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- Agriculture
- Agricultural Pests, Diseases, and Chemical Treatment
- Commodity Commissions
- Conservation Districts
- Dairy Nutrient Management
- Food Labeling, Processing and Safety
- Livestock
- Recreation and State Parks
- Drought
- Water Resources

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- Fish and Wildlife Governance
- Wildlife Issues
- Fisheries and Aquaculture
- Geology and Surface Mining
- State Lands Management
- Forest Health and Fire
- Forestry and Timber
- Salmon Recovery
- Recreation and State Parks

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Business, Financial Services & Trade

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- Banking
- Credit Unions
- Credit Ratings and Scoring
- Payday Lending
- Foreclosures
- Mortgage Brokers
- Public Depositories
- Securities Regulation
- Homeowners’ and Condo Associations
- Economic Development and Incentives
- Regional and Sector Based Development
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  • Insurance Property and Casualty
  • Life Insurance
  • International Trade and Export Assistance
  • Regulatory Assistance
  • Technical Assistance to Businesses
  • Small Business Assistance
  • Tourism

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Early Learning & K-12 Education

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  • Student Health
  • Student and Educator Safety
  • Educational Opportunity Gap Oversight and Accountability Committee
  • Student Discipline

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  • Basic Education
  • Special Education
  • Institutional Education
  • Alternative Learning Experience
  • Charter Schools
  • Education Funding, including Levy and Bond Authority
  • Student Transportation
  • Education Governance and Elections
  • School Construction

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  • High School Graduation Requirements, including Statewide Assessments
  • Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Education
  • Dual Language and Bilingual Education
  • Dual Credits, College in the High School, Running Start
  • Paraeducators
  • Collective Bargaining for School Employees
  • Educator Preparation, Certification, and Evaluation

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Environment, Energy & Technology

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- Technology  
- Telecommunications  

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- Energy Generation and Transmission  
- Climate Policy  
- Electric Vehicles  

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- Air/Water Quality  
- Toxic Substances  
- Solid Waste and Recycling  
- Oil Spills and Prevention  
- Shoreline Management Act  

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Health & Long Term Care

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- Private Health Insurance  
- Prescription Drugs  
- Telemedicine  

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- ITA/Forensic Commitments  
- Behavioral Health including Substance Use, State Hospitals and Mental Health  

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- Developmental Disabilities  
- Opioids  
- Long-Term Care  
- Medicaid  
- Hospital Regulation  

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- Health Care Professions  
- Public Health  

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• ITA/Forensic Commitments
• Mental Health
• Substance Use Disorders
• Community Behavioral Health System
• State Hospitals

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Higher Education & Workforce Development

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• Colleges and Universities
• Financial Aid
• Governance
• Tuition
• Academic Affairs
• Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC)
• Veterans Issues

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• Campus Safety/Sexual Assault Prevention
• Equity and Diversity
• For-Profit Schools
• Workforce Education

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Housing & Local Government

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• Housing Trust Fund
• Homeless Housing Program
• Homelessness Prevention
• Housing Authorities
• Housing Finance Commission
• Manufactured/Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act
• Residential Landlord-Tenant Act
• Residential Zoning
• Youth Homelessness
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- Administrative Procedures Act
- Annexation
- City and County Governance
- Emergency Management
- Fire Protection
- Government Incorporation
- Growth Management Act
- Land Use and Development
- Property Taxes
- Public Contracting Procedures
- Public Works
- Special Purpose Districts
- Vesting

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- Housing Affordability
- Fire Protection
- Special Purpose Districts

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- Economic Services
- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- WorkFirst
- SNAP (Food Benefits)
- Aged, Blind, and Disabled
- Pregnant Women Assistance (PWA)
- Child Welfare/Child Protection
- Foster Care
- Dependency
- Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA)
- At-Risk Youth/CHINS/Truancy
- Status Offenders
- Vulnerable Adults/Abuse and Neglect, APS
- Developmental Disabilities

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- Corrections/Offender Reentry
- Sex Offenders: Civil commitment
- Domestic Violence Issues
- Crime Victims
- Criminal Justice Treatment Account
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- Juvenile Rehabilitation

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Labor, Commerce & Tribal Affairs

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- Industrial Insurance (Workers’ Compensation)
- Unemployment Insurance
- Worker Retraining
- Gambling
- Tribal Compacts
- Horse Racing
- Lottery

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- Consumer Protection
- Apprenticeships
- Prevailing Wage
- Labor Trafficking
- Collective Bargaining
- Tribal Affairs

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- Liquor
- Cannabis
- Employment Standards
- Personnel Practices
- Employment Leave

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Law & Justice

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- Business Law
- DUI
- Family Law
- Firearms
- General Criminal and Civil
- Guardianship and Probate Issues
- Tort Law
- Uniform Laws
**Ryan Giannini, Associate Counsel – 786-7285**
- Firearms
- General Criminal and Civil Issues
- New Crimes and Sentencing Changes

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- Firearms
- General Criminal and Civil Issues
- New Crimes and Sentencing Changes

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**State Government & Elections**

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- Veterans Affairs
- Military Affairs
- Ethics and Conflict of Interest
- Public Records and Disclosure
- Open Public Meetings
- Elections
- Campaign Finance
- Initiatives and Referendums
- Signature Gathering
- Performance Management of State Government Programs and Agencies

**Melissa Van Gorkom, Research Analyst – 786-7491**
- Audits of State Government Programs and Agencies
- Emergency Management
- Information Technology at State Agencies
- Public Contracting Procedures
- Public Works
- Administrative Procedure Act
- Civil Service
- Regulatory Reform
- Historic Preservation
- Archives

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**Transportation**

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- Budget Bill Development and Drafting
- DOT – Public/Private Partnerships
- Traffic Safety Commission
- Washington State Transportation Commission

**Policy Assignments:**
- Bicycles
- Initiative and Referendum Issues
- Motorcycles and Motor Scooters
- State and Regional Transportation Governance
- State and Regional Transportation Planning
- Tolls
- Traffic Safety and Rules of the Road
- Transportation Security Issues (e.g., valid identification and legal presence)
- Transportation Element of Growth Management Act
- Tribal Issues
- Special Purpose Districts
- Utilities and Transportation Commission (passenger/property transportation)

*Jenna Forty, Fiscal Analyst – 786-7755*

**Budget Assignments:**
- Board of Pilotage
- Utilities and Transportation Commission
- Washington State Ferries
- DOT – Information Technology
- DOT – Rail
- DOT – Local Programs
- DOT – Aviation
- DOT – Public Transportation

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**Budget Assignments:**
- Joint Transportation Committee (JTC)
- Office of State Treasurer (OST) (Bond Retirement and Interest)
- Legislative Evaluation and Accountability Program (LEAP)
- Office of Financial Management (OFM)
- Budget Bill Development and Coordination

**Policy Assignments:**
- Financial Plans/Fund Balances
- Bonds Issuance and Retirement

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**Budget Assignments:**
- DOT – Toll Operations
- DOT – Highway Improvements
- DOT – Management
- DOT – Highway Maintenance
- DOT – Highway Preservation
- DOT – Traffic Operations
- DOT – Planning, Data, and Research
- DOT – Program Management and Support
- Archeology and Historic Preservation
- State Parks and Recreation

**Policy Assignments:**
- Tolls
- Highways
- Environmental Issues

**Policy Assignments:**
- Washington State Ferries
- Rail
- Local Transit Agencies, including Sound Transit
- Utilities and Transportation Commission (marine piloting and rail)

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**Budget Assignments:**
- Department of Licensing
  - Drivers
  - Vehicles
- Department of Agriculture
- Washington State Patrol
- DOT – Equipment Fund
- DOT – Charges from Other Agencies
- DOT – Facilities
- Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board (FMSIB)
- Transportation Improvement Board (TIB)
- County Road Administration Board (CRAB)

**Policy Assignments:**
- Department of Licensing
  - Drivers
  - Vehicles
- State Transportation Revenue Forecast
- State and Local Transportation Taxes and Fees
- Washington State Patrol

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- Local Government Assistance
• Municipal Research Council
• Bond Retirement and Interest

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• Attorney General
• Budget Counsel
• House of Representatives
• Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee
• Joint Legislative Systems
• LEAP Committee
• Senate
• Special Appropriations to the Governor
• Statute Law Committee (Code Reviser)
• Sundry Claims

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• Central Washington University
• Community and Technical Colleges
• Eastern Washington University
• The Evergreen State College
• Student Achievement Council
• University of Washington
• Washington State University
• Western Washington University
• Workforce Training and Education Board
• Center for Childhood Deafness and Hearing Loss
• School for the Blind

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• Commissions on Judicial Conduct
• Court of Appeals
• Courts
• Law Library
• Legal Issues relating to Capital Budget
  o Debt Limit
  o Lending of Credit
  o Gift of Public Funds
• Office of the Administrator for the Courts, Office of Civil Legal Aid
• Office of Public Defense
• State Treasurer
• Supreme Court

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• Children, Youth & Families
• Criminal Justice Training Commission
• Department of Agriculture
• Department of Commerce – Housing
• Department of Commerce – all other
• Department of Corrections
• Department of Ecology
• Department of Fish & Wildlife
• Department of Health
• Department of Labor & Industries
• Department of Natural Resources
• Department of Social & Health Services
  o Admin & Supporting Services
  o Development Disabilities
  o Long-Term Care
  o Mental Health
  o Special Commitment
• Department of Transportation
• Employment Security Department
• Military Department
• Parks & Recreation Commission
• Pollution Liability Insurance Program
• Puget Sound Partnership
• State Conservation Commission
• Veteran’s Affairs
• Washington State Patrol

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• Board for Volunteer Firefighters
• Board of Tax Appeals
• Collective Bargaining
• Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials
• Department of Retirement Systems
• Department of Revenue
• Employee Compensation
• Employee Compensation/Health Benefits
• Liquor and Cannabis Board
• PEBB Benefits
• Pensions
• Public Employment Relations Commission
• SEBB Benefits
• State Actuary
• State Investment Board

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• Board of Accountancy
• Criminal Justice Training Commission
• Department of Children, Youth & Families – Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration
• Department of Social & Health Services – Special Commitment Center
• Economic & Revenue Forecast Council
• Office of Administrative Hearings
• Office of the Governor
• Office of Independent Investigations
• Office of the Lieutenant Governor
• Lease Facilities – statewide
• Public Disclosure Commission
• Secretary of State
• State Auditor
• State Lottery Commission
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- K-12 Education
- K-12 Local Levies
- Charter Schools
- K-12: OSPI, Education Reform, Institutional Education

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- Columbia River Gorge Commission
- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Ecology
- Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Department of Natural Resources
- Environmental and Land Use Hearing Office
- Military Department
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Pollution Liability Insurance Agency
- Recreation and Conservation Office
- State Conservation Commission
- Utilities and Transportation Commission

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- Department of Children, Youth & Families
  - Early Learning
  - Program Support
  - Child Welfare
  - Child Support Services
  - Economic Services
- Employment Security Department
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

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- Caseload Forecast Council
- Department of Social & Health Services
  - Developmental Disabilities
  - Long Term Care
- Department of Services for the Blind
- Department of Veterans Affairs

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- Behavioral Health (DSHS & HCA)
- Department of Health
- Department of Social & Health Services
  - Admin and Support Services
  - Information System Services
  - Payments to Other Agencies
  - Vocational Rehabilitation

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- Arts Commission
- Board of Industrial Insurance Appeals
- Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors
- Commission on African-American Affairs
- Commission on Asian-American Affairs
- Commission on Hispanic Affairs
- Department of Commerce
- Department of Financial Institutions
- Department of Licensing (non-transportation)
- Eastern Washington Historical Society
- Forensics Investigation Council
- Gambling Commission
- Horse Racing Commission
- Human Rights Commission
- Labor and Industries
- Minority and Women's Business Enterprises
- Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
- Office on Indian Affairs
- State Patrol (non-transportation)
- Washington State Historical Society

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- Consolidated Technology Services
- Department of Corrections
- Department of Enterprise Services
- Four-Year Budget Outlook
- Information Technology, Statewide
- Interagency Billing Model
- Office of Chief Information Officer
- Office of Financial Management

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- Health Benefits Exchange
- Insurance Commissioner
- HCA – Low Income Health Care (Medicaid)

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