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

March 27, 2007

2SHB 1009 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Establishing work groups to periodically review and update the child support schedule. 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.

March 27, 2007

HB 1054 Prime Sponsor, Hudgins: Modifying membership of the information services board. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline, Roach and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2007

HB 1073 Prime Sponsor, Schual-Berke: Concerning limited emergency worker volunteer immunity. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline, Roach and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Murray, Vice Chair; Berkey, Clements, Delvin, Eide, Jacobsen, Kastama, Kauffman, Kilmer, Sheldon, Spanel and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2007

ESHB 1147 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Concerning damage to livestock. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Fraser, Hargrove, Morton, Stevens and Swecker

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Senator Poulsen

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 27, 2007

HB 1187 Prime Sponsor, Kelley: Creating a new chapter regarding affordable housing. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

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

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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ESHB 1249 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Authorizing a one-year deferral of hunter education training. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Fraser, Hargrove, Morton, Spanel, Stevens and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2007

SHB 1259 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Allowing the parks and recreation commission to deny or revoke the issuance of a park pass in certain circumstances. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice
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Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

2SHB 1280 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Capital Budget: Providing for the use of the school district capital projects funds for technology. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators McAuliffe, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Brandland, Eide, Hobbs, Kaufman, Oemig, Rasmussen and Weinstein

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

Passes to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2007

2SHB 1287 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Early Learning & Children's Services: Modifying foster children placement provisions. Reported by Committee on Human Services & Corrections

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

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 27, 2007

SHB 1304 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Modifying commercial motor vehicle carrier provisions. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Murray, Vice Chair, Berkey, Clements, Delvin, Eide, Jacobsen, Kastama, Kaufman, Kilmer, Sheldon, Spanel and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 26, 2007

SHB 1328 Prime Sponsor, Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs: Concerning small works roster contracting procedures. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline and Pridemore


Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2007

HB 1345 Prime Sponsor, Wood: Prohibiting minors from participating in gambling activities. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Clements, Franklin, Hewitt, Holmquist, Murray and Prentice

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2007

2SHB 1401 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Capital Budget: Regarding the acquisition of land for affordable housing. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Weinstein, Chair; Kaufman, Vice Chair; Delvin, Haugen, Honeyford, Jacobsen, Kilmer, McCaslin and Tom

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 28, 2007

SHB 1409 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Transferring jurisdiction over conversion-related forest practices to local governments. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Fraser, Hargrove, Morton, Poulsen, Spanel, Stevens and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 27, 2007

HB 1449 Prime Sponsor, Condotta: Regarding nondisclosure of certain information of gambling commission licensees. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Clements, Franklin, Hewitt, Holmquist, Murray and Prentice

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2007

HB 1450 Prime Sponsor, Sells: Modifying provisions that exempt housing for very low-income households from taxation. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Weinstein, Chair; Kaufman, Vice Chair; Haugen, Honeyford, Jacobsen, Kilmer, McCaslin and Tom

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 27, 2007

SHB 1472 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Early Learning & Children's Services: Analyzing and remedying racial disproportionality and racial disparity in child welfare. Reported by Committee on Human Services & Corrections

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

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 27, 2007

2SHB 1488 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Finance: Enhancing the state's oil spill response program. Reported by Committee on Water, Energy & Telecommunications

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Poulsen, Chair; Fraser, Marr, Oemig, Pridemore and Regala

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Delvin, Holinquist and Morton

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

SHB 1500  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Commerce & Labor: Modifying provisions on permanent partial disability claims. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Clements, Franklin, Hewitt, Holinquist, Murray and Prentice

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2007

HB 1501  Prime Sponsor, Wood: Concerning adjustments to industrial insurance total disability compensation reductions. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Clements, Franklin, Hewitt, Holinquist, Murray and Prentice

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2007

2SHB 1506  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Capital Budget: Changing alternative works provisions. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline, Pridemore, Roach and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2007

2SHB 1573  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Authorizing a statewide program for comprehensive dropout prevention, intervention, and retrieval. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators McAuliffe, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Eide, Hobbs, Kauffman, Oemig, Rasmussen and Weinstein


Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 28, 2007

SHB 1583  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Commerce & Labor: Requiring disclosure to customers of the percentage of automatic service charges paid to servers. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2007

2SHB 1565  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Establishing the Puget Sound scientific research account. Reported by Committee on Water, Energy & Telecommunications

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Poulsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Delvin, Fraser, Holinquist, Honeyford, Marr, Morton, Oemig, Pridemore and Regala

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 28, 2007

HB 1670  Prime Sponsor, Quill: Articulating the purpose and role of school counselors. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Tom, Vice Chair; Clements, Eide, Hewitt, Hobbs, Oemig, Rasmussen, Weinstein and Zarelli

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2007

SHB 1694  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Requiring the agency council on coordinated transportation to coordinate special needs transportation. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Murray, Vice Chair; Berkey, Clements, Delvin, Eide, Jacobsen, Kastama, Kauffman, Kilmer, Sheldon, Spanel and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1706  Prime Sponsor, Conway: Concerning jurisdiction under the Indian gaming regulatory act. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Franklin, Murray and Prentice

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Clements, Hewitt and Holinquist

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2007

ESHB 1727  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Local Government: Planning to ensure sufficient land and densities available to accommodate growth. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline, Pridemore and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SHB 1777 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Judiciary: Regulating charitable organizations that solicit contributions from the public. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

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

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SHB 1832 Prime Sponsor, Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs: Shortening the statute of limitations on claims under chapter 42.17 RCW. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline, Pridemore and Swecker

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Roach

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SHB 1843 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Commerce & Labor: Modifying provisions regulating contractors. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Clements, Franklin, Hewitt, Holmquist, Murray and Prentice

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

ESHB 1858 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Regarding the imposition of fees by transportation benefit districts. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Murray, Vice Chair; Berkey, Clements, Eide, Jacobsen, Kastama, Spanel and Swecker

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Delvin

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SHB 1865 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Judiciary: Limiting the obligations of landlords under writs of restitution. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Weinstein, Chair; Delvin, Haugen, Honeyford, Jacobsen, Kilmer, McCaslin and Tom

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Kauffman, Vice Chair

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SHB 1879 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Authorizing the department of natural resources to give nominally valuable materials to nonprofit organizations. Revised for 1st Substitute: Authorizing the department of natural resources to offer nominally valuable materials to nonprofit organizations. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Fraser, Hargrove, Morton, Poulson, Spanel, Stevens and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SHB 1892 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Addressing the impoundment of vehicles parked on public streets by police officers. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Murray, Vice Chair; Berkey, Delvin, Jacobsen, Kastama, Kilmer, Spanel and Swecker

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Clements, Kauffman and Sheldon

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

EHB 1895 Prime Sponsor, Quall: Providing apprenticeship utilization requirements for school district public works projects. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Franklin, Murray and Prentice

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

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SHB 1909 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Protecting from the theft of specialized forest products. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Fraser, Hargrove, Morton, Poulson, Spanel, Stevens and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

ESHB 1916 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Commerce & Labor: Applying interest arbitration to certain care providers. Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.
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Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SHB 1965 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Local Government: Authorizing major industrial development within industrial land banks. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline, Roach and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

E2SHB 2053 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Finance: Providing for improved availability of motor vehicle fuel during power outages or interruptions in electrical service. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Murray, Vice Chair; Berkey, Clemens, Delvin, Holmquist, Kauffman, Kilmer, Sheldon, Spanel and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

SHB 2056 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Requiring recycling receptacles at official gatherings and sports facilities. Reported by Committee on Water, Energy & Telecommunications

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Poulsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Marr, Oemig, Pridemore and Regala

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Holmquist, Honeyford and Morton

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SHB 2107 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Authorizing the use of innovative settlement agreements in lieu of appeal for violations of chapters 90.48 and 90.56 RCW. Reported by Committee on Water, Energy & Telecommunications

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Poulsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Delvin, Fraser, Holmquist, Honeyford, Marr, Morton, Oemig, Pridemore and Regala

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

HB 2135 Prime Sponsor, Wood: Expanding lemon law coverage to out-of-state consumers. Reported by Committee on Consumer Protection & Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Weinstein, Chair; Kauffman, Vice Chair; Delvin, Haugen, Honeyford, Jacobsen, Kilmer and McCaslin

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SHB 2152 Prime Sponsor, Appleton: Regarding election certification. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline, Roach and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SHB 2219 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Regarding forest practices regulations that apply to small forest landowners. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Hargrove, Morton, Spanel and Stevens

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Swecker

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

SHB 2230 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Early Learning & Children's Services: Regarding early intervention services for children three years old. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Tom, Vice Chair; Clements, Eide, Hewitt, Hobbs, Oemig, Rasmussen, Weinstein and Zarelli

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

HB 2281 Prime Sponsor, Appleton: Revising provisions for shared leave. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Kline, Roach and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

2SHB 2327 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Regarding a system of standards, instruction, and assessments for mathematics and science. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators McAuliffe, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Eide, Hobbs, Kaufman, Oemig, Rasmussen and Weinstein

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Brandland, Clements, Hewitt, Holmquist and Zarelli

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.
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SHB 2394
Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation:
Requesting the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds for transportation improvements. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Murray, Vice Chair; Berkey, Clements, Eide, Jacobsen, Kastama, Kaufman, Kilmer, Sheldon, Spanel and Swecker


Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

MOTION
On motion of Eide, all measures listed on the Standing Committee report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of Substitute House Bill No. 1287, House Bill No. 1450, Substitute House Bill No. 1472, Second Substitute House Bill No. 1656, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1916 which were referred to the Committee on Ways & Means and Second Substitute House Bill No. 1506, Substitute House Bill No. 1777, Substitute House Bill No. 1843, Engrossed House Bill No. 1898 and Second Substitute House Bill No. 2327 which were referred to the Committee on Rules.

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

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR
GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS
April 12, 2007

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
Ladies and Gentlemen:
I have the honor to submit the following appointment, subject to your confirmation.

PAUL WINTERS, appointed March 14, 2007, for the term ending June 30, 2008, as Member, Board of Trustees, The Evergreen State College.

Sincerely,

CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE, Governor

Referred to Committee on Higher Education.

MOTION
On motion of Senator Eide, the appointee listed on the Gubernatorial Appointment report was referred to the committee as designated.

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

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE
March 28, 2007

MR. PRESIDENT:
The House has passed the following bills:
SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1871,

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1906,
SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2262,
and the same are herewith transmitted.

RICHARD NAFFZIGER, Chief Clerk

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

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

2SHB 1871 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representative Santos)

AN ACT Relating to education system benchmarks and monitoring; adding new sections to chapter 43.41 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.320 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW; and creating new sections.

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

2SHB 1906 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunter, Anderson, Wallace, Seaquist, Eddy, P. Sullivan, McDermott, Ormsby, McIntire, Pedersen, Rolfs, Barlow, Goodman, Rodne, O'Brien, Kenney, McDonald, Moran, Newhouse, Hurst, Skinner, Wood and Bailey)

AN ACT Relating to improving mathematics and science education; amending RCW 28A.660.005, 28A.660.050, and 28B.102.080; adding new sections to chapter 28A.305 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.415 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 28A.660 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.320 RCW; creating new sections; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

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

2SHB 2262 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Barlow, McCoy, Hunter, Seaquist, Eddy, Fromhold, Ormsby, Sells and Morrell)

AN ACT Relating to salary bonuses for individuals certified by the national board for professional teaching standards; reenacting and amending RCW 41.32.010; adding a new section to chapter 28A.405 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

MOTION
On motion of Senator Eide, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated.

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

Senator Jacobsen moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION 8669

By Senator Jacobsen

WHEREAS, Alexander Jonlin, a student at Washington Middle School in Seattle, has achieved national recognition for his exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2007 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to their communities; and

WHEREAS, At age 11, Alex vigorously pursued his idea of a State Office of Children's Opinions by collecting over 400 petition signatures and employing the help of his legislator, Senator Ken Jacobsen of the 46th Legislative District, to introduce a bill; and

WHEREAS, Alex successfully lobbied the 2005 Legislature to create the Washington State Legislative Youth Advisory Council, the means by which the youth of Washington State have a voice in government; and

WHEREAS, Being yet excluded from membership in the Council because of his age, he returned to Olympia the following session to change the age requirement and sunset clause, while also contributing as an honorary member of the Council; and

WHEREAS, Alex has demonstrated the persistence, courage, and confidence of someone well beyond his years, and his extraordinary leadership has blazed a trail for the youth of Washington State;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize and thank Alex Jonlin for his dedication, perseverance, and continued service to Washington State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Alex Jonlin, the Legislative Youth Advisory Council, and Washington Middle School.

Senator Jacobsen spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8669.

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

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President welcomed and introduced Mr. Alexander Jonlin who was seated in the gallery.

MOTION

Senator Regala moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION 8673

By Senators Regala and Jacobsen

WHEREAS, Walter B. Williams, former leader of HomeStreet Bank for nearly three decades and a community leader, grew up in Seattle, Washington; and

WHEREAS, Walter Williams graduated from the University of Washington and Harvard Law School; and

WHEREAS, A Veteran of World War II, Walter served on the Pacific islands of Bougainville, Guam, and Iwo Jima as a Japanese Language Officer in the United States Marine Corps.

While in Japan, Walter carried letters from the Japanese POWs to their families. Walter then became president and long-time member of the Japan-American Society of Washington, where he worked to promote goodwill between the two nations; and

WHEREAS, For nearly three decades Walter was president and chairman of Continental, Inc., which evolved into HomeStreet Bank; and

WHEREAS, Walter served as a Washington state Representative from 1961 to 1963; and

WHEREAS, Walter served eight years in the State Senate from 1963-1971. His efforts focused on improving schools and increasing the effectiveness of both state and local government; and

WHEREAS, Walter Williams was president of many community organizations including the Rotary Club of Seattle, the Economic developmental Council of Puget Sound, the Puget Sound, Association of Phi Beta Kappa, and the Downtown Seattle Association; and

WHEREAS, Walter served on the boards of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, the Seattle King County Municipal League, The Evergreen State College Foundation, and Medina Children's Services. He was also a founding member of Washington Roundtable; and

WHEREAS, In 1997 Walter was honored as First Citizen, an annual award honoring a King County resident who has provided outstanding public service and leadership; and

WHEREAS, One of Walter's great loves was the Seattle Woodland Park Zoo. In 1984, he was appointed by then Mayor Charles Royer to chair a 50-member Zoo Commission at a time when the Zoo was at a crossroads. Walter recommended placing a King County Zoo bond issue on the ballot in 1985 and led it to passage. Walter served as a key player in the Zoo's construction into a world-class facility; and

WHEREAS, Walter's loving wife of 60 years, Marie, passed away in September 2006; and

WHEREAS, Walter B. Williams passed away November 9, 2006, leaving behind his loving four children: Kathryn Williams, Bruce Williams, Marcia Williams, and Wendy Williams;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate commemorate Walter B. Williams' accomplishments and contributions to Washington state; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Washington State Senate, HomeStreet Bank, and Walter Williams' four children.

Senator Regala spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8673.

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

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President welcomed and introduced Ms. Katharine Williams, daughter of former Senator Walter B. Williams, who was seated in the gallery.

MOTION

Senator Swecker moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION 8651

By Senator Swecker

WHEREAS, Members of the Armed Forces of the United States serve with honor, bravery, and skill in Afghanistan, advancing the cause of liberty and making our nation a safer place from terrorist organizations; and
WHEREAS, Members of the Armed Forces of the United States lead Operation Enduring Freedom, a multinational operation to counter terrorism and bring security to Afghanistan in cooperation with Afghan forces; and

WHEREAS, On October 7, 2001, Operation Enduring Freedom combat operations commenced, successfully leading to the overthrow of the despotie Taliban regime, the kill or capture of numerous terrorist leaders, and the destruction of terrorist training camps; and

WHEREAS, The further pursuit and defeat of terrorist forces in Afghanistan was undertaken by members of the Armed Forces of the United States and allies in the Battle of Tora Bora, Operation Anaconda, and Operation Mountain Thrust; and

WHEREAS, The security efforts and humanitarian efforts by members of the Armed Forces of the United States and allies have freed the Afghan people from oppression and human rights violations by a brutal regime, allowed the Afghan people to pursue the promise of freedom, and provided the protections necessary for the Afghan people to elect their own government; and

WHEREAS, Some 19,000 members of the Armed Forces of the United States continue to engage Taliban remnants and other extremists, continue to bolster security along the Afghan-Pakistan Border, and support the Afghan people through government reconstruction and good governance initiatives, including the rebuilding of damaged roads, community buildings, and wells; and

WHEREAS, Many of the members of the Armed Forces of the United States who have served or who currently serve in Afghanistan are from the state of Washington, with families who have endured and sacrificed so much for their country;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor and thank the members of the Armed Forces of the United States who have served and continue to serve with bravery and distinction in Afghanistan, including those members of the Armed Forces from the state of Washington and their families.

Senator Sweeney spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8651.

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

MOTION

Senator Spanel moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION 8667

By Senators Spanel, Haugen, Prentice, Sheldon, Kauffman and Shin

WHEREAS, Kenneth C. Hansen, Chairman of the Samish Indian Nation, passed away July 26, 2006, following an extended illness; and

WHEREAS, Ken was born and raised in Washington state, received his bachelor's degree from Antioch University in Seattle, and served on the Samish Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, Ken was instrumental in the Samish Nation's federal recognition in 1996, fought a 26-year battle for federal re-recognition for the Samish Nation, and carried on the fight for tribal sovereignty and self-determination; and

WHEREAS, Ken led efforts to maintain a resurgence of the Samish native language, and to preserve the history and heritage of the Samish Nation; and

WHEREAS, Ken used his political savvy and eloquent speech to bring public and governmental attention to tribal issues such as environmental pollution and the infant mortality crisis; and

WHEREAS, Ken was nationally recognized as a driving force for Native American rights; and

WHEREAS, Having been considered an expert in tribal economic development, Ken secured grant funding for the benefit of Native American nations throughout the coastal region; and

WHEREAS, Ken's legacy of courage and perseverance encourages us all to always fight for what we know is right; and

WHEREAS, Ken is survived by his mother Mary Hansen, former Samish tribal secretary; brother Roger; stepdaughters Krista and Keshema; and their mother Deborah May; and

WHEREAS, We all mourn the loss of Kenneth C. Hansen and will miss his contributions not only to the Samish Nation, but to the entire state of Washington.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor the service, devotion, and caring spirit of Kenneth Charles Hansen and extend its deepest condolences to his family, the Samish people, and his many friends; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Washington State Senate, the family of Kenneth C. Hansen, and the Samish Indian Nation.

Senators Spanel and Kauffman spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8667.

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

MOTION

By Senator Eide

WHEREAS, Washington derives much of its strength, beauty, and unique character from the wonderful mosaic of diverse people who live, work, and play in the state, including residents of Indian descent; and

WHEREAS, The more than 50,000 Indians in Washington state make positive contributions to our growth and development, achieving and sharing successes in business, technology, education, arts and sciences, and civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, Indians take pride in their achievements, as well as their cherished customs, traditions, and beliefs; and

WHEREAS, August 15, 1947, marked India's independence from 100 years of British rule; under the principles of nonviolence led by Mahatma Gandhi; and

WHEREAS, The 60th anniversary of India's Independence Day will bring together people of all ages to share the rich diversity, traditions, and history of Indians in Washington state; and

WHEREAS, The India Association of Washington will celebrate its 25th anniversary of service to the East Indian community in 2008; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Christine O. Gregoire, Governor of the state of Washington, has proclaimed August 15, 2007, as India Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate join the governor in celebrating August 15, 2007, as India Day in the state of Washington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That due to the growing population of the East Indian Community in Washington state and the many contributions they make, the Senate should remember August 15th as India Day; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the
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Senate to the President of the India Association of Western Washington.

Senator Eide spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution. The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8674. The motion by Senator Eide carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

At 12:29 p.m., on motion of Senator Eide, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 a.m. Friday, March 30, 2007.

BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate

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