

THIRTY NINTH DAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2025

2025 REGULAR SESSION

THIRTY NINTH DAY**AFTERNOON SESSION**Senate Chamber, Olympia
Thursday, February 20, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by the President of the Senate, Lt. Governor Heck presiding. No roll call was taken.

MOTIONS

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

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

February 19, 2025

SB 5222 Prime Sponsor, Senator Trudeau: Improving housing stability for tenants subject to the residential landlord-tenant act and the manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act by limiting rent and fee increases, requiring notice of rent and fee increases, limiting fees and deposits, establishing a landlord resource center and associated services, authorizing tenant lease termination, creating parity between lease types, and providing for attorney general enforcement. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5222 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Bateman, Chair; Alvarado, Vice Chair; Orwall and Trudeau.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Goehner, Ranking Member and Gildon.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Salomon.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

February 18, 2025

SB 5314 Prime Sponsor, Senator Stanford: Modifying the capital gains tax. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5314 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member,

Operating; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Muzzall; Pedersen; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5328 Prime Sponsor, Senator Lovick: Establishing a new chapter for the licensing and regulation of businesses providing earned wage access services. Reported by Committee on Business, Financial Services & Trade

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5328 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Kauffman, Chair; Cortes, Vice Chair; Hasegawa; Lovick and Stanford.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Dozier, Ranking Member; Fortunato; McCune and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5331 Prime Sponsor, Senator Cortes: Strengthening consumer protection through increased insurer accountability for violations of the insurance code. Reported by Committee on Business, Financial Services & Trade

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5331 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Kauffman, Chair; Cortes, Vice Chair; Hasegawa; Lovick and Stanford.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Fortunato and McCune.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Dozier, Ranking Member and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5613 Prime Sponsor, Senator Salomon: Concerning the development of clear and objective standards, conditions, and procedures for residential development. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5613 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Bateman, Chair; Alvarado, Vice Chair; Goehner, Ranking Member; Gildon; Orwall; Salomon and Trudeau.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5677 Prime Sponsor, Senator Cortes: Concerning associate development organizations. Reported by Committee on Business, Financial Services & Trade

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5677 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Kauffman, Chair; Cortes, Vice Chair; Hasegawa; Lovick and Stanford.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Dozier, Ranking Member; Fortunato and McCune.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5686 Prime Sponsor, Senator Orwall: Expanding and funding the foreclosure mediation program. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5686 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Bateman, Chair; Alvarado, Vice Chair; Orwall; Salomon and Trudeau.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Goehner, Ranking Member and Gildon.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Riccelli, all measures listed on the Standing Committee report were referred to the committees as designated.

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

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SJR 8201 by Senators Braun, and Pedersen

Amending the Constitution to allow the state to invest moneys from long-term services and supports accounts.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SJR 8202 by Senator Fortunato

Amending the state Constitution so that state revenue collected from a road usage charge, vehicle miles traveled fee, or other similar type of comparable charge, must be used exclusively for highway purposes.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

MOTIONS

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

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

Senator Lovick moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION

8617

By Senator Lovick, Hasegawa, and Muzzall

WHEREAS, Dr. Carter G. Woodson and Jesse E. Moorland founded the association, Study of Negro Life and History, dedicating the association to research and promoting achievements by Black people in a time when he saw Black history "overlooked, ignored, and even suppressed by the writers of history textbooks and the teachers who use them"; and

WHEREAS, The beginnings of Black history in the United States was identified by the unfairly strenuous struggle of slavery, Jim Crow, and segregation that lasted far too long; and

WHEREAS, Even today, over 162 years after Black slaves were freed, Black Americans continue to face injustice and unfairness; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 Black History Month theme, "African Americans and Labor," brings to light the great deeds and efforts of African Americans to the workforce of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Martha Jones became the first Black woman to receive a patent for her improvement to the Corn Husker, Sheller in 1868, just three years after the passage of the 13th Amendment; and

WHEREAS, In 1889, William Owen Bush became the first Black American to serve in the Washington Territorial Legislature representing Thurston County; and

WHEREAS, Representatives Charles Stokes and Marjorie Pitter King were the first Black American man and woman to serve in the legislature following the proclamation of Washington statehood; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Chisholm became the first Black woman elected to Congress in 1968, where she worked on the Education and Labor Committee and helped form the Black Caucus, and she made history again in 1972, when she became the first Black woman of a major party to run for a presidential nomination; and

WHEREAS, In the words of poet and State Representative Maurice N. Corbett, who was born to an enslaved mother in 1859, Black Americans had grown accustomed to adversity before gaining freedom, "But worked he with celerity, to leave to his posterity, not laborer's legacy alone, but something real to call his own"; and

WHEREAS, Black individuals are woven tight into the fabric of all aspects of our shared life, their work, joy, and love driving this nation forward; and

WHEREAS, A society supports what it doesn't work to change. Knowing this, Black activists have worked tirelessly to move our reality closer to an equal world; and

WHEREAS, Whatever human virtue can be imagined, so too can a Black individual be found to have represented that good, and so we in the state of Washington resolve to acknowledge that representation. In this month of February in the year 2025, we move with the most sincere of intentions to center our Black sisters and brothers, friends and mothers in our hearts, minds, and conversations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate celebrate Black History Month and recognize the innumerable contributions of Black Americans to the lives of Washingtonians.

Senator Lovick spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8617.

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

MOTION

At 12:37 p.m., on motion of Senator Lovick, the Senate adjourned until 12:30 p.m. Friday, February 21, 2025.

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