project will also monitor the higher education facility studies in the Capital Budget. The workgroup will invite participation from the Senate, OFM, Higher Education Coordinating Board, and other interested parties.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: SSB 6155, SHB 1359

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Charlie Gavigan

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Local Jail Facilities

PRIORITY: 4

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project will review alternatives to address capacity needs of local jails and regional jails, and review funding options to address construction of new facilities and modernization of outdated and decaying jails.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: SHB 1359, SSB 6155

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Susan Howson

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Water and Salmon Recovery Issues

PRIORITY: 5

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor state efforts to enhance salmon recovery and improve water quality and availability, to mitigate the drought, and to address other water-related issues. This project will focus particularly on the use of Capital Budget grant programs in this area.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: SHB 1359, , SSB 6155, HB 1785,
ESHB 1832, SSB 5637

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Jeff Olsen

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Improving State Parks

PRIORITY: 6

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Several proposals were presented to the Legislature to develop parks or expand the park system, while a study being completed indicates there are millions of dollars in park maintenance needed to preserve parks and keep them safe for public use. This project will review the recent study by the State Parks and Recreation Commission on the deferred maintenance backlog, review recent major park development proposals including Ft. Worden and Cama Beach, and review the capital needs of the state park system in general.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: SHB 1359, SSB 6155

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Jeff Olsen

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Capital Budget fund balances, forecasts, debt models, and other variables

PRIORITY: 7

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Consistent and reliable information is important in developing a Capital Budget. This project will review how key variables in developing the Capital Budget are arrived at, and will explore whether there are ways to make them more consistent and reliable. These variables include debt capacity, reappropriations, fund balances, and bond account cash flow. This project will seek participation from the Senate, the State Treasurer, the Office of Financial Management, and others.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Charlie Gavigan, Susan Howson, Jeff Olsen

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
June	TBA	Olympia	Work group	Chronic Neglect	Work group
September	TBA	Olympia	Work group	Chronic Neglect	Work group
October	TBA	SeaTac	Full Committee	Children's Mental Health 1. Briefing on system 2. Funding services 3. US Surgeon General's report	Work Session
October	TBA	Olympia	Work group	Chronic Neglect	Work group
November Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	1. Report of Chronic Neglect Workgroup 2. Kinship Care 3. Wa. School for the Deaf	Work Session

PROJECT TITLE: Washington School for the Deaf

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee plans to review the safety practices of the school.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Frazier/Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Children's Mental Health

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will review aspects of the current system of care for children with mental illness. The project includes 3 work sessions addressing: 1) Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) as a funding mechanism for services 2) Street youth and mental health services and 3) Consumer, provider and service broker discussion of current system and recommendations for improvements. Two tours are planned of: 1) the Child Study and Treatment Center at Western State Hospital and 2) Contracted facilities serving children with mental illness, including a HOPE center. The project includes staff research on involuntary commitment/consent to treatment statutes (for minors) in other states.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Frazier/Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: Joint with Juvenile Justice and Health Care Committees

PROJECT TITLE: States' Organizational Approaches to Children's Services

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee has an ongoing interest in productive organizational approaches to the delivery of children's services. This project includes a work session with staff from the Oregon human services department and staff research on other states' approaches to organizing state administered children's services.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Frazier/Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: September 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: Oregon Human Services
Department

PROJECT TITLE: Developmental Disabilities Policy Issues

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee hears a number of bills each session related to persons with developmental disabilities. The project includes a staff presentation on current public policy issues related to the provision of services to persons with developmental disabilities.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Frazier/Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: September 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Best Practices in Child Welfare

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee has an ongoing interest in identifying and exploring models of child welfare practices used in other states. This project includes a work session with national experts on best practices in child welfare and staff research on professional foster care and other residential care options.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Frazier/Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: National experts

PROJECT TITLE: Monitor WorkFirst

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This is an ongoing project consisting of staff review of state monitoring reports, federal welfare reform reauthorization discussions and research on welfare reform evaluations and studies in other states.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Frazier/Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: Ongoing

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Chronic Neglect

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: An ongoing workgroup will work to develop a statutory approach to allow intervention with families that display a pattern of negligent treatment. There will be 3 meetings of a multi-disciplinary work group.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Frazier/Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: DSHS staff, law enforcement,
Office of the Attorney
General, Family and
Children's Ombudsman

PROJECT TITLE: Kinship Care

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This is an ongoing effort to refine a statutory approach to provide support to non-parental relatives who care for children who would otherwise be placed in the custody of the state and be served in the foster care system.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Frazier/Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Streamline Reporting Requirements

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project involves development of a bill to modify current statutory requirements for reports to the Legislature on children and family services issues.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Frazier/Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Recodify Public Assistance Statutes

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project involves development of a technical bill to recodify current statutes addressing issues within the committee jurisdiction.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Frazier/Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMERCE & LABOR COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Family Leave Ergonomics Pilot Demonstration Projects Occupational Safety and Health Grants	Work Session / Public Hearing
September	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee (Joint with Higher Education Committee)	Worker Retraining	Work Session / Public Hearing
October 4-5	TBA	Everett	Full Committee	Aerospace Family Leave	Work Session / Public Hearing
November 9	TBA	Walla Walla	Full Committee	Agriculture and Small Business Issues	Work Session / Public Hearing
November Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	Work Session / Public Hearing

PROJECT TITLE: Family Leave

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Federal and state laws provide that certain employees are entitled to unpaid family and medical leave. In recent years, federal and/or state legislation has been introduced dealing with a variety of issues related to family and medical leave. These issues have included: the definitions of employee, employer, immediate family member, and serious health condition; the availability of intermittent or reduced leave; the notice required of employees; the payment of wages or other compensation to an employee on leave; and the purposes of leave.

During the 2001 interim, the committee will hold a work session/public hearing on family leave.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Jill Reinmuth

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Workforce Retraining

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Several years ago, the House Commerce & Labor Committee held work sessions on workforce development issues including: skills gaps, the federal Workforce Investment Act, and training needs in the aerospace, high tech, and timber industries. Since then, two significant events have occurred.

First, the Governor issued Executive Order 99-02 on Workforce Development directing the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board to act as the Workforce Investment Board for the purposes of the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998.

Second, the Legislature enacted an unemployment insurance package that provided additional benefits for dislocated workers enrolled in approved retraining programs. (The Legislature also directed the Workforce Board to review the additional benefits program, and report to the Legislature by December 1, 2002.)

During the 2001 interim, the House Commerce & Labor Committee and the House Higher Education Committee will hold a joint work session on workforce training, with a focus on retraining for dislocated workers.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: SHB 3077 (2000)

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Jill Reinmuth & Marsha Reilly

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Aerospace

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The aerospace industry has long had a significant influence on Washington's economy. Among the factors contributing to the influence of the aerospace industry are: (1) the number of workers; (2) the rates of wages and benefits paid to the workers; (3) the magnitude of purchases from other industrial sectors; and (4) the level of foreign exports. Although The Boeing Company dominates the aerospace industry, other aerospace companies account for nearly 10 percent of total aerospace employment.

Despite its historic influence, the aerospace industry has recently undergone a number of changes. For example, the aerospace industry experienced layoffs in sufficient numbers for its workers to qualify for federal and state retraining assistance. Most recently, the Boeing Company announced that its corporate headquarters will relocate to Chicago, Illinois, and that the certain fuselage assembly work will relocate to Wichita, Kansas.

During the 2001 interim, the committee will hold a work session/public hearing to examine current issues affecting the aerospace industry.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Jill Reinmuth, Chris Cordes, Sydney Forrester

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Agriculture and Small Business Issues

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Agriculture and food processing are major industries in Washington. Employment in agriculture and food processing constitutes nearly 5 percent of total employment in Washington. Foreign exports of farm commodities and processed foods are also significant.

In recent years, however, agriculture and food processing have faced a series of challenges affecting employment issues in the industry and the industry's economic strength. During the 2001 interim, the committee will hold a work session/public hearing to examine current issues affecting agriculture and food processing.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Jill Reinmuth, Chris Cordes, Sydney Forrester

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Ergonomics Rules Implementation

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Department of Labor and Industries administers the state's industrial safety and health program. The department adopts safety and health standards that require employers to adopt practices or operations reasonably necessary or appropriate to provide safe and healthful working conditions. The department also provides informal guidance and consultation as to whether workplace conditions comply with the standards. The department recently adopted ergonomics standards dealing with work-related musculoskeletal disorders.

During the 2001 interim, the committee will hold a work session/public hearing on pilot demonstration projects related to implementing the ergonomics rules.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:** N/A

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Jill Reinmuth

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Industrial Insurance Issues

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will continue to monitor various industrial insurance issues and receive related reports from the Department of Labor and Industries. This oversight activity will include implementation of recommendations from the 1998 Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee's workers' compensation performance audit, the department's progress in meeting the time-loss duration goals set in the 1998 supplemental budget, and the department's implementation of the *Cockle* decision and its recommendations regarding the calculation of benefits.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:** SSB 6030 (1997), ESSB 6108
(1998), SHB 1315 (2001)

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Chris Cordes

COMPLETION DATE:

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Occupational Safety and Health Grants

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: In 1999, EHB 2232 passed the Legislature and was signed by the Governor. The bill established a grant program, administered by the Department of Labor and Industries, to fund projects addressing workplace safety and health issues. The bill, however, was conditioned on being referenced by bill number in the biennial budget. Although the budget provided \$5 million for the grant program from the medical aid fund, the bill number was not specifically referenced, rendering the bill null and void.

During 1999, the department began administering a safety and health grant program consistent with the language of EHB 2232. As would have been required under the bill, a Safety and Health Impact Grant Review Committee reviewed and prioritized applications for funding, and the department awarded grants.

During the 2001 interim, the committee will hold a work session/public hearing to receive an update on the occupational safety and health grant program.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE:EHB 2232 (1999)

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Jill Reinmuth

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
CRIMINAL JUSTICE & CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Control of Dangerous Dogs.	Work Session
November Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	Work Session

PROJECT TITLE: Clallam Bay Corrections Center

PRIORITY: 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Clallam Bay Corrections Center consists of four close custody units, four medium units, and one Intensive Management Unit and is the current home to the state's youthful offender population. The committee will review the physical boundaries, layout, and programs available to incarcerated youth and adults in this Department of Corrections' operated facility.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Yvonne Walker

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: McNeil Island Corrections Center and the Special Commitment Center (MICC)

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: MICC is located on an island in Puget Sound approximately three miles west of Steilacoom, Washington. It is the last prison in North America located on an island accessible only by boat or helicopter and consists of the Main Institution, which is a medium security facility, and the North Complex, a 435 bed minimum security facility also known as the Work Ethic Camp. The Main Institution consists of five 256-bed medium security living units that currently house MI3 (long term minimum) custody inmates and a 129-bed segregation unit that includes housing for close custody inmates for the mental health program. A portion of the Main Institution is currently utilized by the Special Commitment Center (SCC), which is operated under the control and direction of the Department of Social and Health Services.

The SCC operates on a mental health based model of 24-hour care which provides secure treatment services for civilly committed sexually violent predators. In 1997, the SCC was relocated from Monroe to its current location at McNeil Island. To date, 103 sexually violent predators (including 1 female) are confined and 5 are being supervised in the community under the Department's Less Restrictive Alternative.

The committee will review the physical boundaries, layout, and programs available to adults detained in both of these Department of Corrections' and Department of Social and Health Services' operated facilities.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Yvonne Walker

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Airway Heights Corrections Center

PRIORITY: 3

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Airway Heights Corrections Center is located on a 160-acre section located approximately ten miles west of Spokane. The facility consists of a 1,572 bed main facility that houses medium and MI3 (long term minimum) offenders. A separate perimeter adjacent to the main facility accommodates a 400-bed minimum-security unit for offenders with MI2 (short term minimum) custody or lower. The committee will review the physical boundaries, layout, and programs available to adult offenders detained in this facility.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Yvonne Walker

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Control of Dangerous Dogs

PRIORITY: 4

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: In 1987, the Legislature enacted a number of statutes dealing with dog ownership. The statutes define “dangerous” and “potentially dangerous” dogs, set forth requirements regarding ownership of dangerous dogs, and establish criminal liability under some circumstances. The committee will review the issues surrounding how to define a “dangerous dog,” whether or not the owner of a dog knows or should know his or her dog is potentially dangerous, and the penalty for an owner possessing a dangerous dog that goes awry. The committee will determine the need for possible future legislation.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: 2SSB 5027 (from 1999)

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Yvonne Walker

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
EDUCATION COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
12/01		Olympia	Education	High school graduation requirements	Work Session

PROJECT TITLE: Title One and the Federal K-12 Reauthorization Act

PRIORITY: 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will review the state implications of the new federal education act. The review will include the new federal testing and accountability requirements and the effect of those requirements on the state's accountability system, the Learning Assistance Program, special education, and other state programs designed to raise the achievement of low performing students and schools.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 1562, SB 5625,

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Morrissey

COMPLETION DATE: 10/2001

OTHER RESOURCES: None

PROJECT TITLE: High School Graduation Requirements

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will examine the state's high school graduation requirements, including the requirement that public school students successfully complete the 10th grade assessment of student learning in order to receive a high school diploma. The review will include graduation requirements in other states and possible ways that students can demonstrate the achievement of the state's academic standards for high school students.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 2210, HB 1312

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Morrissey; Forrester

COMPLETION DATE: 12/2001

OTHER RESOURCES: None

PROJECT TITLE: Education Accountability

PRIORITY: 3

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will review strategies used in other states to provide assistance and intervention to schools in which students persistently fail to reach state standards, and will study the results of those strategies on student achievement and improvement.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 1562, SB 5625

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Morrissey, Forrester

COMPLETION DATE: 11/2001

OTHER RESOURCES: None

PROJECT TITLE: Educational Governance

PRIORITY: 4

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will review the statutory roles and responsibilities of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Academic Achievement and Accountability Commission, the State Board of Education, the Professional Educators Standards Board, the Washington State School Directors Association, the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board, educational service district boards, and school directors.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 1562; SB 5625; HB 1786

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Morrissey

COMPLETION DATE: 9/1/2001

OTHER RESOURCES: None

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
 SELECT COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS
 COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September		Olympia	Full Committee	Primaries in Washington State	Work Session/Public Hearing
October	TBA	Seattle	Full Committee	Primaries in Washington State	Work Session/Public Hearing
November	TBA	Everett	Full Committee	Primaries in Washington State	Work Session/Public Hearing
November Committee Assembly		Olympia	Full Committee	Primaries in Washington State	Work Session/Public Hearing

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WORKPLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2001

COMMITTEE ON: Select Committee on Elections

PROJECT TITLE: Nature of the primary**PRIORITY:** 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Prepare legislation relating to the nature of the primary, in response to the recent United States Supreme Court decision in *California Democratic Party, et al. v. Jones*, holding the California blanket primary law unconstitutional, and the resulting federal district court case entitled *Washington State Democratic Party, et al. v. Reed*.

BILL/RESOLUTION**REFERENCE:** HB 1551, HB 2240, HB 2265**COMMITTEE/****STAFF:** Katie Blinn**COMPLETION DATE:** December 2001**OTHER RESOURCES:** N/A

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FINANCE COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
November Committee Assembly		Olympia	Full Committee	To be announced.	Work Session

PROJECT TITLE: B&O Tax on Investment Income

PRIORITY: 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Banking, loan, security and “other financial businesses” pay B&O tax on investment income. Private investors are not taxed. Investment income received by nonfinancial businesses is not taxed. There has been some question and litigation over what “other financial business” means for B&O tax purposes. The Legislature passed, and the Governor partially vetoed, legislation prohibiting the Department of Revenue from expanding B&O tax to investment activities not previously subject to tax. The Governor did not veto a requirement that the Department of Revenue report on this subject to the Legislature by November 30, 2001. In his veto message, the Governor promised to form a work group for this purpose. This project will involve monitoring the work group activities and possible preparation of proposed legislation.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: HB 1361

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Bob Longman

COMPLETION DATE: December 31, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Evaluating the Warehouse Sales Tax Exemption

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Under legislation enacted in 1997, the legislative fiscal committees are required to analyze the economic impacts of the warehouse sales and use tax exemption and report to the Legislature no later than December 1, 2001. During the 2001 interim, work will be required to analyze employment and other relevant economic data pertaining to the tax exemption and measure the effect of the exemption on creation or retention of family-wage jobs. This work will be done in cooperation with the Senate Ways and Means Committee, and with the assistance of the Department of Revenue.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: Chapter 450 Laws of 1997 (E2SSB 5074)

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Rick Peterson

COMPLETION DATE: December 31, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Monitoring and Evaluating the Property Tax System

PRIORITY: 3

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project will produce reports related to the growth in property taxes and the accuracy of assessment procedures. The first report will document the growth in property taxes between 1991 and 2001. The report will contain tables showing overall growth by type of property tax levy, growth by type of district, and growth by individual district. The report will be fourth in a series of reports produced by the committee on the growth in property taxes. The report will be available in traditional paper form and an internet friendly form. The second report will evaluate the performance of the real property assessment system. This report will measure the accuracy of 2000 assessed values and their conformance with the International Association of Assessing Officers standards. The report will complement similar reports for 1997, 1998 and 1999 assessments.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Rick Peterson

COMPLETION DATE: December 31, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Credit scoring and insurance underwriting. 2. Identity theft. 3. Update on interim work. 	Work Session/Public Hearing
November Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Federal developments regarding the privacy of financial information. 2. Federal developments regarding financial institutions and insurance. 3. Update on interim work. 	Work Session/Public Hearing

PROJECT TITLE: Credit Scoring and Insurance Underwriting

PRIORITY: 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Insurance companies increasingly rely on credit reports as a key criterion to be considered with respect to underwriting decisions. Though the use of such credit scoring has a substantial impact on consumers, the practice is presently unregulated. This project involves monitoring the use of credit scoring by insurers in Washington State and will review the regulatory activities of other states regarding the practice. The activities of the Office of the Insurance Commissioner on this issue will be monitored.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Privacy of Financial/Consumer Information

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project will monitor the implementation of federal legislation pertaining to the privacy of financial/consumer information, and will include an examination of developments stemming from the passage of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act. The project also involves monitoring the activities of the Attorney General's Office and others in Washington regarding financial privacy issues, and will follow legislative activities in other states.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Enforcement of Identity Theft Laws **PRIORITY:** 3

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will monitor the implementation of identity theft legislation passed during the 2001 legislative session.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Regulating Providers of Credit Insurance **PRIORITY:** 4

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Retailers, banks, and finance companies often sell insurance to customers in conjunction with consumer loans. This so-called "credit insurance" guarantees the repayment of the loan in the event of the death or disability of the consumer. The committee will examine this practice and monitor the activities of the Office of the Insurance Commissioner with respect to credit insurance.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:HB 2224

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Earthquake Insurance **PRIORITY:** 5

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The recent earthquake caused widespread property damage which, in turn, resulted in financial hardship for many individuals and businesses in Washington. The committee will examine the response of the insurance industry with respect to the earthquake, will review the insurance coverage available to residents in the event of earthquake damage, and will examine the problems faced by uninsured and/or underinsured individuals and businesses.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Holocaust Victims' Insurance Claims

PRIORITY: 6

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: In 1999, the state legislature passed the Holocaust Victims Relief Act, which requires insurance companies to release the names of the holders of policies in effect in Europe between 1933 and 1945. The Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC) is in the process of reviewing the response to the legislation by the pertinent European insurance companies and examining the role played by the American affiliates of such companies. This project includes monitoring the activities of the OIC regarding the issue.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE:SSB 5509 (1999)

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Monitor Interim Activities of Congress and State Agencies

PRIORITY: 7

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will monitor Congressional activity pertaining to financial institutions and insurance issues. It will also monitor the interim activities of the state Department of Financial Institutions, the Office of the Insurance Commissioner, the State Investment Board, the Pollution Liability Insurance Agency, and other agency activities related to financial activities.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE:N/A

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September		Olympia	Full	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SHB 1650 Implementation Update (Mental Health) 2. Medical Errors Report by DOH. 3. Individual Market Implementation Update. 	Work Session
October		Vancouver	Full	Community Forum on Health Care Concerns.	Work Session.
October		Yakima	Full	Community Forum on Health Care Concerns.	Work Session.
November		Mount Vernon	Full	Community Forum on Health Care Concerns.	Work Session.
November Committee Assembly		Olympia	Full	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review of Uniform Disciplinary Act. 2. Review hospital licensing Act. 3. Agency Request Legislation. 4. Third Party Administrator Study Report (OIC). 	Work Session.
December		Spokane	Full	Community Forum on Health Care Concerns.	Work Session.

PROJECT TITLE: Monitor the implementation of Individual Health Insurance Market Reforms.

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will monitor the implementation of changes to the individual health insurance market; including the operation of the Washington State Health Insurance Pool (WSHIP) subsidies administered by the Health Care Authority, and the availability and affordability of individual health insurance policies.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: E2SSB 6067

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Knutson

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2002

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Accessibility and Affordability of Health Care Insurance

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will conduct a series of health care forums around the State focusing on the availability and affordability of health care insurance. The Committee will also focus on other issues facing the health care system, including provider reimbursement levels and the adequacy of the provider network.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Knutson

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Prescription Drug Assistance Options, Including Integrated Drug Purchasing by State Agencies. **PRIORITY:**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will review approaches to providing senior citizens and others access to affordable prescription drug coverage. This will include monitoring Congressional activities and exploring state agency drug purchasing strategies.

BILL/RESOLUTION REFERENCE:

COMMITTEE/STAFF: Knutson

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Mental Health System Reform Implementation Activities. **PRIORITY:**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will monitor the implementation of legislation adopted during the 2001 legislative session related to the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Team audit of the community mental health system. This will include the development of outcome measures and the shift from process standards to focusing on outcomes for mental health clients.

BILL/RESOLUTION REFERENCE: SHB 1650

COMMITTEE/STAFF: Knutson

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Sunrise Reviews of Athletic Trainers and Newborn Hearing Screening. **PRIORITY:**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will request sunrise reviews of Athletic Trainers and a proposed mandated benefit related to newborn health screening.

BILL/RESOLUTION REFERENCE:

COMMITTEE/STAFF: Welsh

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Review Aging and Adult Services Medicaid Payment Methodology for Adult Family Home and Assisted Living. **PRIORITY:**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will review the comprehensive assessment process used for Medicaid reimbursement rate setting and determine if the assessment scores appropriately correspond to the resident's needs and the reimbursement rate. Particular attention will be given to rates set for persons with Alzheimer's, dementia, behavioral disorders, and medical needs.

BILL/RESOLUTION REFERENCE:

COMMITTEE/STAFF: Knutson

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Review Adult Day Care Utilization. **PRIORITY:**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will review the patterns of adult care utilization including, how many encounters, their level of disability, and the dual utilization of state supported long-term care programs.

BILL/RESOLUTION REFERENCE:

COMMITTEE/STAFF: Knutson

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Graduate Medical Education Initiatives to Address the Shortage of Health Care and Long-term Care Workers. **PRIORITY:**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will review the use of Medicaid funding for Graduate Medical Education initiatives to address health and long-term care provider shortages. Innovative approaches from other States will be examined.

BILL/RESOLUTION REFERENCE:

COMMITTEE/STAFF: Welsh

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Mental Health Ombudsman Study.

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will review the existing ombudsman functions available for individuals with mental disorders, and determine what administrative structure is most appropriate. The review will include all ombudsman functions currently available to individuals with functional disabilities.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Knutson

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Review of Uniform Disciplinary Act

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will review the processes and structures of the health professions Uniform Disciplinary Act, including the investigation and sanctioning process.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Welsh

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Hospital Regulation

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will study the need for strengthening the disciplinary process, including the adequacy of sanctions.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Welsh

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September		Olympia	Full Committee	Articulation and Remedial Education.	Work Session/Hearing
October		Tri-Cities	Full Committee	Tour of WSU-Tri-Cities Campus; meeting with feeder schools; tuition financial aid meeting.	Committee tour and briefing
October		Spokane	Full Committee	Tour of WSU-Spokane campus; meeting at EWU with feeder schools; Tuition financial aid meeting.	Committee tour and briefing
October		Bothell	Full Committee	Tour of UW-Bothell campus; meeting with feeder schools; Tuition financial aid meeting.	Committee tour and briefing
October		Tacoma	Full Committee	Tour of UW-Tacoma campus; meeting with feeder schools; Tuition financial aid meeting.	Committee tour and briefing
December		Vancouver	Full Committee	Tour of WSU-Vancouver campus; meeting at Clark College with feeder schools; Tuition financial aid meeting.	Committee tour and briefing
November Committee Assembly		Olympia	Full Committee	Report on interim activities.	Work Session/Public Hearing

PROJECT TITLE: Branch Campus Visit and Work Session

PRIORITY: 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will visit branch campuses for an update on articulation, funding issues, enrollments, program needs, geographic needs, and capital needs. Community colleges that act as “feeder” schools will be asked to join discussions. Specifically, the committee will be informed of progress towards articulation by means of the Associate of Science degree and other similar degree proposals, alignment of courses to satisfy requirements in the four-year institutions. The Committee will also monitor the program cooperation between Washington State University and Eastern Washington University at the Spokane Riverpoint Campus.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Marsha Reilly and Tracey Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:
Washington State University, University of Washington, Eastern Washington University, Community Colleges of Spokane, Columbia Basin Community College, Clark College, Cascadia Community College, Tacoma Community College, leaders in community business and labor, and other legislative committees.

PROJECT TITLE: Tuition Work Group

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: From 1977 until 1995, tuition was tied to the percentage of instructional costs at public colleges and universities. However, because of a myriad of budget issues and constraints, tuition has not been set in statute since 1995.

The Senate Higher Education Committee and the House Higher Education Committee will schedule statewide hearings to discuss tuition and financial aid. Two or three hearings (possible locations: Spokane, Yakima and Seattle) are proposed for the following purposes:

- 1) to educate the public on how higher education is funded in our state;
- 2) to get comments from the communities on a tuition policy that may or may not result in legislation; and
- 3) to explore how financial aid and scholarship information might better be distributed to students and their families in order to improve access to higher education.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Marsha Reilly

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:
Senate Higher Education Committee, Institutions of Higher Education, Higher Education Coordinating Board, Council of Presidents, leaders in community business and labor, students, parents, and other legislative committees.

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	1. Uniform Computer Information Transaction Act (UCITA). 2. Law Libraries	Work Session
November Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Agency Risk Management	Work Session/Public Hearing

PROJECT TITLE: Civil Forfeiture

PRIORITY: 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: During the 2001 session, the committee considered HB 1995 which, in its original form, made numerous changes to the civil forfeiture laws that authorize the government to seize and forfeit property because of the property's connection with specific drug offenses. SHB 1995 as it passed the Legislature made some changes to the state's drug forfeiture laws but left many of the issues surrounding civil forfeiture unresolved. The Legislature created a Joint Select Committee on Civil Forfeiture during the 2001 first special session to conduct a comprehensive study of state and federal laws relating to civil forfeiture, including a review of all civil forfeiture cases in the year 2000 and an analysis of whether requiring a conviction before allowing forfeiture raises constitutional issues. The Judiciary Committee will follow the work of the joint select committee, which must report its findings and recommendations by December 1, 2001.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 1995 & HCR 4414

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson

COMPLETION DATE: December 31, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Uniform Computer Information Transaction Act (UCITA)

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Uniform Computer Information Transaction Act (UCITA) is a draft model act proposed by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, which is a body that promotes uniformity in state laws in areas of the law that benefit from uniformity. The UCITA covers contracts relating to software and other types of computer information and on-line access. The committee will conduct an in-depth examination of the provisions of the UCITA and consider whether the UCITA should be considered for adoption in Washington.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE:

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Edie Adams

COMPLETION DATE: December 31, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Mandatory Arbitration

PRIORITY: 3

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will review the state's mandatory arbitration laws regarding: trends in the number of cases going to arbitration; the impact of mandatory arbitration on court congestion; the potential impact of adjusting the method by which parties who appeal from arbitration decisions are awarded attorney fees. The committee's goal is to develop legislation, with input from interested parties, that will improve the mandatory arbitration system.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:** SB 5373

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Bill Perry

COMPLETION DATE: December 31, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Agency Risk Management

PRIORITY: 4

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Governor and the Attorney General created the Washington Risk Management Task Force to look at the recent increase in financial responsibility of the state for tort payouts in cases where the state has been found negligent. The task force is charged with looking at ways of ensuring that the state delivers services in a safe manner and engages in effective risk management practices. The task force will study risk management practices in state agencies and how risk mitigation practices may be improved or implemented. The committee will monitor the progress of the task force and receive a report from the task force once its work is completed.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Trudes Hutcheson, Linda Brooks

COMPLETION DATE: December 31, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Law Libraries

PRIORITY: 5

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will study the county law library system to determine client characteristics and levels of use and demand. The committee will investigate ways to increase efficiencies and reduce costs in the current service delivery system, including possible alternatives, such as using internet-based electronic legal research.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 1470, HB 1757, HB 2063, HB 2064,
SB 5426

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Bill Perry

COMPLETION DATE: September 30, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: DNA Testing

PRIORITY: 6

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: In 2000, the Legislature established a limited right for criminal offenders sentenced to death or life imprisonment to request post-conviction DNA testing under certain circumstances. During the 2001 session, the Legislature extended this right to any person convicted of a felony and serving a term of imprisonment. The committee will review case law relating to offenders' rights to post-conviction DNA testing, assess whether the statutory right to request such testing is being used, and assess the potential costs of such testing on state and local governments.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: SSB 5896

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Edie Adams

COMPLETION DATE: December 31, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES:

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
 JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMITTEE
 COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Chemical Dependency Disposition Alternative.	Work Session
November Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Parole.	Work Session

PROJECT TITLE: Mental Health; Echo Glenn Children's Home and Western States' Child Study and Treatment Center **PRIORITY:** 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mental health problems affect many of the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration's (JRA) clientele. Recent estimates by JRA mental health professionals estimate that as high as 5 to 15 percent of the youth diagnosed are seriously mentally ill with bipolar disorders, schizophrenia, major depression, and various psychotic disorders.

Echo Glenn Children's Home is a 208 bed facility operated by the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration (JRA) that serves primarily younger males and all JRA committed females. It provides an academically oriented programs with emphasis on special needs populations, including gender specific treatment for female offenders. The Child Study and Treatment Center is the only state operated psychiatric hospital for children. This 47 bed facility houses youth from 6 to 17 years of age with severe mental health problems who cannot be served in less restrictive settings within the community.

The committee will review both facilities and will learn more about the make up of this diverse population and how to better serve this particular group of individuals.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson, Yvonne Walker, Katie Blinn

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Clallam Bay Corrections Center **PRIORITY:** 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Clallam Bay Corrections Center consists of four close custody units, four medium units, and one Intensive Management Unit and is the current home to the state's youthful offender population. The committee will review the physical boundaries, layout, and programs available to incarcerated youth and adults in this Department of Corrections' operated facility.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson, Yvonne Walker, Katie Blinn

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Maple Lane School

PRIORITY: 3

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Maple Lane School in Centralia, has a rated capacity for 260 youths. It provides older serious and middle offenders an academically oriented program and on-campus work crews. Maple Lane mental health programs provide assessment and intervention strategies for middle and older aged youths experiencing serious mental and emotional disturbances. The committee will review the physical boundaries, layout, and programs available to adjudicated youth place in this Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration operated facility.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Turdes Hutcheson, Yvonne Walker, Katie Blinn

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Camp Outlook, Twin Rivers Group Home, Benton-Franklin Juvenile Detention Center, and Epic Youth Services' Crisis Residential Center

PRIORITY: 4

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Camp Outlook is a privately operated basic training camp for forty eight juveniles located in Connell, Washington. The committee will review how this highly structured intense program operates before the juveniles are moved home to an aftercare program for the remainder of their disposition.

The Twin Rivers Group Home is a minimum security facility operated by the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration. The program houses sixteen male juvenile offenders incarcerated to serve sentences imposed by various Juvenile Courts within the state of Washington. The committee will review the physical layout and different programs available to youth placed in this community-based facility located in Richland, Washington.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson, Yvonne Walker, Katie Blinn

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Parole

PRIORITY: 5

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration uses both state and contracted county staff to provide supervision of juvenile offenders released from residential programs onto parole. Parole counselors provide structure, monitoring, and support for the youth and his or her family. They also facilitate access to local resources needed to reintegrate the youth successfully back into the community. JRA provides two types of parole services: intensive parole and regular parole. Youths assessed among the 25 percent highest risk to re-offend receive intensive parole supervision and services. All other youth, with the exception of sex offenders, receive regular parole supervision.

The 1997-99 legislative budget provided funding for intensive parole supervision. As a result, on October 1, 1998, Washington became the first state to implement the intensive aftercare model on a statewide basis. Intensive supervision programs maximize the successful reintegration of juvenile offenders back to their community through an array of increased treatment interventions, increased supervision, and sanctions for violating parole conditions.

The Washington State Institute for Public Policy is currently evaluating the implementation of intensive parole and will provide the committee with a progress report on its findings.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson, Yvonne Walker, Katie Blinn

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Chemical Dependency Disposition Alternative (CDDA); King County CDDA program and the Juvenile Drug Court

PRIORITY: 6

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: CDDA provides courts with a sentencing option for chemically dependent youth, allowing judges to order youth into supervised treatment. Both locally sanctioned youth and certain youth who would otherwise be committed to JRA are eligible for CDDA. Juvenile courts, local treatment agencies, and inpatient treatment providers have established programs specific to the needs of these juvenile offenders and their families. The committee will hear first-hand how the CDDA program has been working from the local perspective.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: N/A

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson, Yvonne Walker, Katie Blinn

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
LOCAL GOVERNMENT & HOUSING COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September		Olympia	Full Committee	1. Manufactured Home Sitings 2. Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act	Work Session/Public Hearing
November Committee Assembly		Olympia	Full Committee	1. Housing Availability 2. Building Codes	Work Session/Public Hearing

PROJECT TITLE: Housing Availability

PRIORITY: 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will study vacancy levels in urban areas versus rural areas, and look at the factors and trends behind those levels.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:**

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Scott MacColl/Caroleen Dineen

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Building Codes

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will review state building codes and the structure and charge of the building code council.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:** HB 1363, HB 1555, HB 1612

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Scott MacColl/Kenny Pittman

COMPLETION DATE: December 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Manufactured Home Sitings

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will review the process and issues regarding manufactured home sitings.

**BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:** HB 1801

**COMMITTEE/
STAFF:** Scott MacColl/Kenny Pittman

COMPLETION DATE: September 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will review and study the Mobile Home Landlord Tenant Act.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 1357, HB 2073

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Scott MacColl/Kenny Pittman

COMPLETION DATE: September 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
12/1/01			Full	Examine enforcement problems associated with geoduck harvesting.	
12/1/01			Full (with Senate Environment, Energy, & Water Committee)	Examine options for disposing of and financing the removal of derelict vessels in state waters.	Joint public hearings
12/15/01			Legislative Task Force on Substitution of Timber	Examine the state's exercise of authority under the federal Forest Resources Conservation & Shortage Relief Act.	
12/15/01			Full	Review options for DNR to enforce recent legislation pertaining to mooring at buoys located off state-owned shorelands.	

PROJECT TITLE: Timber Substitution

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Legislative Task Force on Substitution of Timber will examine the state's exercise of authority under the federal Forest Resources Conservation and Shortage Relief Act. The task force will examine how this authority affects the competition for state and local timber sales, and may make recommendations regarding which entity of state government has authority over the timber substitution rules, changes to state and local government appraisal and bidding practices, and related legislation. The task force is assisted by an advisory committee.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:EHCR 4410

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Jason Callahan, Bill Lynch

COMPLETION DATE: December 15, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: Advisory Committee

PROJECT TITLE: Forest and Fish Rules

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will monitor adoption of new forest and fish rules by the Forest Practices Board, particularly as they impact small forest landowners. The committee will also monitor the implementation of the small forest landowner statutes. The committee will examine riparian buffers required under the new rules.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:SHB 2105, ESHB 2091 (1999 session)

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Jason Callahan, Bill Lynch

COMPLETION DATE: December 1, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: Small Forest Landowner
Office

PROJECT TITLE: Geoduck Harvest

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine enforcement problems associated with geoduck harvesting, including the roles of the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:None

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Bill Lynch, Jason Callahan

COMPLETION DATE: December 1, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: Department of Natural Resources, Department of Fish and Wildlife

PROJECT TITLE: Shellfish Protection and Enhancement

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee, in conjunction with the Agriculture and Ecology Committee, will examine the effect of pollution on shellfish beds.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:E2SHB 1658

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Bill Lynch, Jason Callahan

COMPLETION DATE: October 1, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: Department of Fish and Wildlife

PROJECT TITLE: Derelict Vessels

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine options for disposing of, and financing the disposal of derelict vessels in state waters. The role of the Army Corps of Engineers, the Coast Guard, public ports, and private marinas will be discussed. The committee will conduct joint hearings with the Senate Environment, Energy, and Water Committee.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:SHCR 4401

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Bill Lynch, Jason Callahan

COMPLETION DATE: December 1, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: Senate staff

PROJECT TITLE: Mooring at Buoys Located Off State-Owned Shorelands

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will review options for Department of Natural Resources to enforce recent legislation pertaining to mooring at these buoys. Any technical amendments to the legislation will be drafted.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:EHB 1936

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Jason Callahan, Bill Lynch

COMPLETION DATE: December 15, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: Department of Natural Resources staff

PROJECT TITLE: Department of Natural Resources Capitol Forest Tour

PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will review how harvesting at different canopy levels affects ecosystem management options.

BILL/RESOLUTION
REFERENCE:None

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Jason Callahan, Bill Lynch

COMPLETION DATE: October 1, 2001

OTHER RESOURCES: Department of Natural Resources

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
July	TBA	Federal Way, WA	Full Committee	Assessing Government Performance	Work Session
August	TBA	TBA	Full Committee	Initiatives and Referenda	Work Session
September	TBA	Olympia, WA	Full Committee	Public Disclosure Commission	Work Session
October	TBA	TBA	Full Committee	Assessing Government Performance	Work Session
October	TBA	TBA	Full Committee	Initiatives and Referenda	Work Session
November	TBA	TBA	Full Committee	Assessing Government Performance	Work Session
November Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia, WA	Full Committee	The Primary Election	Work Session

PROJECT TITLE: Initiatives and Referenda

PRIORITY: 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine methods to improve the initiative and referendum process including methods to ensure that initiative signatures are distributed equitably state-wide, and methods used by other states.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 1008, HB 1229, HB 1509, HB 1543,
HB 1559, HB 1732, HB 1901, HJR 4200,
HJR 4206, HJR 4207, HJR 4214

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Jim Morishima, Katie Blinn

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Assessing Government Performance

PRIORITY: 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine methods to quantify and assess government performance including the development of strategic plans and performance measures.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 1276, HB 1345, HB 1517, HB 1808

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Jim Morishima, Katie Blinn

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: The Primary Election

PRIORITY: 3

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine issues relating to the primary including moving the date of the primary.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 1230, HB 1539

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Jim Morishima, Katie Blinn

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Public Disclosure Commission

PRIORITY: 4

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine issues relating to the Public Disclosure Commission.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 1352, HB 1353

COMMITTEE/

STAFF: Jim Morishima, Katie Blinn

COMPLETION DATE: January 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TECHNOLOGY, TELECOMMUNICATIONS & ENERGY COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2001**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
October 2-3	TBA	Richland	Full Committee	1. Overview of nuclear power. a. Global utilization of nuclear power; b. Economics of nuclear power; and c. New technologies in the nuclear power industry. 2. Update on the viability study for WNP-1.	Work Session and Tour.
November Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Update on the natural gas industry.	Work Session.

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WORKPLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2001

COMMITTEE ON: Technology, Telecommunications, & Energy

PROJECT TITLE: Monitor implementation of energy legislation.**PRIORITY:**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: During the 2001 legislative session, energy legislation was passed that deals with siting of energy power plants, tax incentives to build additional energy generation, provide additional money for energy assistance to low-income customers, encourage energy efficiency measure for public buildings, and provide incentives for the use and development of renewable energy resources. The committee will track implementation of the various components of the legislation. Affected agencies and interests may be invited to report on implementation efforts at a committee assembly meeting during the 2001 interim.

BILL/RESOLUTION**REFERENCE:**EHB 2247; HB 1859**COMMITTEE/****STAFF:** Pam Madson**COMPLETION DATE:** January 2002**OTHER RESOURCES:** N/A**PROJECT TITLE:** Public utility partnering with other entities for generation of electricity.**PRIORITY:**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: During the 2001 legislative session, legislation was introduced allowing public utilities to partner with other public and private entities to generate electricity. The committee will explore the issues raised by a request for this authority and may develop appropriate legislation to grant this authority.

BILL/RESOLUTION**REFERENCE:**N/A**COMMITTEE/****STAFF:** Pam Madson**COMPLETION DATE:** December 2001**OTHER RESOURCES:**

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WORKPLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2001

COMMITTEE ON: Technology, Telecommunications, & Energy

PROJECT TITLE: Monitor energy supply alerts/emergencies declared by the Governor**PRIORITY:****PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Governor has declared an energy supply alert and has extended the alert with the approval of the Joint Committee on Energy Supply. The Legislature continues to play a role in any additional extensions or in the declaration of an energy emergency. The committee, some of whose members are also members of the joint committee, will monitor the effects of the supply alert.**BILL/RESOLUTION****REFERENCE:**N/A**COMMITTEE/****STAFF:** Pam Madson**COMPLETION DATE:** January 2002**OTHER RESOURCES:****PROJECT TITLE:** Work Session and tour of renewable energy projects**PRIORITY:****PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** With the increase in the price of electricity produced using fossil fuels, the development of electricity production from renewable energy sources is increasing. A major electrical generation project using wind power is being developed in Walla Walla County. The committee will examine wind power generation through a work session and tour of the wind project. The committee will receive updates on efforts by the Bonneville Environmental Foundation to encourage development of renewable energy resources.**BILL/RESOLUTION****REFERENCE:**N/A**COMMITTEE/****STAFF:** Pam Madson**COMPLETION DATE:** November, 2001**OTHER RESOURCES:****PROJECT TITLE:** Work session and tour of nuclear energy facilities**PRIORITY:****PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee had scheduled a work session on nuclear energy during the 2001 regular session that was cancelled after the February earthquake. The committee is rescheduling the work session at the Hanford nuclear facility in Richland, Washington. Energy Northwest will assist in obtaining the invited speakers for the work session to explore the current status of nuclear energy from a global perspective. A tour of the facility will be conducted for committee members and other interested parties.**BILL/RESOLUTION****REFERENCE:**N/A**COMMITTEE/****STAFF:** Pam Madson**COMPLETION DATE:** October, 2001**OTHER RESOURCES:**

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WORKPLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2001

COMMITTEE ON: Technology, Telecommunications, & Energy

PROJECT TITLE: Update on the use and supply of natural gas.**PRIORITY:****PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** New energy generation using gas-fired combustion turbine generators will increase demand for natural gas along with other uses. The committee will examine issues that relate to the use and supply of natural gas as a possible topic for its December committee assembly.**BILL/RESOLUTION****COMMITTEE/****REFERENCE:**N/A**STAFF:** Pam Madson**COMPLETION DATE:** December 2001**OTHER RESOURCES:****PROJECT TITLE:** Service territories for utilities.**PRIORITY:****PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will explore the issues that relate to establishing geographic service territories for individual utilities within Washington.**BILL/RESOLUTION****COMMITTEE/****REFERENCE:**N/A**STAFF:** Pam Madson**COMPLETION DATE:** December 2001**OTHER RESOURCES:****PROJECT TITLE:** Infrastructure for electricity transmission and transportation of natural gas.**PRIORITY:****PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Electricity transmission infrastructure and transportation of natural gas infrastructure is a state, regional, and federal issue. The committee will monitor the ability to move electricity from new and existing electrical generation sites to the areas of demand, and will monitor the ability to access natural gas in Washington.**BILL/RESOLUTION****COMMITTEE/****REFERENCE:**N/A**STAFF:** Pam Madson**COMPLETION DATE:** December 2001**OTHER RESOURCES:**

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