

EIGHTY THIRD DAY, APRIL 5, 2025

2025 REGULAR SESSION

EIGHTY THIRD DAY**MORNING SESSION**Senate Chamber, Olympia
Saturday, April 5, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 9:30 a.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.

The Sergeant at Arms Color Guard consisting of Interns Mr. Ethan Martez and Mr. Brendan Marczuk, presented the Colors.

Intern Cobi Clark led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The prayer was offered by Senator Chris Gildon of 25th Legislative District, Puyallup.

MOTIONS

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

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

April 4, 2025

SB 5802 Prime Sponsor, Senator Liias: Rebalancing statutory fund transfers and revenue dedications for transportation. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5802 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Liias, Chair; Lovick, Vice Chair; Ramos, Vice Chair; King, Ranking Member; Goehner, Assistant Ranking Member; Alvarado; Chapman; Cortes; Fortunato; Harris; Holy; Krishnadasan; Lovelett; Nobles; Shewmake; Valdez and Wilson, J.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Christian.

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

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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HB 1109 Prime Sponsor, Representative Ryu: Concerning public facilities districts. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Kauffman; Riccelli; Saldaña; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Hasegawa.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Braun; Muzzall; Pedersen and Wagoner.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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ESHB 1258 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Finance: Providing funding for municipalities participating in the regional 911 emergency communications system. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Braun; Cleveland; Muzzall and Wagoner.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SHB 1271 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Permitting early deployment of state fire service resources. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C..

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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ESHB 1596 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Concerning accountability for persons for speeding. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Liias, Chair; Lovick, Vice Chair; Ramos, Vice Chair; King, Ranking Member; Goehner, Assistant Ranking Member; Alvarado; Chapman; Cortes; Harris; Krishnadasan; Lovelett; Nobles; Shewmake and Valdez.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Christian.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Fortunato; Holy; MacEwen and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1788 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning workers' compensation benefits. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke and Wagoner.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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ESHB 1902 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Convening a work group regarding the streamlining of permitting for transportation projects. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Lias, Chair; Lovick, Vice Chair; Ramos, Vice Chair; King, Ranking Member; Goehner, Assistant Ranking Member; Alvarado; Chapman; Christian; Cortes; Fortunato; Harris; Holy; Krishnadasan; Lovelett; MacEwen; Nobles; Shewmake; Valdez and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

MOTIONS

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

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

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

April 4, 2025

To the Honorable President and Members,
The Senate of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to advise you that on April 04, 2025, Governor Ferguson approved the following Senate Bills entitled:

Senate Bill No. 5006

Relating to making updates to Washington's corporation acts.

Senate Bill No. 5051

Relating to consolidating regulatory authority for nursing assistants.

Senate Bill No. 5084

Relating to health carrier reporting on primary care spending.

Substitute Senate Bill No. 5118

Relating to updating the requirements for the clinical experience license for international medical graduates.

Senate Bill No. 5122

Relating to enacting the uniform antitrust premerger notification act.

Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5128

Relating to medical services for individuals in juvenile detention facilities.

Senate Bill No. 5244

Relating to providing an exemption for women, infants, and children program staff to perform hematological screening tests.

Senate Bill No. 5457

Relating to radio and television broadcasting.

Senate Bill No. 5462

Relating to addressing the current backlog of vehicle inspections.

Senate Bill No. 5577

Relating to medicaid coverage for HIV antiviral drugs.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sahar Fathi, Executive Director of Legislative Affairs

MOTION

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

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

April 4, 2025

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Speaker has signed:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1003,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1007,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1054,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1075,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1112,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1157,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1172,
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1191,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1304,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1361,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1457,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1553,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1556,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1947,

and the same are herewith transmitted.

MELISSA PALMER, Deputy Chief Clerk

MOTION

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

SECOND READING

SENATE BILL NO. 5195, by Senators Trudeau, Schoesler, Chapman, Dozier, and Nobles

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Concerning the capital budget.

ROLL CALL

MOTION

On motion of Senator Trudeau, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5195 was substituted for Senate Bill No. 5195 and the substitute bill was placed on the second reading and read the second time.

SECOND READING

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5195, by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Trudeau, Schoesler, Chapman, Dozier, and Nobles)

Concerning the capital budget.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

Senator Krishnadasan moved that the following floor amendment no. 0275 by Senator Krishnadasan be adopted:

On page 133, after line 2, insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 5001. FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

West Sound Technical Skills Center Modernization (40000015)

The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations: The reappropriation is subject to the provisions of section 5003, chapter 296, Laws of 2022.

Reappropriation:

Common School Construction Fund—State..... \$25,429,000

Appropriation:

State Building Construction Account—State \$54,060,000

Prior Biennia (Expenditures) \$27,332,000

Future Biennia (Projected Costs) \$0

TOTAL.....\$106,821,000"

Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

On page 248, beginning on line 28, strike all of section 6275

Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

FISCAL EFFECT: \$54,060,000 state bonds.

WITHDRAWAL OF AMENDMENT

On motion of Senator Krishnadasan and without objection, floor amendment no. 0275 by Senator Krishnadasan on page 133, line 2 to Substitute Senate Bill No. 5195 was withdrawn.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Nobles, Senators Liias, Saldaña and Shewmake were excused.

On motion of Senator Trudeau, the rules were suspended, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5195 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Trudeau and Schoesler 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. 5195.

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5195 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 47; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 2.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senators Saldaña and Shewmake

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5195, 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. 5194, by Senators Trudeau, Schoesler, Chapman, Dozier, and Nobles

Concerning state general obligation bonds and related accounts.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Riccelli, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5194 was substituted for Senate Bill No. 5194 and the substitute bill was placed on the second reading and read the second time.

SECOND READING

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5194, by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Trudeau, Schoesler, Chapman, Dozier, and Nobles)

Concerning state general obligation bonds and related accounts.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Trudeau, the rules were suspended, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5194 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senator Trudeau 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. 5194.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5194 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 47; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 2.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett,

Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senators Saldaña and Shewmake

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5194, 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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006, by Representatives Ryu, McClintock, and Reeves

Regulating service contracts and protection product guaranties.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Kauffman, the rules were suspended, House Bill No. 1006 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senator Kauffman spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of House Bill No. 1006.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1006 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Shewmake

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006, 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

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1133, by House Committee on Community Safety (originally sponsored by Leavitt, Couture, Bronoske, Wylie, Reeves, and Hill)

Concerning sexually violent predators.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Dhingra, the rules were suspended, Substitute House Bill No. 1133 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on

final passage.

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

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1133.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1133 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Shewmake

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1133, 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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1631, by Representatives Nance, Mena, Griffey, Salahuddin, Low, Parshley, Hunt, Walsh, Ramel, Paul, Duerr, Bernbaum, Chase, Peterson, Shavers, Ryu, McEntire, Richards, Reed, Kloba, Simmons, Tharinger, Zahn, Thomas, and Timmons

Establishing the state marine forest.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Krishnadasan, the rules were suspended, House Bill No. 1631 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Krishnadasan and Wilson, J. spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of House Bill No. 1631.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1631 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 47; Nays, 1; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Voting nay: Senator Liias

Excused: Senator Shewmake

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1631, 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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1064, by Representatives Abbarno, Tharinger, Steele, Pollet, Rude, Ryu, Waters, Hackney, Low, Springer, Callan, Leavitt, Timmons, Wylie, and Scott

Eliminating the expiration of the interagency, multijurisdictional system improvement team.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Boehnke, the rules were suspended, House Bill No. 1064 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Boehnke and Valdez spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of House Bill No. 1064.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1064 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Shewmake

HOUSE BILL NO. 1064, 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

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1281, by House Committee on Civil Rights & Judiciary (originally sponsored by Goodman, Simmons, and Hill)

Making technical corrections and removing obsolete language from the Revised Code of Washington pursuant to RCW 1.08.025.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Dhingra, the rules were suspended, Substitute House Bill No. 1281 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Dhingra and Holy spoke in favor of passage of the

bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1281.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1281 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Shewmake

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1281, 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

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1385, by House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services (originally sponsored by Taylor, Burnett, Leavitt, Ley, Davis, Reeves, Obras, Salahuddin, and Wylie)

Concerning fingerprint background check on applicants.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Wilson, C., the rules were suspended, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1385 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

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

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1385.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1385 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Shewmake

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1385, 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

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1461, by Representatives Stearns, and Barnard

Concerning contracts for materials or work required by joint operating agencies.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Boehnke, the rules were suspended, Engrossed House Bill No. 1461 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Boehnke and Slatter spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 1461.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 1461 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Shewmake

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1461, 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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1372, by Representatives Orcutt, Pollet, Klicker, and Ley

Modifying provisions on joint legislative audit and review committee studies.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

Senator Wilson, J. moved that the following committee striking amendment by the Committee on State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections be adopted:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 43.131.900 and 2013 c 44 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 43.131.010 through 43.131.150 expire June 30, ((2025)) 2045, unless extended by law for an additional fixed period of

time.

Sec. 2. RCW 43.131.051 and 2000 c 189 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

The joint legislative audit and review committee shall conduct a program and fiscal review of any entity scheduled for termination under this chapter. This program and fiscal review shall be completed and a preliminary report prepared during the calendar year prior to the date established for termination. These reports shall be prepared in the manner set forth in RCW 44.28.071 and 44.28.075. The legislative auditor, as defined in RCW 44.28.005, must develop and implement criteria to ensure that the staff resources and associated costs devoted to program reviews are proportionate to the size and complexity of the program budget. Upon completion of its preliminary report, the joint legislative audit and review committee shall transmit copies of the report to the office of financial management and any affected entity. The final report shall include the response, if any, of the affected entity and the office of financial management in the same manner as set forth in RCW 44.28.088, except the affected entity and the office of financial management shall have sixty days to respond to the report. The joint legislative audit and review committee shall transmit the final report to the legislature, to the state entity affected, to the governor, and to the state library.

Sec. 3. RCW 76.04.516 and 2022 c 297 s 967 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) By December 1st of each even-numbered year, and in compliance with RCW 43.01.036, the department must report to the governor and legislature on the following:

(a) The type and amount of the expenditures made, by fiscal year, and for what purpose, from the wildfire response, forest restoration, and community resilience account created in RCW 76.04.511 and from expenditures made from the general fund for implementation of chapter 297, Laws of 2022;

(b) The amount of unexpended and unobligated funds in the wildfire response, forest restoration, and community resilience account and recommendations for the disbursement to local districts;

(c) Progress on implementation of the wildland fire protection 10-year strategic plan including, but not limited to, how investments are reducing human-caused wildfire starts, lowering the size and scale and geography of catastrophic wildfires, reducing the communities, landscapes, and population at risk, and creating resilient landscapes and communities;

(d) Progress on implementation of the 20-year forest health strategic plan as established through the forest health assessment and treatment framework pursuant to RCW 76.06.200 including, but not limited to: Assessment of fire prone lands and communities that are in need of forest health treatments; forest health treatments prioritized and conducted by landowner type, geography, and risk level; estimated value of any merchantable materials from forest health treatments; and number of acres treated by treatment type, including the use of prescribed fire;

(e) Progress on developing markets for forest residuals and biomass generated from forest health treatments.

(2) The department must include recommendations on any adjustments that may be necessary or advisable to the mechanism of funding dispensation as created under chapter 298, Laws of 2021.

(3) The report required in this section should support existing department assessments pursuant to RCW 79.10.530 and 76.06.200.

(4)(a)(i) Prior to the determination of the 2025-2034 sustainable harvest calculation as required by RCW 79.10.320, the department must hire an independent third-party contractor to assist it in updating its forest inventory by increasing the intensity of forest sample plots on all forestlands over the next two

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biennium. The department's sustainable harvest calculation technical advisory committee must be involved in the design, development, and implementation of this forest inventory update.

(ii) For purposes of this subsection, "forest inventory" means the collection of sample data to estimate a range of forest attributes including, but not limited to, standing volume, stored carbon, habitat attributes, age classes, tree species, and other inventory attributes, including information needed to estimate rates of tree growth and associated carbon sequestration on department lands.

(iii) The department's sustainable harvest calculation technical advisory committee must bring forward recommendations for regular maintenance and updates to the forest inventory on a ten-year basis.

(b) Prior to the determination of the 2025-2034 sustainable harvest calculation as required by RCW 79.10.320, the department must hire a third-party contractor to review, analyze, and advise the department's forest growth and yield modeling, specific to all types of forested acres managed by the department. The department's sustainable harvest calculation technical advisory committee must be involved in the design, review, and analysis of the department's forest growth and yield modeling.

(c) Prior to the determination of the 2025-2034 sustainable harvest calculation as required by RCW 79.10.320 (~~and in the absence of any litigation, pending or in progress, against the department's sustainable harvest calculation~~), the joint legislative audit and review committee established in chapter 44.28 RCW must oversee and conduct an independent review of the methodologies and data being utilized by the department in the development of the sustainable harvest calculation, including the associated forest inventory, forest growth, harvest and yield data, and modeling techniques that impact harvest levels. In carrying out the review, the joint legislative audit and review committee shall:

(i) Retain one or more contractors with expertise in forest inventories, forest growth and yield modeling, and operational research modeling in forest harvest scheduling to conduct the technical review;

(ii) Be a member of department's sustainable harvest calculation technical advisory committee, along with one of its contractors selected in (c)(i) of this subsection; and

(iii) Prior to the department's determination of the sustainable harvest calculation under RCW 79.10.320, ensure that a completed independent review and report with findings and recommendations is submitted to the board of natural resources and the legislature.

(d) Upon receiving the report from the joint legislative audit and review committee required under (c)(iii) of this subsection, the board of natural resources shall determine whether modifications are necessary to the sustainable harvest calculation prior to approving harvest level under RCW 79.10.320.

Sec. 4. RCW 44.28.083 and 2010 c 26 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) At the conclusion of the regular legislative session of each odd-numbered year, the joint legislative audit and review committee shall develop and approve a performance audit work plan for the ensuing biennium. The biennial work plan may be modified, as necessary, at the conclusion of other legislative sessions to reflect actions taken by the legislature and the joint committee. The work plan shall include a description of each performance audit, and the cost of completing the audits on the work plan shall be limited to the funds appropriated to the joint committee. Approved performance audit work plans shall be transmitted to the entire legislature by July 1st following the conclusion of each regular session of an odd-numbered year and

as soon as practical following other legislative sessions.

(2) Among the factors to be considered in preparing the work plans are:

(a) Whether a program newly created or significantly altered by the legislature warrants continued oversight because (i) the fiscal impact of the program is significant, or (ii) the program represents a relatively high degree of risk in terms of reaching the stated goals and objectives for that program;

(b) Whether implementation of an existing program has failed to meet its goals and objectives by any significant degree;

(c) Whether a follow-up audit would help ensure that previously identified recommendations for improvements were being implemented; ~~((and))~~

(d) Whether legislative changes to the program require delaying the review until sufficient data is available;

(e) Whether an assignment for the joint committee to conduct a performance audit has been mandated in legislation; and

(f) Whether a planned review that is part of a mandated, recurring study would provide the legislature with new or additional information.

(3) The legislative auditor may consult with the chairs and staff of appropriate legislative committees, the state auditor, and the director of financial management in developing the performance audit work plan."

On page 1, line 4 of the title, after "study;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 43.131.900, 43.131.051, 76.04.516, and 44.28.083."

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of the committee striking amendment by the Committee on State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections to House Bill No. 1372.

The motion by Senator Wilson, J. carried and the committee striking amendment was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Wilson, J., the rules were suspended, House Bill No. 1372 as amended by the Senate was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Wilson, J. and Valdez spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of House Bill No. 1372 as amended by the Senate.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1372 as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Shewmake

HOUSE BILL NO. 1372 as amended by the Senate, 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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1842, by Representatives Steele, and Barnard

Allowing public utility districts to form, own, or use captive insurers.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Boehnke, the rules were suspended, House Bill No. 1842 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Boehnke and Slatter spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of House Bill No. 1842.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1842 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman, Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Shewmake

HOUSE BILL NO. 1842, 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.

Senator Hasegawa announced a meeting of the Democratic Caucus immediately.

Senator Warnick announced the Republican Caucus would have their photo taken at the sundial.

MOTION

At 10:31 a.m., on motion of Senator Riccelli, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Monday, April 7, 2025.

DENNY HECK, President of the Senate

SARAH BANNISTER, Secretary of the Senate

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