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

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, 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

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SB 5343 Prime Sponsor, Senator Hasegawa: Concerning parking impact mitigation from regional transit authority facility construction. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5343 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators King, Chair; Fain, Vice Chair; Hobbs, Ranking Minority Member; Liias, Assistant Minority Member; Cleveland; Habib; Jayapal; Litzow; Miloscia; Pedersen; Rivers and Sheldon.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 16, 2015

SB 5362 Prime Sponsor, Senator King: Concerning the regulation of passenger charter and excursion carriers. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5362 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators King, Chair; Fain, Vice Chair; Hobbs, Ranking Minority Member; Liias, Assistant Minority Member; Cleveland; Habib; Jayapal; Litzow; Miloscia; Pedersen; Rivers and Sheldon.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Cleveland and Jayapal.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 16, 2015

SB 5451 Prime Sponsor, Senator Braun: Addressing vocational rehabilitation by making certain recommendations from the vocational rehabilitation subcommittee permanent and creating certain incentives for employers to employ injured workers with permanent disabilities. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5451 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Braun, Vice Chair; Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway; Keiser; King and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5468 Prime Sponsor, Senator King: Authorizing the use of nonappropriated funds on certain administrative costs and expenses of the stay-at-work and self-insured employer programs. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Braun, Vice Chair; Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway; Keiser; King and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5519 Prime Sponsor, Senator Kohl-Welles: Enacting the comprehensive marijuana reform act. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Braun, Vice Chair; Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway; Keiser; King and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 16, 2015

SB 5527 Prime Sponsor, Senator Liias: Concerning voter registration. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Security

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5527 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Benton, Vice Chair; Liias, Ranking Minority Member; Habib and McCoy.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Roach, Chair Pearson, Vice Chair.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 16, 2015

SB 5587 Prime Sponsor, Senator Becker: Authorizing funding and expenditures for the hosting of the annual conference of the national association of state treasurers. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Security

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Roach, Chair; Pearson, Vice Chair; Liias, Ranking Minority Member; Habib and McCoy.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Roach, Chair; Pearson, Vice Chair; Liias, Ranking Minority Member; Habib and McCoy.
Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5654  Prime Sponsor, Senator Dansel: Concerning partial payment of current and delinquent taxes to the county treasurer. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Security

MAJORITY recommendation:  Do pass. Signed by Senators Roach, Chair; Pearson, Vice Chair; Liias, Ranking Minority Member; Habib and McCoy.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 16, 2015

SB 5810  Prime Sponsor, Senator Roach: Promoting the use, acceptance, and removal of barriers to the use and acceptance of electronic signatures. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Security

MAJORITY recommendation:  That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5810 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Roach, Chair; Pearson, Vice Chair; Liias, Ranking Minority Member; Habib and McCoy.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 16, 2015

SB 5887  Prime Sponsor, Senator Pearson: Lengthening the maximum terms of leases entered into by the director of enterprise services in certain counties. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Security

MAJORITY recommendation:  That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5887 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Roach, Chair; Pearson, Vice Chair; Liias, Ranking Minority Member; Habib and McCoy.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 16, 2015

SJM 8012  Prime Sponsor, Senator Hargrove: Requesting the designation of U.S. Highway 101 to honor recipients of the Medal of Honor. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation:  Do pass. Signed by Senators King, Chair; Fain, Vice Chair; Hobbs, Ranking Minority Member; Liias, Assistant Minority Member; Cleveland; Habib; Jayapal; Litzow; Miloscia; Pedersen; Rivers and Sheldon.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

MOTION

On motion of Fain, all measures listed on the Standing Committee report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of Senate Bill No. 5654 which was referred to the Committee on Rules.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the Senate advanced to the fourth order of business.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

February 16, 2015

MR. PRESIDENT:
The House has passed:
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1089,
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1091,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1263
and the same are herewith transmitted.

BERNARD DEAN, Deputy Chief Clerk

MOTION

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

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 6010  by Senators Parlette and Keiser
AN ACT Relating to promoting quality nursing home care with a quality workforce through value-focused, acuity-based purchasing utilizing the nursing home payment methodology; amending RCW 74.42.360, 74.46.022, 74.46.431, 74.46.435, 74.46.437, 74.46.485, 74.46.506, 74.46.515, 74.46.521, and 74.46.541; adding new sections to chapter 74.46 RCW; creating a new section; repealing RCW 74.46.024, 74.46.803, and 74.46.807; making appropriations; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Health Care.

SB 6011  by Senators Mullet and Braun
AN ACT Relating to allowing industry members to provide alcoholic beverage retailers with credit on alcoholic beverage purchases; amending RCW 66.28.310; and adding a new section to chapter 66.28 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

SB 6012  by Senators Roach and Liias
AN ACT Relating to the protection of drinking water when issuing building permits; and amending RCW 19.27.095.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

SB 6013  by Senators Roach, Angel and Dammeier
AN ACT Relating to providing use tax relief for individuals who support charitable activities; amending RCW 82.12.225; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 6014  by Senators Honeyford, Cleveland, Hatfield and Chase
AN ACT Relating to remedies for actions under the public records act; and amending RCW 42.56.550 and 40.14.025.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

SB 6015  by Senators Roach, Becker, Hargrove, Angel, Pearson, Conway, Sheldon, Hatfield, Dammeier, King, Honeyford, Schoesler, Hobbs, Ranker and Baumgartner
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AN ACT Relating to providing funding for the hunter education training program operated by the department of fish and wildlife through the issuance of national rifle association special license plates; amending RCW 46.68.425 and 77.15.425; reenacting and amending RCW 46.18.200, 46.17.220, and 46.18.060; adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6016 by Senators Braun, Baumgartner, Benton, Angel, Schoesler and Honeyford
AN ACT Relating to requiring explicit statutory authorization for the use of interest arbitration; amending RCW 28B.52.060, 41.76.030, and 41.80.090; and adding a new section to chapter 41.56 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 6017 by Senators Liias, Conway, Fraser, McAuliffe, Chase, Kohl-Welles and Darneille
AN ACT Relating to cost-of-living adjustments for plan 1 retirees of the teachers' retirement system and public employees' retirement system; adding a new section to chapter 41.32 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 41.40 RCW; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 6018 by Senator Fain
AN ACT Relating to modifying the appointment process for trustees and the selection process for librarians of rural county library districts in counties with one million or more residents; amending RCW 27.12.190 and 27.12.210; and adding new sections to chapter 27.12 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

SB 6019 by Senators Padden, Pedersen, Frockt and O'Ban
AN ACT Relating to adjudicative proceedings involving a state agency; and amending RCW 34.05.461, 34.05.464, and 34.05.455.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 6020 by Senators Chase and Roach
AN ACT Relating to implementing recommendations of the sunshine committee; amending RCW 13.34.100, 42.56.230, and 70.148.060; and reenacting and amending RCW 42.56.240 and 42.56.330.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

SB 6021 by Senator Roach
AN ACT Relating to requiring the voters to ratify the agreement between public hospital district No. 1 of King county and UW Medicine; and adding a new section to chapter 70.44 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

SHB 1089 by House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives S. Hunt, Moscoso, Robinson, Tarleton, Gregerson and Pollet)
AN ACT Relating to adding adherence to state wage payment laws to the state's responsible bidder criteria; amending RCW 39.04.350 and 39.26.160; adding a new section to chapter 49.46 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 49.48 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 49.52 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

EHB 1091 by Representatives Van De Wege, Klippert, Carlyle, Fey, Goodman, Tarleton, Holy, Gregerson, Jinkins, Lytton, Stanford, Orwall, Kirby, Fitzgibbon, Sawyer, Ryu, Riccelli and Morris
AN ACT Relating to the unauthorized interference of ticket sales over the internet; and adding a new chapter to Title 19 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

HB 1263 by Representatives Stokesbary, Kirby, Vick, Hurst and Buys
AN ACT Relating to private investigators; and amending RCW 18.165.020.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

MOTION
On motion of Senator Fain, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of Senate Bill No. 6012 which was referred to the Committee on Government Operations & Security.

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

MOTION
Senator Frockt moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION
8618

By Senators Frockt, Kohl-Welles, Pedersen, Hobbs, Hatfield, Nelson, Mullet, Keiser, McCoy, Darneille, McAuliffe, Liias, Jayapal, Hasegawa, Cleveland, Chase, Billig, Conway, Rolfs, and Fraser

WHEREAS, Closing the opportunity gap and ensuring that every Washington child has a chance to succeed is the utmost duty of the Washington State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, A disproportionate number of students from communities of color, disadvantaged backgrounds, and rural or poor areas face major challenges with accessing higher education; and

WHEREAS, Higher education is increasingly necessary for students to get jobs in our new knowledge-intensive economy,
and local employers are forced to recruit outside Washington to find employees with the appropriate skills; and

WHEREAS, Washington ranks 47th in the nation for student enrollment in college by age 19, and 42nd in college participation rates for students from low-income families; and

WHEREAS, The College Bound Scholarship program helps low-income middle school students aspire to postsecondary education and succeed academically by providing financial aid for college if they maintain their grades through high school; and

WHEREAS, Since the College Bound Scholarship was established in 2007, more than 212,000 students have signed up, and the scholarship has substantially contributed to increased high school graduation rates among participants by 15 to 19 percent statewide and by 30 percent in some regions; and

WHEREAS, The State Need Grant is Washington's major college financial aid program for low-income students; and

WHEREAS, Demand for the State Need Grant is far outpacing available resources—over 33,000 students eligible for the program were not able to access the aid in 2013-2014; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor students who have the College Bound Scholarship and students receiving State Need Grant aid as they continue to work hard and put themselves on the path to success in school and life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate acknowledge that Washington must continue to support college access for low-income students in order to close opportunity gaps and increase our state's long-term competitiveness.

Senators Frockt and Jayapal spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8618.

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

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President welcomed middle and high school and college students from Yakima, Tacoma, Thurston County, Seattle and other areas around the state; as well as, and community supporters and representatives of the College Success Foundation; the University of Washington Dream Project; College Access Now; S.O.A.R. [Scholarship Opportunities Assistance & Research]; Seattle Education Access; the College Access Network; and the Road Map Project who were present in the gallery and recognized by the senate.

MOTION

Senator Brown moved adoption of the following resolution:

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