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# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AGRICULTURE & ECOLOGY COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
May 21, 2002	All Day	Wenatchee	Full Committee	Organic Food Commission	Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA (Normal time slot)	Olympia	Full Committee	<ol> <li>Environmental Excellence</li> <li>Storm Water</li> <li>Marine Water Protection</li> </ol>	Work Session/ Public Hearing
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA (Normal time slot)	Olympia	Full Committee	<ol> <li>Environmental Excellence</li> <li>Storm Water</li> <li>Marine Water Protection</li> <li>Water Policy</li> <li>Organic Food Commission</li> <li>Green Building Task Force.</li> </ol>	1 - 4. Public Hearing 5. Work Session/ Public Hearing 6. Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: AGRICULTURE & ECOLOGY

PRIORITY:

PROJECT TITLE: Environmental Excellence

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** An examination of means of altering the state's environmental excellence program to enhance the ability of the program to meet state environmental goals as well as the needs of the regulated community in providing an alternative process for satisfying the environmental objectives of various permits.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: ESHB 2844 STAFF: AGEC/Jason Callahan

COMPLETION DATE: January 2003 OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Storm Water PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** A review of means of: securing scientific assessments of the information used by the Department of Ecology in developing its storm water management manuals and of areas where further scientific study is needed; evaluating the costs and benefits of implementing the requirements in the manuals; and reviewing the use of the manuals in implementing storm water management programs.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** E2SHB 2847 STAFF: AGEC/Caroleen Dineen

COMPLETION DATE: January 2003 OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Water Policy PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** During the 2001 legislative interim and the 2002 Regular Session, the committee examined proposals regarding instream flows, municipal water rights, and relinquishment for the non-use of water rights and for providing funding for water infrastructure. During the December Committee Assembly the committee will examine proposals on water resource policy developed during the 2002 legislative interim.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: AGEC/Ken Hirst

COMPLETION DATE: January 2003 OTHER RESOURCES:

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: AGRICULTURE & ECOLOGY

PROJECT TITLE: Marine Water Protection PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** A study of: the sufficiency of statutory financial responsibility requirements for barges and for tank, cargo, and passenger vessels transporting petroleum products as cargo or fuel; financial responsibility requirements for offshore and onshore facilities; and means of funding the presence of an oil spill prevention tugboat in the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** 2SSB 5909 and SJM 8004 STAFF: AGEC/ Caroleen Dineen

COMPLETION DATE: January 2003 OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Organic Food Commission PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will monitor and assist in initiating a study to be conducted by the Department of Agriculture on the feasibility of, and potential funding for, a commodity commission for promoting the sales of various organically grown agricultural commodities.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** SHB 2864 and Section 137, ESHB 2688 STAFF: AGEC/Ken Hirst and Jason Callahan

COMPLETION DATE: January 2003 OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Green Building Task Force PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** ESHB 2506 requires the appointment of a Joint Task Force on Green Building to evaluate building standards and programs for reducing the environmental impact and costs of development. The committee will monitor the activities of the task force and receive a report on its preliminary recommendations.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** ESHB 2506 STAFF: AGEC/Caroleen Dineen and Amy Wood

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Update on major budget issues.	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Review Medical Assistance Program.	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: APPROPRIATIONS

**PROJECT TITLE:** The Joint Task Force on Local Effort Assistance

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** HB 3011 created the Joint Task Force on Local Effort Assistance (also called levy equalization). The task force is made up of 19 members, including six members of the House and six members of the Senate. The task force is to examine the history of levy equalization and analyze the formula used to allocate payments to school districts. Staffing for the task force is to be provided by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Senate Committee Services, and the Office of Program Research.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** HB 3011 STAFF: Denise Graham

COMPLETION DATE: December 1, 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: OSPI, Senate Ways & Means

**PROJECT TITLE:** Tuition and Waiver Analysis

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** In coordination with policy committee staff, prepare an analysis of all tuition legislation over the past ten years and work toward having a draft of potential tuition policy prepared prior to the beginning of the 2003 Legislative Session. Follow up on tuition rates for each category of students as set by each institution. Evaluate the use of waivers by each institution.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: N/A STAFF: Laurie Schaffler, Antonio Sanchez, Sydney

Forrester

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

**PROJECT TITLE:** Higher Education Tuition

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The state operating budget authorizes institutions of higher education to increase student tuition to support the operating costs of the institutions. The two state universities may increase tuition for undergraduate students up to 16%, the regional universities up to 14% and the community and technical colleges up to 12%. The committee will monitor the tuition policies as set by each institution and will evaluate the use of tuition waivers by each institution.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** ESSB 6387, Sec 601 **STAFF:** Laurie Schaffler, Sydney Forrester

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: APPROPRIATIONS

**PROJECT TITLE:** Developmental Disabilities

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Monitor various issues and studies related to the Developmental Disabilities Division, including: 1) a performance audit of the division by JLARC; 2) a study of possible alternative uses of the land and facilities currently used by state-operated Residential Habilitation Centers; 3) implementation of changes related to the supplemental security income (SSI) state supplement; and 4) activities related to the *ARC v. Quasim* lawsuit and *Olmstead* decision.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** ESSB 6387 **STAFF:** Amy Hanson, Debbie Frazier, Dave Knutson

**COMPLETION DATE**: January 2003 **OTHER RESOURCES**: Senate staff, JLARC

**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 staff will monitor the development and implementation of such strategies, particularly those related to controlling prescription drug expenditures.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** ESSB 6387 STAFF: Amy Hanson

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Joint Legislative Task Force on Nursing Homes

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The task force will evaluate the nursing home payment system and submit its recommendations to the Legislature.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** SHB 2242, Sec 17-18 STAFF: Bernard Dean, Dave Knutson,

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 1, 2003 **OTHER RESOURCES**: Senate staff, DSHS

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: APPROPRIATIONS

**PROJECT TITLE:** Drug Offender Sentencing Changes

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Monitor the development of a methodology for calculating the projected biennial savings resulting from the implementation of 2SHB 2338. The Sentencing Guidelines Commission, Caseload Forecast Council, OFM and Department of Corrections will develop the proposed methodology which will be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature by September 1, 2002. The methodology will be deemed approved unless modified or rejected by the Legislature. The savings will be deposited into the Criminal Justice Treatment Account and the Violence Reduction and Drug Enforcement Account. In addition, a 17-member joint select committee will review and make recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor regarding the drug offense sentencing grid established in 2SHB 2338 no later than June 1, 2003.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** 2SHB 2338, Sec 4 and 12 **STAFF:** Bernard Dean, Yvonne Walker,

**COMPLETION DATE**: September 1, 2002 and June 1, **OTHER RESOURCES**: Senate staff, OFM, DOC,

2003. Sentencing Guidelines

Commission, Caseload Forecast

Council

**PROJECT TITLE:** Review of Criminal Justice Sentencing

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee, in conjunction with the Criminal Justice & Corrections Committee and the Judiciary Committee, will convene a work group to review various issues surrounding criminal sentencing and supervision of offenders by the Department of Corrections, including a review of the current sentencing structure and how offenders are classified and supervised by the department.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Bernard Dean, Yvonne Walker, Jim Morishima,

Edie Adams

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 1, 2003 **OTHER RESOURCES**: Criminal Justice & Corrections

Committee, Judiciary Committee

**WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002** 

COMMITTEE ON: APPROPRIATIONS

**PROJECT TITLE:** Federal Welfare Reauthorization

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Monitor federal, presidential, and congressional action on Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant reauthorization. Monitor action on other grants including Child Care Development Funds, Social Services Block Grant, etc.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Heather Flodstrom, Debbie Frazier

**COMPLETION DATE**: Ongoing **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Drug-abusing Mothers and Their Babies Program Evaluation

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Monitor the evaluation of the drug-abusing mothers and their babies four-year pilot program that was started in 1999. Do a comparison with the Parent-Child Assistance Program and other substance abuse pediatric care programs to see if there is overlap between the programs, and determine how the state can best manage their resources through these programs.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A STAFF: Heather Flodstrom, Debbie Frazier

COMPLETION DATE: December, 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: DASA, P-CAP, PIC

**PROJECT TITLE:** Revolving Funds

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Continue to work with the Office of Financial Management and the Senate on development of a model that facilitates adjustments to revolving fund appropriations.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Linda Brooks

**COMPLETION DATE**: October 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**: Senate staff, OFM

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002 COMMITTEE ON: APPROPRIATIONS

**PROJECT TITLE:** Community, Trade, & Economic Development (CTED)

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Monitor how CTED implements reductions required by the 2002 supplemental budget.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** ESSB 6387, Sec. 125, Subsec 35 and 37 STAFF: Linda Brooks

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**: Senate staff

**PROJECT TITLE:** State Parks Funding Task Force

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Monitor and assist in staffing the Joint Legislative Task Force on Funding for State Parks (ESB 6387). The 15-member task force, including four from the House and four from the Senate, will develop recommendations on improving operations of state parks and identify potential funding sources. Staff support for the task force will be provided by the Legislature and executive agencies.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/
REFERENCE: ESB 6387, Sec 303, Subsec 6 STAFF: Jeff Olsen

**COMPLETION DATE**: January 1, 2003 **OTHER RESOURCES**: Senate Staff, State Parks, OFM

PROJECT TITLE: JLARC Review of Fish Management Program

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Monitor JLARC study of the organizational and operational review of the Fish Management Program at the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** ESB 6387, Sec 307, Subsec 10 **STAFF**: Jeff Olsen, Jason Callahan

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 1, 2003 **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: APPROPRIATIONS

**PROJECT TITLE:** Forest Fire Mobilization and Utilization of Private Contractors

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The supplemental budget directed the Department of Natural Resources to review the current practices for forest fire mobilization. The committee will monitor the recommendations for improving forest fire fighting, including using local resources and private contractors.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** ESB 6387, Sec 308, Subsec 20 **STAFF:** Jeff Olsen, Jason Callahan

**COMPLETION DATE**: January 1, 2003 **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Civil Service Reform

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Legislature enacted the Personnel System Reform Act of 2002. The act restructures the state civil service system, expands collective bargaining to include wages and other conditions of employment, and allows contracting out for state services. The committee will monitor the restructuring of the civil service system.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: SHB 1268 STAFF: Andréa Hardy, Katie Blinn

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 1, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Pension Policy

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will monitor the activities and pension changes proposed by the Joint Committee on Pension Policy.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: N/A STAFF: Andréa Hardy

COMPLETION DATE: December 1, 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
TBA	ТВА	Olympia	Capital Budget Work group on Higher Education	group on Higher and funding.	
TBA	ТВА	Seattle	Full Committee	Full Committee Higher education capital needs and funding (update from the work group and public testimony).	
TBA	ТВА	Olympia	Capital Budget Work group on Higher Education	roup on Higher and funding.	
TBA	ТВА	Olympia	Capital Budget Work group on Higher Education	Higher education capital needs and funding.	Work Session
TBA	ТВА	Olympia	Capital Budget Work group on Funding K- 12 Facilities	group on Funding K- options.	
TBA	ТВА	Olympia	Capital Budget Work group on Funding K- 12 Facilities  K-12 capital needs and funding options.		Work Session
TBA	ТВА	Olympia	Capital Budget Work group on Funding K- 12 Facilities  K-12 capital needs and funding options.		Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia			Public Hearing/ Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	<ol> <li>(1) Preview of 2003-05 Capital Budget.</li> <li>(2) Report of the Joint Select Committee on Capital Historic Governance.</li> <li>(3) Update on K-12 and higher education work groups.</li> </ol>	Public Hearing/ Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: CAPITAL BUDGET

**PROJECT TITLE:** Capital Budget-Related Issues

PRIORITY: 1

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This project involves monitoring the progress of the studies required in the 2001-03 Capital Budget, particularly the study on FTEs and higher ed facilities, and studying, visiting, or monitoring other capital projects. It also involves monitoring 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, and development of 2003-05 Capital Budget requests.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: ESB 6396, SSB 6155 STAFF: Susan Howson, Charlie Gavigan, Jeff Olsen

COMPLETION DATE: January 2003 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** K-12 School Construction Funding

**PRIORITY:** 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This project involves establishing an informal work group facilitated by members of the House Capital Budget Committee and the House Education Committee to review the current K-12 construction funding process and formula, and will involve interested parties to identify possible additional funding sources to meet potential future demands on the system. The Senate, OFM, State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and other interested parties will be invited to participate.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** SHB 1359, SSB 6155, HB 2173 STAFF: Charlie Gavigan

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Capital Needs and Priorities of Higher Education

**PRIORITY:** 3

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This project involves establishing an informal work group facilitated by members of the House Capital Budget Committee and the House Higher Education Committee to review the capital needs of higher education and the impact limited capital resources may have on current higher education policy. This project also involves monitoring the higher education facility studies in the Capital Budget. The work group will invite participation from the Senate, OFM, the Higher Education Coordinating Board, the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, and other interested parties.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** SHB 1359, SSB 6155, HB 2173 STAFF: Charlie Gavigan

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: CAPITAL BUDGET

**PROJECT TITLE:** Local Jail Facilities PRIORITY: 4

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This project involves reviewing 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 COMMITTEE/** 

**REFERENCE:** SHB 1359, SSB 6155 **STAFF:** Susan Howson

**COMPLETION DATE:** December 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES:** N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Joint Select Committee on Capitol Historic District Governance

**PRIORITY:** 5

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This project involves monitoring and staffing the joint select committee created in ESB 6396 (section 306). The Joint Select Committee on Capital Historic District Governance is to study and report on the feasibility of: (1) creating a separate entity to oversee the maintenance/preservation needs of the following buildings in the Capital Historic District: Cherberg, O'Brien, Legislative Building, Pritchard, and Newhouse; (2) establishing a governance structure for the new entity; and (3) recommending ongoing funding.

**BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/** 

**REFERENCE:** ESB 6396 **STAFF:** Susan Howson

**COMPLETION DATE:** December 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES:** Senate Committee Services, the

Department of General Administration

**PROJECT TITLE:** Water and Salmon Recovery Issues

**PRIORITY:** 6

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Monitor state efforts to enhance salmon recovery, to improve water quality and availability, 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,

**COMMITTEE/** 

**STAFF:** Jeff Olsen

SSB 5637, ESB 6396

December 2002 **COMPLETION DATE:** OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002** 

COMMITTEE ON: CAPITAL BUDGET

**PROJECT TITLE:** Improving State Parks

**PRIORITY:** 7

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Several proposals were presented to the Legislature to develop parks or expand the park system and to close other parks due to operating budget impacts, while a recent study 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 COMMITTEE/

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Capital Budget Fund Balances, Forecasts, Debt Models, and Other Variables

PRIORITY: 8

**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 COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A STAFF: Charlie Gavigan, Susan Howson, Jeff Olsen

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Farmworker Housing

**PRIORITY:** 9

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The capital budget has appropriated funds for temporary and permanent housing for farmworkers. This project will review the implementation of these appropriations.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** SSB 6155 STAFF: Susan Howson, Charlie Gavigan

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
May 24, 2002	TBA	Seattle	Full Committee	Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities.	Work Session
June	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Developmental Disabilities	Work Session
August	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	<ol> <li>Children's Mental Health System Study - JLARC</li> <li>Washington School for the Deaf         <ol> <li>WSIPP educational models study</li> <li>JLARC capital facilities study</li> </ol> </li> <li>Service Delivery Models         <ol> <li>Developmental Disabilities</li> </ol> </li> <li>Temporary Assistance for Needy         <ol> <li>Families</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	<ol> <li>Kinship Care         <ol> <li>WSIPP study</li> <li>DSHS Work group briefing</li> </ol> </li> <li>Foster Children Educational         Stability - DSHS/OSPI Work group proposal     </li> <li>Drug Affected Infants - WSIPP study</li> </ol>	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES

**PROJECT TITLE:** Developmental Disabilities System Monitoring

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The system of care for persons with developmental disabilities is facing many challenges. Consumers have an ongoing lawsuit for which a settlement with significant financial implications for the state is being negotiated. A federal audit is forthcoming that is anticipated to include unfavorable findings about the manner in which the Medicaid program is being used to fund services. An initial finding from a caseload study conducted by JLARC indicates that there are serious data and fiscal concerns about the developmental disabilities program. The legislature included a proviso in the budget bill authorizing a systemic audit of the program by JLARC. The committee anticipates the need to monitor these various developments in this public policy area, and the need to develop a policy response to be pursued during the next legislative session.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: Frazier, Taylor, Hanson

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 31, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**:

**PROJECT TITLE:** Kinship Caregivers Work Group - Implementation Monitoring

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee has an ongoing interest in relatives who provide care to children whose parents are unwilling or unable to care for them. Kinship caregivers provide this care in lieu of the children entering the licensed foster care system. These families receive some financial support and some services to carry out these responsibilities, but the service system has not been designed to address all of their needs. The legislature enacted law requiring the Department of Social and Health Services to convene a work group on kinship caregivers, to develop a briefing on the policy issues for the Legislature, and to submit the briefing by November 1, 2002. The committee will monitor these efforts, and receive the briefing at the second regularly scheduled interim committee assembly.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/
REFERENCE: SHB 1397 STAFF: Frazier

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 31, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**:

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES

PROJECT TITLE: Foster Children Educational Stability Work Group - Implementation

PRIORITY:

Monitoring

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee has an ongoing interest in improving the educational outcomes of children in foster care. A recent WSIPP study identified a number of poor outcomes for these children as compared to their peers who are not in foster care. The legislature enacted law requiring the Department of Social and Health Services and the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction to submit a proposal to the Legislature by October 1, 2002 addressing the educational stability of children who are in foster care fewer than 75 days and requires the implementation of a pilot project to assist foster children to remain enrolled in the school they were attending before entering foster care. The committee will monitor these efforts, and receive the briefing at the second regularly scheduled interim committee assembly.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/
REFERENCE: SB 6709 STAFF: Frazier

**COMPLETION DATE:** December 31, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES:** 

**PROJECT TITLE:** Washington School for the Deaf - Implementation Monitoring

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee has an ongoing interest in the safety of children attending the Washington School for the Deaf (WSD). In response to issues raised during the committee's study in the previous interim, two bills passed the legislature that are intended to help address these issues. The committee will monitor the implementation of both statutes, and will continue to monitor safety issues at the school. The committee will receive two studies about WSD at the first regularly scheduled interim committee assembly. A WSIPP study will be presented addressing educational models for students with sensory disabilities. Also, the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee (JLARC) will present findings related to the capital facilities of the school.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 31, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**:

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES

**PROJECT TITLE:** WorkFirst - Welfare Reform Reauthorization

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will monitor actions at the federal level related to the reauthorization of welfare reform and may develop legislation in response to federal action. The committee will study the current public policy framework for managing the WorkFirst program to determine if legislative changes are needed to clarify expectations.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: Frazier, Taylor, Flodstrom

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 31, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**:

**PROJECT TITLE:** Homeless Plan - Implementation Monitoring

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee has an ongoing interest in the homeless and will continue to monitor implementation of the state plan intended to address some of these issues.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/
REFERENCE: STAFF: Frazier

COMPLETION DATE: Ongoing OTHER RESOURCES:

**PROJECT TITLE:** Social Services Delivery Systems

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee has an ongoing interest in exploring methods of providing social services through community based and faith based organizations. The committee will continue to study efforts underway in Washington and other states.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: Frazier, Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: Ongoing OTHER RESOURCES:

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES

**PROJECT TITLE:** Abuse and Neglect Prevention Programs - Efficacy, Funding and Financing **PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee has an ongoing interest in enhancing its understanding of the many individual prevention programs, including their efficacy, funding and financing. The committee will continue to study these programs.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: Frazier, Flodstrom

COMPLETION DATE: Ongoing OTHER RESOURCES:

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMERCE & LABOR COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
April 30, 2002	9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.	Tacoma	Full Committee	Unemployment and Workforce Retraining Issues	Work Session/ Public Hearing
June 10, 2002	9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.	Olympia	Full Committee	Public Accounting Industry  Pricing of Agricultural  Commodities	Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Report on Occupational Safety and Health Grants	Work Session
TBA (Week of November 11)	9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.	Olympia	Full Committee	Industrial Insurance Issues Agency Budgets	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Report of Workforce Board on SHB 3077 (2000) Report of Accountancy Board on E2SSB 5593 (2001)	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

**PROJECT TITLE:** Unemployment and Workforce Retraining Issues

PRIORITY:

COMMITTEE ON: Commerce & Labor

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

<u>Labor Market:</u> In the past year, Washington's labor market conditions eroded significantly. In 2001 the state registered the highest annual unemployment rate in the country, 6.4 percent. In 2002 the state has consistently registered the second highest monthly unemployment rates in the country. Washington's economic recovery is expected to be somewhat behind that of the country. Since labor market recovery typically lags economic recovery, Washington's labor market recovery will likely be postponed that much longer.

<u>Call Centers:</u> In 1998 the Legislature authorized the Employment Security Department to accept initial applications for unemployment insurance benefits over the telephone and directed the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee to evaluate the new call center approach. In 2001 the JLARC issued its evaluation. The report found that the department met goals relating to claimant and employer satisfaction, but not goals most closely linked to fiscal savings and to decision quality and timeliness. The report included five recommendations to improve the department's performance.

<u>Training Benefits:</u> In 2000 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 Training and Education Coordinating Board to review the training benefits program, and report to the Legislature by December 1, 2002. In 2002 the Legislature made changes in the training benefits program applicable to certain dislocated aerospace workers.

During the 2002 interim, the committee will monitor the state's labor market conditions, the department's implementation of recommendations from the call center evaluation, and its administration of the training benefits program, including training program capacity and coordination of these and other training benefits. The committee also will hold a work session to examine the state's response to its labor market conditions, to review the recommendations on call centers and discuss the report on the training benefits program.

BILL/RESOLUTION

**REFERENCE:** SSB 6420 (1998)

SHB 3077 (2000) EHB 2901 (2002) **COMMITTEE/** 

**STAFF:** Jill Reinmuth & Chris Cordes

**COMPLETION DATE:** 

December 2002

OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

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:

- the department's implementation of recommendations from the 1998 Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee's workers' compensation performance audit;
- the department's implementation of the *Cockle* decision;
- a review of the vocational rehabilitation program, including the department's cost-benefit analysis of the increase in maximum expenditures allowed for vocational rehabilitation benefits;
- a review of the use of independent medical examinations and of the department's IME improvement project; and
- the department's policy on pain-related impairment awards.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: SSB 6030 (1997), ESSB 6108 (1998), EHB STAFF: Chris Cordes & Jill Reinmuth

1845 (1999), SHB 6153 (2001)

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

**PROJECT TITLE:** Occupational Safety and Health Grants

**PRIORITY:** 

COMMITTEE ON: Commerce & Labor

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** In 1999 EHB 2232 passed the Legislature and was signed by the Governor. The bill established a safety and health impact grant program administered by the Department of Labor and Industries. The bill, however, was conditioned on being referenced by bill number in the 1999-2001 biennial budget. Because the biennial budget did not specifically reference the bill number, the bill was null and void.

The 1999-2001 biennial budget provided \$5 million for the grant program from the medical aid fund. With this funding, the department began administering a grant program in a manner consistent with EHB 2232.

The 2001-2003 biennial budget did not originally include funding to continue the grant program. The 2002 supplemental operating budget, however, provides \$5 million for the grant program from the medical aid fund. With this funding, the department intends to begin administering the grant program again.

During the 2002 interim, the committee will hold a work session to receive an update on the occupational safety and health grant program.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** ESSB 6387 (2002) STAFF: Jill Reinmuth

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

PROJECT TITLE: Pricing of Agricultural Commodities PRIORITY:

COMMITTEE ON: Commerce & Labor

**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 the industry and the industry's economic strength. According to federal Department of Agriculture data, the farm value of each dollar spent on food in the United States is about 19 cents, which is down from 41 cents in 1950 and 31 cents in 1980.

During the 2002 interim, the committee will hold a work session to examine current issues affecting the pricing of agricultural commodities.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Sydney Forrester & Jill Reinmuth

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Public Accounting Industry PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** In 2001 the Legislature enacted E2SSB 5593, revising regulation of certified public accountants (CPAs) and the accounting industry. Among other things, the bill allows nonlicensee ownership of CPA firms. During the bill's public hearings, concerns were expressed that this change would reduce the public's confidence in the profession because of the perceived lack of independence in performing public accounting activities. To ensure continued review of these concerns, the House added a requirement that the Board of Accountancy report to the Legislature by December 1, 2002, on the new law's implementation, including the provisions governing nonlicensee owners.

In 2002, after Enron declared bankruptcy, questions were raised by federal regulators, including the Securities and Exchange Commission, about the role of Enron's accountants. Various civil and criminal actions arising from the Enron situation are pending.

During the 2002 interim, the committee will examine the state policy implications for regulating accountants that are raised by the Enron bankruptcy and the resulting litigation. To complete this study, the committee will hold a work session and have a hearing to receive the Board of Accountancy's report.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** ESSB 5593 STAFF: Chris Cordes

(Laws of 2001, Chapter 294)

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

PROJECT TITLE: Operating Budgets: Employment Security Department and Department of

PRIORITY:

COMMITTEE ON: Commerce & Labor

Labor and Industries

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** During the 2002 interim, the committee will hold one or more work sessions to study issues related to the operating budgets for the Employment Security Department and the Department of Labor and Industries. The issues to be studied include, but are not limited to: past and present sources of revenue, and past and present uses of dedicated accounts.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: Jill Reinmuth & Chris Cordes,

Commerce & Labor Committee Linda Brooks & Heather Flodstrom,

Appropriations Committee

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Reed Act Funding Plan

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Work with the Office of Financial Management, the Employment Security Department, Senate staff, and House staff to look at allowable ways of spending the Reed Act funding that was recently released by Congress in the Economic Stimulus Package.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A STAFF: Jill Reinmuth, Heather Flodstrom, Debbie Frazier

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: Senate staff, ESD, OFM

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMUNITY SECURITY, SELECT COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
June 10, 2002	6:30 p.m.	Edmonds	Full Committee joint with House Financial Institutions & Insurance Committee	Regulating Money Transmitters	Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	TBA
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	TBA

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: COMMUNITY SECURITY, SELECT COMMITTEE

**PROJECT TITLE:** Emergency Management Systems

PRIORITY: 1

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Assess the status of emergency management systems within the state and explore whether opportunities exist for coordination and cooperation among federal, state, and local agencies and between public and private sectors. Monitor developments at the federal level related to a terrorism threat notice system, bioterrorism response funding, and emergency management, preparedness, and response activities.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: Caroleen Dineen

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

**PROJECT TITLE:** Federal and State Terrorism Legislation

PRIORITY: 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Study federal and state laws and legislation related to terrorism, including investigation and prevention of terrorist acts, penalties for terrorist offenses, and response to terrorism events.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** Bills referred to Committee STAFF: Caroleen Dineen

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Electronic Surveillance PRIORITY: 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Survey federal and state laws related to electronic surveillance methods used to investigate and prosecute terrorism offenses.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** SHB 2416, ESSB 6704 STAFF: Bill Perry

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: COMMUNITY SECURITY, SELECT COMMITTEE

**PROJECT TITLE:** Money Transmission and Currency Exchange Businesses

**PRIORITY:** 3

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Coordinate review of issues relating to state regulation of money transmission and currency exchange businesses with the Financial Institutions & Insurance Committee and attend meetings of the Financial Institutions & Insurance Committee related to this project.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CRIMINAL JUSTICE & CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
July 10, 2002	10:00 a.m.	Olympia	Full Committee	Correctional Industries	Work Session
ТВА	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Correctional Industries	Work Session
ТВА	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Limited Authority Law Enforcement Agencies	Work Session
September 19- 20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: CRIMINAL JUSTICE & CORRECTIONS

**PROJECT TITLE:** Review of Criminal Justice Sentencing and Supervision

PRIORITY: 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee, in conjunction with the Judiciary Committee and the Appropriations Committee, will convene a work group to review various issues surrounding criminal sentencing and supervision of offenders by the Department of Corrections, including a review of the current sentencing structure and how offenders are classified and supervised by the department.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: HB 2711, HB 2712 & SB 6499 STAFF: Yvonne Walker, Jim Morishima, Edie Adams, &

Bernard Dean

COMPLETION DATE: January 2003 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Correctional Industries

PRIORITY: 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Legislature established a comprehensive system of corrections within Washington for convicted offenders that is designed to accomplish several stated objectives, such as to punish offenders, discourage recidivism, reflect the values of the community, avoid idleness, provide opportunities for self improvement, provide for restitution, and provide for prudent management of public resources. As a result, the Department of Corrections provides inmate work programs through the Correctional Industries Board of Directors (the Board). The Board develops and implements programs that offer inmates employment, work experience and training, and that reduce the cost of housing inmates. To achieve these goals, the board operates five classes of correctional industry work programs.

Due to concerns that some correctional industries may be in competition with local businesses, the committee will review the department's correctional industry programs and other prison work programs. The committee will consider the importance of providing meaningful work opportunities for the rehabilitation of each offender as well as the possible effects that such programs have on the local labor industry.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** HB 2163 STAFF: Yvonne Walker, Jim Morishima

COMPLETION DATE: January 2003 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: CRIMINAL JUSTICE & CORRECTIONS

PROJECT TITLE: Limited Authority Law Enforcement Agencies

**PRIORITY:** 3

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Limited authority Washington law enforcement agencies are generally responsible for the apprehension or detection of persons committing infractions or violating the traffic or criminal laws relating to limited subject areas. In contrast, general authority Washington law enforcement agencies may enforce any traffic or criminal law of the state throughout the territorial boundaries of the state.

During the 2002 legislative session, the Criminal Justice & Corrections committee considered a number of bills that would expand the authority of certain limited authority law enforcement agencies to general authority law enforcement agencies. The Committee will further examine the issues presented in these bills as well as the need for possible future legislation.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**COMPLETION DATE**: January 2003 **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES EDUCATION COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
May 9, 2002	All Day	Olympia	Full Committee	Discussions with state agencies, teachers, administrators, parents, and school directors on education reform issues.	Work Session/ Public Hearing
June 25, 2002	All Day	Spokane	Full Committee	During the annual conference of principals and administrators, hold a committee meeting on education reform issues.	Work Session/ Public Hearing
Early August	All Day	Vancouver or Puyallup	Full Committee	During an OSPI sponsored summer institute for teachers and administrators, hold a committee meeting on education reform issues.	Work Session/ Public Hearing
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Implementation of the new federal education act and governance.	Work Session
Late September	Half to All Day	Olympia	Full Committee	Discussion with teachers, administrators and parents on education reform issues.	Work Session/ Public Hearing
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Governance and the state's role in the federal education law.	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: EDUCATION

PROJECT TITLE: Education Reform PRIORITY: 1

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Craft a legislative response to education reform issues that have yet to be resolved. The committee will meet with teachers, principals, administrators, school directors, parents, and students to discover the effect of the state's education reform policies on different members of the education community and the most pressing issues that need to be addressed to raise academic achievement for all students. The study will include a focus on the Certificate of Mastery, the achievement gap, assessments, state standards, accountability and the tools needed by schools, educators, school directors and policymakers to ensure that all children will eventually achieve the state standards.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/
REFERENCE: 2E2SSB 5625; SHB 2210; HB 2778; HB 2877; STAFF: Morrissey

and 2SHB 1562

COMPLETION DATE: December, 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Education Governance PRIORITY: 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Committee will examine the roles and responsibilities of state agencies that have responsibility for education achievement to evaluate whether state-level education responsibilities are aligned in a manner that best promotes student success and administrative efficiency.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/
REFERENCE: STAFF: Morrissey

COMPLETION DATE: December, 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

**PROJECT TITLE:** State Response to the Federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 **PRIORITY:** 3

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Monitor the implementation of the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 to discover the potential impact of the act on the state's essential academic learning requirements, assessment systems, teacher preparation and certification, paraprofessional education, bilingual education, extended student learning opportunities, and school transfer and accountability policies. In addition, the committee may craft a legislative response to some of the new assessment and accountability requirements created by the act if the federal rules are adopted in time to address those issues.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** H.R. 1 STAFF: Morrissey

**COMPLETION DATE**: 2003 session and beyond **OTHER RESOURCES**:

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: EDUCATION

PROJECT TITLE: School Health Services PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Health Care and Education Committees will review the current state of health care services and personnel in the public schools. The review will include the development of legislative proposals related to the appropriate provision of health care services in public schools.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/ Health Care, Education REFERENCE: STAFF: Knutson, Morrissey

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FINANCE COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Economic and revenue forecast update.     Status reports on interim projects.	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Economic and revenue forecast update.     Status reports on interim projects.	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

**PROJECT TITLE:** Municipal Business Taxation

PRIORITY:

COMMITTEE ON: FINANCE

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** In recent sessions, legislation has been introduced to require uniform standards for business taxes imposed by cities. These proposals have attracted a great deal of interest and activity, but none have been enacted. During the 2001 interim, committee staff attended work group discussions organized by the Department of Revenue for the development of a model ordinance governing the municipal taxation of businesses based on gross receipts. It is assumed that similar meetings and activities will continue this year. This project will review legislation proposed in the 2002 regular session, including unresolved issues regarding business income apportionment and the taxation of intellectual property creating activities, and monitor progress made by stakeholder groups toward achieving a consensus solution.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

COMPLETION DATE: January, 2003 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Washington Tax Structure Study

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Legislation enacted during the 2001 session requires an examination of the current tax system and development of tax alternatives. Under this legislation, a committee made up of House and Senate members and academic experts in taxation was appointed to: develop multiple tax structure alternatives that increase harmony between tax systems of this state and its border states; encourage commerce and business creation; and encourage home ownership. The findings of the study and the alternatives developed by the committee must be reported to the Legislature by November 30, 2002. Staff will attend meetings of the committee, and potentially assist in drafting and analyzing any legislation that results from the study.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

COMPLETION DATE: January, 2003 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

**PROJECT TITLE:** Economic and Revenue Forecast

**PRIORITY:** 

COMMITTEE ON: FINANCE

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Economic and Revenue Forecast Council revises the state's economic and revenue forecast four times a year. The statute that created the council and the forecast process also created the Economic and Revenue Forecast Work group, consisting of legislative and executive agency staff. The purpose of the work group is to "promote the free flow of information and to promote legislative input in the preparation of forecasts." Committee staff will monitor the development of the economic and revenue forecast and participate in the Economic and Revenue Forecast Work group.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Rick Peterson

**COMPLETION DATE**: January, 2003 **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Monitoring and Evaluating the Property Tax System

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This project will produce a report related to the accuracy of assessment procedures by measuring the accuracy of 2001 assessed values and their conformance with the International Association of Assessing Officers standards. The report will complement similar reports that have been produced by committee staff during each of the past four years.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Rick Peterson

COMPLETION DATE: January, 2003 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Tax Data and Modeling

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Each session the House of Representatives must deal with a variety of proposals related to the property and excise tax systems. In order to respond adequately to inquiries and bill and amendment drafting requests, data bases and models must be updated or developed. This project will incorporate the detailed 2001 property tax data into the property tax data base, update the homeowner property tax model using the 1998 Washington State Population Survey, and incorporate detailed excise tax data into a data base.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A STAFF: Mark Matteson, Rick Peterson

COMPLETION DATE: January, 2003 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
June 10, 2002	6:30 p.m.	Edmonds	Full Committee joint with House Select Committee on Community Security	Regulating Money Transmitters	Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Regulating Money     Transmitters     Predatory Lending	Public Hearing/ Work Session
ТВА	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Predatory Lending	Public Hearing/ Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Regulating Money     Transmitters     Predatory Lending	Public Hearing/ Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

**PROJECT TITLE:** Regulation of Money Transmitters

PRIORITY: 1

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This project will examine the money transmission business, review pertinent state and federal law, and monitor the regulatory activities of government agencies. In addition, this project will examine issues specific to small, community-based and/or immigrant money transmitters in the state of Washington.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** HB 2661 STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Predatory Lending Practices

PRIORITY: 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Low income and minority communities are sometimes subject to predatory lending practices with respect to mortgage loans and other loans secured by real estate. This project will examine such lending practices, review applicable state and federal law, and monitor the regulatory activities of the pertinent state agencies.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: HB 2545 STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Privacy of Financial/Consumer Information

**PRIORITY:** 3

**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.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

**PROJECT TITLE:** Monitor Interim Activities of Congress and State Agencies

**PRIORITY:** 4

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will monitor Congressional activity pertaining to financial institutions & 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 and/or insurance issues.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: Thamas Osborn

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Training for Caregivers in Boarding Homes and Adult Family Homes.	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	<ol> <li>Mental Health Ombudsman         Recommendations from DSHS and         DCTED.</li> <li>General Assistance Medical Care         Management.</li> <li>Basic Health Plan Eligibility         Process and Initiative 773         Implementation Plan.</li> </ol>	Work Session

**COMPLETION DATE**: Dec. 2002

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

**PROJECT TITLE:** Mental Health Review **PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will review the statutory authority for community mental health services (chapter 71.24 RCW) and determine whether changes are needed to improve the delivery of mental health services. The review will include funding allocations between regional support networks, prescription drug financing and case management, and the tradeoffs between regional autonomy and state-wide uniformity.

**BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE**/ Health Care, Appropriations, Children &

**REFERENCE: Family Services** 

> STAFF: Knutson, Hanson, Frazier

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

**PROJECT TITLE:** Developmental Disabilities Review PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Committee will monitor the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee's audit of the developmental disabilities system. The review will determine if there are areas of overlap between the systems serving the developmentally disabled and individuals needing long-term care services and propose statutory changes to address those issues.

**BILL/RESOLUTION** COMMITTEE/ Health Care, Children & Family Services,

**REFERENCE: Appropriations** 

> **STAFF:** Knutson, Frazier, Hanson

> > Knutson, Morrissey

**COMPLETION DATE**: Dec. 2003 **OTHER RESOURCES:** Joint Legislative Audit and Review

Committee Auditors

COMMITTEE ON: HEALTH CARE

**PROJECT TITLE:** School Health Services **PRIORITY:** 

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Health Care and Education Committees will review the current state of health care services and personnel in the public schools. The review will include the development of legislative proposals related to the appropriate provision of health care services in public schools.

STAFF:

**OTHER RESOURCES:** 

**BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE**/ Health Care, Education REFERENCE:

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002 COMMITTEE ON: HEALTH CARE

PROJECT TITLE: Prescription Drugs PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Committee will monitor the development of proposals in other States to curb the rising costs of prescription drugs. The study will also include a review of administrative actions that may be taken through intra-state cooperation and among state agencies purchasing prescription drugs to control cost increases.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/ Health Care REFERENCE: STAFF: Knutson

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Rural Health Care PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Committee will examine the challenges faced by health care systems and providers in rural parts of Washington. The review will include the effects of public and private reimbursement policies, the availability of health care providers, rural economic conditions, and transportation issues facing rural communities.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/ Health Care

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: Knutson

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: 15 passenger van.

PROJECT TITLE: Collective Negotiation PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Committee will explore the legal and economic issues raised by a proposal to allow collective negotiation between health care providers and health carriers.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/ Health Care

REFERENCE: HB 2360 STAFF: Welsh

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Long-term Care PRIORITY:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Committee will explore alternative ways to reimburse long-term care providers for clients whose acuity changes over time.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/
REFERENCE: STAFF: Knutson

COMPLETION DATE: Dec. 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
Week of July 8, 2002	TBA	Seattle	Full Committee joint with Technology, Telecommunications & Energy and Trade & Economic Development	New technology development and the state's economy	Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	ТВА
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	TBA

**WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002** 

COMMITTEE ON: HIGHER EDUCATION

PROJECT TITLE: Tuition and Financial Aid PRIORITY: 1

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Conduct two stakeholder meetings - one in Olympia and one in Seattle. The purpose of the meetings will be identifying policy options for addressing funding for financial aid and reviewing tuition rates. The committee will solicit information from institutions and other key individuals on the impact of recent changes to the tuition and financial aid system. The committee will also assess the need for further system reforms, including models for funding.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** Budget STAFF: Sanchez, Forrester

**COMPLETION DATE**: 12/20/02 **OTHER RESOURCES**: fiscal staff, travel

**PROJECT TITLE:** Higher Education Needs of the Biotechnology Industry

PRIORITY: 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Conduct a joint on-site work session with the Technology, Telecommunications & Energy and the Trade & Economic Development committees. The joint work session will be conducted at a biotechnology facility. The purpose of the joint work session will be to identify industry needs for a trained workforce, and the role and responsibility of public institutions of higher education in the biotechnology industry.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** none STAFF: Sanchez, Madson, Pittman

COMPLETION DATE: 12/20/02 OTHER RESOURCES: travel and joint meeting

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES JUDICIARY COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
TBA	TBA	Olympia	Work group on traffic fine payment plans.	Payment plans for traffic fines.	Work Session
ТВА	TBA	Olympia	Work group on traffic fine payment plans.	Payment plans for traffic fines.	Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Payment plans for traffic fines.	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

**PROJECT TITLE:** Review of Criminal Justice Sentencing and Supervision.

**PRIORITY:** 1

COMMITTEE ON: JUDICIARY

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Committee, in conjunction with the Criminal Justice & Corrections Committee and the Appropriations Committee, will convene a work group to review various issues surrounding criminal sentencing and supervision of offenders by the Department of Corrections, including a review of the current sentencing structure and how offenders are classified and supervised by the department.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** Edie Adams, Jim Morishima, Yvonne Walker, &

Bernard Dean

COMPLETION DATE: January, 2003 OTHER RESOURCES:

**PROJECT TITLE:** Study the Issue of Creating a Payment Plan System for Traffic Fines

**PRIORITY:** 3

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** During the 2002 session, the Committee considered SB 6343, which required courts to set up a payment plan for persons who are unable to pay their traffic fines. The Committee will convene a work group of interested parties to study the issue of requiring courts to set up a payment plan for persons who owe traffic fines and the requirements and procedures that such a plan should incorporate. The goal will be to have draft legislation for the September Committee Assembly meeting.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** SB 6343 STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson

COMPLETION DATE: December, 2003 OTHER RESOURCES:

**WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002** 

**PROJECT TITLE:** Monitor the Supreme Court Task Force on Time For Trial Rules

**PRIORITY:** 4

COMMITTEE ON: JUDICIARY

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** During the 2002 session, the Committee considered HB 2704, which established statutory rules with respect to the time periods within which criminal defendants must be brought to trial, also known as "speedy trial" rights. Currently, the speedy trial rights are contained in "time for trial" court rules. In response to HB 2704 and calls for reform of the "time for trial" rules, the Supreme Court appointed a task force to conduct a thorough review of the rules and offer recommendations for change to the Supreme Court and the Board for Judicial Administration by October 1, 2002. The Committee will monitor the progress of the Supreme Court's Task Force on Time for Trial Rules and review any changes recommended by the task force.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: HB 2704

COMMITTEE/
STAFF: Edie Adams

COMPLETION DATE: December, 2003 OTHER RESOURCES:

**PROJECT TITLE:** Monitor the Supreme Court Task Force on Civil Equal Justice Funding.

**PRIORITY:** 5

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Washington Supreme Court has appointed a Task Force on Civil Equal Justice Funding. The task force is charged with the responsibility of studying the unmet civil legal needs of the poor and establishing appropriate funding for civil legal services, including proposing strategies to secure long-term, sustained and permanent funding to meet this need. The Committee will monitor the progress of the task force and review any recommendations of the task force.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson

COMPLETION DATE: January, 2003 OTHER RESOURCES:

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES JUVENILE JUSTICE & FAMILY LAW COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Age of consent of juveniles receiving chemical dependency and mental health treatment.	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: JUVENILE JUSTICE & FAMILY LAW

PRIORITY:

PROJECT TITLE: Juveniles' Age of Consent

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Current law allows for treatment of minors without parental consent under certain circumstances and specific conditions. For example, a minor, age 13 or older, may request and receive outpatient mental health treatment without the consent of the minor's parents. The committee will study issues raised by stakeholders regarding the ability of 13, 14, and 15 year olds to make treatment decisions without assistance from parents. The committee will examine issues raised with changing the age of consent of minors to receive chemical dependency and mental health treatment.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: HB 2371 STAFF: Tracey Taylor, Trudes Hutcheson

**COMPLETION DATE**: September 30, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES:** N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Mental Health Courts for Juveniles PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will study other states' use of mental health courts for juveniles to determine if such courts can be established within Washington's system either independently or as part of a drug court. The committee will study whether mental health courts would increase the coordination of services for juveniles who have multiple needs.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** None STAFF: Tracey Taylor, Trudes Hutcheson

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 1, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

PROJECT TITLE: Availability of Community Beds for Juveniles PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Some juvenile court administrators believe that juvenile offenders who would otherwise be detained in JRA facilities should instead be housed in local community facilities. The committee will study whether using community beds for these juveniles would be economically feasible and would better serve the needs of juveniles.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** None STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson, Tracey Taylor

**COMPLETION DATE**: September 1, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: JUVENILE JUSTICE & FAMILY LAW

**PROJECT TITLE:** Domestic Violence and the Family

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will study various domestic violence issues raised by stakeholders, including prevention of domestic violence, the existing tools to protect victims of domestic violence, and the role domestic violence contributes to juvenile delinquency.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** None STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson, Tracey Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: December 1, 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Juvenile Sex Offenders and Community Safety

PRIORITY:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will examine the current laws governing juvenile sex offenders and how they are supervised in the community. The committee will examine the issues raised by various interested parties regarding the effectiveness of supervision laws, community safety, accountability, and treatment. The committee will research and review the effectiveness of treating child sex offenders as compared with adult sex offenders

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** None STAFF: Trudes Hutcheson, Tracey Taylor

COMPLETION DATE: December 1, 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES LOCAL GOVERNMENT & HOUSING COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: LOCAL GOVERNMENT & HOUSING

PROJECT TITLE: Costs of Growth PRIORITY: 1

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will study the costs of growth, including options for paying for growth, what subsidies are provided for growth, and alternative ways to reduce the initial and long-term costs of growth through efficiencies such as conservation and expanded resources.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** HB 2342; HB 2343; HB 2764 STAFF: Scott MacColl, Amy Wood

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Concurrency PRIORITY: 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will study concurrency as it exists today, to look at which aspects are working and which aspects are not, and possible ways to fix the problems.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** HB 2519; HB 2580; HB 2581 **STAFF:** Scott MacColl; Amy Wood

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
June 27, 2002	10:00 a.m Noon	Olympia HHR A	Full Committee	Forest and fish implementation.	Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	River bedloading.	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Aquatic lands management.	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: NATURAL RESOURCES

**PROJECT TITLE:** Forest and Fish Rules

PRIORITY: 1

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will monitor the implementation of the forest and fish rules and the implementation of the small forest landowners statutes. In particular, the committee will focus on the forest roads maintenance rules and their effect on small forest landowners.

BILL/RESOLUTION

REFERENCE: SHB 2311, SHB 2105 (2001 session), ESHB

2091 (1999 session)

COMMITTEE/

**STAFF:** Jason Callahan

**COMPLETION DATE:** December 31, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES:** 

PROJECT TITLE: Public Land Access PRIORITY: 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will examine the issues surrounding public recreational access to both public and private lands. This examination will include various public-use issues, including access, abuse, resource protection, law enforcement, entrance fees, and the use of volunteers to maximize access. The committee will focus on multiple land types, including parks and both state and private forests.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** SHB 2294, SSB 6575 STAFF: Jason Callahan/Jeff Olsen

**COMPLETION DATE**: November 30, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**:

PROJECT TITLE: Fish and Water PRIORITY: 3

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee, in conjunction with the Agriculture & Ecology Committee, will examine the interactions between agriculture, fish, and water resources in Washington. This project's scope will include the use, feasibility of, and issues surrounding water storage, fish screens, and hatcheries.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/
REFERENCE: HB 2722 STAFF: Jeff Olsen

COMPLETION DATE: November 30, 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: NATURAL RESOURCES

**PROJECT TITLE:** State Wildfire Responses

**PRIORITY:** 4

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The committee will monitor the efforts of the Department of Natural Resources to review the state's wildfire mobilization procedures. In particular, the committee will focus on efforts made in eastern Washington to ensure that local firefighters have the first opportunity to fight local fires. The committee will also review the pros and cons of fire prevention as opposed to fire suppression.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/ STAFF:

**REFERENCE:** HCR 4424, Section 308 of the operating

budget.

Jeff Olsen

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 1, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES:** May include a visit with local

> eastside firefighters while the committee is in eastern Washington.

**PROJECT TITLE:** River Bedloading

**PRIORITY:** 5

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will examine the issue of river bedloading. This examination will include a discussion of the science and practicality of gravel scouring, including the permitting requirements of both the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The committee will also look at the effects on fish and riparian landowners when rivers are and are not managed for gravel.

**BILL/RESOLUTION** COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** None Jason Callahan STAFF:

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 31, 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES:** 

PROJECT TITLE: Aquatic Lands Management

**PRIORITY:** 6

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The committee will look into issues that relate to the state's management of aquatic lands. This will include issues such as lease rates, aquatic preserves, and contamination.

COMMITTEE/ **BILL/RESOLUTION** 

**REFERENCE:** None **STAFF:** Jason Callahan

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 31, 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
June	TBA	Seattle	Full Committee	Instant Runoff Voting	Public Hearing
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Campaign Contribution Limits for Local Elections	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Update on Status of Federal Election Legislation	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Overview of the Washington Management Service	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: State Government

**PROJECT TITLE:** Instant Runoff Voting

PRIORITY: 1

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Instant runoff voting is one election reform being adopted in several cities and being considered in some states. While praised for being a more representative voting system, it also has been criticized for being too complicated. The Committee will examine implementation issues as well as associated costs and savings. The feasibility of implementing a pilot project also will be considered.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: SHB 2698 STAFF: Katie Blinn & Marsha Reilly

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

**PROJECT TITLE:** Washington Management Service and the Civil Service System

**PRIORITY:** 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Washington Management Service (WMS) was established in 1993 as a separate personnel system for management positions within the executive branch. The Joint Legislative and Audit Review Committee completed a study of employee and salary growth and other compensation practices of the WMS in January 2002. The committee will examine WMS practices to determine consistency with statutory intent.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: SHB 1268 STAFF: Katie Blinn & Marsha Reilly

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

**COMMITTEE ON: State Government** 

**PROJECT TITLE:** Campaign Contribution Limits for Local Elections

**PRIORITY:** 3

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Although some counties and municipalities have imposed campaign contribution limits on local elections, state law only restricts contribution limits for state offices. The committee will study the feasibility of campaign contribution limits for local elections.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: HB 2572 STAFF: Katie Blinn & Marsha Reilly

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES:

PROJECT TITLE: Federal Election Reform Legislation

PRIORITY: 4

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Committee will review the status of federal election reform legislation and assess its effect on Washington election procedures and laws.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**: Congressional Legislation: H.R.

3295 and S. 565

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TECHNOLOGY, TELECOMMUNICATIONS, & ENERGY COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
June 19, 2002	9:00 a.m.	Yakima Convention Center	Full Committee	Emerging technologies in distributive generation and telecommunications: Dialog with local government.	Work Session
June 19, 2002	2:00 p.m.	Ellensburg	Full Committee	Development of a wind energy project	Work Session
Week of July 8, 2002	ТВА	Seattle	Full Committee joint with Higher Education and Trade & Economic Development	New technology development and the state's economy.	Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Update on energy supply issues.	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Status report on implementation of ESHB 1005 - Utility easements over state-owned aquatic lands     Update on the use and implementation of "green options" by electric utilities.	Work Session

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002 COMMITTEE ON: TECHNOLOGY, TELECOMMUNICATIONS & ENERGY

PROJECT TITLE: Local Government Response to Deployment of New Technologies in Energy

**PRIORITY:** 1

and Telecommunications

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Both the recent energy crisis and the need for deployment of advanced telecommunications, particularly in rural communities, have highlighted the need to find ways to deploy new technology. In order to facilitate the deployment of new technologies in distributive generation and telecommunications, local governments must be prepared to address (1) local regulatory issues that may prevent or delay the use of new technologies, and (2) possible incentives that can facilitate the use of these new technologies. One strategy is to provide for an exchange of information between providers of new products and local government officials on the products that will be available for consumers. The committee will participate in a work session in conjunction with the Association of Washington Cities on new technologies in energy and telecommunications.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Pam Madson

COMPLETION DATE: June, 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Development of a Wind Energy Project

**PRIORITY:** 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Wind energy projects are being developed in Central Washington that demonstrate both public and private development and state and local government involvement. The sites include both private land and public land. The committee will hold a work session to discuss the development of the projects and the issues faced by all parties including negotiated solutions.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Pam Madson

COMPLETION DATE: June 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002 COMMITTEE ON: TECHNOLOGY, TELECOMMUNICATIONS & ENERGY

**PROJECT TITLE:** Monitor the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council Siting Process

**PRIORITY:** 3

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** In 2001, changes were implemented in the operation of the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council. Some of the recommended changes included creating more certainty for applicants and intervenors and to improve the timeline of the decision process. The committee will continue to monitor the implementation of changes in the EFSEC operations including any requirements to mitigate emissions of carbon dioxide as part of the siting process.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Pam Madson

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES**: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** Update of the State's Energy Strategy

**PRIORITY:** 4

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The state's energy strategy was adopted in 1994 and each bienium, a report is submitted to the Governor and Legislature on the status of implementation of the strategy. Given the dramatic changes in the energy landscape since 1994, the Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development will conduct an examination of the state energy strategy to include input from interested parties, including legislative members. The department may recommended revisions to the state's energy strategy. The committee will monitor the department's efforts to update the state's energy strategy.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** SHB 2637 STAFF: Pam Madson

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002 COMMITTEE ON: TECHNOLOGY, TELECOMMUNICATIONS & ENERGY

**PROJECT TITLE:** Monitor Implementation of ESHB 1005 and the Granting of Upland Access

**PRIORITY:** 5

Over State Lands for Public Utility Lines

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The legislature adopted a fee structure for easements granted over state-owned aquatic lands for public utility lines. Administrative costs were also allowed as part of the cost to both governmental and non-governmental entities. The committee will monitor implementation of the aquatic lands program and the continuing development of the program granting access to state-owned uplands for utility lines. The committee will gather additional information on the policies and practices of other relevant states in granting use of state-owned lands for utility lines.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** ESHB 1005, C 152 L02 **STAFF:** Pam Madson

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**PROJECT TITLE:** New Technology Development and the State's Economy

**PRIORITY:** 6

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The development of new technology is enhanced in this state by high quality education and research institutions. The state is in a position to capture new businesses and industries from the development of new technologies in the area of biotechnology, energy and telecommunications. As a followup to a joint work session held during the 2002 legislative session, the Higher Education Committee, the Trade & Economic Development Committee, and the Technology, Telecommunications & Energy Committee will hold round table discussions. The round table discussions will include industry needs for a trained workforce, the role and responsibility of public institutions of higher education, and incentives that encourage companies to develop and operate in the state. The discussions will look at the biotechnology industry and will explore the next generation of telecommunications technology.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

REFERENCE: N/A STAFF: Pam Madson, Antonio Sanchez, and Kenny

Pittman

COMPLETION DATE: July 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002 COMMITTEE ON: TECHNOLOGY, TELECOMMUNICATIONS & ENERGY

**PROJECT TITLE:** Improve Ability to Evaluate the Cost and Effectiveness of the State's

PRIORITY: 7

Technology Projects and Investments

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The state makes a very large investment in technology projects that range from small single agency projects to very large multi-agency projects. The committee will work with the Department of Information Services to provide a comprehensive review of the following: (1) Project management practices; (2) The evaluation process used to determine "realized savings" from IT investments and business process re-engineering; and 3) A listing or overview of IT projects completed, in process and in the queue over the last 10 years.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** HB 2761 STAFF: Pam Madson

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: Department of Information Services

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### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TRADE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE - INTERIM 2002

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COMMITTEE	SUBJECT	TYPE OF MEETING
June 13, 2002	9:00 a.m.	Olympia	Full Committee	Retooling State Economic Development Policies and Programs: Human Capital and Workforce Development	Work Session (Economic Summit)
Week of July 8, 2002	ТВА	Seattle	Full Committee joint with Technology, Telecommunications & Energy and Higher Education	New technology development and the state's economy	Work Session
July	ТВА	Olympia	Full Committee	Retooling State Economic Development Policies and Programs: Physical Capital Financing	Work Session
September 19-20, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	ТВА
October	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	Retooling State Economic Development Policies and Programs: Access to Capital	Work Session
December 5-6, 2002 Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	TBA	TBA

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

COMMITTEE ON: Trade & Economic Development

**PROJECT TITLE:** Impact of Nonprofit Organizations on the State's Economy

**PRIORITY:** 

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Nonprofit organizations play an ever increasing role in the provision of services to Washington's residents. These services include health care, social services, housing, education, and economic development services. During the 2002 interim, the committee will develop a report that will: (1) identify the number and location of the nonprofit organizations in the state, including federal and state-chartered credit unions, and public and private foundations; (2) identify the type of services provided by these nonprofit organizations; and (3) identify the economic impact of the nonprofit organizations on the state's economy.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Kenny Pittman

**COMPLETION DATE**: December 2002 **OTHER RESOURCES:** N/A

WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002

PROJECT TITLE: Retooling State Economic Development Policies and Programs for

Washington's Economy

PRIORITY:

COMMITTEE ON: Trade & Economic Development

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The state of Washington has created various incentives and programs designed to encourage businesses to either locate or expand within its borders. These economic development incentive programs have as their goal the promotion of economic growth and changes in the quality of the economy (creation of wealth for its citizens). Over the past 20 years, Washington's economy has experienced tremendous change. One of the major changes has been the emergence of what is termed the "New Economy." In this new economy, a businesses' competitive advantage is based on information, ideas and technology. Intellectual assets, such as those embodied in educated workers and intellectual property, are as important as physical assets. This change in the state's economy resulted in a mismatch between many existing economic development programs and the needs of today's businesses. The committee is examining the retooling of the state's economic development programs and policies to address the state's changing economy.

During the 2002 interim, the committee will: (1) look at what comprises the state's economy, including that location of the state's business clusters and emerging/growing industries; (2) review existing state economic development incentive programs, including financial, technical, and worker training and retraining program; and (3) review efforts undertaken by other states and countries to address the needs of business in a changing economy.

As a result of this examination, the committee will look at economic development policy options that address: (1) human capital and workforce development, in particular the needs of low-wage workers, workers in declining industries, and dislocated workers; (2) access to capital needed by businesses; (3) information technology and research & development; (4) emerging/growing industries; (5) physical capital -- infrastructure financing; and (6) focus of state economic development assistance -- industry clusters, targeting to specific neighborhoods, rural and urban areas, community empowerment zones, and statewide assistance.

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A **STAFF:** Kenny Pittman

COMPLETION DATE: December 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

**WORK PLAN SUMMARY - INTERIM 2002** 

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**PROJECT TITLE:** New Technology Development and the State's Economy

**PRIORITY:** 

COMMITTEE ON: Trade & Economic Development

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The development of new technology is enhanced in this state by high quality education and research institutions. The state is in a position to capture new business and industries from the development of new technologies in the area of biotechnology, energy and telecommunications. As a followup to a joint work session held during the 2002 legislative session, the Trade & Economic Development Committee, the Higher Education Committee, and the Technology, Telecommunications, & Energy Committee will hold roundtable discussions. The roundtable discussions will include industry needs for a trained workforce, the role and responsibility of public institutions of higher education, and incentives that encourage companies to develop and operate in the state. The discussions will look at the biotechnology industry and will explore the next generation of telecommunication technology (subset of the "Retooling State Economic Development Policies and Programs" project).

BILL/RESOLUTION COMMITTEE/

**REFERENCE:** N/A STAFF: Kenny Pittman, Pam Madson, and Antonio

Sanchez

COMPLETION DATE: July 2002 OTHER RESOURCES: N/A

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