

**House of Representatives
Standing Committees**

INTERIM PLANS

2026

May 5, 2026

AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
October	Olympia	Work Session	- The Future of Natural Resources in Washington	Full Committee
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	- The Future of Water Security in Washington	Full Committee

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AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

The Future of Natural Resources in Washington

The Committee will invite relevant state agencies and experts to discuss a variety of topics, including the use of artificial intelligence in wildfire mitigation and response, the role of utilities in wildfire mitigation, and the evolving role of ecosystem services in natural resources management. (One work session)

The Future of Water Security in Washington

The Committee will examine topics related to the future of water resources management, including background on water rights and water adjudication. (One work session)

RELATED INTERIM COMMITTEES

Joint Legislative Committee on Water Supply During Drought

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Budget Transparency and Fiscal Sustainability - Self Insurance Liability/Tort Claims - State Funded Information Technology Projects - 2027 Session Budget Preview 	Full Committee

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APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Budget Transparency and Fiscal Sustainability

The Committee will receive an update on the work of the Joint Legislative-Executive Committee (JLEC) on Budget Transparency and Fiscal Sustainability. As part of their work, JLEC will obtain technical assistance from a nonpartisan organization (the organization) with specific technical expertise in state fiscal policy to provide technical assistance and make recommendations for promoting budget transparency, fiscal sustainability, program accountability, and equitable outcomes.

In phase one, the JLEC is tasked with reviewing: revenue growth projections and spending assumptions in the four-year budget outlook; statutory cost drivers and their effect on carryforward and maintenance levels; and relevant budget practices in other states. The organization will present their phase one findings and recommendations provided to the JLEC. (One work session)

Self Insurance Liability/Tort Claims

The Committee will receive an update on the current and projected fiscal status for the Self Insurance Liability Account from the Department of Enterprise Services.

Additionally, the Committee will receive an update on the work of a committee supported by the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) charged with recommending changes to the current system and processes for tort claims filed against the state. The OAH supported committee is tasked with making recommendations that ensure a fair, efficient, and trauma-informed process for claimants that reduce the impacts to public costs arising from tort claims against the state or its political subdivisions. (One work session)

State Funded Information Technology Projects

The Committee will receive an update from the Office of the State Chief Information Officer on the scope, status, costs, and oversight of currently funded information technology projects and a preview of future needs. (One work session)

2027 Session Budget Preview

The Committee will receive an update from Office of Program Research staff on the budget outlook after the September and November revenue forecasts and estimated maintenance level changes. The Committee will also receive a preview of budget-related items that may come before the Legislature in the 2027 session. (One work session)

RELATED INTERIM COMMITTEES

1. Pension Funding Council
2. Joint Committee on Employment Relations
3. Joint Legislative-Executive Committee on Budget Transparency and Fiscal Sustainability

CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Additional Juvenile Rehabilitation Capacity- Prevailing Wage Study- Bob Oke Game Farm Relocation and Remediation Efforts- Trust Land Revenue Report	Full Committee

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CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Additional Juvenile Rehabilitation Capacity

The Committee will receive an update from the Department of Children, Youth, and Families related to capital planning and construction work to provide additional juvenile rehabilitation capacity, pursuant to Section 2015 of Substitute Senate Bill (SSB) 6003 (2026). (One work session)

Prevailing Wage Study

The Committee will receive a report from the Department of Enterprise Services regarding objectives, feasibility, and impacts of establishing a requirement for public works contracts to stipulate annual adjustments to minimum hourly wages, pursuant to Section 1044 of SSB 6003 (2026). (One work session)

Bob Oke Game Farm Relocation and Remediation Efforts

The Committee will receive an update from the Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding relocation and remediation plans related to the Bob Oke Game Farm, pursuant to Section 3015 of SSB 6003 (2026). (One work session)

Trust Land Revenue Report

The Committee will receive a report from the Department of Natural Resources related to trust land revenue projections and fund balances, pursuant to Section 3024 of SSB 6003 (2026). (One work session)

CIVIL RIGHTS & JUDICIARY COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	- Task Force on Forensic Mental Health Laws - Committee on State and Local Government Liability	Full Committee

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CIVIL RIGHTS & JUDICIARY COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Task Force on Forensic Mental Health Laws

Second Substitute House Bill 1359 (2025) created a task force to conduct a comprehensive review of laws governing criminal insanity and competency to stand. The task force must submit a report to the Legislature by December 1, 2026. The Committee will hear a report on the findings and recommendations of the task force. (One work session)

Committee on State and Local Government Liability

In the 2026 Operating Budget the Legislature established a committee to review and consider options for improving systems and processes for adjudicating tort claims against the state and its political subdivisions. The committee on state and local government liability must submit a report to the Legislature by November 1, 2026. The Civil Rights & Judiciary Committee will hear a briefing on its findings and recommendations. (One work session)

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
September	Olympia	Work Session	- Victim Services and Resources - Report from the Department of Corrections	Full Committee
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	- Crisis Outreach - Update on Crime Trends	Full Committee

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COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Victim Services and Resources

The Committee will review a range of victim-centered services and resources for victim involvement in the criminal justice system. (One work session)

Report from the Department of Corrections

The Committee will receive a briefing from the Department of Corrections (DOC) on various topics related to incarceration and reentry, including the use of restrictive housing or solitary confinement; access to facilities for programming, visitation, and other purposes; the Graduated Reentry Program; community custody; and assessment tools used by the DOC. (One work session)

Crisis Outreach

The Committee will examine services and resources designated for crisis outreach, such as street-level interventions and pre-arrest diversion. (One work session)

Update on Crime Trends

The Committee will receive briefings on the most recent crime statistics from entities that collect crime-related data and study discernable trends in the incidence and types of crime across the state and nation. (One work session)

CONSUMER PROTECTION & BUSINESS COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	- Justice for Fraud Victims Project - 2027 Legislative Preview	Full Committee

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CONSUMER PROTECTION & BUSINESS COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Justice for Fraud Victims Project

The Committee will learn about the Justice for Fraud Victims Project (Project), which pairs accounting students at Gonzaga University with local, state, and federal law enforcement and local Certified Fraud Examiners to investigate fraud cases in their community by conducting forensic accounting investigations. The Committee will hear about the different fraud investigations that the Project has worked on to gain a better understanding about how to help prevent fraud. (One work session)

2027 Legislative Preview

The Committee will review any significant legislative topics or issues for the upcoming 2027 legislative session. (One work session)

EARLY LEARNING & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
October	Olympia	Work Session	- Updates Related to Services for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities	Full Committee
December	Olympia	Work Session	- Juvenile Justice Updates	Full Committee

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EARLY LEARNING & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Updates Related to Services for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

The Committee will hear updates from the Department of Social and Health Services and other stakeholders regarding services for individuals with developmental disabilities. These updates will include census updates for the Yakima Valley and Rainier Residential Habilitation Centers (RHCs), updates regarding recent changes requiring notification when an RHC is out of compliance with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services requirements, and other topics related to community-based services. (One work session)

Juvenile Justice Updates

The Committee will hear updates from the Department of Children, Youth, and Families; counties; and other stakeholders regarding juvenile justice. These updates will include information regarding juvenile block grant funding to counties for local services and juvenile rehabilitation institutions. (One work session)

EDUCATION COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	- Binding Financial Conditions	Full Committee

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EDUCATION COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Binding Financial Conditions

The Committee will examine requirements, processes, and impacts related to the imposition of binding financial conditions on a school district requesting approval from the Superintendent of Public Instruction to use future receivables to balance its current budget. The examination will include receiving input and perspectives from school district officials, including directors and superintendents, and representatives of educational service districts. (One work session)

ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
May	Olympia	Work Session	- Carbon Capture - Hazardous Waste	Full Committee
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	- Climate Commitment Act - Distributed Energy and Demand Response	Full Committee

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ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Carbon Capture

The Committee will review carbon capture and sequestration, mineralization, or use systems, and the treatment of such facilities under state energy and climate laws. (One work session)

Hazardous Waste

The Committee will review current systems for the collection and management of household hazardous waste, and the potential to create or expand roles for extended producer responsibility programs in managing household hazardous waste. (One work session)

Climate Commitment Act

The Committee will review emerging developments in the implementation of the Climate Commitment Act, including no-cost allowance allocation policies, the status of linkage with other jurisdictions, and the use of Climate Commitment Act revenues. (One work session)

Distributed Energy and Demand Response

The Committee will consider emerging developments in distributed energy and consumer demand response, including new technologies and formats like meter-mounted devices and plug-in solar systems that make it easier for consumers to integrate distributed energy resources, and demand response opportunities involving facilities that use large amounts of energy. (One work session)

RELATED INTERIM COMMITTEES

Joint Committee on Energy Supply, Energy Conservation, and Energy Resilience

FINANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	- Local Government Tax Policy	Full Committee

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FINANCE COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Local Government Tax Policy

City and county taxes are governed by both statutory and constitutional provisions. The Committee will examine the three primary taxes available to cities and counties: property taxes, sales and use taxes, and business and occupation taxes. The focus of the work will include a briefing by nonpartisan staff as well as presentations from various stakeholders to enable the Committee to have a full picture of the positive and negative aspects of the current tax policies. (One work session)

HEALTH CARE & WELLNESS COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
October 5	Virtual	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rural Health Transformation - Dental Insurance - Health Care Cost Transparency Board - Prescription Drug Affordability Board 	Full Committee
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ground Ambulance Service Rates - Behavioral Health Crisis System - Individual Health Insurance Market 	Full Committee

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HEALTH CARE & WELLNESS COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Rural Health Transformation

The Committee will receive updates from the Health Care Authority regarding the implementation of the federal Rural Health Transformation Program. (One work session)

Dental Insurance

The Committee will receive an overview of a recent report by the Ruckelshaus Center regarding dental insurance issues, including dental loss ratio and dental provider reimbursement. (One work session)

Health Care Cost Transparency Board

The Committee will receive updates from the Health Care Cost Transparency Board regarding trends in health care costs and recommendations for limiting cost growth. (One work session)

Prescription Drug Affordability Board

The Committee will receive updates from the Prescription Drug Affordability Board regarding current activities to monitor prescription drug prices and conduct reviews of prescription drug affordability. (One work session)

Ground Ambulance Service Rates

The Committee will receive an overview of the Office of the Insurance Commissioner's 2026 report on the reasonableness of the default rate for ground ambulance balance billing established in Substitute Senate Bill 5986 (2024) and trends of changes to ground ambulance services rates or billed charges. (One work session)

Behavioral Health Crisis System

The Committee will hold a work session to review how the various components of the behavioral health crisis response system work together, receive updates on current work to implement new initiatives related to these components, and understand challenges related to the system. (One work session)

Individual Health Insurance Market

The Committee will receive an overview of the individual health plan market and consider options to address issues related to the individual health plan market, such as addressing bare or one carrier counties. (One work session)

RELATED INTERIM COMMITTEES

Joint Select Committee on Health Care and Behavioral Health Oversight

HOUSING COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	- Senior Housing - Landlord-Tenant Notices	Full Committee

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HOUSING COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Senior Housing

The Committee will consider issues related to senior housing, such as exploring options and methods to improve protections for residents of senior independent living facilities, maintain housing affordability, and reduce vulnerability to homelessness. (One work session)

Landlord-Tenant Notices

The Committee will review and examine landlord-tenant notices, methods for delivery, and consequences for failure to provide or receive notice. The Committee will explore and consider options for modernizing and improving notices for both landlords and tenants, such as electronic notice. (One work session)

LABOR & WORKPLACE STANDARDS COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
September	Virtual	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agricultural Labor Policies - Report on the Paid Family and Medical Leave Program 	Full Committee
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report on the Paid Family and Medical Leave Program - Emerging Issues in the Unemployment Insurance System - Employment and Workplace Matters Affecting Food Service Industry Workers - Workers' Compensation: Supplemental Pension Fund and Other Emerging Issues 	Full Committee

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LABOR & WORKPLACE STANDARDS COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Agricultural Labor Policies

The Committee will examine federal and state labor policies affecting agricultural workers, including the scope of the National Labor Relations Act and other state laws. The Committee will also learn about other states that have extended additional protections to agricultural workers, such as California's Agricultural Labor Relations Act (ALRA). The Committee will hear perspectives from various Washington-based stakeholders. (One work session)

Report on the Paid Family and Medical Leave Program

The 2026 Supplemental Operating Budget directs the Employment Security Department (ESD) to assess the solvency and integrity of the Paid Family and Medical Leave (PFML) Program. In consultation with the PFML Advisory Committee, the ESD must submit a final report with findings to the Legislature by November 1, 2026. The Committee will receive an interim update on ongoing work and then a briefing on the final report. (Two work sessions)

Emerging Issues in the Unemployment Insurance System

The Employment Security Department and other stakeholders will update the Committee on emerging issues affecting the unemployment insurance system, such as worker eligibility and accessibility issues and calls for regulatory reform and system improvements. (One work session)

Employment and Workplace Matters Affecting Food Service Industry Workers

Due to the unique nature of the industry, workers in food service may be more vulnerable to wage theft, and enforcement of wage and hour violations can be challenging. The Committee will examine policy issues and enforcement gaps affecting workers in the food service industry, including wage theft, meal and rest breaks, and employer support and education. (One work session)

Workers' Compensation: Supplemental Pension Fund and Other Emerging Issues

The Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) will update the Committee on significant issues affecting the workers' compensation system, including the financial health of the Supplemental Pension Fund (Fund) and projected long-term impacts of claims on the Fund. L&I will also update the Committee on workers' compensation matters likely to arise during the 2027 session. (One work session)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
June	Olympia	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - State Building Code Council Update - Local Government Annexations - Subdivisions - County Development Regulations 	Full Committee
November	Olympia	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Performance-Based Building Codes - Embodied Carbon 	Full Committee
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensuring Food Access and Preventing Food Deserts - Neighborhood Cafes - Local Governments and Agritourism 	Full Committee

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

State Building Code Council Update

The Committee will receive an update from the State Building Code Council on the Council's actions to amend the Building Code as directed by the Legislature, including as required in Substitute House Bill 2228 (2026) and Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5552 (2026). (One work session)

Local Government Annexations

The Committee will hear from a panel about challenges and concerns with current laws governing the annexation of unincorporated areas by cities and recommendations for legislative improvements to the annexation process. (One work session)

Subdivisions

The Committee will hear from a panel on recommendations for changes to state laws governing the subdivision of land, including those related to subdivisions, short subdivisions, and plats. (One work session)

County Development Regulations

The Committee will hear from a panel on issues related to county development regulations, including the coordination of county and city regulations in urban growth areas, measures to ensure the protection of critical areas, and ways to address stormwater management. (One work session)

Performance-Based Building Codes

The Committee will hear from a panel about opportunities and challenges related to the implementation of performance-based building codes in Washington. (One work session)

Embodied Carbon

The Committee will hear from a panel on the potential implementation of embodied carbon emissions reduction standards in Washington, as proposed in House Bill 2273 (2026). (One work session)

Ensuring Food Access and Preventing Food Deserts

The Committee will hear from a panel on proposals to mitigate or avoid food deserts in communities in Washington, including proposals related to authorizing publicly owned grocery stores as proposed in House Bill 2313 (2026). (One work session)

Neighborhood Cafes

The Committee will hear from a panel on challenges and opportunities related to authorizing certain small businesses and neighborhood cafes in residential zones as proposed in Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1175 (2026). (One work session)

Local Governments and Agritourism

The Committee will hear from a panel on the relationship between local government regulations and agritourism in Washington, and on recommendations for potential legislation to increase the viability of the industry. (One work session)

POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION & WORKFORCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compensation and Central Services Funding at Institutions of Higher Education - Required Training at Institutions of Higher Education - Pathways Within Higher Education 	Full Committee

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POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION & WORKFORCE COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Compensation and Central Services Funding at Institutions of Higher Education

At institutions of higher education (IHEs), incremental compensation costs can be split among several accounts depending on where the employee salary is paid, and individual employees may be paid from more than one account. Central services (CS) are core services provided by a centralized agency to support other state agencies in conducting their operations. For IHEs, funding for CS costs in the operating budget is split between a Near General Fund—Outlook (NGF-O) account and higher education non-appropriated tuition operating fee revenue. The fund split ratio is used to divide incremental compensation costs and incremental central services costs between NGF-O and tuition. The Committee will hear a briefing on the fund split, including an historical overview and current practices. (One work session)

Required Training at Institutions of Higher Education

Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill 5227 (2021) directed the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges and the Council of Presidents to submit annual reports to the Legislature reviewing professional development programs and summarizing results of campus climate assessments at IHEs. These assessments are conducted by each IHE to understand the current state of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in the learning, working, and living environments on campus for students, faculty, and staff. The Committee will hear a briefing on the latest report and on additional required training for students, faculty, and staff, such as anti-racism, hazing prevention, Title IX, cybersecurity awareness, consent and respect, and DEI. (One work session)

Pathways Within Higher Education

The Committee will hear a briefing on efforts by IHEs to facilitate the transfer of students pursuing baccalaureate degrees, including policies, practices, and programs that support underrepresented and traditionally underserved students. In addition to Direct Transfer Agreements, the briefing will also include an overview of Major Related Programs. These programs help students prepare to transfer into high-demand bachelor's degree programs that require specific courses in the first two years such as business, biology, engineering and nursing. (One work session)

RELATED INTERIM COMMITTEES

Joint Higher Education Committee

STATE GOVERNMENT & TRIBAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
June	Virtual	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Federal Impacts to State and Local Elections - Understanding the Intergovernmental Role of State, Local, and Tribal Governments in the Context of Federal Immigration 	Full Committee
September	Virtual	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Primary Election Update - Overview of Political Violence in the State 	Full Committee
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update on the Implementation of Recently Enacted Legislation - Overview of the Public Records Act 	Full Committee

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STATE GOVERNMENT & TRIBAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Federal Impacts to State and Local Elections

Pending litigation and legislation at the federal level may impact election policies and procedures in the state. This includes two cases currently being considered by the Supreme Court of the United States: *Watson v. Republican National Committee* and *Louisiana v. Callais*. The Supreme Court's *Watson* decision is expected to address the timeline for accepting mail-in ballots. The *Callais* decision is expected to address the balance of the federal Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments for congressional redistricting. Congress is also considering legislation that would modify documentation requirements for voter registration. The Committee will invite agencies and experts to discuss changes, if any, to federal election policies and how those changes may impact the administration of elections in Washington. (One work session)

Understanding the Intergovernmental Role of State, Local, and Tribal Governments in the Context of Federal Immigration

During the 2026 legislative session, the Committee considered various legislation to address the recent increase in public concern around federal immigration enforcement activities in the state. Discussions included the use and collection of data by state and local governments that may be used by the federal government in carrying out its immigration enforcement directives. Discussions also included expanding shared leave for Washington residents experiencing immigration enforcement actions. The Committee intends to further explore the role of state, local, and tribal governments in matters relating to federal immigration by inviting agencies and experts to discuss information-sharing, intergovernmental governance, and the current work of state agencies, including the work of the Immigration Sub-Cabinet. (One work session)

Primary Election Update

The Committee will receive an update from local election officials on the primary election. The Committee will invite election officials to discuss what, if any, federal changes in election procedures and policy had been enacted prior to the primary election and the impacts the changes had on the administration of primary elections in Washington. (One work session)

Overview of Political Violence in the State

During the 2026 legislative session, the Committee considered House Bill 2333 relating to protecting elected officials and candidates, executive state officers, election officials, and criminal justice participants against threats and incidents of political violence. The Committee intends to continue exploring the growing concern around the disclosure of the primary residential address of elected officials and certain public employees in Washington as well as options to increase personal security measures available to these groups. The Committee will invite the Military Department and other experts to discuss data on and impacts of political violence on elected officials and certain public employees in Washington. (One work session)

Update on the Implementation of Recently Enacted Legislation

The Committee will receive an update on the implementation of enacted legislation that was considered by the Committee in the 2025-26 biennium. Such legislation relates to changes made to the Washington Voting Rights Act, sports wagering, and other policies relating to state government and tribal relations. The Committee will invite agencies and experts to provide status updates on the implementation of certain recently enacted legislation. (One work session)

Overview of the Public Records Act

The Committee considered a handful of legislation during the 2026 legislative session relating to Public Records Act (PRA) exemptions and ways to modernize the PRA. With the continued expressed interest in modernizing the PRA while maintaining public transparency, the Committee will invite agencies and experts to provide an educational overview of the PRA, including the model rules adopted by the Office of the Attorney General. (One work session)

TECHNOLOGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, & VETERANS COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
September 28	Olympia	Work Session	- 911/988 Emergency Management Overview - Department of Commerce Updates	Full Committee
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	- Veterans Updates - Tourism Updates	Full Committee

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TECHNOLOGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, & VETERANS COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Department of Commerce Updates

The Committee will receive updates from the Department of Commerce, including implementation of federal Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment funds and related efforts to promote digital equity in Washington; information on state and federal grant payment processes; and economic development efforts for key industries. (One work session)

911/988 Emergency Management Overview

The Committee will receive an overview of the 911/988 emergency management system from state and local partners, including updates on technological infrastructure, intergovernmental coordination for emergency response, and staffing needs. (One work session)

Veterans Updates

The Committee will receive an update on veterans' issues. (One work session)

Tourism Updates

The Committee will receive updates on efforts to increase tourism and tourism funding in the state. (One work session)

RELATED INTERIM COMMITTEES

1. Joint Committee on Veterans' and Military Affairs
2. Legislative Committee on Economic Development & International Relations

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE	SUBJECTS	COMMITTEE
June	Olympia	Work Session	- Overview of Climate Commitment Act-Funded Transportation Electrification Projects	Full Committee
December Committee Assembly	Olympia	Work Session	- Highway Preservation & Maintenance Update - Highway Improvement Megaprogram Projects	Full Committee

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TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Overview of Climate Commitment Act-Funded Transportation Electrification Projects

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and the Departments of Commerce, Ecology, and Enterprise Services have utilized Climate Commitment Act funding directed to transportation purposes to fund a number of electrification programs and projects that focus on the promotion of light and medium/heavy duty zero-emission vehicle use by individuals, businesses, and public agencies. Electrification related to port activities has also been an area of focus for the WSDOT, including projects related to drayage and shore power. The Committee will receive an update on the progress made to date by these agencies to collectively address the goal of reducing carbon emissions in the state. (One work session)

Highway Preservation & Maintenance Update

The Committee will receive an update from the WSDOT on the delivery of highway preservation projects and highway maintenance efforts. Key topics will include: increased preservation and maintenance activities as a result of additional resources provided in the 2026 session; recent project and materials cost trends; prioritization processes for maintenance and preservation activities; and WSDOT's Statewide Transportation Asset Management Program and Maintenance Accountability Process. (One work session)

Highway Improvement Megaprogram Projects

The Committee will receive an update from the WSDOT on the delivery of highway improvement megaprogram projects. Key topics will include: recent project cost trends, based on bids and updated cost estimate validation process (CEVP) results submitted since the 2026 session; the current procurement environment; project delivery plans; and the WSDOT's contracting strategies for managing costs and risks. Specific megaprograms include, but are not limited to, the State Route 520 Program, the Puget Sound Gateway Program, the Interstate 405/State Route 167 Corridor Program, and the US 395 North Spokane Corridor Program. (One work session)

RELATED INTERIM COMMITTEES

1. Joint Transportation Committee
2. Joint Legislative Action Committee