The House was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Speaker (Representative Morris presiding). The Clerk called the roll and a quorum was present.

The flags were escorted to the rostrum by a Sergeant at Arms Color Guard, Pages Natalie Christopher and Aaron Hererra. The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) led the Chamber in the Pledge of Allegiance. Prayer was offered by Pastor Sandra Kreis, St. Christopher's Community Church.

Reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was ordered to stand approved.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the sixth order of business.

SECOND READING


The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, Substitute House Bill No. 2765 was substituted for House Bill No. 2765 and the substitute bill was placed on the second reading calendar.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2765 was read the second time.

Representative Warnick moved the adoption of amendment (1329):

On page 10, line 1, decrease the state building construction account--state by $4,500,000

On page 10, line 3, correct the subtotal

On page 10, line 7, correct the total

On page 21, line 10, increase the state building construction account--state by $4,500,000

On page 21, line 13, correct the total

Representative Warnick spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Fromhold spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was not adopted.

Representative Warnick moved the adoption of amendment (1330):

On page 21, line 4, after "System" insert "Phase I"

Representatives Warnick and Fromhold spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was adopted. The bill was ordered engrossed.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Fromhold, McDonald, Schual-Berke, Ormsby and Newhouse spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2765.

MOTIONS

On motion of Representative Santos, Representatives Chase and Darnelle were excused. On motion of Representative Schindler, Representative Hailey was excused.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2765 and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 92, Nays - 3, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Campbell, Chandler,

Excused: Representatives Chase, Darneille and Hailey - 3.

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2765, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Representative Fromhold thanked the staff of the OPR Capital Budget Committee and asked the Chamber to acknowledge the staff’s hard work and dedication.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Representative Moeller recognized the good gentleman from the 49th District’s since the gentleman had announced his retirement and asked the Chamber acknowledge him.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Representative Newhouse echoed the remarks of the good gentleman from the 49th regarding his seatmate and joined in asking the Chamber to acknowledge the senior member from the 49th District.

SECOND READING

HOUSE BILL NO. 3375, By Representatives Alexander, Hunt, Van De Wege, DeBolt, Takko and Blake

Appropriating funds for catastrophic flood relief.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Alexander, Fromhold and DeBolt spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of House Bill No. 3375.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 3375 and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 96, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 2.


Excused: Representatives Chase, Darneille and Hailey - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 3375, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 3374, By Representatives Fromhold, McDonald, Van De Wege, Alexander and DeBolt

Concerning state general obligation bonds for flood mitigation and facilities for career and technical education.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, Substitute House Bill No. 3374 was substituted for House Bill No. 3374 and the substitute bill was placed on the second reading calendar.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 3374 was read the second time.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Fromhold, McDonald and Alexander spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 3374.
ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 3374 and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 96, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 2.


Excused: Representatives Chase and Hailey - 2.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 3374, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2687, By Representative Sommers; by request of Office of Financial Management

Making 2008 operating supplemental appropriations.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, Substitute House Bill No. 2687 was substituted for House Bill No. 2687 and the substitute bill was placed on the second reading calendar.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2687 was read the second time.

Representative Hinkle moved the adoption of amendment (1335):

On page 2, line 5, decrease the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2008 by $194,000.

On page 2, line 7, decrease the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 by $194,000.

On page 2, line 11, correct the total.

On page 2, beginning on line 22, strike all of subsection (3)

On page 3, line 10, decrease the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2008 by $194,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 by $194,000.

On page 3, line 16, correct the total.

On page 3, beginning on line 17, strike all of subsection (3)

On page 43, line 7, decrease the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2008 by $250,000.

On page 43, line 9, decrease the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 by $250,000.

On page 43, line 22, correct the total.

On page 45, beginning on line 37, strike all of subsection (13)

Representative Hinkle spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Cody spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was not adopted.

Representative Haler moved the adoption of amendment (1318):

On page 25, line 18, increase the general fund--state appropriation for FY 2009 by $1,505,000.

On page 26, line 24, correct the total.

On page 29, line 12, strike "((($1,935,000)))) $430,000" and insert "$1,935,000"

Representatives Haler, Chandler, Hankins, Kenney, Anderson, Haler, Newhouse and Dunn spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Dunshee spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was not adopted.

With the consent of the House, amendments (1322) and (1348) were withdrawn.

Representative Appleton moved the adoption of amendment (1323):

On page 37, line 26, strike "$75,000" and insert "((($75,000)))) $175,000"

Representative Appleton spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.
With the consent of the House, amendments (1325) and (1326) were withdrawn.

Representative Bailey moved the adoption of amendment (1333):

On page 65, line 21, after "(5)" strike "(a)"

On page 65, beginning on line 30, strike all of subsection (b)

Correct internal references accordingly.

Representatives Bailey, Hinkle and Bailey (again) spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representatives Dunshee and Kagi spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was not adopted.

With the consent of the House, amendments (1346), (1316) and (1331) were withdrawn.

Representative Condotta moved the adoption of amendment (1347):

On page 99, line 2, decrease the general fund--state appropriation for FY 09 by $465,000.

On page 99, line 4, decrease the general fund--federal appropriation by $393,000.

On page 99, line 10, correct the total.

On page 102, line 32, strike all of subsection 13.

Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively.

Representative Condotta spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Pettigrew spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was not adopted.

Representative Hinkle moved the adoption of amendment (1334):

On page 119, line 12, reduce the health services account--state appropriation for FY 2009 by $1,000,000.

On page 119, line 14, correct the total.

On page 121, line 2, after "on health care)." strike all material through "partnership)," on line 7

Representatives Hinkle, Hinkle (again), Bailey, Haler, Orcutt and Ericksen spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representatives Linville and Morrell spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

MOTION

On motion of Representative Santos, Representative Hunter was excused.

The amendment was not adopted.

Representative Chandler moved the adoption of amendment (1342):

On page 122, line 28, decrease the accident account--state appropriation by $216,000.

On page 122, line 30, decrease the medical aid account--state appropriation by $512,000.

On page 122, line 32, correct the total.

On page 122, beginning on line 33, strike all material through page 123, line 3.

On page 127, line 5, decrease the accident account--state appropriation by $110,000.

On page 127, line 8, decrease the medical aid account--state appropriation by $110,000.

On page 127, line 17, correct the total.

On page 130, beginning on line 25, strike all of subsection (18).

Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

Representatives Chandler and Condotta spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Conway spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

An electronic roll call was requested.

The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) stated the question before the House to be the adoption of amendment (1342) to Substitute House Bill No. 2687.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the adoption of amendment (1342) to Substitute House Bill No. 2687, and the amendment
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was not adopted by the following vote: Yeas - 36, Nays - 59, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.


Excused: Representatives Chase, Hailey and Hunter - 3.

Representative Campbell moved the adoption of amendment (1315):

On page 132, line 32, increase the general fund--state appropriation for FY 2009 by $200,000.

On page 133, line 38, correct the total.

On page 142, after line 3, insert the following:

"(40) $200,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 is provided solely for the department's efforts to prevent the spread of methicillin resistant staphylococcus aureus and other multidrug resistant organisms by providing hospitals with support for their activities relating to surveillance, outbreak investigation, and lab testing. Of the amount in this subsection, $100,000 is provided for the department to pay for genetic testing of methicillin resistant staphylococcus aureus and other multidrug resistant organisms for hospitals investigating outbreaks."

Representatives Campbell and Dunshee spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

With the consent of the House, amendment (1324) was withdrawn.

Representative Anderson moved the adoption of amendment (1319):

On page 148, after line 29 insert the following:

"(d) Of the amounts appropriated in this section for the offender re-entry initiative, $200,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 shall be provided to school district 411 for the purpose of providing enhanced school district services necessary to support transitional housing programs located within the district's borders which are intended for single parents who are being discharged or diverted from the criminal justice or other public systems and who seek to be reunited with their children."

Representatives Anderson and Jarrett spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Roberts spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was not adopted.

With the consent of the House, amendment (1344) was withdrawn.

Representative Kretz moved the adoption of amendment (1354):

On page 160, beginning on line 37, strike subsection 33.

Renumber remaining subsections consecutively and correct internal references accordingly.

Representatives Kretz and McCoy spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

Representative Simpson moved the adoption of amendment (1341):

On page 189, line 14, increase the fire service training account--state appropriation by $100,000.

On page 189, line 26, correct the total.

On page 190, line 15, after "(4)" strike "$250,000" and insert 

"($250,000)+$350,000"

Representative Simpson spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

Representative Newhouse moved the adoption of amendment (1328):

On page 199, line 13, reduce the general fund-state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 by $145,000.

On page 199, line 16, correct the total.

On page 201, beginning on line 26, strike all of subsection (x).

Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct internal references accordingly.
Representative Newhouse spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Pedersen spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was not adopted.

Representative Anderson moved the adoption of amendment (1339):

On page 199, line 13, increase the general fund-state appropriation by $3,900,000

On page 199, line 16, correct the total

On page 200, line 26, after "strategies" insert ", and $800,000 of the general fund–state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 is provided solely for a one-time backfill of the federal reductions to the safe and drug free schools and communities grant program"

On page 200, line 37, after "and", strike "$100,000" and insert "(($100,000)) $200,000"

On page 203, line 31, after "and" strike "$3,220,000" and insert "(($3,220,000)) $4,720,000"

On page 203, line 36, after "districts", strike "each year" and insert "((each year)) during the 2007-2008 school year, and at least two hundred school districts during the 2008-2009 school year"

On page 205, line 9, after "(xv)" strike "(($1,000,000 of the general fund–state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 is provided solely to implement House Bill No. 1051 (expanding high school completion programs). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2007, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse. )" and insert "$1,000,000 of the general fund–state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 is provided solely to implement House Bill No. 1051 (expanding high school completion programs). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2007, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse."

(xvi)

On page 206, line 30, increase the general fund-state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 by $1,683,000.

On page 206, line 36, correct the total.

On page 213, line 26, after "and" strike "$3,000,000" and insert "$4,683,000"

On page 213, line 29, after "2007-2008" strike "school year," and insert "and 2008-2009 school years."

On page 213, line 32, after "student." strike all material through line 37.

On page 217, beginning on line 1, strike all material through line 20 and insert the following:

Format changed to accommodate table.
On page 219, line 5 decrease the general fund-state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 by $35,583,000.

On page 219, line 9, correct the total.

On page 219, on line 17, after "(b)" strike all material through "(c)" on line 19

On page 219, line 38, after "((57,007))" strike "$58,264" and insert "$57,709"

On page 220, line 6, after "((31,376))" strike "$32,018" and insert "$31,713"

On page 221, after line 11, insert the following:
"(j) Amounts appropriated in this section are sufficient to fund the cost of living adjustments provided in section 504 of this act. The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall adjust accordingly any internal references and the appropriate formula allocation factors in sections 501-515 of this act. Furthermore, the office of the superintendent of public instruction is hereby granted authority to transfer appropriations among sections 501-515 of this act the extent required to fund the costs of the cost of living adjustments in other sections."

On page 223, line 26, increase the general fund-state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 by $3,100,000.

On page 223, line 32, correct the total.

On page 226, line 37, after "legislature." insert
"Funding provided in this section is sufficient to cover the increased costs associated with the safety net rule changes proposed by the superintendent of public instruction as described in official correspondence to the chairpersons of the fiscal committees of the legislature dated November 28, 2007."

On page 232, line 11, increase the general fund-state appropriation by $11,870,000.

On page 232, line 17, correct the total.

On page 239, line 30, after "and" strike "$8,084,000" and insert "$16,168,000"

On page 240, line 9, after "and" strike "((20)) 15" and insert "20"

On page 245, line 13, after "2008" strike "((and $500,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 are)) is" and insert "and $500,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 are"

On page 246, line 6, strike "$1,667,000" and insert "$4,953,000"
Representatives Anderson, Orcutt, Priest, DeBolt, Armstrong, Dunn and Priest (again) spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representatives Sullivan, Dunshee and Kessler spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

An electronic roll call was requested.

The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) stated the question before the House to be the adoption of amendment (1339) to Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2687.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the adoption of amendment (1339) to Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2687, and the amendment was not adopted by the following vote: Yeas - 35, Nays - 60, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.


Excused: Representatives Chase, Hailey and Hunter - 3.

Representative Wallace moved the adoption of amendment (1350):

On page 206, beginning on line 15, after "(xix)" strike all material through "lapse." on line 19 and insert "$10,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 is provided solely for the superintendent of public instruction to convene a work group that includes representatives from dual credit programs including representatives from high schools, the tech prep program, the state board for community and technical colleges, the public four-year institutions of higher education, the workforce training and education coordinating board, the higher education coordinating board, and the council of presidents to develop a strategic plan for statewide coordination of dual credit programs including but not limited to running start, college in the high school, tech prep, advanced placement, and international baccalaureate. The plan shall clearly articulate the purpose and definition of each program, the goals associated with each program, the personnel required both to administer and teach each program, the benefits to students, and the barriers to access. The work group must provide the plan to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2008."

Representative Wallace spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

With the consent of the House, amendments (1337) and (1338) were withdrawn.

Representative Anderson moved the adoption of amendment (1340):

On page 217, beginning on line 1, strike all material through line 19 and insert the following:

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On page 219, line 17, after "(b)" strike all material through "(c)" on line 20.
Renumber remaining subsections consecutively.

On page 220, line 7, strike "$32,018" and insert "$31,713"

On page 221, after line 11, insert the following:

"(j) Amounts appropriated in this section are sufficient to fund the cost of cost of living adjustments provided in section 504 of this act. The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall adjust accordingly any internal references and the appropriate formula allocation factors in sections 501-515 of this act. Furthermore, the office of the superintendent of public instruction is hereby granted authority to transfer appropriations among sections 501-515 of this act the extent required to fund the costs of the cost of living adjustments in other sections."

Representative Anderson spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Sullivan spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was not adopted.

Representative Orcutt moved the adoption of amendment (1349):

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On page 219, line 5, decrease the general fund-state appropriation by $29,158,000.

On page 219, line 9, correct the total.

On page 219, line 12, after "is" strike "provided solely" and insert "((provided solely))"

On page 219, line 17, after "provided" insert "for classified staff"

On page 219, line 38, after "($57,097)" strike "$58,264" and insert "$57,709"

On page 221, after line 11, insert the following:

"(j) Amounts appropriated in this section are sufficient to fund the cost of living adjustments provided in section 504 of this act. The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall adjust accordingly any internal references and the appropriate formula allocation factors in sections 501-515 of this act. Furthermore, the office of the superintendent of public instruction is hereby granted authority to transfer appropriations among sections 501-515 of this act the extent required to fund the costs of the cost of living adjustments in other sections."

On page 299, line 7, increase the general fund-state appropriation for fiscal year 2009 by $8,158,000.

On page 299, line 11, correct the total.

On page 301, after line 30, insert the following:

"(14) $8,158,000 for fiscal year 2009 is provided solely for the early childhood education and assistance program for additional enhancements as determined by the department of early learning."

Representatives Orcutt, Anderson and Orcutt (again) spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representatives Springer, Goodman and Rolfes spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was not adopted.

With the consent of the House, amendment (1327) was withdrawn.

Representative Chandler moved the adoption of amendment (1343):

On page 265, line 3, decrease the general fund-state appropriation for FY 09 by $3,000,000.

On page 265, line 9, correct the total.

On page 270, line 4, strike all of subsection 26.

Renumber the remaining section and correct any internal references accordingly.

Representative Chandler spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Hudgins spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

An electronic roll call was requested.

The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) stated the question before the House to be the adoption of amendment (1343) to Substitute House Bill No. 2687.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the adoption of amendment (1343) to Substitute House Bill No. 2687, and the amendment was not adopted by the following vote: Yea's - 26, Nays - 69, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.


Excused: Representatives Chase, Hailey and Hunter - 3.

With the consent of the House, amendments (1327) and (1317) were withdrawn.

Representative Anderson moved the adoption of amendment (1320):

On page 277, line 5, after "(23)" insert "(a)"

On page 277, after line 17, insert the following:

"(b) The amount provided in this subsection shall be placed in reserve status and may not be allotted until the office of financial management determines that:

(i) The higher education coordinating board amends the strategic master plan for higher education to include provisions outlining the state's need for a branch campus of the University of Washington at Everett by June 30, 2008; and

(ii) The board of regents of the University of Washington certifies that the branch campus at Everett is preferred over further state investment in any campus of the University of Washington by June 30, 2008."
Representative Anderson spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Sells spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was not adopted.

With the consent of the House, amendment (1351) was withdrawn.

Representative Wallace moved the adoption of amendment (1353):

On page 296, beginning on line 4, after "(9)" strike all material through "lapse." on line 7 and insert "$14,000 of the general fund--state for fiscal year 2009 is provided solely for the higher education coordinating board to convene a work group to: (1) assess current institutional practices in accepting prior learning credits; and (2) make recommendations on implementation of the work group's findings. A report is due to the legislature by December 1, 2008."

Representative Wallace spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

With the consent of the House, amendment (1345) was withdrawn.

Representative Ericks moved the adoption of amendment (1321):

On page 311, line 7, after "provided in" strike "subsection (10)" and insert "subsections (10) and (11)"

On page 312, after line 14, insert the following:

"(11) Up to $2,430,000 of the funds provided in this section may be expended to connect eastern state hospital to the integrated hospital information system. Funds may not be spent for this purpose without the prior approval of the information services board."

Representative Ericks spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

Representative Alexander moved the adoption of amendment (1336):

On page 312, beginning on line 9, strike all of subsection (10).

Representatives Alexander, Condotta, Chandler, Haler, Alexander (again), Newhouse and Condotta (again) spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representatives Ericks, Dickerson and Conway spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

An electronic roll call was requested.

The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) stated the question before the House to be the adoption of amendment (1336) to Substitute House Bill No. 2687.

**ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the adoption of amendment (1336) to Substitute House Bill No. 2687, and the amendment was not adopted by the following vote: Yeas - 38, Nays - 57, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.


Excused: Representatives Chase, Hailey and Hunter - 3.

The bill was ordered engrossed.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Sommers, Dunshee, Kessler and McIntire spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

Representatives Alexander, Anderson, Bailey, Ericksen, Orcutt, Hinkle, Ahern and Armstrong spoke against the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2687.

**ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2687 and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 62, Nays - 33, Absent - 0,
Excused - 3.


Excused: Representatives Chase, Hailey and Hunter - 3.

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2687, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Representative Sommers thanked the OPR Appropriations Committee staff, and asked the Chamber to acknowledge the staff for their hard work and dedication.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Representative Alexander echoed the remarks of the gentle lady from District 26th and joined in asking the Chamber to acknowledge committee staff.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the eleventh order of business.

There being no objection, the House adjourned until 9:55 a.m., February 26, 2008, the 43rd Day of the Regular Session.

FRANK CHOPP, Speaker

BARBARA BAKER, Chief Clerk