

TENTH DAY, JANUARY 17, 2024

2024 REGULAR SESSION

TENTH DAY**AFTERNOON SESSION**Senate Chamber, Olympia
Wednesday, January 17, 2024

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by the President of the Senate, Lt. Governor Heck presiding. The Secretary called the roll and announced to the President that all senators were present with the exception of Senator Randall.

The Sergeant at Arms Color Guard consisting of Pages Mr. Gabe Guevara and Miss Medha Singitham, presented the Colors.

Page Miss Lola Poort led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reverend Corey Passons, Minister, Community for Interfaith Celebration of Olympia and Program Manager, Interfaith Relations for Interfaith Works, offered the prayer.

MOTIONS

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

The Senate advanced to the first order of business.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

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SB 5777 Prime Sponsor, Senator Keiser: Concerning unemployment insurance benefits for striking or lockout workers. Reported by Committee on Labor & Commerce

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Keiser, Chair; Conway, Vice Chair; Saldaña, Vice Chair; Hansen and Stanford.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators King, Ranking Member; Braun and MacEwen.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5803 Prime Sponsor, Senator Conway: Concerning the recruitment and retention of Washington national guard members. Reported by Committee on State Government & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Valdez, Vice Chair; Wilson, J., Ranking Member; Hunt, Chair; Dozier; Fortunato; Hasegawa and Kuderer.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5815 Prime Sponsor, Senator Muzzall: Concerning the physician assistant compact. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5815 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Robinson, Vice Chair; Rivers, Ranking Member; Muzzall, Assistant Ranking Member; Cleveland, Chair; Conway; Dhingra; Holy; Padden; Randall and Van De Wege.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5842 Prime Sponsor, Senator Kuderer: Restricting the use of social security numbers by insurance companies for the purpose of determining child support debt. Reported by Committee on Business, Financial Services, Gaming & Trade

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Stanford, Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Dozier, Ranking Member; Boehnke; Gildon; Hasegawa; Lovick; MacEwen and Mullet.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5853 Prime Sponsor, Senator Dhingra: Extending the crisis relief center model to provide behavioral health crisis services for minors. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5853 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Robinson, Vice Chair; Rivers, Ranking Member; Muzzall, Assistant Ranking Member; Cleveland, Chair; Conway; Dhingra; Holy; Padden; Randall and Van De Wege.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5871 Prime Sponsor, Senator Lovick: Concerning the definition of veteran and restoring honor to veterans. Reported by Committee on State Government & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5871 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Valdez, Vice Chair; Wilson, J., Ranking Member; Hunt, Chair; Dozier; Fortunato; Hasegawa and Kuderer.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5880 Prime Sponsor, Senator Muzzall: Establishing a primary certification process for magnetic resonance imaging technologists. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5880 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Robinson, Vice Chair; Rivers, Ranking Member; Muzzall, Assistant Ranking Member; Cleveland, Chair; Conway; Dhingra; Holy; Padden; Randall and Van De Wege.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5906 Prime Sponsor, Senator Wilson, L.: Implementing a statewide drug overdose prevention and education campaign.

Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Robinson, Vice Chair; Rivers, Ranking Member; Muzzall, Assistant Ranking Member; Cleveland, Chair; Conway; Dhingra; Holy; Padden; Randall and Van De Wege.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5936 Prime Sponsor, Senator Conway: Convening a palliative care benefit work group. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5936 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Robinson, Vice Chair; Rivers, Ranking Member; Muzzall, Assistant Ranking Member; Cleveland, Chair; Conway; Dhingra; Holy; Padden; Randall and Van De Wege.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5982 Prime Sponsor, Senator Cleveland: Updating the definition of "vaccine" in RCW 70.290.010 to include all federal food and drug administration-approved immunizations recommended by the centers for disease control and prevention. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Robinson, Vice Chair; Cleveland, Chair; Conway; Dhingra; Randall and Van De Wege.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Holy and Padden.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Rivers, Ranking Member Muzzall, Assistant Ranking Member.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5986 Prime Sponsor, Senator Cleveland: Protecting consumers from out-of-network health care services charges. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Robinson, Vice Chair; Rivers, Ranking Member; Muzzall, Assistant Ranking Member; Cleveland, Chair; Conway; Dhingra; Holy; Padden; Randall and Van De Wege.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 6027 Prime Sponsor, Senator Stanford: Concerning the insurance holding company act. Reported by Committee on Business, Financial Services, Gaming & Trade

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Stanford, Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Dozier, Ranking Member; Boehnke; Gildon; Hasegawa; Lovick; MacEwen and Mullet.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 6198 Prime Sponsor, Senator Holy: Concerning employees of the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' plan 2 retirement board. Reported by Committee on State Government & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Valdez, Vice Chair; Wilson, J., Ranking Member; Hunt, Chair; Dozier; Fortunato; Hasegawa and Kuderer.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

MOTION

On motion of Pedersen, all measures listed on the Standing Committee report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of Senate Bill No. 5853 which had been designated to the Committee on Rules and was referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The President announced the following appointments to the standing committees, listed on the document entitled "2024 Senate Standing Committee Membership".

2024 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP **Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks**

<i>Van De Wege, Chair</i>	<i>Muzzall, Ranking</i>
<i>Salomon, Vice Chair</i>	Short
Shewmake	Wagoner
Stanford	Warnick
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Business, Financial Services, Gaming & Trade

<i>Stanford, Chair</i>	<i>Dozier, Ranking</i>
<i>Frame, Vice Chair</i>	Boehnke
Hasegawa	Gildon
Mullet	MacEwen
Lovick	

Early Learning & K-12 Education

<i>Wellman, Chair</i>	<i>Hawkins, Ranking</i>
<i>Nobles, Vice Chair</i>	Dozier
<i>C. Wilson, Vice Chair</i>	McCune
Hunt	
Mullet	
Pedersen	

Environment, Energy & Technology

<i>Nguyen, Chair</i>	<i>MacEwen, Ranking</i>
<i>Lovelett, Vice Chair</i>	Short
Lovick	Boehnke
Trudeau	
Wellman	

Health & Long-Term Care

<i>Cleveland, Chair</i>	<i>Rivers, Ranking</i>
<i>Robinson, Vice Chair</i>	<i>Muzzall, Asst. Ranking</i>
Conway	Holy
Dhingra	Padden
Randall	
Van De Wege	

Higher Education & Workforce Development

Nobles, Chair Holy, Ranking
 Hansen, Vice Chair Hawkins
 Randall

Housing

Kuderer, Chair Fortunato, Ranking
 Frame, Vice Chair Braun
 Cleveland Gildon
 Saldaña Rivers
 Shewmake J. Wilson
 Trudeau

Human Services

C. Wilson, Chair Boehnke, Ranking
 Kauffman, Vice Chair Warnick
 Frame J. Wilson
 Nguyen

Labor & Commerce

Keiser, Chair King, Ranking
 Conway, Vice Chair Braun
 Saldaña, Vice Chair MacEwen
 Hansen Schoesler
 Stanford

Law & Justice

Dhingra, Chair Padden, Ranking
 Trudeau, Vice Chair McCune
 Kuderer Torres
 Pedersen Wagoner
 Salomon L. Wilson
 Valdez

Local Government, Land Use & Tribal Affairs

Lovelett, Chair Torres, Ranking
 Salomon, Vice Chair Short
 Kauffman

State Government & Elections

Hunt, Chair J. Wilson, Ranking
 Valdez, Vice Chair Dozier
 Hasegawa Fortunato
 Kuderer

Transportation

Litas, Chair King, Ranking
 Lovick, Vice Chair Holy, Asst. Ranking
 Shewmake, Vice Chair Fortunato
 Cleveland Hawkins
 Hansen MacEwen
 Kauffman Padden
 Lovelett J. Wilson
 Nobles
 C. Wilson
 Valdez

Ways & Means

Robinson, Chair L. Wilson, Ranking Operating
 Nguyen, Vice Chair Gildon, Asst. Ranking
 Operating
 Mullet, Vice Chair Capital Schoesler, Ranking Capital
 Billig Rivers, Asst. Ranking Capital
 Conway Warnick, Asst. Ranking

Dhingra
 Hasegawa
 Hunt
 Keiser
 Pedersen
 Randall
 Saldaña
 Van De Wege
 Wellman

Capital
 Boehnke
 Braun
 Muzzall
 Torres
 Wagoner

Rules

Lt. Governor Heck, Chair Braun, Ranking
 Keiser, Vice Chair Gildon
 Billig King
 Cleveland Muzzall
 Hasegawa Rivers
 Kuderer Short
 Lovick
 Pedersen
 Salomon
 Saldaña
 C. Wilson

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the appointments to the standing committees were confirmed by voice vote.

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

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SI 2117 by People of the State of Washington

Authorizing authorities to address aerial firefighting aspects as part of permitting processes for communities at risk of wildfires.

Referred to Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology.

SB 6252 by Senator Stanford

AN ACT Relating to enhancing consumer protections for automobile insurance coverage; and adding new sections to chapter 48.18 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Business, Financial Services, Gaming & Trade.

SB 6253 by Senators Nobles and Mullet

AN ACT Relating to increasing funding for the learning assistance program; amending RCW 28A.150.260; and providing an effective date.

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

SB 6254 by Senators Nobles and Hansen

AN ACT Relating to student navigational supports to increase postsecondary enrollment; amending RCW 28B.50.940; adding a new section to chapter 28B.77 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 6255 by Senators Cleveland and Dhingra

AN ACT Relating to assisted living facilities that are owned or operated by affordable housing providers; amending RCW 18.20.020 and 74.39A.032; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6256 by Senator Stanford; by request of Department of Commerce

AN ACT Relating to solar consumer protections; adding a new section to chapter 80.60 RCW; and adding a new chapter to Title 19 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 6257 by Senators Cleveland and Rivers

AN ACT Relating to creating Washington state residency requirements for purposes of hospital charity care; adding a new section to chapter 70.170 RCW; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6258 by Senators Cleveland and Robinson

AN ACT Relating to phasing in the requirement that only standardized health plans may be offered on the health benefit exchange; amending RCW 43.71.095; and adding a new section to chapter 43.71 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6259 by Senator Warnick

AN ACT Relating to special sales at public livestock markets; and amending RCW 16.65.420.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 6260 by Senator Warnick

AN ACT Relating to limiting the application of certain civil penalties to protect landowners from incurring penalties based on the actions of the landowner's lessee; and amending RCW 90.03.600.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks.

SB 6261 by Senator Warnick

AN ACT Relating to the penalties for theft and possession of stolen property, including theft from first responders; amending RCW 9A.56.150, 9A.56.030, and 9.94A.540; reenacting and amending RCW 9.94A.515; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 6262 by Senator Wilson, J.

AN ACT Relating to creating the Julia Butler Hansen state park heritage center; and adding a new chapter to Title 79A RCW.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

SB 6263 by Senator Wilson, L.

AN ACT Relating to death benefits provided by the 1955 act for firefighters' relief and pensions; and amending RCW 41.18.140.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 6264 by Senator Wellman

AN ACT Relating to supporting the implementation of competency-based education; amending RCW 28A.230.125; adding a new chapter to Title 28A RCW; and repealing RCW 28A.300.810.

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

SB 6265 by Senators Conway and Keiser

AN ACT Relating to protecting a consumer's right to coupon and sale prices offered by grocery stores; amending RCW 19.315.010; and adding a new section to chapter 19.315 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 6266 by Senators Pedersen, Dhingra, Trudeau, Valdez, Salomon, Nobles, Saldaña, Wilson, C., Lias, Hunt, Nguyen, Wellman, Keiser, Hasegawa, Cleveland, Kauffman, Frame, Lovick, Stanford and Kuderer

AN ACT Relating to protecting the public from gun violence by establishing additional requirements for the business operations of licensed firearms dealers; amending RCW 9.41.110; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 6267 by Senators Randall and Braun

AN ACT Relating to authorizing payment for parental caregivers of minor children with developmental disabilities; adding a new section to chapter 71A.12 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

SB 6268 by Senator Wagoner

AN ACT Relating to establishing a minimum font size for state agency communications to the public; and adding a new section to chapter 42.30 RCW.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

SB 6269 by Senators Valdez and Hunt

AN ACT Relating to establishing an alternative voter verification options pilot project; reenacting and amending RCW 29A.40.110; adding a new section to chapter 29A.40 RCW; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

SB 6270 by Senator MacEwen

AN ACT Relating to supporting computer science programs in Washington grade schools; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW.

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

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MOTIONS

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

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

Senator Schoesler moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION
8652

By Senators Schoesler, Hunt, Padden, Boehnke, Dozier, Wellman, Short, Lovick, Torres, Billig, and Warnick

WHEREAS, After serving as mayor of Pullman for 20 years, Glenn Johnson has retired from City Hall; and

WHEREAS, Glenn Johnson moved to Pullman in 1979 from Sacramento, California, to teach at Washington State University's Edward R. Murrow College of Communications, and became very involved with various organizations, which included volunteering at Pullman Regional Hospital; and

WHEREAS, As mayor, he helped with the initiation of Project Downtown, a city-led revitalization project to upgrade Main Street's utilities, roads, sidewalks, and public spaces; and

WHEREAS, Glenn Johnson is not just known for being Pullman mayor and a distinguished professor at Washington State University for 35 years, but for being the "Voice of the Cougs" as the public-address announcer at Washington State University sporting events for more than 40 years; and

WHEREAS, His catchphrase at Washington State University home football games – "and that's another Cougar first down!" – became so popular that Cougars fans routinely said it in unison; and

WHEREAS, Glenn also is a trustee of the Community Colleges of Spokane; and

WHEREAS, Glenn Johnson is a recipient of the Honorary Alumnus award, which is considered the highest honor from the Washington State University Alumni Association for nonalumni friends who have given special service to the university, and appropriately was presented with that honor while announcing at a Cougar basketball game; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State University Foundation presented him with its Outstanding Service Award in 2013, while the Pullman Chamber of Commerce has honored him with the Marshall A. Neill Community Service Award in 2001 and as Member of the Year in 1997; and

WHEREAS, Glenn Johnson in 2008 received the 2008 Edward L. Bliss Award for Distinguished Broadcast Journalism Education, which honors an electronic journalism educator who has made a significant and lasting contribution to the field in the areas of teaching, service, and scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Glenn Johnson has been a selfless leader who always dedicated his success to the people around him;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor and congratulate Glenn Johnson not only for serving two decades as Pullman mayor but also for his ongoing service as the Voice of the Cougars. Go Cougs!

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Glenn Johnson.

Senators Schoesler and Hunt spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8652.

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

MOTION

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate reverted to the seventh order of business.

THIRD READING
CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

Senator Robinson moved that Laura S. Wildfong, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9164, be confirmed as a member of the Lake Washington Institute of Technology Board of Trustees.

Senator Robinson spoke in favor of the motion.

APPOINTMENT OF LAURA S. WILDFONG

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the confirmation of Laura S. Wildfong, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9164, as a member of the Lake Washington Institute of Technology Board of Trustees.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of Laura S. Wildfong, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9164, as a member of the Lake Washington Institute of Technology Board of Trustees and the appointment was confirmed by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 1; Excused, 0.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Absent: Senator Randall

Laura S. Wildfong, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9164, having received the constitutional majority was declared confirmed as a member of the Lake Washington Institute of Technology Board of Trustees.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Nobles, Senator Randall was excused.

THIRD READING
CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

Senator Schoesler moved that Glenn A. Johnson, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9255, be confirmed as a member of the Community Colleges of Spokane Board of Trustees.

Senator Schoesler spoke in favor of the motion.

APPOINTMENT OF GLENN A. JOHNSON

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the

confirmation of Glenn A. Johnson, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9255, as a member of the Community Colleges of Spokane Board of Trustees.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of Glenn A. Johnson, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9255, as a member of the Community Colleges of Spokane Board of Trustees and the appointment was confirmed by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senator Randall

Glenn A. Johnson, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9255, having received the constitutional majority was declared confirmed as a member of the Community Colleges of Spokane Board of Trustees.

THIRD READING

CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

Senator Keiser moved that Jacelyn M. Boschok, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9169, be confirmed as a member of the Green River College Board of Trustees.

Senator Keiser spoke in favor of the motion.

APPOINTMENT OF JACELYN M. BOSCHOK

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the confirmation of Jacelyn M. Boschok, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9169, as a member of the Green River College Board of Trustees.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of Jacelyn M. Boschok, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9169, as a member of the Green River College Board of Trustees and the appointment was confirmed by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senator Randall

Jacelyn M. Boschok, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9169, having received the constitutional majority was declared confirmed as a member of the Green River College Board of Trustees.

THIRD READING

CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

Senator Nobles moved that J. Manny Santiago, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9312, be confirmed as a member of the Tacoma Community College Board of Trustees.

Senator Nobles spoke in favor of the motion.

APPOINTMENT OF J. MANNY SANTIAGO

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the confirmation of J. Manny Santiago, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9312, as a member of the Tacoma Community College Board of Trustees.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of J. Manny Santiago, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9312, as a member of the Tacoma Community College Board of Trustees and the appointment was confirmed by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senator Randall

J. Manny Santiago, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9312, having received the constitutional majority was declared confirmed as a member of the Tacoma Community College Board of Trustees.

MOTION

At 2:02 p.m., on motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate was declared to be at ease subject to the call of the President.

Senator Hasegawa announced a meeting of the Democratic Caucus immediately upon going at ease.

Senator Warnick announced a meeting of the Republican Caucus immediately upon going at ease.

The Senate was called to order at 2:31 p.m. by the President of the Senate, Lt. Governor Heck presiding.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate reverted to the sixth order of business.

Senator Braun moved that the Senate advance to the ninth order of business for the purposes of relieving the Committee on State Government & Elections of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8415, Reconvening the redistricting commission to adopt revised legislative district maps for the Yakima Valley region.

Senator Braun demanded a roll call.

The President declared that one-sixth of the members supported the demand and the demand was sustained.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the motion by Senator Braun that the Senate advance to the ninth order of business.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the motion to advance to the

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ninth order and the motion did not carry by the following vote: Yeas, 20; Nays, 28; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Boehnke, Braun, Dozier, Fortunato, Gildon, Hawkins, Holy, King, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Padden, Rivers, Schoesler, Short, Torres, Wagoner, Warnick, Wilson, J., and Wilson, L.

Voting nay: Senators Billig, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Frame, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, Mullet, Nguyen, Nobles, Pedersen, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Shewmake, Stanford, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wellman, and Wilson, C.

Excused: Senator Randall

SECOND READING

SENATE BILL NO. 5376, by Senators Stanford, Rivers, Keiser, Saldaña, and Wilson, C.

Allowing the sale of cannabis waste.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Stanford, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5376 was substituted for Senate Bill No. 5376 and the substitute bill was placed on the second reading and read the second time.

On motion of Senator Stanford, the rules were suspended, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5376 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senator Stanford spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5376.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5376 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senator Randall

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5376, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

SECOND READING

SENATE BILL NO. 5640, by Senators Hunt, Kuderer, and Wilson, C.

Establishing an independent living residents' rights work group.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Hunt, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5640 was substituted for Senate Bill No. 5640 and the substitute bill

was placed on the second reading and read the second time.

Senator Hunt moved that the following striking amendment no. 471 by Senator Hunt be adopted:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the independent living residents' rights work group is established. The purpose of the work group is to recommend to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature a bill of rights for nonresidents residing in an assisted living facility that allows the nonresidents to have a process to resolve disputes regarding contracted services with the owners and management of the assisted living facility in which they reside. To establish these recommendations, the work group shall:

(a) Hold multiple stakeholder meetings with nonresidents residing in an assisted living facility to identify the barriers and issues impacting the nonresidents;

(b) Consider the impacts and evaluate the options for nonresidents residing in an assisted living facility;

(c) Conduct an analysis of the barriers and issues regarding contracted services that may not be resolved through the current appeals process for residential landlord-tenant policies as referenced in chapter 59.18 RCW; and

(d) Develop recommendations for a process for nonresidents residing in an assisted living facility to resolve problems, including recommendations protecting nonresidents from retaliation from owners and management of assisted living facilities.

(2) The work group shall be composed of the following members:

(a) One representative from the department of social and health services, appointed by the secretary of the department of social and health services;

(b) One representative from the Washington state attorney general's office, appointed by the attorney general or the attorney general's designee;

(c) One representative from the office of the state long-term care ombuds, appointed by the state long-term care ombuds;

(d) One representative each from two different associations representing assisted living facilities, appointed by the secretary of the department of social and health services from a list provided by the associations;

(e) One representative from a community-based organization or nonprofit organization that advocates for seniors and other individuals who wish to age in place, appointed by the secretary of the department of social and health services from a list provided by the organizations;

(f) An attorney with expertise in landlord-tenant law;

(g) The cochair of the dementia action collaborative other than the secretary of the department of social and health services or his or her designee; and

(h) Three representatives who are current nonresidents residing in an assisted living facility, appointed by the secretary of the department of social and health services based on the recommendations of the dementia action collaborative, the office of the state long-term care ombuds, and the independent resident commission of Bonaventure of Lacey.

(3) The work group shall submit its findings and recommendations to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by January 1, 2025.

(4) The work group shall hold its inaugural meeting no later than August 1, 2024. The work group shall elect a chair from among its current or previous nonresident members as listed in

subsection (2)(h) of this section at the inaugural meeting. The election of the chair must be by a majority vote of the work group members who are present at the inaugural meeting. The chair of the work group is responsible for arranging subsequent meetings and developing meeting agendas.

(5) Staff support for the work group, including arranging the inaugural meeting of the work group and assisting the chair of the work group in arranging subsequent meetings, must be provided by the department of social and health services.

(6) Nonlegislative members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer, governmental entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for other nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

(7) The work group is a class one group under chapter 43.03 RCW.

(8) A public comment period must be provided at every meeting of the work group.

(9) This section expires January 1, 2026.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "group;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "creating a new section; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency."

Senator Hunt spoke in favor of adoption of the striking amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of striking amendment no. 471 by Senator Hunt to Substitute Senate Bill No. 5640.

The motion by Senator Hunt carried and striking amendment no. 471 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Hunt, the rules were suspended, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5640 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senator Hunt spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5640.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5640 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senator Randall

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5640, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate advanced to the seventh order of business.

THIRD READING

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5589, by Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Stanford)

Concerning probate.

The bill was read on Third Reading.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Stanford, the rules were suspended and Substitute Senate Bill No. 5589 was returned to second reading for the purposes of amendment.

Senator Stanford moved that the following amendment no. 476 by Senator Stanford be adopted:

On page 6, line 12, after "For" strike "2023" and insert "2024"

On page 11, line 29, after "August 1," strike "2023" and insert "2024"

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of amendment no. 476 by Senator Stanford on page 6, line 12 to Substitute Senate Bill No. 5589.

The motion by Senator Stanford carried and amendment no. 476 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Stanford, the rules were suspended, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5589 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Stanford and Padden spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5589.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5589 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senator Randall

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5589, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

THIRD READING

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ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 5462, by Senators Liias, Wilson, C., Kuderer, Lovelett, Nguyen, Pedersen, Randall, Saldaña, and Valdez

Promoting inclusive learning standards and instructional materials in public schools.

The bill was read on Third Reading.

Senators Liias, Wilson, C. and Pedersen spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

Senators Hawkins and McCune spoke against passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5462.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5462 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 29; Nays, 19; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Frame, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, Mullet, Nguyen, Nobles, Pedersen, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Shewmake, Stanford, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wellman and Wilson, C.

Voting nay: Senators Boehnke, Dozier, Fortunato, Gildon, Hawkins, Holy, King, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Padden, Rivers, Schoesler, Short, Torres, Wagoner, Warnick, Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senator Randall

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 5462, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

STATEMENT FOR THE JOURNAL

“When Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5462 came up for a vote on the Senate floor this afternoon, I was called to the wings to consult on another matter and inadvertently voted ‘yes’ when I intended to vote ‘no’. I would like the record to reflect my intent to cast a no vote.”

SENATOR John Braun, 20th LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

MOTION

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate reverted to the sixth order of business.

SECOND READING

SENATE BILL NO. 5056, by Senators Padden, Fortunato, Gildon, and Wilson, L.

Establishing a special allegation for habitual property offenders.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Padden, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5056 was substituted for Senate Bill No. 5056 and the substitute bill was placed on the second reading and read the second time.

On motion of Senator Padden, the rules were suspended, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5056 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Padden and Dhingra spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5056.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5056 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 38; Nays, 10; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Torres, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Voting nay: Senators Hasegawa, Kauffman, Nguyen, Nobles, Saldaña, Stanford, Trudeau, Valdez, Wellman and Wilson, C.

Excused: Senator Randall

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5056, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

SECOND READING

SENATE BILL NO. 5299, by Senators Braun, Rolfes, Conway, Holy, Mullet, Torres, Wagoner, Warnick, Wilson, C., and Wilson, L.

Concerning law enforcement officer protection.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Braun, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5299 was substituted for Senate Bill No. 5299 and the substitute bill was placed on the second reading and read the second time.

Senator Braun moved that the following amendment no. 477 by Senator Braun be adopted:

On page 5, line 21, after "filed" insert "against the civilian"

On page 5, line 22, strike "and"

On page 5, line 23, after "filed" insert "against the civilian; and (e) The age, gender, race, and ethnicity of the individual who assaulted the officer"

Senator Braun spoke in favor of adoption of the amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of amendment no. 477 by Senator Braun on page 5, line 21 to Substitute Senate Bill No. 5299.

The motion by Senator Braun carried and amendment no. 477 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Braun, the rules were suspended, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5299 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Braun and Dhingra spoke in favor of passage of the

bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5299.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5299 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 47; Nays, 1; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Lias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Voting nay: Senator Hasegawa

Excused: Senator Randall

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5299, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate advanced to the seventh order of business.

THIRD READING

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5150, by Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks (originally sponsored by Shewmake)

Concerning the beef commission.

The bill was read on Third Reading.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Shewmake, the rules were suspended and Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5150 was returned to second reading for the purposes of amendment.

Senator Shewmake moved that the following striking amendment no. 472 by Senator Shewmake be adopted:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 16.67.120 and 2002 c 313 s 83 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) There is hereby levied an assessment of ~~((one dollar))~~ up to \$2.50 per head to be implemented as prescribed in subsection (2) of this section on all Washington cattle sold in this state or elsewhere to be paid by the seller at the time of sale: PROVIDED, That if such sale is accompanied by a brand inspection by the department such an assessment may be collected at the same time, place and in the same manner as brand inspection fees. Such fees may be collected by the livestock ~~((services—division))~~ identification program of the department and transmitted to the commission: PROVIDED FURTHER, That, if such sale is made without a brand inspection by the department the assessment shall be paid by the seller and transmitted directly to the commission by the ~~((fifteenth))~~ 15th day of the month following the month the

transaction occurred.

(2)(a) Beginning July 1, 2024, the assessment must be \$1.50 per head. \$0.50 of the \$1.50 assessment levied under this subsection may not be collected at the first point of sale of any calf identified with a green tag as identified in RCW 16.57.160.

(b) Beginning January 1, 2025, the assessment must be \$2.00 per head. \$1.00 of the \$2.00 assessment levied under this subsection may not be collected at the first point of sale of any calf identified with a green tag as identified in RCW 16.57.160.

(c) Beginning January 1, 2026, the assessment must be \$2.50 per head. \$1.50 of the \$2.50 assessment levied under this subsection may not be collected at the first point of sale of any calf identified with a green tag as identified in RCW 16.57.160.

(3) The procedures for collecting all state and federal assessments under this chapter shall be as required by the federal order and as described by rules adopted by the commission.

(4) The commission shall submit a report by January 1st of each year, in compliance with RCW 43.01.036, to the appropriate committees of the legislature having oversight over agriculture. The report must provide an accounting of the funds collected under this section for the previous year, including a record of the amount collected, the amount spent, and the purposes for which the funds were used.

(5) The commission shall hold meetings in different geographic regions of the state throughout the year, with at least two meetings held east of the crest of the Cascade mountains. Geographic regions must include the northeast, southeast, central southwest, and northwest regions of the state.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 16.67 RCW to read as follows:

The commission may fund, conduct, or otherwise participate in scientific research related to beef including, without limitation, to improve production, quality, transportation, processing, distribution, and environmental stewardship.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 16.67 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Of the assessments levied in RCW 16.67.120, a producer or owner of cattle from whom an assessment is collected has the right to request a refund of not more than \$.50 per head beginning July 1, 2024, not more than \$1.00 per head beginning January 1, 2025, and not more than \$1.50 per head beginning January 1, 2026. Refund requests must be mailed to the commission within 90 calendar days of the assessment.

(2) The commission must process the requested refunds on a calendar quarterly basis. Any refund request that is received by the commission less than 15 days from the end of the calendar quarter must be paid at the end of the next quarter."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "commission;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 16.67.120; and adding new sections to chapter 16.67 RCW."

Senator Shewmake spoke in favor of adoption of the striking amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of striking amendment no. 472 by Senator Shewmake to Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5150.

The motion by Senator Shewmake carried and striking amendment no. 472 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Shewmake, the rules were suspended, Second Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5150 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senator Shewmake spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

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Senator Muzzall spoke on passage of the bill.
 Senator Schoesler spoke against passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Second Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5150.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Second Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5150 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 33; Nays, 15; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Fortunato, Frame, Hansen, Hasegawa, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, Kuderer, Lias, Lovelett, Lovick, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Pedersen, Robinson, Saldaña, Shewmake, Stanford, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Voting nay: Senators Boehnke, Braun, Dozier, Gildon, Hawkins, King, MacEwen, McCune, Padden, Rivers, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Torres and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senator Randall

SECOND ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5150, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

THIRD READING

ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5580, by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Muzzall, Cleveland, Braun, Rivers, Warnick, Hasegawa, Kuderer, Lovelett, Randall, Shewmake, and Wilson, J.)

Improving maternal health outcomes.

The bill was read on Third Reading.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Muzzall, the rules were suspended and Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5580 was returned to second reading for the purposes of amendment.

Senator Muzzall moved that the following striking amendment no. 473 by Senator Muzzall be adopted:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 74.09 RCW to read as follows:

(1) By no later than January 1, 2025, the authority shall create a postdelivery and transitional care program that allows for extended postdelivery hospital care for people with a substance use disorder at the time of delivery. The authority shall:

(a) Allow for up to five additional days of hospitalization stay for the birth parent;

(b) Provide the birth parent access to integrated care and medical services including, but not limited to, access to clinical health, medication management, behavioral health, addiction medicine, specialty consultations, and psychiatric providers;

(c) Provide the birth parent access to social work support which includes coordination with the department of children, youth, and

families to develop a plan for safe care;

(d) Allow dedicated time for health professionals to assist in facilitating early bonding between the birth parent and infant by helping the birth parent recognize and respond to their infant's cues; and

(e) Establish provider requirements and pay only those qualified providers for the services provided through the program.

(2) In administering the program, the authority shall seek any available federal financial participation under the medical assistance program, as codified at Title XIX of the federal social security act, the state children's health insurance program, as codified at Title XXI of the federal social security act, and any other federal funding sources that are now available or may become available.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 74.09 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Subject to the amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the authority shall update the maternity support services program to address perinatal outcomes and increase equity and healthier birth outcomes. By January 1, 2025, the authority shall:

(a) Update current screening tools to be culturally relevant, include current risk factors, ensure the tools address health equity, and include questions identifying various social determinants of health that impact a healthy birth outcome and improve health equity;

(b) Ensure care coordination, including sharing screening tools with the patient's health care providers as necessary;

(c) Develop a mechanism to collect the results of the maternity support services screenings and evaluate the outcomes of the program. At minimum, the program evaluation shall:

(i) Identify gaps, strengths, and weaknesses of the program; and

(ii) Make recommendations for how the program may improve to better align with the authority's maternal and infant health initiatives; and

(d) Increase the allowable benefit and reimbursement rates with the goal of increasing utilization of services to all eligible maternity support services clients who choose to receive the services.

(2) The authority shall adopt rules to implement this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 74.09 RCW to read as follows:

By November 1, 2024, the income standards for a pregnant person eligible for Washington apple health pregnancy coverage shall have countable income equal to or below 210 percent of the federal poverty level.

Sec. 4. RCW 74.09.830 and 2021 c 90 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The authority shall extend health care coverage from 60 days postpartum to one year postpartum for pregnant or postpartum persons who, on or after the expiration date of the federal public health emergency declaration related to COVID-19, are receiving postpartum coverage provided under this chapter.

(2) By June 1, 2022, the authority must:

(a) Provide health care coverage to postpartum persons who reside in Washington state, have countable income equal to or below 193 percent of the federal poverty level, and are not otherwise eligible under Title XIX or Title XXI of the federal social security act; and

(b) Ensure all persons approved for pregnancy or postpartum coverage at any time are continuously eligible for postpartum coverage for 12 months after the pregnancy ends regardless of whether they experience a change in income during the period of eligibility.

(3) By November 1, 2024, the income standards for a postpartum person eligible for Washington apple health pregnancy or postpartum coverage shall have countable income equal to or below 210 percent of the federal poverty level.

(4) Health care coverage under this section must be provided during the 12-month period beginning on the last day of the pregnancy.

~~((4))~~ (5) The authority shall not provide health care coverage under this section to individuals who are eligible to receive health care coverage under Title XIX or Title XXI of the federal social security act. Health care coverage for these individuals shall be provided by a program that is funded by Title XIX or Title XXI of the federal social security act. Further, the authority shall make every effort to expedite and complete eligibility determinations for individuals who are presumptively eligible to receive health care coverage under Title XIX or Title XXI of the federal social security act to ensure the state is receiving the maximum federal match. This includes, but is not limited to, working with the managed care organizations to provide continuous outreach in various modalities until the individual's eligibility determination is completed. Beginning January 1, 2022, the authority must submit quarterly reports to the caseload forecast work group on the number of individuals who are presumptively eligible to receive health care coverage under Title XIX or Title XXI of the federal social security act but are awaiting for the authority to complete eligibility determination, the number of individuals who were presumptively eligible but are now receiving health care coverage with the maximum federal match under Title XIX or Title XXI of the federal social security act, and outreach activities including the work with managed care organizations.

~~((5))~~ (6) To ensure continuity of care and maximize the efficiency of the program, the amount and scope of health care services provided to individuals under this section must be the same as that provided to pregnant and postpartum persons under medical assistance, as defined in RCW 74.09.520.

~~((6))~~ (7) In administering this program, the authority must seek any available federal financial participation under the medical assistance program, as codified at Title XIX of the federal social security act, the state children's health insurance program, as codified at Title XXI of the federal social security act, and any other federal funding sources that are now available or may become available. This includes, but is not limited to, ensuring the state is receiving the maximum federal match for individuals who are presumptively eligible to receive health care coverage under Title XIX or Title XXI of the federal social security act by expediting completion of the individual's eligibility determination.

~~((7))~~ (8) Working with stakeholder and community organizations and the Washington health benefit exchange, the authority must establish a comprehensive community education and outreach campaign to facilitate applications for and enrollment in the program or into a more appropriate program where the state receives maximum federal match. Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the education and outreach campaign must provide culturally and linguistically accessible information to facilitate participation in the program, including but not limited to enrollment procedures, program services, and benefit utilization.

~~((8))~~ (9) Beginning January 1, 2022, the managed care organizations contracted with the authority to provide postpartum coverage must annually report to the legislature on their work to improve maternal health for enrollees, including but not limited to postpartum services offered to enrollees, the percentage of enrollees utilizing each postpartum service offered, outreach activities to engage enrollees in available postpartum services, and efforts to collect eligibility information for the authority to

ensure the enrollee is in the most appropriate program for the state to receive the maximum federal match."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "outcomes;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 74.09.830; and adding new sections to chapter 74.09 RCW."

Senator Muzzall spoke in favor of adoption of the striking amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of striking amendment no. 473 by Senator Muzzall to Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5580.

The motion by Senator Muzzall carried and striking amendment no. 473 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Muzzall, the rules were suspended, Second Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5580 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Muzzall and Cleveland spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Second Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5580.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Second Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5580 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senator Randall

SECOND ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5580, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

THIRD READING

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5424, by Senate Committee on Labor & Commerce (originally sponsored by Lovick, Holy, Dhingra, Frame, Keiser, Kuderer, Shewmake, Stanford, Valdez, Warnick, and Wellman)

Concerning flexible work for general and limited authority Washington peace officers.

The bill was read on Third Reading.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Lovick, the rules were suspended and Substitute Senate Bill No. 5424 was returned to second reading for the purposes of amendment.

Senator Lovick moved that the following amendment no. 475

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by Senator Lovick be adopted:

On page 11, line 11, after "July 1," strike "2023" and insert "2024"

On page 15, after line 10, insert the following:

"Sec. 4. RCW 41.26.030 and 2023 c 77 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context:

(1) "Accumulated contributions" means the employee's contributions made by a member, including any amount paid under RCW 41.50.165(2), plus accrued interest credited thereon.

(2) "Actuarial reserve" means a method of financing a pension or retirement plan wherein reserves are accumulated as the liabilities for benefit payments are incurred in order that sufficient funds will be available on the date of retirement of each member to pay the member's future benefits during the period of retirement.

(3) "Actuarial valuation" means a mathematical determination of the financial condition of a retirement plan. It includes the computation of the present monetary value of benefits payable to present members, and the present monetary value of future employer and employee contributions, giving effect to mortality among active and retired members and also to the rates of disability, retirement, withdrawal from service, salary and interest earned on investments.

(4)(a) "Basic salary" for plan 1 members, means the basic monthly rate of salary or wages, including longevity pay but not including overtime earnings or special salary or wages, upon which pension or retirement benefits will be computed and upon which employer contributions and salary deductions will be based.

(b) "Basic salary" for plan 2 members, means salaries or wages earned by a member during a payroll period for personal services, including overtime payments, and shall include wages and salaries deferred under provisions established pursuant to sections 403(b), 414(h), and 457 of the United States Internal Revenue Code, but shall exclude lump sum payments for deferred annual sick leave, unused accumulated vacation, unused accumulated annual leave, or any form of severance pay. In any year in which a member serves in the legislature the member shall have the option of having such member's basic salary be the greater of:

(i) The basic salary the member would have received had such member not served in the legislature; or

(ii) Such member's actual basic salary received for nonlegislative public employment and legislative service combined. Any additional contributions to the retirement system required because basic salary under (b)(i) of this subsection is greater than basic salary under (b)(ii) of this subsection shall be paid by the member for both member and employer contributions.

(5)(a) "Beneficiary" for plan 1 members, means any person in receipt of a retirement allowance, disability allowance, death benefit, or any other benefit described herein.

(b) "Beneficiary" for plan 2 members, means any person in receipt of a retirement allowance or other benefit provided by this chapter resulting from service rendered to an employer by another person.

(6)(a) "Child" or "children" means an unmarried person who is under the age of eighteen or mentally or physically disabled as determined by the department, except a person who is disabled and in the full time care of a state institution, who is:

(i) A natural born child;

(ii) A stepchild where that relationship was in existence prior to the date benefits are payable under this chapter;

(iii) A posthumous child;

(iv) A child legally adopted or made a legal ward of a member prior to the date benefits are payable under this chapter; or

(v) An illegitimate child legitimized prior to the date any benefits are payable under this chapter.

(b) A person shall also be deemed to be a child up to and including the age of twenty years and eleven months while attending any high school, college, or vocational or other educational institution accredited, licensed, or approved by the state, in which it is located, including the summer vacation months and all other normal and regular vacation periods at the particular educational institution after which the child returns to school.

(7) "Department" means the department of retirement systems created in chapter 41.50 RCW.

(8) "Director" means the director of the department.

(9) "Disability board" for plan 1 members means either the county disability board or the city disability board established in RCW 41.26.110.

(10) "Disability leave" means the period of six months or any portion thereof during which a member is on leave at an allowance equal to the member's full salary prior to the commencement of disability retirement. The definition contained in this subsection shall apply only to plan 1 members.

(11) "Disability retirement" for plan 1 members, means the period following termination of a member's disability leave, during which the member is in receipt of a disability retirement allowance.

(12) "Domestic partners" means two adults who have registered as domestic partners under RCW 26.60.020.

(13) "Employee" means any law enforcement officer or firefighter as defined in subsections (17) and (19) of this section.

(14)(a) "Employer" for plan 1 members, means the legislative authority of any city, town, county, district, or regional fire protection service authority or the elected officials of any municipal corporation that employs any law enforcement officer and/or firefighter, any authorized association of such municipalities, and, except for the purposes of RCW 41.26.150, any labor guild, association, or organization, which represents the firefighters or law enforcement officers of at least seven cities of over 20,000 population and the membership of each local lodge or division of which is composed of at least sixty percent law enforcement officers or firefighters as defined in this chapter.

(b) "Employer" for plan 2 members, means the following entities to the extent that the entity employs any law enforcement officer and/or firefighter:

(i) The legislative authority of any city, town, county, district, public corporation, or regional fire protection service authority established under RCW 35.21.730 to provide emergency medical services as defined in RCW 18.73.030;

(ii) The elected officials of any municipal corporation;

(iii) The governing body of any other general authority law enforcement agency;

(iv) A four-year institution of higher education having a fully operational fire department as of January 1, 1996; or

(v) The department of social and health services or the department of corrections when employing firefighters serving at a prison or civil commitment center on an island.

(c) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this chapter, "employer" does not include a government contractor. For purposes of this subsection, a "government contractor" is any entity, including a partnership, limited liability company, for-profit or nonprofit corporation, or person, that provides services pursuant to a contract with an "employer." The determination whether an employer-employee relationship has been established is not based on the relationship between a government contractor

and an "employer," but is based solely on the relationship between a government contractor's employee and an "employer" under this chapter.

(15)(a) "Final average salary" for plan 1 members, means (i) for a member holding the same position or rank for a minimum of twelve months preceding the date of retirement, the basic salary attached to such same position or rank at time of retirement; (ii) for any other member, including a civil service member who has not served a minimum of twelve months in the same position or rank preceding the date of retirement, the average of the greatest basic salaries payable to such member during any consecutive twenty-four month period within such member's last ten years of service for which service credit is allowed, computed by dividing the total basic salaries payable to such member during the selected twenty-four month period by twenty-four; (iii) in the case of disability of any member, the basic salary payable to such member at the time of disability retirement; (iv) in the case of a member who hereafter vests pursuant to RCW 41.26.090, the basic salary payable to such member at the time of vesting.

(b) "Final average salary" for plan 2 members, means the monthly average of the member's basic salary for the highest consecutive sixty service credit months of service prior to such member's retirement, termination, or death. Periods constituting authorized unpaid leaves of absence may not be used in the calculation of final average salary.

(c) In calculating final average salary under (a) or (b) of this subsection, the department of retirement systems shall include:

(i) Any compensation forgone by a member employed by a state agency or institution during the 2009-2011 fiscal biennium as a result of reduced work hours, mandatory or voluntary leave without pay, temporary reduction in pay implemented prior to December 11, 2010, or temporary layoffs if the reduced compensation is an integral part of the employer's expenditure reduction efforts, as certified by the employer;

(ii) Any compensation forgone by a member employed by the state or a local government employer during the 2011-2013 fiscal biennium as a result of reduced work hours, mandatory leave without pay, temporary layoffs, or reductions to current pay if the reduced compensation is an integral part of the employer's expenditure reduction efforts, as certified by the employer. Reductions to current pay shall not include elimination of previously agreed upon future salary increases; and

(iii) Any compensation forgone by a member employed by the state or a local government employer during the 2019-2021 and 2021-2023 fiscal biennia as a result of reduced work hours, mandatory leave without pay, temporary layoffs, furloughs, reductions to current pay, or other similar measures resulting from the COVID-19 budgetary crisis, if the reduced compensation is an integral part of the employer's expenditure reduction efforts, as certified by the employer. Reductions to current pay shall not include elimination of previously agreed upon future salary increases.

(16) "Fire department" includes a fire station operated by the department of social and health services or the department of corrections when employing firefighters serving a prison or civil commitment center on an island.

(17) "Firefighter" means:

(a) Any person who is serving on a full time, fully compensated basis as a member of a fire department of an employer and who is serving in a position which requires passing a civil service examination for firefighter, and who is actively employed as such;

(b) Anyone who is actively employed as a full time firefighter where the fire department does not have a civil service examination;

(c) Supervisory firefighter personnel;

(d) Any full time executive secretary of an association of fire

protection districts authorized under RCW 52.12.031. The provisions of this subsection (17)(d) shall not apply to plan 2 members;

(e) The executive secretary of a labor guild, association or organization (which is an employer under subsection (14) of this section), if such individual has five years previous membership in a retirement system established in chapter 41.16 or 41.18 RCW. The provisions of this subsection (17)(e) shall not apply to plan 2 members;

(f) Any person who is serving on a full time, fully compensated basis for an employer, as a fire dispatcher, in a department in which, on March 1, 1970, a dispatcher was required to have passed a civil service examination for firefighter;

(g) Any person who on March 1, 1970, was employed on a full time, fully compensated basis by an employer, and who on May 21, 1971, was making retirement contributions under the provisions of chapter 41.16 or 41.18 RCW; and

(h) Any person who is employed on a full-time, fully compensated basis by an employer as an emergency medical technician that meets the requirements of RCW 18.71.200 or 18.73.030(13), and whose duties include providing emergency medical services as defined in RCW 18.73.030.

(18) "General authority law enforcement agency" means any agency, department, or division of a municipal corporation, political subdivision, or other unit of local government of this state, the government of a federally recognized tribe, and any agency, department, or division of state government, having as its primary function the detection and apprehension of persons committing infractions or violating the traffic or criminal laws in general, but not including the Washington state patrol. Such an agency, department, or division is distinguished from a limited authority law enforcement agency having as one of its functions the apprehension or detection of persons committing infractions or violating the traffic or criminal laws relating to limited subject areas, including but not limited to, the state departments of natural resources and social and health services, the state gambling commission, the state lottery commission, the state parks and recreation commission, the state utilities and transportation commission, the state liquor and cannabis board, and the state department of corrections. A general authority law enforcement agency under this chapter does not include a government contractor.

(19) "Law enforcement officer" beginning January 1, 1994, means any person who is commissioned and employed by an employer on a full time, fully compensated basis to enforce the criminal laws of the state of Washington generally, with the following qualifications:

(a) No person who is serving in a position that is basically clerical or secretarial in nature, and who is not commissioned shall be considered a law enforcement officer;

(b) Only those deputy sheriffs, including those serving under a different title pursuant to county charter, who have successfully completed a civil service examination for deputy sheriff or the equivalent position, where a different title is used, and those persons serving in unclassified positions authorized by RCW 41.14.070 except a private secretary will be considered law enforcement officers;

(c) Only such full time commissioned law enforcement personnel as have been appointed to offices, positions, or ranks in the police department which have been specifically created or otherwise expressly provided for and designated by city charter provision or by ordinance enacted by the legislative body of the city shall be considered city police officers;

(d) The term "law enforcement officer" also includes the executive secretary of a labor guild, association or organization (which is an employer under subsection (14) of this section) if

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that individual has five years previous membership in the retirement system established in chapter 41.20 RCW. The provisions of this subsection (19)(d) shall not apply to plan 2 members;

(e) The term "law enforcement officer" also includes a person employed on or after January 1, 1993, as a public safety officer or director of public safety, so long as the job duties substantially involve only either police or fire duties, or both, and no other duties in a city or town with a population of less than ten thousand. The provisions of this subsection (19)(e) shall not apply to any public safety officer or director of public safety who is receiving a retirement allowance under this chapter as of May 12, 1993; ~~(and)~~

(f) The term "law enforcement officer" also includes a person who is employed on or after January 1, 2024, on a full-time basis by the government of a federally recognized tribe within the state of Washington that meets the terms and conditions of RCW 41.26.565, is employed in a police department maintained by that tribe, and who is currently certified as a general authority peace officer under chapter 43.101 RCW; and

(g) Beginning July 1, 2024, the term "law enforcement officer" also includes any person who is commissioned and employed by an employer on a fully compensated basis to enforce the criminal laws of the state of Washington generally, on a less than full-time basis, with the qualifications in (a) through (e) of this subsection.

(20) "Medical services" for plan 1 members, shall include the following as minimum services to be provided. Reasonable charges for these services shall be paid in accordance with RCW 41.26.150.

(a) Hospital expenses: These are the charges made by a hospital, in its own behalf, for

(i) Board and room not to exceed semiprivate room rate unless private room is required by the attending physician due to the condition of the patient.

(ii) Necessary hospital services, other than board and room, furnished by the hospital.

(b) Other medical expenses: The following charges are considered "other medical expenses," provided that they have not been considered as "hospital expenses."

(i) The fees of the following:

(A) A physician or surgeon licensed under the provisions of chapter 18.71 RCW;

(B) An osteopathic physician and surgeon licensed under the provisions of chapter 18.57 RCW;

(C) A chiropractor licensed under the provisions of chapter 18.25 RCW.

(ii) The charges of a registered graduate nurse other than a nurse who ordinarily resides in the member's home, or is a member of the family of either the member or the member's spouse.

(iii) The charges for the following medical services and supplies:

(A) Drugs and medicines upon a physician's prescription;

(B) Diagnostic X-ray and laboratory examinations;

(C) X-ray, radium, and radioactive isotopes therapy;

(D) Anesthesia and oxygen;

(E) Rental of iron lung and other durable medical and surgical equipment;

(F) Artificial limbs and eyes, and casts, splints, and trusses;

(G) Professional ambulance service when used to transport the member to or from a hospital when injured by an accident or stricken by a disease;

(H) Dental charges incurred by a member who sustains an accidental injury to his or her teeth and who commences treatment by a legally licensed dentist within ninety days after the accident;

(I) Nursing home confinement or hospital extended care facility;

(J) Physical therapy by a registered physical therapist;

(K) Blood transfusions, including the cost of blood and blood plasma not replaced by voluntary donors;

(L) An optometrist licensed under the provisions of chapter 18.53 RCW.

(21) "Member" means any firefighter, law enforcement officer, or other person as would apply under subsection (17) or (19) of this section whose membership is transferred to the Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system on or after March 1, 1970, and every law enforcement officer and firefighter who is employed in that capacity on or after such date.

(22) "Plan 1" means the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system, plan 1 providing the benefits and funding provisions covering persons who first became members of the system prior to October 1, 1977.

(23) "Plan 2" means the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system, plan 2 providing the benefits and funding provisions covering persons who first became members of the system on and after October 1, 1977.

(24) "Position" means the employment held at any particular time, which may or may not be the same as civil service rank.

(25) "Regular interest" means such rate as the director may determine.

(26) "Retiree" for persons who establish membership in the retirement system on or after October 1, 1977, means any member in receipt of a retirement allowance or other benefit provided by this chapter resulting from service rendered to an employer by such member.

(27) "Retirement fund" means the "Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system fund" as provided for herein.

(28) "Retirement system" means the "Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system" provided herein.

(29)(a) "Service" for plan 1 members, means all periods of employment for an employer as a firefighter or law enforcement officer, for which compensation is paid, together with periods of suspension not exceeding thirty days in duration. For the purposes of this chapter service shall also include service in the armed forces of the United States as provided in RCW 41.26.190. Credit shall be allowed for all service credit months of service rendered by a member from and after the member's initial commencement of employment as a firefighter or law enforcement officer, during which the member worked for seventy or more hours, or was on disability leave or disability retirement. Only service credit months of service shall be counted in the computation of any retirement allowance or other benefit provided for in this chapter.

(i) For members retiring after May 21, 1971 who were employed under the coverage of a prior pension act before March 1, 1970, "service" shall also include (A) such military service not exceeding five years as was creditable to the member as of March 1, 1970, under the member's particular prior pension act, and (B) such other periods of service as were then creditable to a particular member under the provisions of RCW 41.18.165, 41.20.160, or 41.20.170. However, in no event shall credit be allowed for any service rendered prior to March 1, 1970, where the member at the time of rendition of such service was employed in a position covered by a prior pension act, unless such service, at the time credit is claimed therefor, is also creditable under the provisions of such prior act.

(ii) A member who is employed by two employers at the same time shall only be credited with service to one such employer for any month during which the member rendered such dual service.

(iii) Reduction efforts such as furloughs, reduced work hours, mandatory leave without pay, temporary layoffs, or other similar situations as contemplated by subsection (15)(c)(iii) of this section do not result in a reduction in service credit that otherwise would have been earned for that month of work, and the member shall receive the full service credit for the hours that were scheduled to be worked before the reduction.

(b)(i) "Service" for plan 2 members, means periods of employment by a member for one or more employers for which basic salary is earned for ninety or more hours per calendar month which shall constitute a service credit month. Periods of employment by a member for one or more employers for which basic salary is earned for at least seventy hours but less than ninety hours per calendar month shall constitute one-half service credit month. Periods of employment by a member for one or more employers for which basic salary is earned for less than seventy hours shall constitute a one-quarter service credit month.

(ii) Members of the retirement system who are elected or appointed to a state elective position may elect to continue to be members of this retirement system.

(iii) Service credit years of service shall be determined by dividing the total number of service credit months of service by twelve. Any fraction of a service credit year of service as so determined shall be taken into account in the computation of such retirement allowance or benefits.

(iv) If a member receives basic salary from two or more employers during any calendar month, the individual shall receive one service credit month's service credit during any calendar month in which multiple service for ninety or more hours is rendered; or one-half service credit month's service credit during any calendar month in which multiple service for at least seventy hours but less than ninety hours is rendered; or one-quarter service credit month during any calendar month in which multiple service for less than seventy hours is rendered.

(v) Reduction efforts such as furloughs, reduced work hours, mandatory leave without pay, temporary layoffs, or other similar situations as contemplated by subsection (15)(c)(iii) of this section do not result in a reduction in service credit that otherwise would have been earned for that month of work, and the member shall receive the full service credit for the hours that were scheduled to be worked before the reduction.

(30) "Service credit month" means a full service credit month or an accumulation of partial service credit months that are equal to one.

(31) "Service credit year" means an accumulation of months of service credit which is equal to one when divided by twelve.

(32) "State actuary" or "actuary" means the person appointed pursuant to RCW 44.44.010(2).

(33) "State elective position" means any position held by any person elected or appointed to statewide office or elected or appointed as a member of the legislature.

(34) "Surviving spouse" means the surviving widow or widower of a member. "Surviving spouse" shall not include the divorced spouse of a member except as provided in RCW 41.26.162.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Section 3 of this act expires July 1, 2025.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Section 4 of this act takes effect July 1, 2025."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "officers;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 41.26.030 and 41.26.030; reenacting and amending RCW 10.93.020; adding a new section to chapter 49.28 RCW; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date."

Senator Lovick spoke in favor of adoption of the amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of amendment no. 475 by Senator Lovick on page 11, line 11 to Substitute Senate Bill No. 5424.

The motion by Senator Lovick carried and amendment no. 475 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Lovick, the rules were suspended, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5424 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senator Lovick spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5424.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5424 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senator Randall

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5424, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

THIRD READING

ENGROSSED SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 8006, by Senators Hasegawa, Cleveland, Billig, Kuderer, Lovelett, Nguyen, Shewmake, Stanford, Valdez, and Wilson, C.

Requesting that the federal government create a universal health care program.

The bill was read on Third Reading.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Hasegawa, the rules were suspended and Senate Joint Memorial No. 8006 was returned to second reading for the purposes of amendment.

Senator Hasegawa moved that the following amendment no. 474 by Senator Hasegawa be adopted:

Beginning on page 1, line 10, strike all material through page 3, line 28 and insert the following:

"WHEREAS, Universal health care is one of the most important issues in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Article 25 of the universal declaration of human rights ratified by the United Nations declares health care is a human right; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health is the most shocking and inhuman"; and

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WHEREAS, Our current health care system is in a downward spiral with costs continuing to skyrocket, medical debt driving many into bankruptcy or life-altering indebtedness, increasing child mortality rates especially in communities with lower incomes, and creating unnecessary suffering in entire families who struggle to maintain health care insurance coverage or recover from the impacts of health care costs up to and including bankruptcy and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, A national universal health care program is the most efficient and cost-effective means of providing access to health care for everyone and eliminating the economic, physical and mental health pain and suffering so many Americans are experiencing due to lack of timely access to health care and/or debt incurred; and

WHEREAS, A single-payer health plan in the state of Washington would replace the state's current multipayer system in which individuals, private businesses, and government entities pay public and private insurers for health care coverage; and

WHEREAS, This health plan would establish a state agency to finance all medically necessary health care with substantial savings compared with the existing multipayer system of public and private insurers; and

WHEREAS, This health plan would reduce financial barriers to access care and the growing number of residents with inadequate coverage. By reducing administrative and other waste, including health insurance company profits and excessive prices for drugs, hospitals, and medical devices, it would save money on health care; and

WHEREAS, Washington businesses and workers will benefit by lowering the cost of health care, removing the burden of unfunded and inadequate coverage, and allowing businesses to compete more effectively on national and international markets. Businesses will also benefit directly by removing the cost of selecting and implementing health insurance programs for their workers, a billion-dollar expenditure for businesses in the state; and

WHEREAS, The current system of fragmented private health insurance is the main obstacle to expanding access to health care because it promotes administrative waste, both in the processing of bills by providers and in the administration of a health insurance system with its many separate health insurance companies, each offering a large variety of separate plans, each plan involving separate pricing schemes; and

WHEREAS, The large number of independent companies and health plans forces each provider to operate an entire back office with billing clerks and other personnel to deal with billing and negotiating prices for services and vastly inflating the cost for providing health care; and

WHEREAS, The failures of the current private health insurance system allow many opportunities to do better. Our health care problems are not inevitable, not the result of technology or "consumers" insatiable greed. They are the result of bad institutions: Private health insurance and for-profit medicine whose financial incentives favor sickness and treatment over prevention and recovery. We have made mistakes in designing our health care system and we are paying for those mistakes. But that means that we can design a better system; and

WHEREAS, Replacing an inefficient, inequitable, and destructive health care finance system with a fair system will promote economic efficiency, better health, and good public policy; and

WHEREAS, Because the failures of our health care system most dramatically harm marginalized communities, creating a system of universal access, free point-of-service care and standardized reimbursements will not only make health care less

expensive, it will also make it fairer and more equitable. Instead of being a system that destroys future opportunity for many, it will be a system which empowers communities through their newfound health and independence;

NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the federal government:

(1) Create a universal health care program to ensure that every resident of Washington state and our country has timely access to health care services without incurring crippling familial debt;

(2) Absent federal government action on the request in subsection (1) of this memorial, partner with the state of Washington to reduce barriers and allow the state to successfully implement a single-payer health system for the people of Washington such as passing HR 6270 (by Rep. Ro Khanna, CA-17) in Congress which will allow states to create their own universal health care programs; or

(3) Absent federal government action on the requests in subsections (1) and (2) of this memorial with the appropriate federal agencies, work to grant Washington state the appropriate waivers to remove the restrictions on the state's ability to create a universal health care system.

BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately transmitted to the Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr., President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of the United States Department of Labor, the federal agencies involved with granting the requested necessary waivers, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, each member of Congress from the State of Washington."

Senators Hasegawa and Cleveland spoke in favor of adoption of the amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of amendment no. 474 by Senator Hasegawa on page 1, line 10 to Senate Joint Memorial No. 8006.

The motion by Senator Hasegawa carried and amendment no. 474 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Hasegawa, the rules were suspended, Engrossed Senate Joint Memorial No. 8006 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senator Hasegawa spoke in favor of passage of the memorial. Senator Muzzall spoke against passage of the memorial.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Wagoner, Senator McCune was excused.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed Senate Joint Memorial No. 8006.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Senate Joint Memorial No. 8006 and the memorial passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 27; Nays, 20; Absent, 0; Excused, 2.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Frame, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, Nguyen, Nobles, Pedersen, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Shewmake, Stanford, Trudeau, Valdez, Van

De Wege, Wellman and Wilson, C.

Voting nay: Senators Boehnke, Braun, Dozier, Fortunato, Gildon, Hawkins, Holy, King, MacEwen, Mullet, Muzzall, Padden, Rivers, Schoesler, Short, Torres, Wagoner, Warnick, Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senators McCune and Randall

ENGROSSED SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 8006, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the memorial was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

THIRD READING

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5648, by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Wellman, Randall, Nguyen, Nobles, and Wilson, C.)

Including state-tribal education compact schools and charter schools as entities able to receive waivers from the state board of education.

The bill was read on Third Reading.

Senators Wellman and Hawkins spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5648.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5648 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 47; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 2.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senators McCune and Randall

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5648, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate reverted to the sixth

order of business.

SECOND READING

SENATE BILL NO. 5631, by Senators Torres, Saldaña, Billig, Frame, Hunt, Lovelett, Nobles, Pedersen, Randall, Schoesler, Shewmake, Trudeau, Valdez, Warnick, and Wilson, C.

Requiring state agencies to clearly identify programs and services which accept applicants with deferred action for childhood arrival status.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Torres, the rules were suspended, Senate Bill No. 5631 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Torres and Hunt spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Senate Bill No. 5631.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Senate Bill No. 5631 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 47; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 2.

Voting yea: Senators Billig, Boehnke, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Holy, Hunt, Kauffman, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, Nobles, Padden, Pedersen, Rivers, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, J. and Wilson, L.

Excused: Senators McCune and Randall

SENATE BILL NO. 5631, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MOTION

At 4:22 p.m., on motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate adjourned until 12:30 p.m. Thursday, January 18, 2024.

DENNY HECK, President of the Senate

SARAH BANNISTER, Secretary of the Senate

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