The Senate was called to order at 12:00 noon by President Owen. No roll call was taken.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, the reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was approved.

MOTION

There being no objection, the Senate advanced to the first order of business.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

February 1, 2007
SB 5048 Prime Sponsor, Weinstein: Concerning construction defect actions. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Weinstein, Chair; Kauffman, Vice Chair; Jacobsen, Kilmer, McCaslin and Tom

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Delvin and Honeyford

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007
SB 5050 Prime Sponsor, Weinstein: Modifying the mileage tolling calculation in the motor vehicle lemon law. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5050 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Weinstein, Chair; Kauffman, Vice Chair; Delvin, Honeyford, Jacobsen, Kilmer, McCaslin and Tom

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007
SB 5104 Prime Sponsor, McAuliffe: Expanding the applied baccalaureate degree pilot program. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5104 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Shim, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Berkey, Delvin and Schoesler

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007
SB 5112 Prime Sponsor, Schoesler: Allowing auctioneers to auction vessels without registering as a vessel dealer. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5112 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Clements, Franklin, Holmquist and Murray

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007
SB 5137 Prime Sponsor, Kohl-Welles: Modifying industry average unemployment contribution rates. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5137 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Franklin and Murray

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Clements and Holmquist

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007
SB 5190 Prime Sponsor, Hargrove: Modifying provisions relating to the collection of legal financial obligations. Reported by Committee on Human Services & Corrections

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5190 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Hargrove, Chair; Regala, Vice Chair; Brandland, Carrell, Marr, McAuliffe and Stevens

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007
SB 5200 Prime Sponsor, Delvin: Providing tax credits for contributions to low-income housing efforts. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5200 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Hargrove, Chair; Regala, Vice Chair; Brandland, Carrell, Marr, McAuliffe and Stevens

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007
SB 5222 Prime Sponsor, Hargrove: Modifying provisions affecting the appointment of indeterminate sentence review board members. Reported by Committee on Human Services & Corrections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Hargrove, Chair; Regala, Vice Chair; Brandland, Carrell, Marr, McAuliffe and Stevens

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007
SB 5226 Prime Sponsor, Oemig: Providing for public funding of judicial campaigns. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5226 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline and Pridemore
MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Benton, Roach and Swecker
Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007
SB 5239  Prime Sponsor, Tom: Requiring implementation of a segmented mathematics alternative assessment. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5239 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators McAuliffe, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Clements, Eide, Hobbs, Kauffman, Oemig, Rasmussen and Weinstein
MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Brandland, Hewitt and Holmquist
Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007
SB 5275  Prime Sponsor, Kohl-Welles: Establishing a work group to ensure seamless access to information for all background checks for noncriminal justice purposes. Reported by Committee on Human Services & Corrections

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5275 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Hargrove, Chair; Regala, Vice Chair; Brandland, Carrell, Marr, McAuliffe and Stevens
Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007
SB 5332  Prime Sponsor, Roach: Creating a statewide automated victim information and notification system. Reported by Committee on Human Services & Corrections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Hargrove, Chair; Regala, Vice Chair; Brandland, Carrell, Marr, McAuliffe and Stevens
Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007
SB 5336  Prime Sponsor, Murray: Protecting individuals in domestic partnerships by granting certain rights and benefits. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5336 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline and Pridemore
MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Benton, Roach and Swecker
Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007
SB 5374  Prime Sponsor, Murray: Allowing the exclusion of certain people from licensed gambling premises. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5374 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Clements, Franklin, Holmquist and Murray
Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 2, 2007
SB 5387  Prime Sponsor, Kastama: Promoting economic development through commercialization of technologies. Reported by Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Management

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kastama, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Clements, Kauffman and Shin
Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007
SB 5390  Prime Sponsor, Swecker: Extending the sales and use tax credit for certain public facilities districts. Reported by Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Rasmussen, Chair; Hatfield, Vice Chair; Jacobsen, Morton, Schoesler and Shin
Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 2, 2007
SB 5399  Prime Sponsor, Kilmer: Developing a work group to support industry clusters as an economic development tool. Reported by Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Management

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kastama, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Clements, Kauffman and Shin
Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 2, 2007
SB 5400  Prime Sponsor, Kilmer: Aligning the economic development commission and the workforce training and education coordinating board. Reported by Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Management

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kastama, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Clements, Kauffman and Shin
Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007
SB 5404  Prime Sponsor, Jacobsen: Modifying property tax exemption provisions relating to new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in urban centers to provide affordable housing requirements. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5404 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Weinstein, Chair; Kauffman, Vice Chair; Jacobsen, Kilmer and McCaslin
MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Delvin, Honeyford and Tom
Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007

SB 5407 Prime Sponsor, Regala: Changing certificate of discharge requirements. Reported by Committee on Human Services & Corrections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Hargrove, Chair; Regala, Vice Chair; Brandland, Carrell, Marr, McAuliffe and Stevens

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 2, 2007

SB 5508 Prime Sponsor, Kilmer: Providing for economic development project permitting. Reported by Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Management

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kastama, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Clements, Kauffman and Shin

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 2, 2007

SB 5513 Prime Sponsor, Kilmer: Establishing a state government efficiency hotline. Reported by Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Management

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kastama, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Clements, Kauffman and Shin

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007

SB 5707 Prime Sponsor, Parlette: Limiting, for property tax purposes, the assessed value of a residence for persons who are sixty-one and older. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Benton, Kline, Pridemore, Roach and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007

SB 5708 Prime Sponsor, Parlette: Relating to the qualification requirements for property tax exemptions and deferrals for senior citizens and persons retired for reasons of disability. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Benton, Kline, Pridemore, Roach and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007

SB 5709 Prime Sponsor, Parlette: Providing for the scheduling of real property revaluations and physical inspections for property tax purposes. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline, Pridemore and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007

SB 5737 Prime Sponsor, Fraser: Allowing a freeze in home values in order to provide property tax relief to seniors, persons retired because of disability, and veterans with service-connected disabilities. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Benton, Kline, Pridemore, Roach and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007

SJR 8218 Prime Sponsor, Parlette: Providing property tax relief on the assessed value of real property based on the property owner's age. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Benton, Kline, Pridemore, Roach and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.


Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 1, 2007

SGA 9127 ROGER K. JACKSON, reappointed February 10, 2005, for the term ending December 5, 2008, as Member of the Western State Hospital Advisory Board. Reported by Committee on Human Services & Corrections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Regala, Vice Chair; Brandland, Carrell and McAuliffe

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007

SGA 9142 SHERYL LAMBERTON, PHD, reappointed February 10, 2005, for the term ending December 5, 2007, as Member of the Western State Hospital Advisory Board. Reported by Committee on Human Services & Corrections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Regala, Vice Chair; Brandland, Carrell and McAuliffe

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 1, 2007

SGA 9181 DAVID STEWART, reappointed February 10, 2005, for the term ending December 5, 2007, as Member of the Western State Hospital Advisory Board. Reported by Committee on Human Services & Corrections

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Regala, Vice Chair; Brandland, Carrell and McAuliffe

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.
On motion of Senator Eide, all appointees listed on the Gubernatorial Appointments report were referred to the committees as designated.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, the Senate advanced to the fifth order of business.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 5850 by Senators Fraser, Kastama, Franklin, Hargrove, McAuliffe, Regala, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen and Kline

AN ACT Relating to protecting the rights of individuals with mental disorders; amending RCW 43.190.030, 71.05.360, and 71.34.355; and repealing RCW 71.24.350.

Referred to Committee on Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5851 by Senators Jacobsen, Benton, Zarelli, Prentice, Honeyford and Rasmussen

AN ACT Relating to rail preservation; reenacting and amending RCW 43.79A.040; adding new sections to chapter 47.01 RCW; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5852 by Senators Kline, Poulsen, Jacobsen and Rasmussen

AN ACT Relating to growth in rural areas; adding a new section to chapter 36.70A RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5853 by Senators Fairley, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen and Keiser

AN ACT Relating to clarifying the definition of victim of identity theft for the purposes of placing a security freeze; and amending RCW 19.182.170.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

SB 5854 by Senators Benton and Carrell

AN ACT Relating to utility liens against rental property; and amending RCW 35.21.290, 35.67.200, and 36.94.150.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5855 by Senators Delvin, Shin, Berkey, Kilmer, Oemig and Rasmussen

AN ACT Relating to modification of the higher education coordinating board; amending RCW 28B.76.050, 28B.76.090, and 28B.76.210; repealing RCW 28B.76.100; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education.
SB 5856  by Senators Rockefeller, Kline, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Kauffman, Weinstein, Pridemore and Fairley

AN ACT Relating to bidder responsibility; amending RCW 39.04.010 and 39.04.155; adding a new section to chapter 39.04 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 39.06 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5857  by Senators Jacobsen and Kohl-Welles

AN ACT Relating to the Nordic Heritage Museum; and adding a new section to chapter 1.20 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5858  by Senators Swecker, Morton, McCaslin and Schoesler

AN ACT Relating to compliance with federal selective service requirements before the issuance of drivers' licenses and identification cards; adding a new section to chapter 46.20 RCW; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5859  by Senators Kohl-Welles, Prentice, Clements and Murray

AN ACT Relating to retail liquor licenses; amending RCW 66.24.010, 66.24.440, 66.08.180, 66.08.220, 66.20.310, 66.40.030, and 66.40.130; reenacting and amending RCW 68.50.107, 66.24.420, and 66.24.420; adding a new section to chapter 66.24 RCW; providing an effective date; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5860  by Senators Murray, Holmquist, Keiser, Kohl-Welles and Clements

AN ACT Relating to preventing the spread of disease in body piercing practices through standard universal precautions and sterilization requirements; amending RCW 5.40.050; adding new sections to chapter 70.54 RCW; creating a new section; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5861  by Senators Rasmussen, Jacobsen and Kastama

AN ACT Relating to special assessments for conservation district activities and programs; and amending RCW 89.08.400.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

SB 5862  by Senators Kilmer, Rockefeller, Poulsen, Kohl-Welles and Kline

AN ACT Relating to passenger-only ferry service funding; amending RCW 36.57A.220, 47.01.350, 47.60.622, and 82.08.0255; amending 2006 c 332 s 2 (uncodified); adding a new section to chapter 47.60 RCW; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5863  by Senators Kilmer, Honeyford, Tom, Marr, Delvin, Jacobsen and Rasmussen

AN ACT Relating to establishing fair market property values by considering the growth management act; and adding a new section to chapter 36.70A RCW.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5864  by Senators Oemig, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, Eide and Kohl-Welles

AN ACT Relating to kindergarten transition plans; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5865  by Senator Kline

AN ACT Relating to law enforcement use of risk level classifications for registration and community notification of sex offenders and kidnapping offenders; and amending RCW 72.09.345.

Referred to Committee on Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5866  by Senators Kline, Fairley, Kilmer, Rasmussen and Keiser

AN ACT Relating to increasing the homestead exemption amount; and amending RCW 6.13.030.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SB 5867  by Senators Kline and Sheldon

AN ACT Relating to the authorization of tribal, Indian nation, and bureau of Indian affairs law enforcement and public safety officers to act as Washington state peace officers; and adding a new chapter to Title 10 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SB 5868  by Senators Kline, Jacobsen, Shin, Weinstein and Murray

AN ACT Relating to defining civil disorder; amending RCW 9A.48.120; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SB 5869  by Senators Kline, Fairley, Franklin and Keiser

AN ACT Relating to the collection of personally identifiable information by state agencies; and amending RCW 43.105.020 and 43.105.052.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5870  by Senators Kline, Hargrove, Eide and Marr
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AN ACT Relating to records in a criminal case; and adding a new chapter to Title 10 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SB 5871 by Senators Kline and Pridemore

AN ACT Relating to the addition of an energy element for comprehensive planning under the growth management act; and amending RCW 36.70A.070.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5872 by Senators Kline, Fraser and Pridemore

AN ACT Relating to requiring the projected costs of certain criminal justice legislation to be appropriated into accounts to be used for capital costs; adding a new section to chapter 43.88A RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.132 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.330 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 43.79 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 43.135 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5873 by Senators Kline, Shin, Jacobsen and Kohl-Welles

AN ACT Relating to the human rights commission's definition of employer; and amending RCW 49.60.040.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5874 by Senator Kline

AN ACT Relating to requiring health benefit plans to provide coverage for elemental formulas; adding a new section to chapter 41.05 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.20 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.44 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.46 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.125 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 70.47 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 74.09 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5875 by Senators Rasmussen, Clements and Franklin

AN ACT Relating to the regulation of the HVAC/R profession; amending RCW 18.106.010, 18.106.020, 18.106.030, 18.106.040, 18.106.110, 18.106.130, 18.106.150, 18.106.170, 18.106.180, and 18.106.270; adding new sections to chapter 18.106 RCW; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5876 by Senators Poulsen and Kline

AN ACT Relating to salmon and steelhead spawning beds; and adding a new section to chapter 77.95 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

AN ACT Relating to clarifying when a water right is relinquished; amending RCW 90.03.380; reenacting and amending RCW 90.14.140; adding a new section to chapter 90.03 RCW; creating a new section; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Water, Energy & Telecommunications.

SB 5878 by Senators Hargrove, Kline, Eide, Marr, Shin, Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen and Keiser

AN ACT Relating to identity theft; adding a new section to chapter 9.35 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SB 5879 by Senators Fairley, Roach, Benton, Kohl-Welles, Murray, Swecker, Kline, Keiser, Schoesler, Fraser, Jacobsen and Rockefeller

AN ACT Relating to payroll deductions for retiree organization dues; and amending RCW 41.04.230.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5880 by Senators Kilmer, Kastama, Swecker, Roach, Keiser and Delvin

AN ACT Relating to the department of social and health services' technical assistance and audit program for pharmacy payments; amending RCW 74.09.200; adding new sections to chapter 74.09 RCW; and creating new sections.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5881 by Senators Poulsen, Delvin, Regala and Fraser

AN ACT Relating to water power license fees; and amending RCW 90.16.050 and 90.16.090.

Referred to Committee on Water, Energy & Telecommunications.

SB 5882 by Senators Fraser, Honeyford, Regala, Swecker, Rockefeller, Parlette, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen and Kastama

AN ACT Relating to creating the Washington state heritage center account and establishing fees to be used for financing the Washington state heritage center; amending RCW 43.07.370; reenacting and amending RCW 36.18.010 and 43.79A.040; adding new sections to chapter 43.07 RCW; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5883 by Senators Fraser, Swecker, Hargrove, Stevens, Morton, Jacobsen, Rockefeller, Rasmussen and Franklin

AN ACT Relating to the conversion of forest land to nonforestry uses; amending RCW 76.09.060, 76.09.070,
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76.09.065, 76.09.067, and 76.09.240; and adding new sections to chapter 76.09 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5884 by Senators Jacobsen and Weinstein

AN ACT Relating to creating a sales tax exemption for retail sellers for the state sales tax on interchange fees; and adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

SB 5885 by Senators Jacobsen and Weinstein

AN ACT Relating to protecting consumers by prohibiting interchange fees from being charged on the state sales tax portion of a retail sale transaction; amending RCW 63.14.010; and adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.


AN ACT Relating to "Autism Awareness" special license plates; amending RCW 46.16.745 and 46.16.316; reenacting and amending RCW 46.16.313 and 46.16.725; adding new sections to chapter 46.16 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5887 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Kline, Murray and Regala

AN ACT Relating to fiscal reform; amending RCW 82.03.130, 82.03.140, 2.10.180, 2.12.090, 6.13 030, 41.24.240, 41.35.100, 41.40.052, 41.44.240, and 43.43.310; reenacting and amending RCW 6.15.020, 41.32.052, and 41.26.053; adding a new title to the Revised Code of Washington to be codified as Title 82A RCW; creating a new section; repealing RCW 6.15.025; prescribing penalties; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of Senate Bill No. 5853 which was referred to the Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, the Senate advanced to the eighth order of business.

MOTION

Senator Schoesler moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION
8609

By Senator Hewitt

WHEREAS, Sister Cities International was started in 1956 by Dwight D. Eisenhower; and

WHEREAS, Sister Cities International represents communities in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and five United States territories including 714 communities in the United States with 1,987 partnerships; and

WHEREAS, Sister Cities International represents communities in Africa, Latin America, Asia/Oceania, the Caribbean, Eurasia, Europe, the Middle East, and Canada, including 1,790 international communities in 137 countries; and

WHEREAS, The Walla Walla Sister City Committee is celebrating 35 years of goodwill and partnership with their sister city, Sasayama, Japan; and

WHEREAS, The sister city relationship between Walla Walla and Sasayama has allowed citizens of those two cities to develop lifetime friendships by opening up their homes for others to stay in; and

WHEREAS, Walla Wallans of all ages have been personally and culturally enriched through sharing their homes, families, music, education, and cultures with the citizens of Sasayama; and

WHEREAS, A special delegation from Walla Walla will travel to Sasayama this October to commemorate the 35th year of friendship; and

WHEREAS, The Blue Mountain Troublemakers, a middle school and high school bluegrass band, will help the cities celebrate this event by performing in Sasayama;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate acknowledge and honor the Walla Walla Sister City Committee for their contribution to the cultural enrichment of Walla Walla and the state of Washington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Walla Walla Sister City Committee and the City of Walla Walla.

Senator Schoesler spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8609.

The motion by Senator Schoesler carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

At 12:08 p.m., on motion of Senator Eide, the Senate adjourned until 12:30 noon, Tuesday, February 6, 2007.

BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate

THOMAS HOEMANN, Secretary of the Senate
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