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Members of the House of Representatives:

I am pleased to send you the final end-of-session report prepared by the House of Representatives' Office of Program Research.

This "Summary of Legislation Passed by the Washington State Legislature" summarizes all of the bills that passed the Legislature during the 2025 Regular Session. This version includes information regarding any bills that were vetoed, or partially vetoed, by the Governor.

The "Legislative Budget Notes" for 2025 will be available online at <https://fiscal.wa.gov/statebudgets/LBNs> when complete. This publication will contain summary and detail information about enacted operating, transportation, and capital budgets.

If you have any questions about bills or budgets, please feel free to contact committee staff. For your convenience, a committee phone list is included in the report.

If you have any comments or if I can be of assistance, please let me know. I can be reached at (360) 786-7102 or [jill.reinmuth@leg.wa.gov](mailto:jill.reinmuth@leg.wa.gov).

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## Key to Status

Status indicates the final status of the bill,  
including whether the bill was vetoed or partially vetoed by the Governor.

Abbreviation	Bill Status
<b>C 2 L 25</b>	Chapter 2, Laws of 2025. This is where the bill will be found in the <u>Session Laws of the State of Washington</u> , which is compiled annually.
<b>Gov Vetoed</b>	Vetoed by Governor.
<b>H Filed Sec/St</b>	Filed with the Secretary of State.
<b>Partial Veto</b>	Partially vetoed by Governor.
<b>S Filed Sec/St</b>	Filed with the Secretary of State.

This report includes all House and Senate bills that passed the Legislature. The bills are listed according to the House Committee to which they were initially referred. If a bill was not referred to a House Committee, the bill is included in the list for the committee to which the bill likely would have been referred. A numerical index of bills is located at the end of the report.

# AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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## [SHB 1294](#)

### **Pesticide Application Committee**

Sponsors: Dent, Reeves, Timmons

Final Status: C 84 L 25

Extends the expiration date of the Pesticide Application Safety Committee to July 1, 2035.

## [SHB 1309](#)

### **Burrowing Shrimp**

Sponsors: McEntire, Bernbaum, Griffey

Final Status: C 87 L 25

Directs the Department of Agriculture to establish, subject to appropriation, an integrated pest management research program to address the impacts of burrowing shrimp on bottom culture shellfish farming.

## [SHB 1325](#)

### **Fish & Wildlife Enforcement**

Sponsors: Goodman, Scott

Final Status: C 76 L 25

Classifies certain hunting, firearms, fishing guide, and hydraulic code violations as natural resource infractions. Modifies enforcement provisions that apply to certain big game hunting criminal violations. Classifies trafficking of a certain amount of seaweed as Unlawful Trafficking in Fish, Shellfish, or Wildlife in the second degree.

## [HB 1389](#)

### **Timber Purchase Reporting**

Sponsors: Bernbaum, Orcutt, Springer

Final Status: C 155 L 25

Extends the expiration date for timber purchase reporting requirements to September 30, 2029.

## [SHB 1539](#)

### **Wildfire Protection**

Sponsors: Reeves, Dent, Springer

Final Status: C 324 L 25

Establishes the Wildfire Mitigation and Resiliency Standards Work Group.

## [HB 1553](#)

### **Dairy Inspection Program**

Sponsors: Richards, Dent, Hackney

Final Status: C 41 L 25

Extends the expiration date for the assessment on milk processed in the state to June 30, 2031.

**E2SHB 1563**

**Prescribed Fire Claims**

Sponsors: Bernbaum, Dent, Timmons

Final Status: C 93 L 25

Creates a prescribed fire claims fund pilot program.

**EHB 1609**

**Natural Resources Board/OSPI**

Sponsors: Waters, Mena, Reed

Final Status: C 94 L 25

Allows the Superintendent of Public Instruction to use a designee on the Board of Natural Resources.

**SSB 5074**

**Seed Contract Payment**

Sponsors: Boehnke, Chapman, Krishnadasan

Final Status: C 117 L 25

Establishes standards, terms, and processes for turf seed grass production and purchase contracts.

**SSB 5076**

**Nonspot Shrimp Pot License**

Sponsors: Muzzall, Chapman, Cortes

Final Status: C 118 L 25

Establishes a new non-spot shrimp pot license for the Puget Sound commercial fishery and allows current holders of Puget Sound shrimp trawl licenses to convert their license to the new license. Requires Puget Sound shrimp trawl licenses to be converted to the new license upon the death of the license holder or transfer of the license. Allows certain licensees to designate a qualifying alternate operator.

**SSB 5157**

**Habitat Restoration Material**

Sponsors: Salomon, Chapman

Final Status: C 121 L 25

Authorizes the Department of Natural Resources to conduct certain direct sales of valuable materials for qualifying habitat restoration projects.

**SSB 5165**

**Deer & Elk Damage**

Sponsors: Short, Chapman, Dozier

Final Status: C 185 L 25

Reserves a percentage of crop damage funding for claims from low population counties.

**SSB 5212**

**Water Adjudication in WRIA 1**

Sponsors: Shewmake, Short, Chapman

Final Status: C 318 L 25

Provides that a claim filed in the Water Resource Inventory Area 1 adjudication satisfies the filing requirements for a statement of claim to a water right.

**ESSB 5303**

**Yakima Basin Water Plan**

Sponsors: Warnick, Chapman, Dozier

Final Status: C 285 L 25

Extends water supply milestones to implement the Yakima River Basin Integrated Water Resource Management Plan to July 1, 2035.

**SB 5319**

**Surface Mine Reclamation**

Sponsors: Shewmake, Chapman, Nobles

Final Status: C 326 L 25

Increases surface mine reclamation permit fees.

**SB 5334**

**DNR Civil Enforcement Appeal**

Sponsors: Short, Chapman, Bateman

Final Status: C 327 L 25

Authorizes the Pollution Control Hearings Board to hear appeals of certain actions relating to burning permits and silvicultural burning.

**SB 5391**

**Sustainable Farms Grants**

Sponsors: Shewmake, Krishnadasan, Nobles

Final Status: C 128 L 25

Amends the list of allowable uses, prioritization criteria, and the timeline by when the State Conservation Commission must evaluate and update the most appropriate carbon equivalency metric, for the Sustainable Farms and Fields Grant Program.

**SB 5485**

**Livestock Identification**

Sponsors: Warnick, Chapman, Wilson, J.

Final Status: C 287 L 25

Extends the current livestock inspection fee schedule, the Livestock Identification Advisory Committee, and requirement that the Department of Agriculture report on the Livestock Identification Program to July 1, 2030.

**SB 5656**

**Aquatic Lease Inflation Rate**

Sponsors: Krishnadasan, Riccelli, Nobles

Final Status: C 151 L 25

Changes the basis of the inflation rate for certain aquatic land leases to the consumer price index.



# APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1156](#)

### **Deferred Compensation - Volunteer Firefighters**

Sponsors: Steele, Ormsby, Hill

Final Status: C 52 L 25

Enables volunteer firefighters whose firefighting agency has joined the Washington State Deferred Compensation Program (DCP) to participate in the DCP.

## [SHB 1260](#)

### **Document Recording Fees - Local Housing Plans**

Sponsors: Schmidt, Ormsby, Hill

Final Status: C 74 L 25

Modifies the distribution between counties and qualifying cities for the portion of the \$183 housing and homelessness document recording surcharge retained by counties for implementing local homeless housing plans.

## [HB 1270](#)

### **Deferred Compensation - Local Governments**

Sponsors: Bronoske, Ryu, Mena

Final Status: C 154 L 25

Authorizes local governments operating deferred compensation programs to automatically enroll a new employee, unless the employee affirmatively chooses not to participate.

## [SHB 1392](#)

### **Medicaid Access Program**

Sponsors: Macri, Leavitt, Simmons

Final Status: C 359 L 25

Establishes the Medicaid Access Program for the purpose of increasing Medicaid professional service rates up to the equivalent of Medicare rates. Requires Medicaid managed care organizations and health carriers to pay an annual assessment for covering the increase in rates and other specified costs.

## [ESHB 1468](#)

### **Accounts**

Sponsors: Macri, Ormsby

Final Status: C 399 L 25

Eliminates several accounts, and redirects certain dedicated revenue sources. Modifies the Broadband Mapping Account. Modifies the loan length for school district interfund loans made in 2024 from two years to four years. Moves funds used to support the rehabilitation and care of incarcerated individuals from local bank accounts to the State Treasury. Directs the Department of Health to pay costs from the Nurse Resource Center Account within 30 days of receiving an invoice and required documentation.

**SHB 1473****Budget Stabilization Account - 2024 Fire Suppression Costs**

Sponsors: Gregerson, Callan, Ormsby

Final Status: C 325 L 25

Appropriates \$77,687,000 from the Budget Stabilization Account for fire suppression costs incurred by the Department of Natural Resources during the 2024 fire season.

**SHB 1498****Domestic Violence Co-Responder Grant Program**

Sponsors: Davis, Couture, Macri

Final Status: C 345 L 25

Creates the Domestic Violence Co-Responder Grant Program (Program) to be administered by the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy. Establishes an additional \$100 fee on marriage licenses to fund the Program.

**HB 1540****Higher Education - Students Experiencing Homelessness Program**

Sponsors: Timmons, Eslick, Ortiz-Self

Final Status: C 92 L 25

Expands the Students Experiencing Homelessness Program to include a tribal college.

**HB 1552****Real Estate Broker & Managing Broker Fees**

Sponsors: Peterson, Low, Reed

Final Status: C 362 L 25

Increases the fee on real estate broker and managing broker licenses. Delays the expiration dates of the real estate broker and managing broker license fees and the Washington Real Estate Research Account.

**SHB 1606****Electronic Journal Access by State Employees**

Sponsors: Engell, Bernbaum, Orcutt

Final Status: C 64 L 25

Requires the Washington State Institute for Public Policy to conduct a study on providing state employees with electronic access to peer-reviewed journals.

**HB 1858****Document Recording Fees - Deeds of Trust Exemptions**

Sponsors: Scott, Doglio, Mena

Final Status: C 100 L 25

Removes the exemption for assignments or substitutions of previously recorded deeds of trust from both the \$183 housing and homelessness document recording surcharge and the \$100 Covenant Homeownership Program assessment.

**HB 1936****State Retirement Systems - Expanded Eligibility**

Sponsors: Chase, Leavitt, Pollet

Final Status: C 284 L 25

Delays the expiration of expanded eligibility for retirement benefits during specified employment in the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS), the School Employees' Retirement System (SERS), and the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS). Permits retirement benefits to continue for the first 1,040 hours per calendar year for specified TRS, SERS, and PERS members employed in specified positions with school districts until January 1, 2030.

**HB 2003****Recreational Fishing - Columbia River Salmon & Steelhead Endorsement**

Sponsors: Reeves, Fitzgibbon, Pollet

Final Status: C 321 L 25

Requires any person 15 years or older to purchase an endorsement for fishing recreationally for salmon or steelhead in the Columbia River and its tributaries.

**HB 2039****Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - Child Support Pass Through**

Sponsors: Macri, Gregerson, Ormsby

Final Status: C 402 L 25

Delays the implementation of previous legislation, from January 1, 2026, to July 1, 2029, requiring the Department of Social and Health Services to pass through to a family receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) all current child support collected each month, and to disregard current child support when determining TANF eligibility and benefit amount.

**HB 2040****Aged, Blind, or Disabled Recoveries**

Sponsors: Macri, Gregerson, Ormsby

Final Status: C 403 L 25

Delays the elimination of Aged, Blind, or Disabled recoveries from October 1, 2025, to October 1, 2028.

**SHB 2047****Washington Employee Ownership Program**

Sponsors: Richards, Parshley, Macri

Final Status: C 366 L 25

Expires the Washington Employee Ownership Program (Program) administered by the Department of Commerce, which supports efforts of businesses considering a sale to an employee ownership structure, effective June 30, 2030, and makes the activities of the Program subject to funding. Modifies the tax reporting periods in which a business may claim a business and occupation tax credit for costs related to converting a qualifying business to an employee ownership structure.

**HB 2050****K-12 Education - Limits on Alternative Learning Experience Enrollment**

Sponsors: Ormsby, Parshley, Macri

Final Status: C 405 L 25

Limits the Alternative Learning Experience enrollment used to calculate Local Effort Assistance to 33 percent of a school district's total enrollment.

**SHB 2051****Medicaid Rates for Hospital Stays**

Sponsors: Gregerson, Macri, Parshley

Final Status: C 367 L 25

Removes the requirement for the Health Care Authority to adopt rules for identifying health care services to be included in the daily reimbursement rate and the services to be billed separately for patients who are in a hospital and do not meet inpatient criteria. Removes the requirement that medically necessary services performed during a stay must be billed by and paid to the hospital separately, including hemodialysis, laboratory charges, and X-rays.

**ESHB 2061****Duty-Free Sales Enterprises Concession Fee**

Sponsors: Fitzgibbon, Gregerson, Kloba

Final Status: C 406 L 25

Allows the state to levy and collect a concession fee on duty-free sales enterprises operating within the state in an amount equal to 10 percent of the gross proceeds of sales of merchandise by the duty-free enterprise. Requires revenues from the concession fee to be split between the Statewide Tourism Marketing Account for funding the Statewide Tourism Marketing Program and the newly created Sustainable Aviation Fuel Account for supporting research development, environmental review, and infrastructure for the production of sustainable aviation fuel.

**ESSB 5009****K-12 Education - Student Transportation Vehicles**

Sponsors: Braun, Wellman, Bateman

Final Status: C 372 L 25

Revises pupil transportation allocation and vehicle reimbursement formulas to include vehicle types other than school buses. Excludes student transportation vehicles with a capacity of 10 or fewer persons and their drivers from the definition of school bus and related requirements under the Uniform Commercial Driver's License Act.

**E2SSB 5083****State Health Insurance Plans - Health Carrier Reimbursement Limits**

Sponsors: Robinson, Harris, Liias

Final Status: C 373 L 25

Limits reimbursement for inpatient and outpatient services from Public Employees Benefits Board (PEBB) and School Employees Benefits Board (SEBB) plans to licensed hospitals, except certain Critical Access and Sole Community Hospitals, beginning on January 1, 2027. Provides different reimbursement limits for children's hospitals and minimum reimbursement limits for primary care and nonfacility-based behavioral health services.

**ESSB 5167****Operating Budget**

Sponsors: Robinson, Nobles

Final Status: C 424 L 25 Partial  
Veto

Makes biennial operating appropriations for the 2025-27 biennium and supplemental operating budget appropriations for the 2023-25 biennium. (See <https://fiscal.wa.gov/> for additional information.)

***Partial Veto Summary:***

Vetoes several items in the operating budget. (See [veto message](#)).

**SSB 5168****State Retirement Systems - Actuary Appointment**

Sponsors: Robinson, Nobles

Final Status: C 333 L 25

Eliminates the State Actuary Appointment Committee and moves its duties to the Pension Funding Council.

**ESSB 5192****K-12 Education - Materials, Supplies, and Operating Costs**

Sponsors: Nobles, Wellman, Chapman

Final Status: C 334 L 25

Increases allocations for materials, supplies, and operating costs (MSOC) in the prototypical school model. Eliminates MSOC categories in the prototypical school model, and requires school districts to report disaggregated expenditures to the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

**E2SSB 5263****K-12 Education - Special Education Funding**

Sponsors: Pedersen, Braun, Bateman

Final Status: C 368 L 25

Increases funding for kindergarten through age 21 students receiving special education services by removing the enrollment cap, increasing the excess cost multiplier, and changing the safety net award threshold. Increases the excess cost multiplier for students in the Early Support for Infants and Toddlers program. Requires certain safety net awards to be distributed quarterly. Establishes, subject to funding, grants for centers of excellence for inclusionary practices. Directs the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to engage in statewide activities to support special education students, including developing an online system for individualized education programs. Requires that 25 percent of basic education allocations for special education students be spent on special education-related costs.

**ESSB 5294****Accounts - Professional Licenses**

Sponsors: Gildon, Stanford, Dozier

Final Status: C 232 L 25

Merges six accounts administered by the Department of Licensing into the Business and Professions Account.

**SB 5306****State Retirement Systems - Service Credits for Members on Leave**

Sponsors: Holy, Riccelli, Bateman

Final Status: C 112 L 25

Permits a member of the Law Enforcement Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement System Plan 2 on an authorized leave of absence to purchase up to two years of service credit if the member retires rather than returns to work.

**SB 5343****Northeast Washington Wolf-Livestock Account**

Sponsors: Short, Chapman, Dozier

Final Status: C 247 L 25

Allows funds from the Northeast Washington Wolf-Livestock Management Account to be used for wolf-livestock management and grants to the sheriffs' offices of Stevens and Ferry counties through July 1, 2031.

**ESSB 5357****State Retirement Systems - Investment & Contribution Rates**

Sponsors: Conway, Nobles

Final Status: C 381 L 25

Increases the long-term rate of investment return used for most of the Washington State Retirement Systems from 7.0 to 7.25 percent, and makes a corresponding reduction to employer and employee normal cost contribution rates for the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), the Public Safety Employees' Retirement System (PSERS), the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS), the School Employees' Retirement System (SERS), and the Washington State Patrol Retirement System. Reamortizes the PERS Plan 1 and TRS Plan 1 benefit improvement contribution rates over 15 years, and suspends all unfunded liability rates for these plans for four years.

**2SSB 5358****K-12 Education - Career & Technical Education for 6th Graders**

Sponsors: Braun, Chapman, Christian

Final Status: C 134 L 25

Allows school districts to enroll sixth grade middle school students in exploratory career and technical education (CTE) courses. Requires middle school and high school CTE programs to be treated as a single program for accounting purposes.

**ESSB 5390****Discover Passes & Access to Recreation Sites**

Sponsors: Stanford, Nobles

Final Status: C 323 L 25 Partial  
Veto

Increases the cost of a Discover Pass from \$30 to \$45. Increases the threshold at which biennial Discover Pass and Day-Use Permit revenue is distributed evenly amongst the State Parks and Recreation Commission (State Parks), Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW), and Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Creates a work group related to recreation and park funding at State Parks, the DFW, and the DNR. Makes other changes related to accessing state recreational lands.

***Partial Veto Summary:***

Vetoes the section creating the work group related to recreation and park funding. (See [veto message](#)).

**SSB 5393****Rainier School**

Sponsors: Robinson, Nobles, Wilson, C.

Final Status: C 410 L 25

Requires the Department of Social and Health Services to implement a phased closure of Rainier School. Requires the development of individualized transition plans and the provision of community-based resident options and employment opportunities for displaced staff.

**SB 5478****State Health Insurance Plans - Authorized Benefits**

Sponsors: Bateman, Nobles, Robinson

Final Status: C 339 L 25

Permits the Public Employees' Benefits Board to study and, subject to available funding, offer additional insurance products as employee-paid, voluntary benefits.

**SSB 5583****Fishing & Hunting Licenses**

Sponsors: Liias, Robinson, Nobles

Final Status: C 328 L 25

Increases hunting and fishing license fees administered by the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Allows the Fish and Wildlife Commission to periodically add a surcharge to hunting and fishing license fees under certain conditions. Makes other changes related to hunting and fishing license requirements.

**SB 5616****Washington Saves Administrative Trust Account**

Sponsors: Hasegawa, Stanford, Nobles

Final Status: C 190 L 25

Changes the name of the "Washington Saves Administrative Treasury Trust Account" to the "Washington Saves Administrative Trust Account."

**SB 5761****Appointed Counsel for Dependency Proceedings**

Sponsors: Frame, Nobles

Final Status: C 413 L 25

Delays by four years the schedule for full-statewide implementation of the right to appointed counsel for children and youth in dependency proceedings.

**SB 5764****Ambulance Transport Quality Assurance Fee Program**

Sponsors: Gildon, Dozier, Robinson

Final Status: C 153 L 25

Repeals the expiration date for the Ambulance Transport Quality Assurance Fee Program.

**ESB 5769****K-12 Education - Transition to Kindergarten**

Sponsors: Wellman, Wilson, C., Nobles

Final Status: C 342 L 25

Limits the annual average full-time equivalent (AAFTE) eligible children enrolled in the Transition to Kindergarten (TTK) Program to the state-funded AAFTE specified in the omnibus appropriations act. Directs the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to collaborate with the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to develop a recommended plan for phasing in the TTK Program.

**SSB 5785****Higher Education - Washington College Grant & College Bound Scholarship**

Sponsors: Robinson

Final Status: C 395 L 25

Increases eligibility for the maximum Washington College Grant (WCG) award to include students with a family income up to 60 percent of the median family income starting in academic year (AY) 2025-26. Reduces the maximum award at private four-year not-for-profit institutions to 50 percent of the average research institution rate for WCG starting in AY 2026-27 and for the College Bound Scholarship (CBS) starting in AY 2027-28. Eliminates private two-year and four-year for-profit institutions from being eligible for WCG in AY 2026-27 and for CBS in AY 2027-28. Makes reductions to the WCG-Apprenticeship award and the Western Governors University-Washington awards for WCG in AY 2026-27 and for CBS in AY 2027-28.

**2SSB 5786****Liquor License Fees**

Sponsors: Stanford

Final Status: C 343 L 25

Increases the fees for almost all liquor licenses, permits, and endorsements.

**SSB 5790****Higher Education - Employee Cost-of-Living Adjustments**

Sponsors: Robinson

Final Status: C 344 L 25

Changes the index used for the annual cost-of-living adjustment for certain employees at community and technical colleges from the Seattle-area Consumer Price Index to the Implicit Price Deflator.



**2SSB 5802**

**Transportation Funds**

Sponsors: Liias, King

Final Status: C 418 L 25

Dedicates 0.1 percentage points of the 6.5 percent state sales and use tax rate into the Multimodal Transportation Account. Modifies and makes new fund transfers between accounts used in the operating, capital, and transportation budgets. Changes the timing of repayments related to sales and use tax deferrals for the Tacoma Narrows Bridge and State Route 520 Bridge Replacement projects.

**SB 5807**

**State Health Insurance Plans - Health Plan Incentives**

Sponsors: Robinson

Final Status: C 396 L 25

Eliminates SmartHealth, a wellness incentive program offered to public employees receiving health care through the Public and School Employees' Benefits Boards.

**SJR 8201**

**Long-Term Care Services & Supports Funds**

Sponsors: Braun, Pedersen, Conway

Final Status: SFiled Sec/St

Proposes a Constitutional Amendment to allow funds held for the purpose of long-term care services and supports for eligible seniors and people with disabilities to be invested as provided by law. Dedicates investment income from any such funds to long-term services and supports for program beneficiaries.

# CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1064](#)

### **System Improvement Team**

Sponsors: Abbarno, Tharinger, Steele

Final Status: C 54 L 25

Removes the expiration date for the Interagency, Multijurisdictional System Improvement Team and requires a biennial report to the Legislature.

## [HB 1314](#)

### **Early Learning Facilities**

Sponsors: Callan, Abbarno, Fosse

Final Status: C 21 L 25

Amends competitive criteria for project selection for Early Learning Facilities (ELF) Program grants and loans. Expands eligibility for ELF Program grants and loans to state-tribal education compact schools and to projects that increase the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) capacity by converting slots from part day to full day or extended day, or converting full day to extended day. Establishes emergency grants to be awarded by a nongovernmental private-public partnership, subject to funding.

## [HB 1633](#)

### **Public Works Subcontractors**

Sponsors: Hill, Waters, Bergquist

Final Status: C 308 L 25

Requires certain subcontractors named by prime contractors in public works projects be licensed at the time of naming. Removes the inability of a subcontractor to obtain the necessary license as a basis for which a prime contractor may substitute a listed subcontractor.

## [SHB 1967](#)

### **Design-Build Projects/Bonds**

Sponsors: Zahn, Griffey, Nance

Final Status: C 103 L 25

Provides that, for public works design-build projects, a performance and payment bond is not required for the portion of the design-build contract that includes design services.

## [SSB 5194](#)

### **General Obligation Bonds**

Sponsors: Trudeau, Schoesler, Chapman

Final Status: C 415 L 25

Authorizes the State Finance Committee to issue up to \$4.69 billion in general obligation bonds to finance capital projects.

**SSB 5195**

**Capital Budget**

Sponsors: Trudeau, Schoesler, Chapman

Final Status: C 414 L 25 Partial  
Veto

Authorizes \$7.58 billion in new capital projects for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium; of this total, \$4.50 billion is financed with state general obligation bonds. Includes \$58 million in authorizations for institutions of higher education to enter alternative financing contracts. Reappropriates \$11.57 billion in total funding for projects authorized in prior biennia. (See <https://fiscal.wa.gov/> for additional information.)

***Partial Veto Summary:***

Vetoes several items in the capital budget. (See [veto message](#)).

# CIVIL RIGHTS & JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1007](#)

### **Small Claims Actions Notice**

Sponsors: Low, Taylor, Walen

Final Status: C 34 L 25

Requires a notice of claim for small claims to state that failure to appear may, rather than will, result in default judgment against the defendant.

## [EHB 1014](#)

### **Child Support Schedule**

Sponsors: Schmidt, Walen, Timmons

Final Status: C 272 L 25

Extends the child support economic table to income levels of \$50,000. Allows parents to deduct mandatory state insurance premiums from gross monthly income. Raises the self-support reserve to 180 percent of the federal poverty guideline for a one-person family, and provides that a parent's basic support obligation owed for all of their children may not reduce the parent's income below the self-support reserve. Allows for temporary abatement of child support when the parent required to pay support is in court-ordered behavioral health treatment.

## [HB 1046](#)

### **Motor Vehicle Damage/Rescue**

Sponsors: Leavitt, Low, Ryu

Final Status: C 183 L 25

Provides civil immunity for damages to a motor vehicle to any person who enters a motor vehicle, by force or otherwise, to remove a vulnerable person or domestic animal in imminent danger of harm, subject to certain requirements.

## [HB 1112](#)

### **Judges Pro Tempore/Residency**

Sponsors: Farivar, Davis, Berry

Final Status: C 36 L 25

Removes city residency requirement for judges pro tempore in municipal courts in cities with a population greater than 400,000 inhabitants.

**E2SHB 1163****Firearm Purchase**

Sponsors: Berry, Taylor, Farivar

Final Status: C 370 L 25

Provides that a dealer may not transfer a firearm to a purchaser or transferee unless the person has a valid permit to purchase firearms, and establishes requirements for the application, issuance, and revocation of permits. Requires proof of completion of firearms safety training to obtain a permit to purchase firearms or a concealed pistol license, updates training program components, and requires certification of training programs. Specifies circumstances where the transfer of a firearm may be delayed. Requires recordkeeping for all firearms transfers. Requires annual reports to the Legislature relating to permits to purchase firearms and concealed pistol licenses.

**E2SHB 1174****Court Interpreters**

Sponsors: Peterson, Thai, Ryu

Final Status: C 55 L 25

Revises state law governing court interpreter credentialing, appointment, waiver, and payment, including by: (1) requiring appointment of credentialed interpreters in all legal proceedings involving persons with limited English proficiency, unless there is good cause for appointing a non-credentialed interpreter; (2) limiting when a person with limited English proficiency is responsible for the costs of an interpreter; and (3) requiring the Administrative Office of the Courts to reimburse participating state courts for certain language access service and interpreter costs. Modifies requirements for court language access plans. Removes certain court invalidated provisions of law.

**2SHB 1207****Superior Court Clerk Fees**

Sponsors: Thai, Ryu

Final Status: C 357 L 25

Creates an additional \$50 surcharge for certain filing fees collected by clerks of superior courts, with \$5 retained by the county for the clerk's office operations and the remainder deposited into specified state accounts.

**HB 1215****Natural Death Act/Pregnancy**

Sponsors: Taylor, Stonier, Ryu

Final Status: C 56 L 25

Removes references to pregnancy from the suggested statutory template for an advance health care directive.

**SHB 1281****Technical Corrections**

Sponsors: Goodman, Simmons, Hill

Final Status: C 58 L 25

Makes technical corrections to numerous provisions of the Revised Code of Washington.

**2SHB 1359****Criminal Insanity**

Sponsors: Thai, Abbarno, Eslick

Final Status: C 358 L 25

Establishes a task force to review and make recommended changes to laws related to criminal insanity and competency to stand trial.

**HB 1361****Process Service**

Sponsors: Hill, Taylor, Fosse

Final Status: C 40 L 25

Revises service of process requirements for claims against certain corporations and companies and authorizes service on represented entities in accordance with the Washington Uniform Business Organizations Code. Repeals provisions governing service of process on corporations without an officer in Washington. Revises service of process requirements for claims against nonresident motorists.

**EHB 1403****Condominium Construction**

Sponsors: Taylor, Connors, Duerr

Final Status: C 201 L 25

Exempts a declarant or dealer from the implied warranties of quality under the Washington Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act (WUCIOA) if the declarant or dealer provide express warranty coverage that meets specified requirements. Removes references to engineering and construction standards from the implied warranty provisions of the WUCIOA and instead requires a declarant or dealer to impliedly warrant that a condominium unit is constructed in accordance with the plans, approved specifications, manufacturer installation guidelines, and any published industry standards incorporated into the applicable building codes. Exempts accessory dwelling units organized under the WUCIOA as a condominium unit from building enclosure design and inspection requirements.

**E2SHB 1440****Civil Forfeiture Proceedings**

Sponsors: Goodman, Hackney, Peterson

Final Status: C 306 L 25

Establishes a new chapter with standard procedures governing civil asset forfeiture under laws relating to specified criminal activity, and makes conforming amendments to civil forfeiture provisions under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act. Provides that the Service Members' Civil Relief Act applies to civil asset forfeiture proceedings.

**SHB 1460****Protection Order Hope Cards**

Sponsors: Griffey, Davis, Nance

Final Status: C 222 L 25

Requires Hope Cards to be in a scannable electronic format and include certain information if the card issuer has the means and information available. Changes the required information and procedures for issuance of Hope Cards. Requires the Administrative Office of the Courts to ensure that information required for Hope Cards is provided by each court.

**ESHB 1620****Parenting Plan Limitations**

Sponsors: Taylor, Goodman, Reed

Final Status: C 166 L 25

Reorganizes and amends provisions governing limitations a court may impose in a parenting plan on residential time with a child, decision-making authority, and dispute resolution.

**SHB 1621****Housing Court Commissioners**

Sponsors: Macri, Taylor, Peterson

Final Status: C 268 L 25

Authorizes superior courts to appoint housing court commissioners for unlawful detainer actions. Specifies the limited powers of housing court commissioners.

**HB 1731****Unclaimed Property/Museums**

Sponsors: Waters

Final Status: C 242 L 25

Creates alternative methods for museums and historical societies to provide notification to owners of loaned or abandoned property. Creates procedures to establish ownership of property with unknown or undocumented ownership.

**SHB 1733****Agency Displacement Expenses**

Sponsors: Thomas, Fitzgibbon, Zahn

Final Status: C 297 L 25

Increases the statutory cap on relocation assistance payments for expenses necessary to reestablish a displaced farm or small business. Requires the Department of Transportation to annually adjust the increased cap for inflation.

**SB 5006****Corporation Acts**

Sponsors: Pedersen, Holy, Nobles

Final Status: C 4 L 25

Modifies the composition, powers, and limitations of corporate and nonprofit board committees. Clarifies provisions related to share options and the rights of former holders of shares exchanged in a share exchange. Provides for dissenters' rights during a conversion of a corporation. Lowers from two-thirds to a majority of the votes the statutory threshold by which shareholders may approve a voluntary dissolution proposal in corporations formed on or after August 1, 2024.

**SB 5021****Retention of Court Exhibits**

Sponsors: Wagoner, Dhingra, Dozier

Final Status: C 107 L 25

Reduces the six-year retention period for court exhibits to five years.

**SB 5037****Uniform Custodial Trust Act**

Sponsors: Holy, Pedersen, Dhingra

Final Status: C 111 L 25

Adopts the Uniform Custodial Trusts Act to allow for a simplified method of creating a custodial trust in which the beneficiary who is not incapacitated has the power to direct the management of the trust property and the payment of income to the beneficiary. Authorizes a custodial trustee to manage custodial trust property as a discretionary trust for the benefit of the incapacitated beneficiary. Specifies the means of monitoring and enforcing a custodial trust, the rights and liability of third persons, limitations of action against the custodial trustee, and distribution of trust property on termination.

**SSB 5093****Pregnancy Loss**

Sponsors: Dhingra, Wellman, Cleveland

Final Status: C 374 L 25

Removes the jurisdiction of county coroners and medical examiners over the bodies of deceased persons whose death resulted from known or suspected abortions, or due to premature births or stillbirths. Repeals the crime of Concealing Birth. Requires correctional institutions and private detention facilities to report annually on the aggregate number of confined and incarcerated people who experience miscarriage, stillbirth, or perinatal loss.

**SB 5122****Uniform Antitrust Premerger**

Sponsors: Trudeau, Pedersen, Krishnadasan

Final Status: C 7 L 25

Requires certain parties filing premerger notification forms and documents with federal agencies to also file such forms and documents with the Washington Attorney General. Establishes confidentiality and reciprocity requirements, and a civil penalty for violations.

**ESSB 5129****Common Interest Communities**

Sponsors: Pedersen, Harris, Nobles

Final Status: C 119 L 25

Requires common interest communities not subject to the Washington Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act (WUCIOA) to comply with WUCIOA provisions related to meetings, board response and powers during a government declaration of emergency, methods of accepting payment of assessments, electric vehicle charging stations, and heat pumps. Expands the list of WUCIOA provisions applicable to certain plat or miscellaneous communities and makes those provisions applicable to a larger number of such communities. Authorizes investment of reserve funds in securities if certain requirements are met. Permits the buyer of a unit to waive receipt of a resale certificate if the resale certificate is unavailable. Revises WUCIOA provisions related to meetings, voting by unit owners, electric vehicle charging stations, and heat pumps.



**ESSB 5142****Eminent Domain Purchase Back**

Sponsors: Hasegawa, Chapman, Nobles

Final Status: C 224 L 25

Requires school districts that acquire real estate through a condemnation action or threat of a condemnation to offer the previous owner an opportunity to purchase the property back before selling, transferring, or putting the property to another use when certain conditions are met, subject to specified exceptions.

**ESSB 5202****Judicial Orders**

Sponsors: Salomon, Cortes, Dhingra

Final Status: C 122 L 25

Amends provisions relating to civil protection orders, including allowed uses of confidential information forms, renewal by minors protected under an order, and termination or modification of ex parte orders. Provides that a person commits the crime of Unlawful Possession of a Firearm in the first degree if the person owns, accesses, receives, possesses, or has custody or control of, an untraceable or undetectable firearm while subject to certain qualifying court orders.

**ESSB 5486****Motion Picture Captioning**

Sponsors: Orwall, Dhingra, Nobles

Final Status: C 355 L 25

Requires movie theaters to provide open captioning for certain movie screenings, and to provide access to fully operational and well-maintained closed captioning technology. Requires movie theaters to advertise and list the times of open-caption screenings in the same manner they do for other screenings and maintain records of compliance.

**SB 5632****Confidentiality/Interstate**

Sponsors: Hansen, Hasegawa, Saldaña

Final Status: C 248 L 25

Requires certain Washington businesses to notify the Attorney General's Office if the entity receives legal process related to protected health care services when the required attestation is missing or incomplete. Prohibits agents of specified governmental entities from providing information to entities from another state for the purpose of investigating or enforcing another state's law that asserts criminal or civil liability related to the provision or receipt of protected health care services. Provides a definition for assistance in the provision or receipt of protected health care services.

**E2SSB 5651****Garnishment Exemptions**

Sponsors: Alvarado, Valdez, Cortes

Final Status: C 391 L 25

Addresses automatic protections from attachment, execution, and garnishment in nonbankruptcy cases for certain funds held by financial institutions. Requires the Department of Revenue to adjust the other personal property exemption amounts in nonbankruptcy cases every three years. Provides an exemption from attachment, execution, and garnishment for spousal support paid or owed to a debtor.

**E2SSB 5745**

**Involuntary Treatment Counsel**

Sponsors: Dhingra, Bateman, Lovick

Final Status: C 226 L 25

Addresses procedures for appointment of defense counsel under the Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA). Allows the Office of Public Defense to provide appointed counsel under the ITA at the request of the Health Care Authority upon request of a county for individuals detained at a state facility and defines "state facility."

# COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

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## [EHB 1052](#)

### **Hate Crime Offenses**

Sponsors: Ryu, Ramel, Leavitt

Final Status: C 249 L 25

Modifies the conduct that constitutes a Hate Crime offense to include when a person commits a specified act in whole or in part because of the person's perception of another person's protected characteristics.

## [ESHB 1119](#)

### **Supervision Compliance Credit**

Sponsors: Goodman, Simmons

Final Status: C 397 L 25

Modifies how compliance with supervision terms is determined for purposes of awarding credit and reducing an individual's term of community custody. Changes who qualifies for supervision compliance credit.

## [E2SHB 1131](#)

### **Clemency & Pardons**

Sponsors: Goodman, Hackney, Simmons

Final Status: C 371 L 25 Partial  
Veto

Modifies the membership, compensation, training requirements, and considerations for review of petitions for the Clemency and Pardons Board. Requires the Department of Corrections to supervise a person granted conditional commutation if community custody is a condition of the commutation.

#### ***Partial Veto Summary:***

Vetoes the section containing a null and void clause. (See [veto message](#)).

## [SHB 1133](#)

### **Sexually Violent Predator Determinations & Supervision**

Sponsors: Leavitt, Couture, Bronoske

Final Status: C 48 L 25

Authorizes county prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General to utilize specified methods to obtain certain material relevant to determining whether to seek a person's civil commitment as a sexually violent predator. Prohibits a person from earning supervision compliance credit on any cause served concurrently with a less restrictive alternative subject to supervision by the Department of Corrections.

**ESHB 1149**

**Cruelty to Animals**

Sponsors: Hackney, Low, Ramel

Final Status: C 220 L 25

Expands the crimes of Animal Cruelty and Animal Fighting. Modifies enforcement and criminal penalties for violations of animal cruelty laws.

**EHB 1185**

**Correctional Industries Advisory Committee**

Sponsors: Fosse, Farivar, Simmons

Final Status: C 184 L 25

Adds two voting members meeting specified requirements and nominated by the Governor to the Correctional Industries Advisory Committee.

**SHB 1205**

**Forged Digital Likenesses**

Sponsors: Ryu, Obras, Cortes

Final Status: C 51 L 25

Expands the conduct that constitutes Criminal Impersonation in the second degree to include when a person knowingly distributes a forged digital likeness.

**E2SHB 1232**

**Private Detention Facilities**

Sponsors: Ortiz-Self, Fey, Reed

Final Status: C 235 L 25

Expands the definition of "private detention facility" to include non-profit facilities. Modifies the operational standards and other requirements for private detention facilities, including certain statutory exemptions. Authorizes the Department of Health to inspect private detention facilities at any time and take enforcement action against noncompliant facilities.

**HB 1457**

**Sexually Violent Predator Electronic Monitoring**

Sponsors: Griffey, Couture, Burnett

Final Status: C 33 L 25

Requires the court to impose electronic monitoring that, to the extent feasible, has specified tracking and notification capabilities prior to authorizing a sexually violent predator's conditional release to a less restrictive alternative.

**HB 1484**

**Victim of Rape/Pregnancy**

Sponsors: Salahuddin, Davis, Duerr

Final Status: C 90 L 25

Modifies the statutory list of aggravating circumstances that may support an exceptional sentence to include when an offense results in the pregnancy of a victim of rape, regardless of the victim's age.

**ESHB 1829**

**Tribal Warrants**

Sponsors: Lekanoff, Goodman, Pollet

Final Status: C 259 L 25

Makes multiple modifications to procedures for certified and noncertified tribes under the Tribal Warrants Act.

**ESSB 5029**

**DOC Release Transportation**

Sponsors: Wilson, C., Frame, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 223 L 25

Modifies the transportation that the Department of Corrections must provide a person being released or transferred from total confinement by limiting the transportation to an authorized location within the state, unless required otherwise, and removing the requirement that the transportation be the least expensive method of public transportation that is \$100 or less.

**ESB 5065**

**Traveling Animal Acts**

Sponsors: Liias, Lovick, Stanford

Final Status: C 116 L 25

Prohibits persons from allowing specified animals to perform in traveling animal acts.

**SSB 5139**

**Reentry Council Members**

Sponsors: Wilson, C., Frame, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 196 L 25

Increases the membership of the Washington Statewide Reentry Council to 22 members and allows certain members to receive compensation and reimbursement as provided in state law.

**SSB 5182**

**Incarcerated Parents**

Sponsors: Nobles, Frame, Bateman

Final Status: C 129 L 25

Removes statutory language specifying that nothing requires the Department of Corrections (DOC) to establish or provide funding for midwifery or doula services to incarcerated individuals, and instead specifies that nothing prevents the DOC from contracting with a nonprofit organization or partnering with volunteers to deliver such services.

**SB 5209**

**L&I Law Enforcement**

Sponsors: Lovick, Holy, Conway

Final Status: C 28 L 25

Expands the statutory list of limited authority law enforcement agencies to explicitly include the Department of Labor and Industries.

**ESSB 5219****Partial Confinement**

Sponsors: Wilson, C., Frame, Lovick

Final Status: C 407 L 25

Aligns partial confinement programs in the Department of Corrections to permit a person to serve up to the last 18 months of the person's term of confinement in partial confinement. Expands eligibility and modifies requirements related to partial confinement programs.

**SB 5224****Officer Certification**

Sponsors: Lovick, Shewmake

Final Status: C 349 L 25

Requires specified peace officers and corrections officers to undergo a background investigation when moving to a different Washington law enforcement or corrections agency or moving between a peace officer and corrections officer position. Removes the requirement that an administrative law judge issue a proposed recommendation to the panel in a hearing on the denial, suspension, or revocation of a peace officer's or corrections officer's certification.

**SSB 5323****Theft from First Responders**

Sponsors: Warnick, Lovick, Fortunato

Final Status: C 286 L 25

Expands the conduct that constitutes Possession of Stolen Property and Theft in the first degree to include possessing stolen property or equipment, or committing theft of property or equipment, used by firefighters or emergency medical service providers that is taken from specified locations and meets certain criteria.

**2SSB 5356****Criminal Justice Trainings**

Sponsors: Orwall, Hasegawa, Nobles

Final Status: C 125 L 25

Clarifies two trainings provided by the Criminal Justice Training Commission (CJTC) for peace officers on interacting with victims and responding to calls involving sexual violence and gender-based violence. Expands training provided by the CJTC for persons responsible for investigating and prosecuting sexual assault cases to include persons who investigate prohibited conduct at institutions of higher education under Title IX.

**SSB 5388****DOC Behavioral Health Certification**

Sponsors: Dhingra, Nobles, Saldaña

Final Status: C 382 L 25

Requires substance use disorder treatment services for incarcerated individuals serving a prison-based drug offender sentencing alternative sentence to be provided by persons licensed by the state, rather than requiring the services to be licensed by the Department of Health (DOH). Requires the Department of Corrections and the DOH to jointly establish and adopt standards for providing behavioral health services to incarcerated individuals.

# CONSUMER PROTECTION & BUSINESS COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1006](#)

### **Service Contracts**

Sponsors: Ryu, McClintock, Reeves

Final Status: C 50 L 25

Modifies financial responsibility provisions for protection product guarantee providers and service contract providers for motor vehicles. Makes changes to requirements for reimbursement insurance policies used by service contract providers and protection product guarantee providers.

## [SHB 1081](#)

### **Solicited Real Estate**

Sponsors: Donaghy, Connors, Ryu

Final Status: C 77 L 25

Provides a property owner with the right to an appraisal and the right to cancel a purchase contract, within certain conditions, for solicited real estate transactions. Provides for enforcement under the Consumer Protection Act.

## [SHB 1209](#)

### **Sodium Nitrite**

Sponsors: Mena, Walen, Reed

Final Status: C 13 L 25

Enacts Tyler's Law to prohibit the sale or transfer of products containing sodium nitrite in a concentration greater than 10 percent, except to a verified commercial business or institution requiring the use of the products. Establishes requirements related to the sale of the products, creates civil penalties, and includes public and private enforcement mechanisms.

## [HB 1341](#)

### **Medical Cannabis Database**

Sponsors: Wylie

Final Status: C 59 L 25

Allows the Liquor and Cannabis Board to verify excise tax exemptions through the medical cannabis authorization database.

## [2SHB 1515](#)

### **Alcohol Service in Public**

Sponsors: Reed, Walen, Berry

Final Status: C 361 L 25

Authorizes local jurisdictions to request, and the Liquor and Cannabis Board to approve, certain temporary alcohol service activities in public spaces for various liquor licensees. Modifies, temporarily, the special occasion liquor license and the caterer's liquor license, regarding operating at events under the authorization. Requires public engagement reviews and reports.

**2SHB 1516****Insurance/Affordable Units**

Sponsors: Hill, Taylor, Reed

Final Status: C 202 L 25

Requires the Office of the Insurance Commissioner to study insurance coverage options and approaches to reduce condominium construction defect liability for permanently affordable homeownership units.

**EHB 1602****Liquor Food Service Options**

Sponsors: Waters, Peterson, Bronoske

Final Status: C 141 L 25

Authorizes domestic breweries and microbreweries to satisfy food-service requirements of two types of restaurant liquor licenses by subcontracting with one or more individuals or entities. Authorizes the use of a domestic brewery or microbrewery's licensed premises for the operation of a mobile food unit or an independently operated food service establishment.

**HB 1636****Wine & Spirit Sales Limits**

Sponsors: Volz, Hackney, Walen

Final Status: C 95 L 25

Removes the restriction that, generally, no single sale of bottled or packaged wine or spirits by certain retail liquor licensees to another liquor retailer who will sell the liquor at retail for on-premises consumption may exceed 24 liters.

**HB 1698****Liquor Permits & Licensing**

Sponsors: Waters, Reed

Final Status: C 167 L 25

Clarifies that all persons selling and serving alcohol for on-premise consumption at a licensed facility need to obtain an alcohol server permit. Eliminates a special liquor permit and the public house liquor license.

**HB 1760****Manufactured Homes/Organizations Sale**

Sponsors: Volz, Peterson, Connors

Final Status: C 68 L 25

Excludes certain entities that sell 12 or less manufactured homes to low-income households at cost in any 12-month period from being licensed as vehicle dealers.

**SB 5141****Disability Insurer Filings**

Sponsors: Cortes, Dhingra, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 27 L 25

Requires experience-rated group disability income insurers to include detailed experience rating formulas in their insurance filings with the Office of the Insurance Commissioner.



**ESB 5206****Cannabis Advertising**

Sponsors: MacEwen, Gildon, Stanford

Final Status: C 378 L 25

Modifies cannabis advertising restrictions by: (1) increasing the allowed number of certain cannabis-related advertising signs at retail outlets from two to four; (2) allowing up to two additional trade name signs; (3) excluding signs less than 512 square inches with certain content from being considered advertising; and (4) making additional changes.

**SSB 5262****Insurance Statutes**

Sponsors: Kauffman, Wilson, J., Nobles

Final Status: C 243 L 25

Revises statutes in the Insurance Code related to public records, tax refunds, reporting requirements, motor vehicle insurance, health insurance, dental plans, charitable gift annuity businesses, accounts, and other provisions. Repeals additional related statutes in the Insurance Code.

**ESSB 5403****Cannabis Industry Agreements**

Sponsors: Saldaña, Krishnadasan, Nobles

Final Status: C 250 L 25

Prohibits a retail cannabis licensee from entering into certain agreements that confer a financial interest across more than five retail cannabis licenses. Defines financial interest for purposes of the prohibition. Applies the act retroactively and prospectively.

**SSB 5419****Reports of Fire Losses**

Sponsors: Lovick, Muzzall, Nobles

Final Status: C 225 L 25

Modifies fire loss reporting requirements for insurers, including for fire losses due to known criminal activity. Requires that fire loss reports be made directly to the Office of the Insurance Commissioner rather than the Chief of the Washington State Patrol. Declares information submitted in fire loss reports to be confidential, privileged, and not subject to public disclosure. Provides insurers with civil immunity from actions arising from information submitted in fire loss reports.

**ESSB 5480****Medical Debt**

Sponsors: Riccelli, Bateman, Alvarado

Final Status: C 145 L 25

Prohibits the reporting of medical debt to credit reporting agencies. Prohibits medical debt from being included on a consumer's credit report. Makes medical debt reported to a credit reporting agency void and unenforceable. Makes a violation of the reporting of medical debt a violation of the Consumer Protection Act.

**SB 5680**

**Mobility Equipment Repair**

Sponsors: Hansen, Frame, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 354 L 25

Establishes a right to repair for mobility devices for people with physical disabilities, requiring manufacturers to make available, on fair and reasonable terms, documentation, parts, embedded software, firmware, and tools to independent repair providers and owners of mobility devices. Provides for enforcement solely by the Attorney General under the Consumer Protection Act.

**SSB 5714**

**Bail Bond Agents/Immigration**

Sponsors: Trudeau, Torres, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 237 L 25

Makes it unprofessional conduct to use the position of a bail bond recovery agent to enforce a civil immigration warrant, or for bail bond licensees to share a defendant's immigration status with anyone outside the bail bond agency's business.

**ESB 5721**

**Automobile Insurance**

Sponsors: Stanford, Valdez, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 394 L 25

Requires every automobile insurance policy effective on or after January 1, 2026, to include a right to an appraisal to resolve disputes regarding the value and amount of loss on a damaged vehicle.

# EARLY LEARNING & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1028](#)

### **Child Exposure to Violence**

Sponsors: Goodman, Eslick, Reed

Final Status: C 75 L 25

Expands the scope of children's advocacy centers to include addressing the needs of children exposed to violence. Allows child forensic interview recordings of closed cases to be used as part of a structured and confidential peer review.

## [HB 1130](#)

### **Developmental Disabilities Waiver Prioritization**

Sponsors: Farivar, Couture, Leavitt

Final Status: C 212 L 25

Requires the Department of Social and Health Services Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) to prioritize specified populations when enrolling eligible clients in open home and community-based services waiver slots and determining access to waiver services. Requires the DDA to routinely collect and publish specified data related to waiver utilization.

## [SHB 1171](#)

### **Mandated Reporting/Higher Education**

Sponsors: Pollet, Goodman

Final Status: C 192 L 25

Creates an exception to the mandated reporting of suspected child abuse and neglect requirement for attorneys employed by institutions of higher education and employees under the supervision or direction of those attorneys as it relates to information related to the representation of a client.

## [SHB 1177](#)

### **Child Welfare Housing Assistance**

Sponsors: Ortiz-Self, Callan, Alvarado

Final Status: C 163 L 25

Requires the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) to serve families eligible for the Child Welfare Housing Assistance Program who are placed on a waiting list in an attempt to eliminate this waiting list. Allows families to receive assistance from the program after the DCYF is no longer providing child welfare or child protective services to the family, requires the DCYF to establish procedures for implementing the program, and adds to the information that the DCYF is required to include in its annual report.

**SHB 1272****Children in Crisis Program**

Sponsors: Callan, Eslick, Berry

Final Status: C 161 L 25

Extends the child and youth multisystem care project director position within the Office of the Governor and other related programs to address complex cases of children in crisis until June 30, 2027 (instead of expiring on June 30, 2025).

**SHB 1351****ECEAP Age Requirements**

Sponsors: Bernbaum, Eslick, Springer

Final Status: C 253 L 25

Allows children who turn 3 after August 31 of the school year to enroll in the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program, subject to available space and funding, when they otherwise meet all standard eligibility criteria.

**ESHB 1385****Background Checks**

Sponsors: Taylor, Burnett, Leavitt

Final Status: C 60 L 25

Directs the Washington State Patrol to execute the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact to facilitate the authorized interstate exchange of criminal history information for noncriminal justice purposes. Modifies and adds definitions to the statutory provisions governing background checks.

**2SHB 1391****Court Alternatives/Youth**

Sponsors: Cortes, Eslick, Ryu

Final Status: C 140 L 25

Prohibits a juvenile diversion agreement from being entered into for an offense that was committed after a juvenile's eighteenth birthday and prohibits parents and guardians from declining to enter into or preventing a juvenile from entering into a diversion agreement. Requires the Administrative Office of the Courts to develop common definitions, outcome measures, and data collection methods for both informal and formal diversion programs with a report due on July 1, 2026.

**SHB 1490****Background Checks**

Sponsors: Obras, Gregerson, Peterson

Final Status: C 46 L 25

Adds specificity and definitions to the provisions outlining the current roles and circumstances that require a fingerprint-based background check. Establishes background check requirements for those working in transitional care facilities.

**SHB 1509****Family Reconciliation**

Sponsors: Taylor, Dent, Davis

Final Status: C 165 L 25

Requires the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF), subject to available funding, to contract to provide community-based family reconciliation services in at least one location that is already providing these services by July 1, 2025. Expands the circumstances in which the DCYF or a designated contractor must, subject to available funding, provide family reconciliation services to a family or youth to include circumstances where the youth is: (1) in a county juvenile detention center and family conflict exists; and (2) identified through the housing stability for youth in crisis program. Expands the information that must be included in the annual report required by the DCYF.

**E2SHB 1648****Child Care Provider Qualifications**

Sponsors: Dent, Eslick, Burnett

Final Status: C 281 L 25

Extends the timeline for child care providers to complete staff qualification requirements. Provides that unbroken service since August 1, 2021, or five years of cumulative work experience, in a licensed child care qualifies as a demonstration of experience-based competency in fulfillment of staff qualification requirements. Requires the DCYF to convene a stakeholder group to assist in identifying strategies to improve staff qualification requirements and verification processes and report to the Legislature.

**ESHB 1815****Prison Riot Offenses**

Sponsors: Peterson, Cortes, Goodman

Final Status: C 169 L 25

Excludes facilities operated by the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) and county juvenile detention facilities from the definition of "correctional institution" for purposes of the Prison Riot offense and applies that change retroactively. Creates a process for individuals who were adjudicated or convicted of Prison Riot offenses while in a DCYF institution or county juvenile detention facility to vacate those convictions or adjudications and seek resentencing. Requires that DCYF establish rules for including prison riot behavior as an infraction.

**SHB 1848****Traumatic Brain Injuries**

Sponsors: Doglio, Goodman, Parshley

Final Status: C 364 L 25

Increases the traffic infraction fee that is deposited in the Traumatic Brain Injury Account (Account) from \$5 to \$10 per infraction. Requires that at least 30 percent of the annual expenditures from the Account be used exclusively for in-person support groups for individuals with a traumatic brain injury and their families, programs designed for social integration, peer-to-peer mentoring, and equitable geographic access to programs.

**SSB 5030****Vital Records Access**

Sponsors: Wilson, C., Cortes, Harris

Final Status: C 109 L 25

Prohibits a fee for birth certificates, if requested by a parent or guardian who has a child who is eligible for or receiving food benefits under the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or the state Food Assistance Program and is enrolling the child in an early learning program or a public school. Requires the Department of Children, Youth, and Families and the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to adopt rules to accept birth certificates, passports, and alternative documents to show a child's age or date of birth for enrollment in the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program and public schools.

**SB 5032****Juvenile Rehabilitation Ombuds**

Sponsors: Wilson, C., Frame, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 348 L 25

Expands the scope of the existing duties provided to the Office of the Family and Children's Ombuds to include any person in juvenile rehabilitation facilities.

**SB 5079****DSHS Overpayments**

Sponsors: Muzzall, Christian, Dozier

Final Status: C 331 L 25

Allows the Department of Social and Health Services to waive efforts to collect unintentional benefit overpayments under the Aged, Blind, or Disabled cash assistance program and unintentional overpayments made to functionally disabled adults under other programs.

**SSB 5149****Early Childhood Court Program**

Sponsors: Cortes, Hasegawa, Krishnadasan

Final Status: C 120 L 25

Expands the eligibility for Early Childhood Court to include families with children under age 6 instead of families with children under age 3.

**SSB 5163****Child Fatalities**

Sponsors: Orwall, Shewmake, Dhingra

Final Status: C 123 L 25

Modifies various provisions related to child mortality reviews, including renaming these as child fatality reviews, expanding these reviews to include children up to age 19, and requiring various entities to provide records and data. Allows witness statements or documents collected from witnesses, or summaries of these records prepared for child fatality reviews, to be introduced into evidence in a criminal proceeding relating to the death of the child reviewed.

**SB 5199****DCYF Oversight Board Compensation**

Sponsors: Wilson, C., Frame, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 179 L 25

Allows members of the Department of Children, Youth, and Families Oversight Board who have direct lived experience to receive compensation and reimbursement for travel expenses associated with their service.

**SSB 5214****Mobile Market Programs**

Sponsors: Shewmake, Harris, Wellman

Final Status: C 127 L 25

Creates the mobile market program to provide increased nutrition access to participants of the Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Program and the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program if federal funding is available.

**ESSB 5232****Essential Needs & Housing Support Program**

Sponsors: Wilson, C., Frame, Harris

Final Status: C 408 L 25

Partial Veto

Expands eligibility for a referral to the Essential Needs and Housing Support Program (HEN), and makes modifications related to administration rates and verifications. Authorizes the Department of Commerce to use HEN funding to support low- or extremely low-income elderly or disabled adults who are transitioning off HEN, are receiving federal Social Security benefits, and still have an immediate housing need. Allows benefits under the HEN program and programs funded through the Home Security Fund to be provided in the form of direct cash assistance, with certain conditions.

***Partial Veto Summary:***

Vetoes the section of the bill that removes requirements that, in order to be eligible for a HEN program referral, a person must be a citizen, a lawful permanent resident residing in the United States under color of law, or a victim of human trafficking, and must have furnished a Social Security number or an application for a Social Security number. (See [veto message](#)).

**ESSB 5291****Long-Term Services & Supports Trust Program**

Sponsors: Conway, Saldaña, Cleveland

Final Status: C 380 L 25

Expands the Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Program (Trust Program) exemptions, and allows certain exempt employees to rescind their exemption. Establishes an enforcement structure for collection of Trust Program premiums. Eliminates the Long-Term Services and Supports Council. Requires the Trust Program benefit unit to be adjusted annually for inflation using the Consumer Price Index. Removes certain conditions on Trust Program vesting. Authorizes a pilot project to assess the Trust Program's capabilities for managing eligibility determinations and distributing payments. Establishes a private market supplemental long-term care insurance option to provide coverage when Trust Program benefits are exhausted.

**SB 5375****Clergy, Duty to Report Abuse**

Sponsors: Frame, Wilson, C., Bateman

Final Status: C 197 L 25

Requires members of the clergy to report child abuse or neglect when they have reasonable cause to believe that a child has suffered such abuse or neglect.

**SSB 5394****DDA No-Paid Services Caseload**

Sponsors: Robinson, Nobles

Final Status: C 337 L 25

Authorizes the Department of Social and Health Services Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) to provide limited case resource management services for clients on the No-Paid Services caseload. Specifies that inactive DDA clients on the No-Paid Services caseload may not receive case resource management services.

**SB 5506****Residential Private School Licensing**

Sponsors: Christian, Wilson, C., Nobles

Final Status: C 257 L 25

Delays the requirement that the Department of Children, Youth, and Families must license the living accommodations of residential private schools, from July 1, 2025, to July 1, 2026.

**SSB 5545****Family Home Providers in Military Areas**

Sponsors: Riccelli, Holy, Christian

Final Status: C 181 L 25

Exempts certain family home providers that are overseen and certified by a federal military service from Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) child care licensing requirements. Requires the DCYF to investigate all referrals of alleged child abuse or neglect occurring at these family home providers.

**SSB 5655****Child Care Centers in Multi-Use Buildings**

Sponsors: Krishnadasan, Nobles, Slatter

Final Status: C 150 L 25

Requires, when a child care center is operated in a dedicated space within an existing building that has more than one use, that the occupancy load calculation is based only on the areas of the building used for child care.



Sponsors: Wilson, C., Robinson, Dhingra

Final Status: C 412 L 25

Makes changes related to the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) to delay the date the program becomes an entitlement by four years, accelerate certain eligibility changes by one year, and remove an eligibility category. Makes changes to the Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) program by delaying income eligibility expansions by four years, modifying copay schedules, repealing certain expanded eligibility categories, requiring prospective payments to providers, and removing provisions that delay the start of the authorization period. Makes certain provider supports subject to appropriation and reiterates that the Birth to Three ECEAP is subject to appropriation. Requires the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to publish a cost of quality child care and market rate study every two years and conduct a pilot to increase access to school-age-only child care programs.

# EDUCATION COMMITTEE

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## [SHB 1079](#)

### **Remote Testing**

Sponsors: Ortiz-Self, Rude, McEntire

Final Status: C 251 L 25

Allows school districts to provide students enrolled in online programs the option to complete statewide standardized tests remotely. Establishes policy and rulemaking duties for the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction related to implementing and supporting remote testing.

## [HB 1167](#)

### **Recommendations Related to Certain Postsecondary Programs**

Sponsors: Shavers, Reed, Ryu

Final Status: C 252 L 25

Directs the statewide career and technical education task force to make recommendations for opportunities that lead or articulate to postsecondary education programs that award the standards of training, certification, and watchkeeping credentials.

## [2SHB 1273](#)

### **Dual Credit**

Sponsors: Paul, Eslick, Salahuddin

Final Status: C 104 L 25

Extends a pilot program to increase career and technical education dual credit program participation and credit attainment by covering certain expenses of secondary and postsecondary schools. Requires reports from the College Board to the Legislature regarding the implementation of the pilot program and recommendations for improvements to state dual credit policies.

## [ESHB 1296](#)

### **Public Education System**

Sponsors: Stonier, Macri, Lekanoff

Final Status: C 369 L 25

Requires school district, charter school, and state-tribal education compact school policies and procedures to prioritize the protection of students' safety, access to a discrimination-free academic environment, access to the program of basic education, and privacy. Makes changes to delineated rights of parents and legal guardians of public school children. Directs the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) to establish a process for receiving and investigating complaints alleging willful noncompliance with certain state laws and permits the OSPI to impose resulting penalties. Modifies the list of protected classes in nondiscrimination provisions applying to public schools. Establishes a statement of student rights and related obligations for school districts and certain public schools. Establishes retaliation protections for public school employees supporting students in the exercise of their legal rights and performing work in accordance with certain requirements.

**EHB 1393****Commencement/Cultural Expression**

Sponsors: McEntire, Morgan, Stonier

Final Status: C 88 L 25

Requires school districts, charter schools, and state-tribal education compact schools to permit high school students to wear items or objects of cultural significance at official graduation ceremonies and events.

**ESHB 1414****Career & Technical Education Task Force**

Sponsors: Connors, Paul, Rude

Final Status: C 61 L 25

Directs the statewide career and technical education (CTE) task force (task force) to recommend changes to laws and practices affecting the training, certification, and employment of minors enrolled in or who have completed CTE programs. Expands the membership and delays the reporting date of the task force.

**ESHB 1651****Teacher Residency & Apprenticeship**

Sponsors: Ortiz-Self, Reed, Eslick

Final Status: C 309 L 25

Establishes requirements for a teacher residency model of teacher preparation. Establishes requirements for a teacher apprenticeship model of teacher preparation and the entities approved to operate a teacher apprenticeship model.

**SHB 1709****Adrenal Insufficiency Care**

Sponsors: Callan, Steele, Goodman

Final Status: C 356 L 25

Requires school districts to adopt policies governing the care of students with adrenal insufficiency, including the possession of legal documents for parent-designated adults (PDAs) to provide care, if needed. Establishes eligibility, training, liability, and related provisions for PDAs.

**SHB 1827****Basic Education/Juvenile Justice**

Sponsors: Callan, McEntire, Doglio

Final Status: C 70 L 25

Makes the Superintendent of Public Instruction (Superintendent), beginning September 1, 2028, responsible for: ensuring the effective delivery and administration of basic education services to justice-involved students; and improving the educational outcomes of those students. Directs the Superintendent's office to: research and analyze specific institutional education service delivery and governance options; and describe how it will ensure the effective delivery and administration of basic education services to justice-involved students.

**ESSB 5004****School Emergency Response**

Sponsors: Torres, Christian, Dozier

Final Status: C 347 L 25

Requires emergency response systems of school districts, charter schools, and state-tribal education compact schools to meet certain technology or building code requirements and be developed in collaboration with specified entities and staff. Requires the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to report data on the emergency response systems to the Legislature.

**SSB 5025****Educational Interpreters**

Sponsors: Lovick, Nobles, Salomon

Final Status: C 255 L 25

Directs the Professional Educator Standards Board (PESB) to establish full and limited certificates for deaf and deaf-blind educational interpreters. Sets a deadline for obtaining an educational interpreter certificate, with temporary exceptions in certain situations. Requires the PESB to annually publish educational interpreter certification data.

**SB 5189****Competency-Based Education**

Sponsors: Wellman, Dhingra, Harris

Final Status: C 278 L 25

Defines "competency-based education" (CBE) and directs the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) to adopt rules authorizing full-time enrollment funding for students in qualifying CBE programs. Directs the State Board of Education (SBE) to recommend a process for designating schools and school districts that are implementing CBE. Requires the OSPI to update the standardized high school transcript and directs the SBE to recommend a format for a CBE transcript.

**SSB 5253****Special Education**

Sponsors: Cortes, Chapman, Conway

Final Status: C 256 L 25

Requires that special education and related services for students with disabilities be provided to the end of the school year in which the student turns age 22, or high school graduation, whichever occurs first. Directs state agencies working with individuals with disabilities to update the implementation plan for improving transition planning activities for students likely to become eligible for services from the Developmental Disabilities Administration.

**SSB 5412****Interfund Loans/Selling of School District Real Property**

Sponsors: Robinson, Chapman, Nobles

Final Status: C 384 L 25

Allows school districts in binding conditions or under enhanced financial oversight to take a temporary interfund loan from its capital projects fund, subject to certain conditions. Allows school districts in binding conditions to request authorization to sell their real property for purposes of maintaining financial solvency. Modifies provisions governing the sale of school district real property when directed by a financial oversight committee.

**SB 5641**

**Instruction in Blood Donation**

Sponsors: Harris, Dozier, Riccelli

Final Status: C 149 L 25

Encourages school districts, charter schools, and state-tribal education compact schools to provide instruction in awareness of blood donation. Allows this instruction to be included in at least one health class necessary for graduation.

# ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1018](#)

### **Fusion Energy Facility Siting**

Sponsors: Shavers, Ryu, Barnard

Final Status: C 261 L 25

Allows fusion energy facilities to use the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) certification process. Specifies that the type of nuclear power facilities that must use the EFSEC certification process are fission nuclear power facilities.

## [2SHB 1024](#)

### **Saint Edward State Park Lease**

Sponsors: Kloba, Duerr, Ryu

Final Status: C 14 L 25

Increases the maximum lease length for Saint Edward State Park from 62 years to 80 years.

## [2SHB 1154](#)

### **Solid Waste Handling**

Sponsors: Duerr, Doglio, Ramel

Final Status: C 311 L 25

Requires the Department of Ecology (Ecology) to approve all permits for landfilling prior to issuance or renewal by the jurisdictional health department (JHD). Authorizes JHDs and Ecology to suspend permits and impose civil penalties for a solid waste handling facility that is operating in violation of any solid waste management requirements, and provides circumstances for when enforcement actions may be taken by a JHD or Ecology.

## [SHB 1253](#)

### **Utility Joint Use Agreements**

Sponsors: Ybarra, Doglio

Final Status: C 279 L 25

Expands the types of agreements that cities, public utility districts, and joint operating agencies may enter into for developing, owning, and operating electricity plants and transmission facilities to be with any person or entity and include joint venture and limited liability company agreements.

## [ESHB 1293](#)

### **Litter**

Sponsors: Klicker, Dye, Connors

Final Status: C 312 L 25

Raises the penalty for littering to a class 2 civil infraction. Delays the increase to 4 mils minimum allowable thickness of reusable plastic carryout bags provided by retail establishments, until January 1, 2028. Requires, until December 31, 2027, retail establishments that offer for sale reusable plastic bags with a thickness of at least 4 mils to collect a 4 cent penalty and to deposit it in a state account.

**EHB 1329****Wholesale Power Purchases**

Sponsors: Hunt, Ybarra, Berry

Final Status: C 221 L 25

Allows the exemption for limited duration unspecified wholesale power purchases under the Clean Energy Transformation Act to be entered into for longer durations under specific circumstances. Requires that limited duration wholesale power purchases are not used for the purpose of avoiding the restrictions on coal-fired resources. Exempts electricity purchased from the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) in certain situations from the requirement that each electric utility eliminate coal-fired resources from its allocation of electricity, except for any portion that BPA knows to be from coal at the time of the transaction.

**2SHB 1409****Clean Fuels Program**

Sponsors: Fitzgibbon, Doglio, Berry

Final Status: C 319 L 25

Amends the carbon intensity reduction requirements for transportation fuels under the Clean Fuels Program (CFP). Establishes penalties and other enforcement powers specific to the CFP, and eliminates Clean Air Act criminal and civil penalties for violations of the CFP. Requires the Department of Ecology to publish analysis and forecasts of CFP credit markets.

**EHB 1461****Joint Operating Agency Contracts**

Sponsors: Stearns, Barnard

Final Status: C 62 L 25

Revises the dollar thresholds for situations where public utility district sealed bid contract standards are applicable to joint operating agency contracts.

**2SHB 1462****Hydrofluorocarbons**

Sponsors: Duerr, Berry, Doglio

Final Status: C 313 L 25

Phases-in, between 2030 and 2033, global warming potential (GWP) limits for newly produced bulk hydrofluorocarbons entering commerce in Washington. Directs the Department of Ecology (Ecology) to establish a refrigerant transition task force to complete a study by 2027 addressing the transition to low-GWP refrigerants, and requires Ecology to adopt rules no earlier than 2028 to require low-GWP or ultra-low-GWP refrigerants.

**2SHB 1497****Waste Material Management**

Sponsors: Doglio, Reeves, Berry

Final Status: C 314 L 25

Establishes and amends various requirements and programs related to food waste and wasted food, organic materials management, and solid waste collection and disposal.

**2SHB 1514****Thermal Energy Companies**

Sponsors: Ramel, Berry, Doglio

Final Status: C 263 L 25

Brings thermal energy companies under the regulatory jurisdiction of the Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) with specified exemptions. Allows electric utilities to provide discounted rates to companies operating thermal energy networks under certain conditions with UTC authorization.

**ESHB 1522****Utility Wildfire Mitigation**

Sponsors: Dent, Reeves, Springer

Final Status: C 156 L 25

Provides that an investor-owned electrical utility must file the company's wildfire mitigation plan with the Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) and the UTC must approve or reject the plan or plan update within a specified time. Requires the UTC to adopt rules for certain procedures and standards included in an electrical utility's plan, and to collect a fee from a utility for the purposes of reviewing and approving plans.

**SHB 1543****Clean Buildings Standard Compliance**

Sponsors: Doglio, Ramel, Berry

Final Status: C 264 L 25

Exempts additional buildings from compliance with the State Energy Performance Standard (the Standard). Allows the Department of Commerce to develop and authorize alternative metric targets for Tier 1 building compliance and to approve requests for extensions to comply with the Standard. Prohibits penalties incurred from non-compliance with the Standard from being passed along to tenants if tenants meet certain conditions.

**HB 1615****Water System Classifications**

Sponsors: Caldier

Final Status: C 65 L 25

Prohibits using a default number of people served per connection if it would cause a water system to be classified as a Group A system when it would otherwise be considered a Group B system.

**SHB 1670****Sewage-Containing Spills**

Sponsors: Hunt, Griffey, Doglio

Final Status: C 315 L 25

Requires the Department of Ecology to make certain sewage spill information publicly available via a website.

**2SHB 1715****Clean Buildings Standard Report**

Sponsors: Dye

Final Status: C 158 L 25

Directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee to report to the Legislature on the costs of implementing the State Energy Performance Standard for state agencies by June 30, 2027.



**HB 1842****Captive Insurers/Public Utility Districts**

Sponsors: Steele, Barnard

Final Status: C 53 L 25

Authorizes local government entity authorities to become a captive insurance company and public utility districts to form, own, or use captive insurance companies.

**E2SHB 1912****Agricultural Fuel/Climate Commitment Act Exemption**

Sponsors: Dent, Reeves, Schmick

Final Status: C 282 L 25

Requires the Department of Ecology to post on its website a directory of retail sellers of agricultural fuel that is exempt from a Climate Commitment Act (CCA) compliance obligation. Extends by two years the temporary exemption from CCA compliance obligations for fuels used to transport agricultural products on public highways. Specifies that the CCA compliance exemption for agricultural fuels applies to gasoline, diesel, biodiesel, and propane. Specifies that through 2029, the CCA compliance exemption applies to all fuel used for agricultural purposes by a farm fuel user, but that beginning in 2030, the exemption includes only such fuel used to propel a motor vehicle.

**HB 1947****Group B Public Water Systems**

Sponsors: Engell, Springer, Ley

Final Status: C 43 L 25

Allows new Group B public water systems to not be owned or operated by a satellite system management agency if the water system meets certain requirements.

**2SHB 1975****Climate Commitment Act**

Sponsors: Fitzgibbon, Dye, Parshley

Final Status: C 320 L 25

Amends price containment mechanisms related to the Climate Commitment Act (CCA) allowance markets, including by amending the allowance price containment reserve and the price ceiling. Requires the Department of Ecology to provide CCA program economic modeling and analysis and forecasts of the CCA allowance and offset credit markets. Authorizes Ecology to amend greenhouse gas (GHG) reporting timelines under specified circumstances, and to adjust or delay related CCA compliance obligation timelines if GHG reporting is delayed.

**2SHB 1990****Utility Disaster Costs**

Sponsors: Abbarno, Doglio, Parshley

Final Status: C 310 L 25

Permits electrical, gas, and water companies (utilities) to petition the Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) for a financing order authorizing a utility to issue bonds to recover certain costs related to disaster or emergency events. Authorizes the UTC to issue a financing order, if certain specific conditions are met, to allow bondable rate recovery expenditures, issue bonds, and impose separate rate recovery charges on customers. Pledges the state to not impair any financing orders or rate recovery charges until all payments on the bonds and financing costs are fully paid.

**SSB 5033****Biosolids/Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Chemicals**

Sponsors: Wilson, J., Lovelett, Bateman

Final Status: C 317 L 25

Requires the Department of Ecology (Ecology) to publish guidance on perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS) chemicals sampling requirements for facilities generating biosolids by July 1, 2026. Requires such facilities to sample for PFAS chemicals by June 30, 2028, and provide the results to Ecology. Directs Ecology to analyze the levels of PFAS chemicals in biosolids and report to the Legislature with recommendations by July 1, 2029. Establishes an advisory committee that Ecology must consult with when developing the report.

**SB 5036****Statewide Emissions Data**

Sponsors: Boehnke, Chapman, Dozier

Final Status: C 195 L 25

Amends greenhouse gas (GHG) emission inventory reporting requirements, including by increasing the frequency of reports and by specifying that the reports must cover the most recent years for which data is available. Requires natural gas utilities to report GHG emissions to the Department of Ecology in the manner specified in the state Clean Air Act, rather than under federal regulations, in order to receive no-cost allowances under the Climate Commitment Act.

**E2SSB 5175****Photovoltaic Modules**

Sponsors: Shewmake, Hasegawa, Nobles

Final Status: C 126 L 25

Delays program implementation deadlines associated with the Photovoltaic (PV) Module Stewardship Program. Establishes a PV module advisory committee to develop recommendations, and requires the Department of Ecology to submit a related report to the Legislature by December 1, 2028.

**E2SSB 5284****Solid Waste Management**

Sponsors: Lovelett, Shewmake, Nobles

Final Status: C 316 L 25

Requires producers of certain paper products and packaging (covered PPP) to participate in and fund the operations of a producer responsibility organization related to the postconsumer management of covered PPP and other recycling-related activities.

**SB 5317****Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council/Local Government Agreements**

Sponsors: Goehner, Chapman, Christian

Final Status: C 246 L 25

Specifies that actions taken by a city or county under certain agreements with the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) are not subject to appeal on the basis that the action is inconsistent with a code that has been preempted by the EFSEC's statutes.

**ESSB 5445****Distributed Energy Resources**

Sponsors: Boehnke, Hasegawa, Slatter

Final Status: C 265 L 25

Specifies the addition of an agrivoltaics facility to land classified as farm and agricultural land under the Open Space Taxation Act does not constitute a reclassification, withdrawal, or removal from farm and agricultural land classification and is not subject to additional tax. Creates a categorical exemption for certain distributed solar energy generation actions under the State Environmental Policy Act. Allows qualifying electric utilities to be in compliance with Energy Independence Act (EIA) targets through any combination of eligible renewable resources and certain accelerated conservation and demand response actions. Provides a quadruple multiplier towards EIA targets for the value of certain new distributed energy priority generation.

**SSB 5494****Lead Paint Programs**

Sponsors: Kauffman, Nobles, Saldaña

Final Status: C 180 L 25

Requires the Department of Commerce to administer a Renovation, Repair, and Painting Program under the same requirements and authorizations as for the Lead-Based Paint Activities Program. Modifies provisions related to funding, fees, and inspections and enforcement for these programs.

**ESSB 5627****Safe Excavation**

Sponsors: Ramos, Harris, Wellman

Final Status: C 292 L 25

Modifies several requirements in the Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act (Damage Prevention Act) relating to notice before excavation, duties before and during excavation, and duties when excavation causes damage to certain underground infrastructure. Requires a one-number locator service to maintain a web-based platform providing the same services as the toll-free telephone number. Modifies civil and criminal penalties in the Damage Prevention Act.

**ESSB 5628****Lead In Cookware**

Sponsors: Harris, Shewmake, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 266 L 25

Raises the allowable level of lead in cookware and cookware components from 5 parts per million (ppm) to 90 ppm, beginning January 1, 2026, and to 10 ppm, beginning January 1, 2028. Narrows the scope of restrictions on the allowable lead content of cookware to apply only to aluminum or brass cookware, components, and utensils that are not completely encased in stainless steel.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

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### [HB 1060](#)

#### **Newspaper Tax Preference**

Sponsors: Santos, Orcutt, Shavers

Final Status: C 15 L 25

Clarifies that publishers of newspapers and certain digital content pay a business and occupation tax rate of 0.484 percent on activities not eligible for an exemption.

### [HB 1094](#)

#### **Social Services/Property Tax**

Sponsors: Walen, Ryu, Shavers

Final Status: C 16 L 25

Exempts property owned by a nonsectarian nonprofit organization from property taxes if the organization loans, leases, or rents the property to any government entity, a federally recognized Indian tribe located in Washington, or another nonprofit organization using the property to provide character-building, benevolent, protective, or rehabilitative social services.

### [EHB 1106](#)

#### **Disabled Veterans/Property Tax**

Sponsors: Barnard, Leavitt, Eslick

Final Status: C 200 L 25

Reduces from 80 percent to 40 percent the combined service-connected evaluation rating percentage for disabled veterans in order to qualify for the senior citizens, disabled individuals, and qualifying veterans property tax exemption.

### [HB 1109](#)

#### **Public Facilities Districts**

Sponsors: Ryu, Cortes, Peterson

Final Status: C 302 L 25

Extends the authorization for two state-shared local sales and use taxes for regional centers from 40 years to 55 years.

### [ESHB 1258](#)

#### **Regional 911 Funding**

Sponsors: Ormsby, Hill

Final Status: C 280 L 25

Requires certain counties that operate regional 911 emergency communications systems and collect an excise tax on phone lines to transfer a portion of the excise tax revenue to local governments operating municipal 911 emergency communications systems, if the county transfers emergency calls to the local government for dispatch.

**SHB 1261****Open Space Incidental Use**

Sponsors: Low, Berg, Peterson

Final Status: C 138 L 25

Allows for certain agritourism activities to take place on classified open space farm and agricultural land without classification removal. Reduces the classification removal penalty calculation for classified open space farm and agricultural land to four years of back taxes.

**HB 1355****Tax Compacts/Capital Investment**

Sponsors: Berg, Ryu, Lekanoff

Final Status: C 136 L 25

Increases the revenue-sharing percentages between a compacting tribe and the state when the tribe has completed a qualified capital investment.

**SHB 1488****Conservation District Limits**

Sponsors: Berg, Duerr, Peterson

Final Status: C 262 L 25

Sets the maximum annual per-parcel rate for conservation district rates and charges to \$25, to be adjusted every three years based on the consumer price index.

**HB 1494****Multiple-Unit Dwellings/Property Tax**

Sponsors: Ramel, Donaghy, Nance

Final Status: C 164 L 25

Makes various changes to the multifamily property tax exemption program.

**SHB 1650****Airport Projects/Local REET**

Sponsors: Dent, Fey, Barkis

Final Status: C 85 L 25

Adds small airports to the definition of capital projects that are allowable uses of local real estate excise tax revenue.

**SHB 1791****Local REET**

Sponsors: Paul, Low, Ramel

Final Status: C 159 L 25

Aligns allowable uses of real estate excise tax (REET) 1 and 2 revenues. Removes the expiration date on the ability to use certain local government REET funds for facilities for those experiencing homelessness or for affordable housing and removes a \$1 million limit on the annual use of such funds. Makes the ability for local governments to use up to 35 percent of REET revenues for operations and maintenance permanent. Creates a REET exemption for certain sales of portions of affordable housing developments for specific community purposes.

**ESHB 2015****Public Safety Funding**

Sponsors: Entenman, Reeves, Berg

Final Status: C 350 L 25

Creates a Local Law Enforcement Grant Program to be administered by the Criminal Justice Training Commission and requires the Commission to report on the grant program annually. Authorizes a new local 0.1 percent sales and use tax for criminal justice purposes. Requires reports on the use of the new local sales and use tax revenues from the Association of Washington Cities and the Washington State Association of Counties. Requires a report from the Washington Association of Police Chiefs and Sheriffs on the law enforcement personnel employed as general authority Washington peace officers for each local law enforcement agency from 2020 through 2025.

**SHB 2020****Payment Card Processing/B&O Tax**

Sponsors: Berg, Orcutt, Fitzgibbon

Final Status: C 401 L 25

Establishes a new business and occupation (B&O) tax rate of 3.1 percent for payment card processing activities. Allows a B&O tax deduction for certain fees related to payment card processing.

**ESHB 2049****K-12 Education Funding**

Sponsors: Bergquist, Pollet, Santos

Final Status: C 404 L 25

Increases the maximum per-pupil limit used for school enrichment levies gradually over several years up to \$5,035 in the 2031 calendar year. Changes the inflation factor used in Local Effort Assistance calculations. Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to convene a kindergarten through grade 12 (K-12) funding equity workgroup to analyze options for revising K-12 funding formulas.

**SHB 2077****Zero-Emission Vehicle Program**

Sponsors: Fitzgibbon, Macri

Final Status: C 419 L 25

Imposes an excise tax on the banking and sale of surplus zero-emission vehicle credits by a manufacturer for each model year beginning with model year 2024 program implementation.

**ESHB 2081****B&O Tax**

Sponsors: Fitzgibbon, Peterson, Pollet

Final Status: C 420 L 25

Increases the business and occupation (B&O) tax rate for manufacturing, retailing, and wholesaling to 0.5 percent beginning January 1, 2027. Increases the B&O tax rate for multiple rate categories beginning January 1, 2027. Increases the B&O tax rate for services and other activities for businesses with gross receipts over \$1 million beginning October 1, 2025. Imposes a 0.5 percent B&O tax surcharge on taxpayers with Washington taxable income over \$250 million from January 1, 2026, through December 30, 2029. Increase the B&O surcharge on financial institutions to 1.5 percent beginning October 1, 2025. Increases the B&O advanced computing surcharge to 7.5 percent and increases the annual cap to \$75 million beginning January 1, 2026. Clarifies the B&O tax deduction for investment income.

**SB 5138****Public Facilities Districts**

Sponsors: Saldaña, Dhingra, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 376 L 25

Adds community-initiated equitable development to the allowable uses for certain revenues received by counties from the convention center lodging tax on short-term rentals.

**SSB 5221****Personal Property Distraint**

Sponsors: Bateman, Nobles, Wagoner

Final Status: C 130 L 25

Authorizes a county treasurer to waive personal property taxes if the cost for the county to collect and distraint the property is more than the tax due. Establishes a process for an owner of property in a notice of distraint to apply for a refund of the excess distraint sale proceeds. Allows a person to have a new certificate of title created if certain property is purchased in a county's foreclosure or distraint sale where no title can be found.

**SSB 5314****Capital Gains Tax**

Sponsors: Stanford, Harris, Nobles

Final Status: C 409 L 25

Clarifies the provisions of the capital gains tax and makes technical corrections and changes to enhance the administration of the tax.

**SB 5315****Local Tax Rate Changes**

Sponsors: Gildon, Salomon, Nobles

Final Status: C 245 L 25

Updates the notification requirements to the Department of Revenue for local governments changing a local sales and use tax rate.

**SSB 5316****Unclaimed Property**

Sponsors: Harris, Hasegawa, Krishnadasan

Final Status: C 29 L 25

Makes various changes to the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act.

**SSB 5431**

**Tax & Revenue Laws**

Sponsors: Schoesler, Robinson, Dozier

Final Status: C 411 L 25

Makes administrative and technical changes to the state tax code.

**SB 5457**

**Broadcasters/B&O Tax**

Sponsors: Frame, Robinson, Cleveland

Final Status: C 9 L 25

Moves the business and occupation tax on radio and television broadcasting activities to a new section of the business and occupation tax code.

**SSB 5516**

**Community Centers/Property Tax**

Sponsors: Conway, Nobles

Final Status: C 340 L 25

Expands the property tax exemption for community centers to include surplus property and buildings of a nonprofit university acquired by a nonprofit organization.

**ESB 5529**

**ADU Tax Exemptions**

Sponsors: Gildon

Final Status: C 207 L 25

Expands the authorization for a property tax exemption for accessory dwelling units to include counties with a population of at least 900,000 but not more than 1.5 million and the cities located within those counties.

**SB 5682**

**Employment Training Program**

Sponsors: Warnick, Hansen

Final Status: C 289 L 25

Extends the expiration date for the Washington Customized Employment Training Program business and occupation tax credit to July 1, 2031. Modifies the report on the Customized Employment Training Program required to be submitted by the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges.

**SB 5696**

**Mental Health Treatment/Tax**

Sponsors: King

Final Status: C 152 L 25

Expands allowable uses of revenue from the local mental health and chemical dependency sales tax to include the new construction of facilities for the purposes of mental health treatment programs or services.



**ESSB 5794****Tax Preferences**

Sponsors: Salomon, Lovelett, Alvarado

Final Status: C 423 L 25 Partial Veto

Repeals certain tax preferences.

***Partial Veto Summary:***

Vetoes the repeal of the business and occupation tax deduction for interest on real estate loans. (See [veto message](#)).

**ESSB 5813****Tax Rates/Capital Gains, Estate**

Sponsors: Wilson, C., Stanford, Alvarado

Final Status: C 421 L 25

Applies an additional 2.9 percent excise tax on an individual's Washington capital gains exceeding \$1 million. Increases the estate tax exclusion amount to \$3 million and updates the Consumer Price Index reference for annual inflation adjustments. Increases the qualifying family-owned business interests deduction amount for the estate tax to \$3 million and provides annual inflation adjustments. Adds qualified, nonfamilial heir to the estate tax deduction for farms. Increases the tax rates for Washington taxable estates of decedents dying on or after July 1, 2025.

**ESSB 5814****Excise Taxes**

Sponsors: Frame, Trudeau, Alvarado

Final Status: C 422 L 25

Extends retail sales and use tax to certain specified services. Makes certain products containing nicotine subject to the other tobacco products tax.

# HEALTH CARE & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1009](#)

### **Pharmacy Commission Members**

Sponsors: Low, Ramel, Eslick

Final Status: C 211 L 25

Changes the membership of the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission.

## [HB 1157](#)

### **Vital Records Family Access**

Sponsors: Steele

Final Status: C 37 L 25

Expands the family members eligible to obtain a certification of birth or death to include great-grandchildren.

## [SHB 1186](#)

### **Medication Dispensing**

Sponsors: Parshley, Rule, Low

Final Status: C 213 L 25

Authorizes hospitals and health care entities to dispense or distribute prepackaged medications in additional circumstances.

## [HB 1190](#)

### **UW Health Sciences Library**

Sponsors: Marshall, Leavitt, Jacobsen

Final Status: C 19 L 25

Expands access to the Health Evidence Resource for Washington State to psychological associates and mental health counselor associates.

## [HB 1234](#)

### **Counseling Professions Committee**

Sponsors: Simmons, Rule

Final Status: C 20 L 25

Allows the position on the Mental Health Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Social Workers Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) reserved for an advanced social worker to be held by either an advanced social worker or an independent clinical social worker. Specifies that the prohibition against members of the Advisory Committee holding an office in a professional association applies only to holding a governing office or board position.

## [HB 1287](#)

### **Health Information/Coordination**

Sponsors: Rule, Richards, Nance

Final Status: C 83 L 25

Allows a client's written acknowledgement of a behavioral health provider's disclosure statement and information obtained from the client in order to render professional services to be disclosed under the Uniform Health Care Information Act.

**EHB 1382****All Payers Claim Database**

Sponsors: Tharinger, Macri, Stonier

Final Status: C 305 L 25

Removes references to "proprietary financial information" in statutes implementing the All Payer Claims Database (APCD). Allows the Health Care Authority (HCA) to act as the lead organization for the APCD. Expands the goals of the APCD as they relate to certain health care entities and allows data disclosures in accordance with those goals. Requires the HCA to update the Legislature on health care price transparency programs and modifies other reporting requirements.

**E2SHB 1422****Drug Take-Back Program**

Sponsors: Peterson, Davis, Thai

Final Status: C 215 L 25

Modifies the annual operating fee the Department of Health (DOH) may charge a drug take-back program (program) operator. Requires the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee to conduct an expedited review of the DOH's fee-setting authority for the program.

**2SHB 1427****Peer Support Specialists**

Sponsors: Davis, Caldier, Obras

Final Status: C 360 L 25

Changes the name of the profession of certified peer specialists to "certified peer support specialists." Directs the Health Care Authority (HCA) to contract for the development of courses related to domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking to supplement the training of certified peer support specialists. Directs the HCA to contract with at least one external entity to develop ways to expand access to peer support services through providing technical assistance, billing health carriers, creating substance use disorder peer-run respite centers, and exploring the use of capitated payment arrangements. Requires that access to peer services in a managed care organization's network be given significant weight in any procurement for Medicaid managed care services.

**E2SHB 1432****Mental Health Services**

Sponsors: Simmons, Eslick, Rule

Final Status: C 227 L 25

Defines medically necessary for purposes of certain requirements related to a health plan's coverage of mental health services and substance use disorder (SUD) services. Modifies the definition of mental health services and repeals and recodifies parts of the Mental Health Parity Act. Requires utilization review and clinical review criteria to be consistent with generally accepted standards of mental health and SUD care and establishes other requirements for utilization review and clinical review criteria. Incorporates final rules and related guidance implementing certain aspects of the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act into the act. Requires health carriers to provide meaningful benefits for mental health conditions and SUD conditions it covers in every classification in which medical or surgical benefits are covered.

**ESHB 1531****Communicable Disease**

Sponsors: Bronoske, Berry, Ramel

Final Status: C 105 L 25

Requires public health responses to communicable diseases to be guided by the best available science.

**HB 1640****Medical & PA Licensure Compacts**

Sponsors: Zahn, Bronoske, Ormsby

Final Status: C 66 L 25

Subjects licenses issued through the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact and the Physician Assistant Licensure Compact to the provisions of the Uniform Disciplinary Act.

**SHB 1669****Prosthetic Limb Coverage**

Sponsors: Stonier, Caldier, Davis

Final Status: C 96 L 25

Expands insurance coverage requirements for prosthetic limbs and custom orthotic braces.

**E2SHB 1686****Health Care Entity Registry**

Sponsors: Bronoske, Fosse, Reed

Final Status: C 142 L 25

Requires the Department of Health, in consultation with others, to develop a plan and provide recommendations to the Legislature on how to create a complete and interactive registry of Washington's health care landscape.

**SHB 1706****Prior Authorization APIs/Health**

Sponsors: Simmons

Final Status: C 25 L 25

Modifies the requirements for prior authorization application programming interfaces to align with federal rules and establishes an enforcement date of January 1, 2027.

**ESHB 1718****Health Care Professional Well-Being**

Sponsors: Thai, Shavers, Parshley

Final Status: C 97 L 25

Exempts, under certain circumstances, physician well-being programs from mandatory reporting requirements. Protects physician well-being program records from disclosure under certain circumstances.

**SHB 1720****Community Care/Rx Assistance**

Sponsors: Schmick, Low

Final Status: C 26 L 25

Expands the authority for non-health care practitioners to assist persons with prefilled insulin syringes so that they may help to set up diabetic devices for self-administration and hand injectable medications to the person for self-administration.

**HB 1755****Coronary Interventions/CN**

Sponsors: Street, Macri, Schmick

Final Status: C 144 L 25

Exempts elective percutaneous coronary interventions provided in a hospital owned or operated by a state entity from certificate of need requirements.

**SHB 1811****Crisis Co-Response**

Sponsors: Salahuddin, Davis, Santos

Final Status: C 346 L 25

Directs the University of Washington School of Social Work to develop a crisis responder training academy to be offered in all behavioral health administrative services agencies by January 1, 2027. Adds persons providing co-response services to the list of first responders who are exempt from testifying about their communications with peer support service recipients. Adds members of first response teams that are engaged in co-response during a public health emergency to the definition of "frontline employees" as it applies to presuming that an infectious or contagious disease was acquired during employment under the Workers' Compensation program.

**E2SHB 1813****Medical Assistance Reprourement**

Sponsors: Macri, Doglio, Parshley

Final Status: C 216 L 25

Requires the Health Care Authority (HCA) to adjust Medicaid rates to reflect changes in service facilities and capacity. Requires the HCA's preparations for the reprourement of Medicaid managed care contracts to consider measurements of network access and the reduction of administrative burdens for health care providers. Requires the HCA to direct managed care organizations to establish, continue, or expand delegation arrangements with behavioral health administrative services organizations (BHASOs) for crisis services. Requires the HCA to develop a plan for a statewide BHASO that serves American Indians and Alaska Natives.

**SHB 1824****Accredited Birthing Centers**

Sponsors: Barnard

Final Status: C 69 L 25

Establishes that a birthing center accredited by a birthing center accrediting body is not subject to a state licensure survey if certain conditions are met.

**ESHB 1971****Prescription Hormone Therapy**

Sponsors: Macri, Doglio, Parshley

Final Status: C 171 L 25

Requires health plans that cover prescription hormone therapy to provide reimbursement for a 12-month refill of prescription hormone therapy at one time.

**SB 5051****Nursing Assistant Regulation**

Sponsors: Bateman, Riccelli, Cleveland

Final Status: C 5 L 25

Changes the disciplining authority for nursing assistants from the Department of Health to the Washington State Board of Nursing (WABON). Changes the membership of the WABON.

**SB 5084****Health Carrier Reporting**

Sponsors: Robinson, Muzzall, Dhingra

Final Status: C 6 L 25

Authorizes the Office of the Insurance Commissioner (Commissioner) to require health carriers to annually report primary care expenditures. Requires the Commissioner to consider a specific definition of primary care and data reporting requirements developed by the Health Care Authority when determining the form and content of primary care reporting requirements.

**SSB 5118****International Medical Graduates**

Sponsors: Valdez, Orwall, Nobles

Final Status: C 3 L 25

Makes changes to limited licenses for international medical graduates.

**ESSB 5128****Juvenile Detention, Medical**

Sponsors: Wilson, C., Hasegawa, Nobles

Final Status: C 12 L 25

Specifies that Medicaid suspension provisions apply to persons confined in institutions and facilities operated by the Department of Children, Youth, and Families but not county juvenile detention facilities. Directs the Health Care Authority to collaborate with specific entities to implement federal requirements to provide screening, diagnostic, and targeted case management services to Medicaid enrollees who are under 21 years old, incarcerated, and approaching their release date.

**ESSB 5200****Veteran Medical Foster Homes**

Sponsors: Wagoner, Christian, Fortunato

Final Status: C 108 L 25

Provides an exemption from adult family home licensure requirements for a medical foster home (MFH) that meets certain criteria. Establishes that certification requirements for long-term care workers apply to MFH caregivers.

**SSB 5239****Hospital Medical Records**

Sponsors: Slatter, Nobles, Wilson, C.

Final Status: C 131 L 25

Changes requirements relating to the retention of medical records.

**SB 5244****WIC Hematological Screening**

Sponsors: Riccelli, Bateman, Nobles

Final Status: C 8 L 25

Establishes an exemption from requirements regarding medical assistants for a person administering certain hematological tests at a clinic for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

**E2SSB 5337****Memory Care Services**

Sponsors: Orwall, Frame, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 187 L 25

Requires entities operating a memory care facility or memory care unit to become certified by the Department of Social and Health Services by meeting standards specific to the needs of residents with dementia regarding the physical building, staffing, policies and procedures, and resident care and environment.

**SSB 5351****Dental Insurance Practices**

Sponsors: King, Chapman, Cleveland

Final Status: C 219 L 25 Partial  
Veto

Prohibits dental-only plans from denying claims because the procedures were performed on the same day. Limits the circumstances under which a dental claim may be paid with a credit card. Requires a stakeholder forum to be convened to discuss and make recommendations on dental insurance issues.

***Partial Veto Summary:***

Vetoes the section containing an emergency clause. (See [veto message](#)).

**SB 5361****ASAM 4 Treatment Criteria**

Sponsors: Dhingra, Robinson, Nobles

Final Status: C 335 L 25

Delays the date on which Medicaid managed care organizations and health carriers must begin using the American Society of Addiction Medicine Criteria, Fourth Edition, from January 1, 2026, to January 1, 2028.

**SB 5455****Cancer Research Endowment**

Sponsors: Harris, Cleveland, Braun

Final Status: C 199 L 25

Changes requirements relating to the administration and funding of the Andy Hill Cancer Research Endowment.

**SSB 5493****Hospital Price Transparency**

Sponsors: Riccelli, Robinson, Conway

Final Status: C 146 L 25

Requires hospitals to comply with federal hospital price transparency rules, as they existed on January 1, 2025, and submit data to the Department of Health.

**SB 5498****Contraceptive Coverage**

Sponsors: Alvarado, Slatter, Bateman

Final Status: C 147 L 25

Applies the requirement that health plans reimburse for a 12-month supply of contraceptives to all prescriptions, instead of only refills.

**ESSB 5557****Pregnancy/Emergency Treatment**

Sponsors: Krishnadasan, Dhingra, Kauffman

Final Status: C 182 L 25

Requires hospitals, when providing emergency services, to provide treatment to a pregnant person who comes to the hospital with an emergency medical condition that is consistent with the applicable standard of care for such condition or, if authorized, to transfer the patient to another hospital capable of providing the treatment, with the patient's informed consent.

**SSB 5568****State Health Plan**

Sponsors: Cleveland, Cortes, Nobles

Final Status: C 388 L 25

Requires the Office of Financial Management, in coordination with stakeholders, to update the state health plan by developing a statewide health resources strategy.

**SB 5577****HIV Antiviral Drugs/Medicaid**

Sponsors: Liias, Braun, Harris

Final Status: C 11 L 25 Partial Veto

Requires the Health Care Authority to provide coverage to enrollees in medical assistance programs for all HIV antiviral drugs approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration without prior authorization or step therapy.

***Partial Veto Summary:***

Vetoes the section containing an emergency clause. (See [veto message](#)).

**SSB 5579****Health/Contract Terminations**

Sponsors: Cleveland, Muzzall, Valdez

Final Status: C 389 L 25

Prohibits health carriers, health care providers, and health care facilities from making public statements regarding a possible contract termination or expiration until 45 days before the termination or expiration date, except under certain circumstances.



**SB 5672**

**Home Care Aide Certification**

Sponsors: Muzzall, Cleveland, Chapman

Final Status: C 341 L 25

Directs the Department of Health to adopt rules to provide additional time to long-term care workers to become certified as home care aides, beyond the 200-day standard.

**SSB 5691**

**Continuing Care Oversight**

Sponsors: Cleveland, Nobles

Final Status: C 218 L 25

Applies the Consumer Protection Act to all registration requirements related to continuing care retirement communities (CCRCs) and allows the Attorney General or a private citizen to enforce the standards. Removes the requirement that the Attorney General notify the management of the CCRC of complaints that it receives to allow the CCRC to take corrective action. Requires that application materials for registration as a CCRC include a written statement regarding whether the residency agreement includes an entrance fee in lieu of payment for future care and services.

**SJM 8004**

**Universal Health Care**

Sponsors: Hasegawa, Bateman, Lovelett

Final Status: SFiled Sec/St

Requests the federal government to create a universal health care program, partner with Washington to implement a single-payer health care system, or remove federal restrictions on Washington's ability to create a universal health care system.

# HOUSING COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1003](#)

### **Unlawful Detainer - Service of Notice**

Sponsors: Abbarno, Barkis, Jacobsen

Final Status: C 44 L 25

Modifies requirements for service by mail of notices required under the unlawful detainer laws.

## [HB 1075](#)

### **Affordable Housing Financing**

Sponsors: Walen, Leavitt, Ramel

Final Status: C 31 L 25

Removes the prohibition on rent exceeding 15 percent of the area median income for dwelling units or mobile home lots in low-income housing developments financed by a public housing authority and owned by a for-profit entity.

## [E2SHB 1096](#)

### **Administrative Lot Splits**

Sponsors: Barkis, Ryu, Connors

Final Status: C 301 L 25

Requires cities to establish an administrative approval process for a lot split, which may occur concurrently with review of a residential building permit for new single-family or middle housing.

## [E2SHB 1108](#)

### **Housing Cost Study**

Sponsors: Klicker, Peterson, Barkis

Final Status: Gov vetoed

Directs the Washington State Institute for Public Policy to research, analyze, determine, and report on the primary cost drivers for homeownership and rental housing in the state.

## [EHB 1191](#)

### **Removal of Manufactured Home Titles**

Sponsors: Connors, Peterson, Ryu

Final Status: C 32 L 25

Allows a homeowner in a manufactured housing community to apply to the Department of Licensing for removal of the home's vehicle title if the community is formed as a cooperative and the owner has a membership or shares in the cooperative community.

**EHB 1217****Rent Increase Limit**

Sponsors: Alvarado, Macri, Ramel

Final Status: C 209 L 25

Limits rent increases during any 12-month period of a tenancy to the lesser of 7 percent plus the Consumer Price Index, or 10 percent under the Residential Landlord-Tenant Act (RLTA) and 5 percent under the Manufactured/Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act (MHLTA), with certain exemptions. Provides other protections for tenants, such as tenant lease termination provisions, a 90-day rent increase notice period under the RLTA, and limits on certain fees and deposits under the MHLTA. Creates a cause of action for a tenant or the Attorney General to enforce compliance with the act. Creates an online landlord resource center. Terminates the RLTA rent increase limit and related provisions on July 1, 2040.

**3SHB 1491****Transit-Oriented Housing Development**

Sponsors: Reed, Richards, Berry

Final Status: C 267 L 25

Requires fully planning cities to allow new residential development within a station area at certain transit-oriented development (TOD) densities. Establishes affordability requirements and authorizes a 20-year multifamily property tax exemption for residential buildings within a station area. Requires a city to reduce certain impact fees by 50 percent under certain conditions. Requires the Department of Commerce to administer a grant program for cities implementing the TOD requirements.

**2SHB 1696****Covenant Homeownership Program**

Sponsors: Taylor, Peterson, Ryu

Final Status: C 143 L 25

Modifies the Covenant Homeownership Program by raising the area median income threshold for eligibility to 120 percent, authorizing full loan forgiveness under certain circumstances, and modifying membership on the oversight committee.

**HB 1757****Existing Buildings for Residential Use**

Sponsors: Walen, Fitzgibbon, Parshley

Final Status: C 203 L 25

Extends allowances for existing buildings to be used for residential purposes in commercial and mixed-use zones to existing buildings in residential zones. Prohibits a city from requiring a change of use permit when converting a building to residential uses. Exempts portions of an existing building to be used for residential purposes from State Energy Code requirements under certain conditions.

**SHB 1899****Homelessness Census & Count**

Sponsors: Zahn, Thomas, Parshley

Final Status: C 160 L 25

Makes changes related to the Washington homeless census or count requirements, including removing the requirement that a Washington homeless census be conducted annually.

**E2SSB 5148****Housing Element Compliance**

Sponsors: Bateman, Lias, Nobles

Final Status: C 269 L 25

Creates a voluntary compliance review process under the Growth Management Act for housing elements and development regulations. Authorizes the Department of Commerce to select up to 10 fully planning cities or counties per year for a targeted mandatory review and prohibits these cities or counties from denying an affordable or moderate-income housing development under certain circumstances if they are noncompliant.

**SSB 5298****Mobile Home Community Sales**

Sponsors: Frame, Bateman, Conway

Final Status: C 205 L 25

Modifies requirements for a notice of opportunity to compete to purchase if an owner intends to sell a manufactured housing community or consider a purchase offer received. Requires an owner to update the Department of Commerce on the status of the sale every six months.

**ESB 5313****Prohibited Rental Agreement Provisions**

Sponsors: Pedersen, Goehner, Cleveland

Final Status: C 206 L 25

Prohibits rental agreements under the Residential Landlord-Tenant Act from including waivers of any right to sue the landlord, nondisclosure agreements related to the lease, requirements that a tenant pay a landlord's attorneys' fees unless awarded by a court, and certain mandatory arbitration clauses.

**ESB 5471****Rural Middle Housing**

Sponsors: Goehner, Bateman, Chapman

Final Status: C 386 L 25

Allows a fully planning county to authorize middle housing on each single-family lot in urban growth areas and limited areas of more intensive rural development.

**SSB 5587****Housing Gap Analysis**

Sponsors: Cleveland, Nobles, Orwall

Final Status: C 390 L 25

Requires the Washington Center for Real Estate Research to analyze each county's progress in closing the gap between existing housing units and estimated needs. Directs the Public Works Board to consider whether a project encourages infill development or increases affordable housing in counties with a gap, when prioritizing applications for grants and loans.

**ESB 5662**

**Utility Connection Charge Waivers**

Sponsors: Riccelli, Nobles, Slatter

Final Status: C 351 L 25

Authorizes certain waivers of municipal utility connection charges for properties owned by certain housing providers and located in certain counties without an explicit requirement to pay the exempted connection charges from specified revenue streams, if the waiver is conditioned upon requiring the developer to record a covenant that includes certain restrictions.

**E2SSB 5686**

**Foreclosure Mediation Program**

Sponsors: Orwall, Frame, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 393 L 25

Expands the Foreclosure Mediation Program beginning January 1, 2026, to include unit owners in common interest communities facing possible foreclosure of association liens for past due assessments. Creates a foreclosure prevention fee of \$80 assessed for each residential mortgage loan originated, except for reverse mortgage loans issued to seniors over the age of 61.

# LABOR & WORKPLACE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1068](#)

### **Collective Bargaining - Interest Arbitration for Certain Corrections Employees**

Sponsors: Doglio, Bronoske, Reeves

Final Status: C 162 L 25

Grants interest arbitration rights to Washington Management Service employees within the Department of Corrections.

## [SHB 1105](#)

### **Collective Bargaining - Coalition Bargaining Requirements for Corrections Employees**

Sponsors: Fosse, Low, Stearns

Final Status: C 78 L 25

Exempts Department of Corrections employees who have interest arbitration rights, except for employees of the Marine Department, from coalition bargaining requirements.

## [SHB 1121](#)

### **Safety & Health - Working Hours for Minors**

Sponsors: McClintock, Schmidt, Jacobsen

Final Status: C 79 L 25

Requires the Department of Labor and Industries to allow a 16- or 17-year old to work the same number of hours and days during the school year as would be permitted during school vacations or holidays if the minor is enrolled in a career and technical education program and the work is performed for an employer approved by the program.

## [ESHB 1141](#)

### **Collective Bargaining - Cannabis Workers**

Sponsors: Ortiz-Self, Fosse, Ryu

Final Status: C 106 L 25

Creates collective bargaining procedures for certain agricultural workers involved with cannabis production and processing. Authorizes the Public Employment Relations Commission to administer and enforce these procedures.

## [2SHB 1162](#)

### **Safety & Health - Workplace Violence in Health Care Settings**

Sponsors: Leavitt, Schmidt, Berry

Final Status: C 303 L 25

Requires health care settings to conduct timely investigations of workplace violence incidents. Requires health care settings to annually update workplace violence prevention plans based on investigation findings, an analysis of systemic and common causes of workplace violence incidents, and other factors.

**EHB 1173****Building & Construction - Wages for Workers at High Hazard Facilities**

Sponsors: Bronoske, Berry, Reed

Final Status: C 210 L 25

Requires building and construction contractors and subcontractors at petroleum refining and petrochemical manufacturing facilities to pay a worker at least the rate required for a skilled journeyman if the worker does not meet the criteria for either a registered apprentice or skilled journeyman. Requires those contractors and subcontractors to provide certain notices to registered apprentices on their occupation and wage rates.

**E2SHB 1213****Paid Family & Medical Leave Program - Employment Protection**

Sponsors: Berry, Fosse, Reed

Final Status: C 304 L 25

Requires small employers meeting certain thresholds to provide employment protection to employees receiving benefits through the Paid Family and Medical Leave (PFML) Program. Provides an employee with employment protection if he or she began employment with a qualifying employer at least 180 calendar days before receiving benefits. Allows employers to prevent stacking of certain employment protection rights by extending employment protection in the PFML Program to periods of unpaid leave protected by federal law. Expands health care coverage protection during any period in which an employee receives PFML Program benefits and is also entitled to employment protection. Expands access to grants for small employers to offset the costs of employees' use of leave in the PFML Program.

**SHB 1264****Collective Bargaining - Ferry Employee Salaries**

Sponsors: Fey, Macri, Fitzgibbon

Final Status: C 296 L 25

Requires the Office of Financial Management to compare Washington State Ferry work groups with specifically enumerated groups of employees when completing a salary survey for use in collective bargaining negotiations. Makes additional changes to the ferry employee salary survey process and requirements.

**HB 1275****Workers' Compensation - Decertified Self-Insured Employers**

Sponsors: Scott, Berry, Ramel

Final Status: C 57 L 25

Requires the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) to fulfill the workers' compensation obligations of any decertified self-insurance group or decertified municipal employer. Requires a decertified self-insurance group or decertified municipal employer to reimburse L&I for any payments made on its behalf.

**SHB 1308****Employment - Personnel Records**

Sponsors: Reed, Fosse, Alvarado

Final Status: C 273 L 25

Requires a private employer to provide an employee or former employee with a copy of the employee's personnel file within 21 days of a request, and requires a public employer to do so in accordance with the requirements and procedures of the Public Records Act. Requires a private employer to provide to a former employee, upon request, a statement of the employee's discharge date and reasons, if any, for the discharge. Creates a private cause of action with statutory damages for enforcing the requirements for private employers to disclose personnel files and provide written discharge statements.

**ESHB 1332****Transportation Network Companies - Per Trip Receipt Data & Product Classes**

Sponsors: Obras, Gregerson, Berry

Final Status: C 229 L 25

Requires a transportation network company (TNC) to provide a driver, within three business days of a request, a single aggregated and searchable record of all the driver's per trip receipts from the previous 24 months. Requires a TNC to reinstate a vehicle to a product class for one year if the vehicle lost eligibility for the product class on the basis of vehicle year or model type in the previous year.

**HB 1511****Collective Bargaining - Ferry System Bargaining Units**

Sponsors: Parshley, Fosse, Berry

Final Status: C 24 L 25

Allows the Washington State Ferries (WSF) captains' bargaining unit to vote to consolidate with the WSF mates' bargaining unit. Redefines WSF captains' duties so that they do not manage or supervise the vessel.

**2SHB 1524****Safety & Health/Employment Discrimination - Isolated Employees**

Sponsors: Obras, Scott, Fosse

Final Status: C 47 L 25

Requires the Department of Labor and Industries to enforce requirements for employers of isolated employees.

**ESHB 1533****Building & Construction - Specialty Electricians**

Sponsors: Schmidt, Ramel, Reed

Final Status: C 240 L 25

Allows a qualifying employer operating a general journey level electrical apprenticeship program to hire an apprentice to perform specialty electrical work outside the program without having to change the apprentice's status in the program, subject to certain conditions.



**E2SHB 1549****Public Works/Prevailing Wage - Responsible Bidder Criteria**

Sponsors: Fosse, Obras, Berry

Final Status: C 63 L 25

Allows a contractor who completed at least one public works project within the previous three years and was not cited for certain violations during those three years to bid on a public works project without receiving training on public works and prevailing wage. Requires bidders who are awarded a contract with apprentice utilization requirements to submit an apprentice utilization plan, but allows contracting agencies to exempt certain bidders from this requirement.

**ESHB 1644****Safety & Health - Working Minors**

Sponsors: Fosse, Ortiz-Self, Parshley

Final Status: C 173 L 25

Establishes minimum penalties for violations of restrictions governing the employment of minors in both nonagricultural and agricultural industries. Requires the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) to revoke an employer's minor work permit if the employer committed a serious, willful, or ongoing safety or health violation or child labor violation that caused death or serious physical harm to a minor or that required an order of immediate restraint. Precludes a contractor subject to a minor work permit revocation from bidding on public works projects in certain circumstances. Requires L&I to conduct a safety and health consultation at a worksite before granting a student-learner variance allowing a minor to perform work typically prohibited based on the minor's age.

**HB 1722****Safety & Health - Minors Participating in Secondary Career Education & Training Programs**

Sponsors: Connors, Schmidt, Dufault

Final Status: C 98 L 25

Requires the Department of Health to create a process to allow 16-year-olds to begin emergency medical technician training under certain circumstances. Requires the state Fire Marshal's Office to assess age restrictions on its training programs with the goal of increasing professional and volunteer opportunities in the fire service. Prohibits the Department of Labor and Industries from prohibiting minors with certain licensure or certifications from working in occupations with high risk of exposure to bloodborne and other infectious diseases.

**EHB 1747****Employment - Washington Fair Chance Act**

Sponsors: Ortiz-Self, Berry, Scott

Final Status: C 71 L 25

Changes the circumstances under which an employer is prohibited from obtaining information about an applicant's criminal history record under the Washington Fair Chance Act. Limits an employer's ability to pursue a tangible adverse employment action against an employee or applicant based on criminal history information under certain circumstances. Changes enforcement procedures and monetary penalties under the Washington Fair Chance Act. Exempts certain federal contractors from the Washington Fair Chance Act.

**2SHB 1788**

**Workers' Compensation - Time Loss Compensation**

Sponsors: Richards, Bronoske, Berry

Final Status: C 168 L 25

Standardizes worker's compensation payments for workers who are permanently or temporarily totally disabled and workers' surviving spouses by increasing the payment calculation for unmarried workers with children to align with the payment calculation for married workers.

**SHB 1821**

**Prevailing Wage - Interested Parties**

Sponsors: Cortes, Stonier, Doglio

Final Status: C 99 L 25

Requires the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) to provide an employer's certified payroll records to certain interested parties for purposes of enforcing prevailing wage requirements, including contractors, employees, labor organizations, joint labor-management cooperation committees, and Taft-Hartley trusts. Requires L&I to investigate prevailing wage complaints made by joint labor-management cooperation committees and Taft-Hartley trusts.

**ESHB 1875**

**Leave - Paid Sick Leave - Immigration Proceedings**

Sponsors: Salahuddin, Thai, Taylor

Final Status: C 170 L 25

Allows individuals to use their paid sick leave for judicial or administrative immigration proceedings under certain circumstances. Requires employers and transportation network companies to accept certain documents or written statements as verification that an individual is using paid sick leave for a statutorily protected reason.

**SHB 1879**

**Wage & Hour - Meal & Rest Periods - Hospital Workers**

Sponsors: Thomas, Berry, Doglio

Final Status: C 101 L 25

Allows a hospital employer and employee to mutually agree to waive a meal or rest period and the timing of those periods, subject to certain conditions.

**SSB 5040**

**Collective Bargaining - Interest Arbitration for Law Enforcement Officers**

Sponsors: Stanford, Holy, Saldaña

Final Status: C 113 L 25

Expands interest arbitration rights to municipal airport law enforcement officers and law enforcement officers of cities, towns, and counties regardless of the employing government's population.

**ESSB 5041****Unemployment Insurance - Strikes & Lockouts**

Sponsors: Riccelli, Conway, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 352 L 25

Allows individuals unemployed due to a labor strike to receive up to six weeks of unemployment insurance (UI) benefits following a specified disqualification period, from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2035. Removes the disqualification from UI benefits based on an employer-initiated lockout resulting from a strike against another employer in a multi-employer bargaining unit, from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2035.

**SSB 5101****Leave - Hate Crime Victims**

Sponsors: Valdez, Hansen, Frame

Final Status: C 375 L 25

Expands the protections of the Domestic Violence Leave Act to employees who are, or whose family members are, the victims of hate crimes.

**SSB 5104****Employment - Threats Based on Immigration Status**

Sponsors: Hasegawa, Bateman, Conway

Final Status: C 236 L 25

Prohibits an employer from making threats in regards to an employee's immigration status or his or her family member's immigration status in order to deter the employee from engaging in protected activities or exercising his or her rights under certain labor and employment laws.

**SSB 5191****Paid Family & Medical Leave Program - Dockworkers**

Sponsors: Conway, Chapman, Cleveland

Final Status: C 178 L 25

Specifies that a representative for employers of dockworkers who normally work for several employers in the same industry interchangeably through a collective bargaining agreement constitutes an "employer" for the purposes of the Paid Family and Medical Leave Program.

**E2SSB 5217****Safety & Health - Pregnancy Accommodations**

Sponsors: Nobles, Lovelett, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 379 L 25

Extends the requirements to provide workplace accommodations for pregnancy-related conditions to all employers, rather than limiting those requirements to employers with 15 or more employees. Shifts the authority for enforcing the requirements to provide workplace accommodations for pregnancy-related conditions from the Attorney General's Office to the Department of Labor and Industries. Requires employers to pay employees at their regular compensation rate for any breaks for expressing breast milk, and provides that those breaks are in addition to other required meal and rest breaks. Requires a court to grant a request for a delay or excusal from jury service for a person who is breastfeeding or expressing breast milk for an infant under 24 months old.

**SSB 5265****Building & Construction - Electrical Inspectors**

Sponsors: King, Boehnke, Chapman

Final Status: C 132 L 25

Expands electrical inspector licensing requirements to allow for experience from certain other states.

**SSB 5408****Employment Discrimination - Wage & Salary Disclosures**

Sponsors: King

Final Status: C 383 L 25

Excludes certain job postings published without an employer's consent from the wage and salary disclosure requirements under the Equal Pay and Opportunities Act. Requires an employer to be provided with a five-day opportunity to correct a noncompliant job posting before a job applicant may initiate an administrative complaint or private right of action. Modifies the damages and other relief available to job applicants and employees when an employer violates the wage and salary disclosure requirements, including limiting statutory damages to a range of \$100 to \$5,000 per violation.

**SB 5435****Collective Bargaining - Reorganization of Statutes**

Sponsors: Ramos, King, Nobles

Final Status: C 290 L 25

Reorganizes and adds subchapter headings to the Public Employees' Collective Bargaining Act.

**ESSB 5459****Employment - Call Centers**

Sponsors: Stanford, Saldaña, Conway

Final Status: C 114 L 25

Requires certain call center employers to notify the Employment Security Department before moving operations to a foreign country. Makes a call center employer that moves operations to a foreign country ineligible for any grant or loan awarded by a state agency for five years. Requires state agencies that contract for call center services to include a provision in the contract requiring that the work be performed entirely in the United States, unless the contract is for interpreter services.

**SB 5463****Workers' Compensation - Good Faith & Fair Dealing**

Sponsors: Alvarado, Conway, Saldaña

Final Status: C 338 L 25

Extends the duty of good faith and fair dealing to all workers' compensation self-insured employers and third-party administrators.

**SB 5473****Collective Bargaining - Law Enforcement Grievance Arbitration**

Sponsors: Conway, Chapman, Holy

Final Status: C 188 L 25

Requires law enforcement officers to request grievance arbitration consistent with the procedures in their collective bargaining agreement. Removes the prohibition on more than three grievance arbitrators' terms expiring in the same year.

**SSB 5501****Employment - Driver's License Requirements**

Sponsors: Stanford, Saldaña, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 115 L 25

Prohibits employers from requiring a driver's license as a condition of employment or stating that a job applicant must have a driver's license in a job posting.

**SSB 5503****Collective Bargaining - Public Employment Relations Commission**

Sponsors: Valdez, Alvarado, Bateman

Final Status: C 387 L 25

Prohibits public employers from conditioning grievance settlement agreements upon a worker waiving statutory rights to claims arising out of state and federal law. Makes changes to bargaining unit certification processes and bargaining unit consolidation processes. Allows the Public Employment Relations Commission to unilaterally set hearing dates and draw adverse inferences from a party's failure to respond to subpoenas. Allows certain parties to bargaining negotiations to request a list of arbitrators from the American Arbitration Association to select an interest arbitrator.

**ESSB 5525****Employment - Mass Layoffs**

Sponsors: Cleveland, Saldaña, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 277 L 25

Requires covered employers to provide 60 days' notice before a business closing or mass layoff. Creates notice content requirements, notice requirement exceptions, and penalties.

**SSB 5528****Building & Construction - Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment**

Sponsors: Liias, Wilson, J., Lovick

Final Status: C 233 L 25

Imposes certification requirements for persons who install electric vehicle supply equipment on public works projects.

**SB 5653****Collective Bargaining - Fish & Wildlife Officers**

Sponsors: Chapman, Hasegawa, MacEwen

Final Status: C 322 L 25

Grants captains and lieutenants of the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) interest arbitration. Removes DFW captains and lieutenants from the requirement to bargain as a coalition of small bargaining units under the Personnel System Reform Act.

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1039](#)

### **Government Services/Tribal Lands**

Sponsors: Abbarno, Orcutt

Final Status: C 258 L 25

Allows a federally recognized Indian tribe and city to agree, prior to December 31, 2028, to extend urban governmental services beyond the city and urban growth areas to property within the tribe's jurisdiction that abuts the city's boundaries.

## [HB 1054](#)

### **County Ferry Contracts**

Sponsors: Leavitt, Ramel, Paul

Final Status: C 35 L 25

Allows unit priced contracts for county ferry maintenance or repair to extend for up to 10 years.

## [ESHB 1135](#)

### **Local Government Planning**

Sponsors: Duerr, Parshley, Berry

Final Status: C 17 L 25

Provides that a local government found by the Growth Management Hearing Board to be out of compliance with the Growth Management Act (GMA) may not be found to be back in compliance unless it has amended the noncompliant plan or regulations and the amendments are compliant with the GMA.

## [HB 1172](#)

### **Fire District Civil Service**

Sponsors: Schmidt, Bronoske

Final Status: C 38 L 25

Allows a fire protection district that has adopted civil service in its fire department to dissolve its civil service system if specified conditions are met.

## [2SHB 1183](#)

### **Building Codes & Development Regulations**

Sponsors: Duerr, Leavitt, Berry

Final Status: C 139 L 25

Requires cities and counties planning under the Growth Management Act to modify setback, height limit, and gross floor area requirements for specified development types. Modifies off-street parking and affordable housing unit size requirements.

**HB 1304****Boundary Review Filings**

Sponsors: Donaghy, Duerr

Final Status: C 39 L 25

Specifies that boundary review boards have 45 days from the effective filing date of a notice of intention regarding a local government's proposed action to determine whether the proposed action will be reviewed and provides for how the effective filing date is determined.

**SHB 1353****ADU Self-Certification**

Sponsors: Ramel, Duerr, Reed

Final Status: C 22 L 25

Allows cities planning under the Growth Management Act to operate programs in which registered architects can self-certify that the development of a detached accessory dwelling unit complies with applicable building code requirements. Requires each city operating such a program to adopt rules and include minimum requirements. Requires each city operating a self-certification program to report to the Department of Commerce and requires the Department of Commerce to report on the programs to the Legislature.

**ESHB 1562****Diaper Changing Stations**

Sponsors: Hunt, Griffey, Parshley

Final Status: C 274 L 25

Requires a baby diaper changing station (changing station) in both a restroom accessible to women and a restroom accessible to men, or in a gender-neutral restroom, in each newly constructed public building in which a public restroom is required and in any existing public building when certain public restroom renovations occur, with certain exceptions. Provides penalties for violations of the changing station requirement. Allows a required changing station to be removed if it is not used consistently with the manufacturer's standards.

**SHB 1576****Historic Landmarks/Cities**

Sponsors: Walen, Barkis

Final Status: C 241 L 25

Prohibits cities from designating a property as a historic landmark without owner consent, with certain exceptions. Exempts a city's actions to comply with these restrictions from review under the State Environmental Policy Act.

**ESHB 1688****Electric Security Alarm Systems**

Sponsors: Parshley, Duerr, Reed

Final Status: C 67 L 25

Establishes statewide standards for installing and operating electric security alarm systems where local governments have not adopted alternative regulations.

**SHB 1935****Project Permit Definition**

Sponsors: Duerr, Reed

Final Status: C 102 L 25

Provides that building permits are not considered project permits for the purposes of certain local government project review requirements.

**ESHB 1946****Local Health Board Tribal Representatives**

Sponsors: Hill, Lekanoff, Reed

Final Status: C 260 L 25

Modifies how tribal representatives are selected for local health boards and health districts.

**ESSB 5184****Minimum Parking Requirements**

Sponsors: Bateman, Trudeau, Frame

Final Status: C 204 L 25

Limits the number of parking spots that cities and counties may impose for buildings of a certain size. Prohibits minimum parking requirements for specified building types. Directs the State Building Code Council to adopt rules relating to updated accessible parking space requirements. Repeals certain minimum parking requirements for cities and counties planning under the Growth Management Act.

**SSB 5245****Legislature Oath of Office**

Sponsors: Krishnadasan, Valdez, Nobles

Final Status: C 186 L 25

Authorizes county commissioners to administer the oath of office to state legislators.

**SB 5288****Vacancies on Boards of County Commissioners**

Sponsors: Schoesler, Boehnke, Dozier

Final Status: C 133 L 25

Repeals statutory provisions related to filling vacancies on boards of county commissioners.

**SSB 5365****Library Funding Alternate**

Sponsors: Wilson, J.

Final Status: C 275 L 25

Expands the definition of "recreational facilities" for purposes of forming a park and recreation district to include community centers which could include public libraries within less than 50 percent of the usable space, provided that any public library is operated under Washington library laws.

**SSB 5370****Port Commissioner Terms**

Sponsors: Harris, Chapman, Krishnadasan

Final Status: C 336 L 25

Allows certain port districts with three port commissioners to increase the terms of office of the commissioners from four to six years, with voter approval.



**ESSB 5509****Child Care Center Siting**

Sponsors: Alvarado, Salomon, Bateman

Final Status: C 276 L 25

Requires child care centers to be permitted as outright permitted uses in all zones except industrial zones. Requires on-site child care centers to be conditionally permitted in industrial and light industrial zones, with exceptions.

**SSB 5558****Growth Management Update Deadlines**

Sponsors: Goehner, Riccelli, Trudeau

Final Status: C 148 L 25

Extends the deadline for counties and cities that have a comprehensive plan update due in 2026 from June 30, 2026, to December 31, 2026. Provides that certain requirements related to design review and accessory dwelling units must be adopted at the time of the county or city's next comprehensive plan update, rather than six months after the update.

**ESB 5559****UGA Subdivision Process**

Sponsors: Lovelett, Nobles, Trudeau

Final Status: C 271 L 25

Requires cities and towns that plan under the Growth Management Act to adopt procedures for unit lot subdivision and establishes specific requirements for the procedures.

**SB 5571****Exterior Cladding Materials**

Sponsors: Bateman, Nobles

Final Status: C 270 L 25

Prohibits cities, towns, code cities, and counties from requiring or excluding exterior cladding materials that are in compliance with the State Building Code, subject to exceptions.

**ESSB 5611****Land Use Permitting Workload**

Sponsors: Salomon, Trudeau, Frame

Final Status: C 208 L 25

Establishes that for binding site plans, commercially zoned property includes property zoned to permit or conditionally permit any multifamily residential uses. Allows a local government to extend project permit deadlines for a period of time specified and mutually agreed upon in writing by the applicant and the local government.

**SB 5669****Irrigation District Elections**

Sponsors: Torres, Short, Dozier

Final Status: C 191 L 25

Authorizes irrigation districts (districts) to optionally conduct elections solely by mail, and provides requirements for absentee ballots. Provides new requirements for electors and candidates in district elections. Requires that certain districts annually provide electors with election information and comply with specified election security measures. Provides criminal penalties for district election and election security violations.

# POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION & WORKFORCE COMMITTEE

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## [SHB 1023](#)

### **Cosmetology Compact**

Sponsors: Ryu, Leavitt, Schmidt

Final Status: C 238 L 25

Enacts the Cosmetology Licensure Compact.

## [HB 1114](#)

### **Respiratory Care Compact**

Sponsors: Leavitt, Ybarra, Schmidt

Final Status: C 49 L 25

Enacts the Respiratory Care Interstate Compact.

## [SHB 1142](#)

### **In-Home Care Training Requirements & Certification Exemptions**

Sponsors: Macri, Ryu, Reed

Final Status: C 18 L 25

Aligns training requirements and certification exemptions for long-term care workers providing in-home care for family members.

## [EHB 1279](#)

### **Postsecondary Education Protections**

Sponsors: Pollet, Leavitt, Doglio

Final Status: C 82 L 25

Establishes additional student consumer protections for students participating in distance education programs. Requires the Washington Student Achievement Council to: (1) review Washington's continued participation in State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (SARAs); (2) report to the Legislature on specified metrics; and (3) establish a process to administer interstate reciprocity agreements outside of SARAs.

## [ESHB 1395](#)

### **Home Care Worker Background**

Sponsors: Farivar, Fosse, Nance

Final Status: C 214 L 25

Provides conditions under which an employer may not conduct a character, competence, and sustainability (CCS) review for long-term care providers. Allows long-term care providers to have unsupervised access of children and vulnerable adults for up to 30 days while a CCS review is conducted under certain circumstances. Limits the circumstances under which a fingerprint-based background check is conducted on a long-term care provider.

## [SHB 1486](#)

### **Student Member on SBCTC**

Sponsors: Salahuddin, Pollet, Doglio

Final Status: C 91 L 25

Adds a student member to the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges.

**HB 1556****High School Diploma & Certificate Course Fee Waivers**

Sponsors: Entenman, Davis, Leavitt

Final Status: C 42 L 25

Eliminates the requirement that a student must be 19 years of age or older to receive a fee waiver for a high school diploma or certificate course offered at a community or technical college.

**ESHB 1572****Higher Education Accreditation**

Sponsors: Pollet, Entenman, Reed

Final Status: C 157 L 25

Modifies criteria for exemption from authorization for nonprofit out-of-state institutions of higher education operating in Washington. Requires the Washington Student Achievement Council to recognize certain accrediting agencies.

**2SHB 1587****Partner Promise Scholarships**

Sponsors: Bergquist, Rude, Reed

Final Status: C 254 L 25

Establishes Local Government Partner Promise Scholarship Programs within the Washington State Opportunity Scholarship Program.

**EHB 1705****Large Animal Veterinarians**

Sponsors: Dent, Reeves, Parshley

Final Status: C 86 L 25

Creates a work group to study and recommend strategies to recruit, train, and retain large animal veterinarians in the state.

**EHB 1874****Textured Hair Training**

Sponsors: Morgan, Entenman, Reeves

Final Status: C 194 L 25

Requires cosmetologists, barbers, estheticians, and hair designers to receive training on the care, styling, and treatment of textured hair.

**SB 5110****Tribal Elder Tuition Waivers**

Sponsors: Kauffman, Chapman, Dhingra

Final Status: C 177 L 25

Authorizes community and technical colleges to waive tuition and fees for tribal elders over the age of 55 from eligible Indian tribes.

**E2SSB 5355**

**Higher Education Safety**

Sponsors: Orwall, Slatter, Dhingra

Final Status: C 124 L 25

Requires student, faculty, and staff identification cards issued at public institutions of higher education to include the contact number of an organization supporting survivors of sexual assault, sexual harassment, and sex- and gender-based violence. Establishes additional rights for survivors of sexual assault. Prohibits institutions of higher education from pressuring a student reporting sexual misconduct to enter into a nondisclosure agreement.

**SB 5543**

**College Bound Scholarship**

Sponsors: Boehnke, Slatter, Hasegawa

Final Status: C 288 L 25

Expands eligibility for the College Bound Scholarship to students who have received a high school equivalency certificate.

# STATE GOVERNMENT & TRIBAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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## [HB 1012](#)

### **Women's Commission/Gifts**

Sponsors: Taylor, Mena, Ryu

Final Status: C 174 L 25

Allows the Washington State Women's Commission to solicit gifts, grants, and endowments from public and private sources.

## [HB 1013](#)

### **DSHS Civil Service**

Sponsors: Schmidt, Fosse, Berry

Final Status: C 73 L 25

Revises the positions within the Department of Social and Health Services that are exempt from the State Civil Service Law.

## [EHB 1219](#)

### **Interbranch Advisory Committee**

Sponsors: Taylor, Farivar, Simmons

Final Status: C 398 L 25

Extends the expiration date for the Interbranch Advisory Committee to January 1, 2031, and increases the number of members representing the judicial branch. Requires the Administrative Office of the Courts to provide staff support.

## [HB 1222](#)

### **Gambling Commission/PRA**

Sponsors: Stearns, Kloba

Final Status: C 81 L 25

Exempts from public disclosure certain financial statements and transactions, information that describes certain internal operational systems or procedures of a gaming facility, certain gaming facility security information, and certain gaming equipment information, obtained by the Gambling Commission.

## [SHB 1321](#)

### **Outside Militia Activities**

Sponsors: Mena, Ortiz-Self, Parshley

Final Status: C 72 L 25

Prohibits a military force from another state, territory, or district from entering Washington for the purpose of military duty unless under the authority of the President or with permission from the Governor.

**HB 1327****Horse Racing**

Sponsors: Schmick, Stearns

Final Status: C 89 L 25

Modifies certain requirements of commissioners at the Washington Horse Racing Commission (Commission). Amends rates paid by horse race meet licensees to the Commission and certain expenditures made by the Commission. Increases the percentage of pari-mutuel wagering gross receipts that may be retained by a licensee. Revises requirements for satellite locations and simulcasts for class 1 racing associations.

**HB 1372****JLARC Studies**

Sponsors: Orcutt, Pollet, Klicker

Final Status: C 198 L 25

Delays the expiration date for the Sunset Act to June 30, 2045. Requires that resources dedicated to program reviews be proportionate to the size and complexity of the program's budget. Requires the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee to consider additional factors when developing its biennial work plan and review the methodology and data used by the Department of Natural Resources in its sustainable harvest calculation for 2025-2034 regardless of pending litigation.

**HB 1573****Timing of Oath of Office**

Sponsors: Parshley, Hunt, Doglio

Final Status: C 307 L 25

Extends the period during which a person elected to certain local offices may take the oath of office.

**EHB 1628****Fire Service Policy Board**

Sponsors: Bronoske, Griffey, Schmidt

Final Status: C 193 L 25

Establishes the Washington State Fire Policy Board to advise the Director of Fire Protection on the State Fire Marshal's Office.

**HB 1631****State Marine Forest**

Sponsors: Nance, Mena, Griffey

Final Status: C 45 L 25

Establishes bull kelp forests as the state marine forest.

**HB 1934****Employment Investigation/PRA**

Sponsors: Chase, Doglio, Schmidt

Final Status: C 283 L 25

Requires agencies, prior to disclosing records related to investigations of unfair practices or workplace discrimination or harassment, to redact certain personal identifying information of complainants, accusers, and witnesses, with exceptions, and alter their voices on audio recorded during the investigation.

**ESSB 5014****Election Security**

Sponsors: Boehnke, Bateman, Chapman

Final Status: C 329 L 25

Requires certain election systems be preapproved by the Secretary of State prior to use in an election. Establishes security breach disclosure requirements for specified organizations. Mandates each county auditor to implement specified cybersecurity measures by July 1, 2027.

**SSB 5049****Sunshine Committee**

Sponsors: Wilson, J., McCune, Fortunato

Final Status: C 110 L 25

Modifies the quarterly meeting requirement of the Public Records Exemptions Accountability Committee to require four meetings annually.

**SB 5077****Agency Voter Registration**

Sponsors: Valdez, Riccelli, Bateman

Final Status: C 330 L 25

Requires the Governor to decide which additional agencies may offer voter registration services, including automatic voter registration (AVR). Permits the Health Benefit Exchange to provide information for certain applicants to the Office of the Secretary of State (OSOS) for the purposes of AVR. Authorizes the OSOS to employ online voter registration through the certain websites.

**SB 5102****Public Risk Pool Records**

Sponsors: Hasegawa

Final Status: C 176 L 25

Creates an exemption in the Public Records Act for certain information used by or prepared for public risk pools.

**SSB 5106****Eid Al-Fitr & Eid Al-Adha**

Sponsors: Trudeau, Warnick, Bateman

Final Status: C 30 L 25

Makes the first day of the tenth month of the Islamic calendar (Eid al-Fitr) and the tenth day of the twelfth month of the Islamic calendar (Eid al-Adha) legislatively recognized days.

**ESSB 5143****Ethics In Public Service**

Sponsors: Gildon, Pedersen, Nobles

Final Status: C 377 L 25

Increases the gift threshold under ethics laws from \$50 to \$100 and excludes certain items from the definition of gift. Modifies provisions related to payment of penalties and costs upon finding a violation of the ethics laws. Creates a definition of tangible legislative nexus and modifies and expands on the current list of specified activities with per se tangible legislative nexus.

**SB 5414**

**Social Equity Impact/Audits**

Sponsors: Hasegawa, Nobles, Valdez

Final Status: C 135 L 25

Requires performance audits to include a social equity impact analysis of programs or services. Extends the deadline for legislative bodies to hold public hearings on the findings of performance audits.

**SJM 8008**

**Constitutional Convention Applications**

Sponsors: Krishnadasan, Pedersen, Hasegawa

Final Status: SFiled Sec/St

Rescinds all previous requests by the Legislature for a constitutional convention to propose amendments to the United States Constitution.



# TECHNOLOGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, & VETERANS COMMITTEE

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## [E2SHB 1102](#)

### **Veteran Support & Services**

Sponsors: Shavers, Ryu, Leavitt

Final Status: C 294 L 25

Requires the Washington Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) to provide information to veterans about benefits and services. Expands county eligibility for the Veterans Service Officer Program (Program) and prioritizes counties with the lowest percentage of veterans receiving federal benefits. Requires the WDVA to provide county-specific information about veterans and available services in reports.

## [ESHB 1201](#)

### **Emergency Shelters/Pets**

Sponsors: Leavitt, Ryu, Macri

Final Status: C 80 L 25

Requires, to the extent practicable, political subdivisions to identify coshelters, emergency shelters, and companion animal emergency preparedness information in local comprehensive emergency management plans, existing plan structures, and on websites.

## [SHB 1271](#)

### **State Fire Service Deployment**

Sponsors: Nance, Dent, Marshall

Final Status: C 239 L 25

Expands when the Washington State Patrol can mobilize fire resources to include: (1) preparation for an emergency or disaster; or (2) when an emergency or disaster is predicted to exceed local resource capabilities.

## [ESHB 1483](#)

### **Digital Electronics/Repair**

Sponsors: Gregerson, Reeves, Wylie

Final Status: C 353 L 25

Requires original manufacturers of digital electronic products to make available certain parts and other materials for the repair of digital electronic products, subject to exceptions.

## [SSB 5492](#)

### **Tourism Promotion**

Sponsors: Riccelli, Chapman, Cleveland

Final Status: C 189 L 25

Requires the Washington Tourism Marketing Authority to appoint a tourism industry advisory group. Requires the advisory group to develop recommendations for an assessment on the tourism industry by November 1, 2025.

**ESSB 5677**

**Associate Development Organizations**

Sponsors: Cortes, Frame, Riccelli

Final Status: C 392 L 25

Removes certain reporting requirements in the Department of Commerce's (Commerce) associate development organization (ADO) contract with King County. Allows Commerce to provide an allocation of \$40,000 in a rural ADO contract. Allows urban and rural ADOs to provide each county's locally matched allocation through funds that do not include State General Fund dollars.

# TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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## [SHB 1061](#)

### **Residential Parking**

Sponsors: Low, Jacobsen

Final Status: C 137 L 25

Authorizes cities and counties to allow residential property owners to park, or allow another to park, across the point of ingress or egress of the owner's driveway, subject to certain restrictions.

## [SHB 1244](#)

### **Driver Training Alternative**

Sponsors: Wylie

Final Status: C 175 L 25

Requires the Department of Licensing (DOL) to terminate a 60-day driver's license suspension early, when the reason for the suspension is three or more moving violations in a one-year period or four or more moving violations in a two-year period, once it has received notification that the driver has completed a safe driving course approved by the DOL.

## [SHB 1371](#)

### **Veteran Parking Privileges**

Sponsors: Orcutt, Klicker, Couture

Final Status: C 295 L 25

Grants eligibility for parking privileges for individuals with disabilities through October 1, 2035, to veterans who use a service animal and have received a qualifying discharge with a 70 percent disability rating or higher from the United States (US) Armed Forces or the US Department of Veterans Affairs. Requires the Department of Licensing to report to the Legislature the number of veterans who receive these parking privileges by December 31, 2026, and by December 31, 2034.

## [SHB 1418](#)

### **PTBAs Governing Body Members**

Sponsors: Timmons, Ramel, Duerr

Final Status: C 230 L 25

Allows for the appointment of two transit-using members to the governing body of public transportation benefit areas (PTBAs) as voting members. Requires one of the transit-using members to represent a community-based organization, if possible. Requires meetings of the governing body of certain PTBAs to be reasonably accessible by transit and that certain trainings be provided to transit-using members.

## [ESHB 1439](#)

### **Vehicle & Driver Licensing**

Sponsors: Bernbaum, Abell, Donaghy

Final Status: C 23 L 25

Makes technical changes to various transportation-related provisions of the Revised Code of Washington.

**ESHB 1596****Accountability for Speeding**

Sponsors: Leavitt, Goodman, Ryu

Final Status: C 228 L 25

Requires the use of an intelligent speed assistance device to limit the operation of a vehicle to the speed limit, under certain conditions and with certain exceptions, when there has been a violation of certain traffic-related laws involving speeding.

**HB 1605****State Patrol Longevity Bonus**

Sponsors: Fey, Barkis, Leavitt

Final Status: C 172 L 25

Requires a longevity bonus for Washington State Patrol employees that achieved 26 or more years of commissioned service before July 1, 2024.

**SHB 1774****Lease of Unused Highway Land**

Sponsors: Fey, Parshley, Ramel

Final Status: C 298 L 25

Allows the Washington State Department of Transportation to incorporate into its determination of adequate consideration for the lease of property identified social, environmental, or economic benefits of the lease when the lessee will use the property for community purposes and is a public agency, special purpose district, community-based non-profit organization, federally recognized Indian tribe, or state historical society. Defines "community purposes" as serving a housing, housing assistance, shelter program, park, enhanced public space, public recreation, salmon habitat restoration, or public transportation public benefit purpose.

**ESHB 1837****Intercity Passenger Rail**

Sponsors: Reed, Doglio, Leavitt

Final Status: C 363 L 25

Establishes target goals for the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for Amtrak Cascades service for the number of roundtrips per day, trip reliability, improvements to first- and last-mile connections, and emissions reduction. Requires the WSDOT to prioritize these target goals as it conducts project development work. Mandates that the WSDOT provide legislative updates annually on its progress working towards the target goals, and requires the Joint Transportation Committee to conduct an independent review of the Amtrak Cascades 2024 Preliminary Service Development Plan and related documents by December 31, 2026, with a final report due by June 1, 2027.

**ESHB 1878****Young Driver Safety**

Sponsors: Donaghy, Berry, Doglio

Final Status: C 299 L 25

Expands driver training education requirements to obtain a driver's license to individuals between the ages of 18 and 21, with staggered implementation between January 1, 2027, and January 1, 2030. Expires every initial driver's license for a person under the age of 21 on the latter of the driver's license holder's 21st birthday or the driver's license holder's second birthdate after driver's license issuance, requiring the driver's license holder to complete a driver training education refresher course before renewal may occur. Mandates that drivers under the age of 25 with an initial driver's license found to have committed a traffic infraction for a moving violation on two occasions to complete specified courses. Establishes work zone and first responder safety course requirements. Requires the Department of Licensing to establish a program to provide vouchers to cover the average cost of mandated driver training education courses for qualifying drivers who reside in low-income households. Raises the fee to obtain a driver's instruction permit by \$10, the driver's license exam fee by \$15, and the license service fee by 25 cents, and restricts use of this revenue to expanding and improving driver's education programs and activities.

**ESHB 1902****Transportation Project Permitting**

Sponsors: Richards, Stuebe, Zahn

Final Status: C 365 L 25

Requires the Washington State Department of Transportation to convene a work group of state, local, federal, private sector, and tribal representatives to develop recommendations to streamline the permitting of transportation projects.

**SHB 1958****Interstate Bridge Toll Bonds**

Sponsors: Fey, Wylie, Zahn

Final Status: C 400 L 25

Allows for the issuance of up to \$2.5 billion of bonds for the design, right-of-way, and construction of the Interstate 5 Bridge Replacement Project. Provides a separate process for the issuance and repayment of any bonds issued.

**HB 1970****Highway Alternative Contracting**

Sponsors: Zahn, Donaghy

Final Status: C 231 L 25

Authorizes the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to use certain alternative public works contracting processes. Exempts the WSDOT from certification requirements by the Capital Projects Advisory Review Board (Board) for those processes on highway construction projects. Exempts the WSDOT from Board approval requirements for specific projects meeting certain criteria.

**HJM 4002****Medal of Honor Bridge**

Sponsors: Dent, Paul, Barkis

Final Status: HFiled Sec/St

Requests the Washington State Transportation Commission to designate the Interstate 90 bridge over the Columbia River near Vantage, Washington as the "Medal of Honor Bridge."

**SSB 5127****Collector Vehicle Licenses**

Sponsors: Lovick, Fortunato, Liias

Final Status: C 332 L 25

Requires all applicants for collector vehicle license plates to have liability or collector vehicle insurance after January 15, 2026. Requires applicants for collector vehicle plates received after January 15, 2026, to provide proof of valid registration of a second vehicle. Modifies the age requirement for horseless carriages.

**ESSB 5161****Transportation Budget**

Sponsors: Liias, King, Nobles

Final Status: C 416 L 25 Partial  
Veto

Makes biennial transportation appropriations totaling \$15.5 billion for the 2025-27 fiscal biennium. Reduces existing transportation appropriations for the 2023-25 fiscal biennium by \$1.3 billion, from \$14.5 billion to \$13.2 billion. (See <https://fiscal.wa.gov/> for additional information.)

***Partial Veto Summary:***

Vetoes several items in the transportation budget. (See [veto message](#)).

**ESSB 5281****Nonresident Vessel/Allowable Length**

Sponsors: Chapman, King, Liias

Final Status: C 244 L 25

Increases the maximum length of commercial or charter vessels for a nonresident vessel permit from 200 to 300 feet. Requires a fee of \$100 per foot for a nonresident vessel permit for commercial vessels between 201 and 300 feet beginning May 1, 2026.

**SSB 5444****Special License Plates**

Sponsors: Cortes, Chapman, Lovick

Final Status: C 385 L 25

Authorizes up to 13 new special license plates. Establishes a moratorium on any additional special license plates until January 1, 2029. Requires the Department of Licensing to establish a work group to review related current provisions.

**SB 5462****Vehicle Inspection Backlog**

Sponsors: Braun, Chapman, Wilson, J.

Final Status: C 10 L 25

Exempts all-terrain vehicles, wheeled all-terrain vehicles, and utility type vehicles from most vehicle identification number inspection requirements.

**SSB 5556****Adopt-a-Highway Program**

Sponsors: Ramos, Lovick, Valdez

Final Status: C 291 L 25

Makes the Washington State Department of Transportation's (WSDOT) Adopt-a-Highway Program (AAH) installation of recognition signs subject to funding. Requires annual reporting of AAH applicants and participants, and their compliance with AAH obligations.

**ESB 5595****Shared Streets**

Sponsors: Alvarado, Lias, Frame

Final Status: C 300 L 25

Authorizes local authorities to designate a non-arterial highway a "shared street," which is defined as a city street designated by placement of official traffic control devices where pedestrians, bicyclists, and vehicular traffic share a portion or all of the same street. Permits local authorities to establish maximum speed limits of 10 miles per hour on shared streets. Requires vehicular traffic traveling along a shared street to yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian, bicyclist, or operator of a micro-mobility device.

**ESB 5689****Drivers' Licenses/Blood Type**

Sponsors: Harris, Nobles, Riccelli

Final Status: C 217 L 25

Allows individuals to apply for the inclusion of blood type on a driver's license or identicard.

**SB 5702****Toll Rate Setting Process**

Sponsors: Ramos, Goehner, Nobles

Final Status: C 293 L 25

Removes toll rate setting from the rulemaking process under the Administrative Procedure Act. Establishes a new process for setting toll rates at the Washington State Transportation Commission.

**SB 5716****Transit Conduct/Ferries**

Sponsors: Krishnadasan, Chapman, Cortes

Final Status: C 234 L 25

Adds Washington State Ferries facilities and vessels to the areas where the misdemeanor crime of Unlawful Transit Conduct can occur.

**ESSB 5801****Transportation Resources**

Sponsors: Liias, King, Chapman

Final Status: C 417 L 25

Increases the fuel tax rate for motor vehicle fuel and special fuel by 6 cents per gallon beginning July 1, 2025, an additional 3 cents per gallon for special fuel beginning July 1, 2025, and 3 cents per gallon for special fuel beginning July 1, 2027, and inflates the fuel tax rate by 2 percent per year. Increases a variety of transportation taxes and fees, including raising vehicle weight fees and raising the rental car tax. Increases the additional state retail sales and use tax rate applied to motor vehicles, imposes a retail sales and use tax on recreational vessels, and imposes a luxury retail sales and use tax on certain motor vehicles and certain non-commercial aircraft. Makes a variety of other resource-related changes and modifies a variety of transportation policies, including in the areas of tolling, project streamlining, grant programs, green transportation policy, traffic safety, active transportation, public transportation benefit areas, marine pilotage, and public-private partnerships.



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