

**SIXTY FIFTH DAY**

**AFTERNOON SESSION**

Senate Chamber, Olympia  
Tuesday, March 18, 2025

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

**MOTIONS**

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

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

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

March 14, 2025

**HB 1018** Prime Sponsor, Representative Shavers: Adding fusion energy to facilities that may obtain site certification for the purposes of chapter 80.50 RCW. Reported by Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Shewmake, Chair; Slatter, Vice Chair; Boehnke, Ranking Member; Dhingra; Harris; Lovelett; Ramos; Short and Wellman.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 14, 2025

**ESHB 1562** Prime Sponsor, Committee on Local Government: Increasing the availability of baby diaper changing stations. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Valdez, Chair; Krishnadasan, Vice Chair; Wilson, J., Ranking Member; Hasegawa; Kauffman; McCune and Short.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

**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  
GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS**

March 10, 2025

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit the following reappointment, subject to your confirmation.

PETER M. GAYTON, reappointed March 10, 2025, for the term ending January 1, 2031, as Member of the Personnel Resources Board.

Sincerely,

BOB FERGUSON, Governor

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce as Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9229.

March 10, 2025

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit the following appointment, subject to your confirmation.

MONICA YU, appointed March 10, 2025, for the term ending June 30, 2025, as Member of the Washington Student Achievement Council.

Sincerely,

BOB FERGUSON, Governor

Referred to Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development as Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9230.

March 13, 2025

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit the following reappointment, subject to your confirmation.

ELIZABETH CATTIN, reappointed March 14, 2025, for the term ending September 30, 2029, as Member of the Lower Columbia College Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,

BOB FERGUSON, Governor

Referred to Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development as Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9231.

**MOTIONS**

On motion of Senator Riccelli, all appointees listed on the Gubernatorial Appointments report were referred to the committees as designated.

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

**MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

March 18, 2025

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Speaker has signed SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8403.

and the same are herewith transmitted.

MELISSA PALMER, Deputy Chief Clerk

**MOTION**

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

**INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

**SB 5790** by Senator Robinson

AN ACT Relating to cost-of-living adjustments for community and technical college employees; and amending RCW 28B.50.465 and 28B.50.468.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

#### MOTIONS

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

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

Senator Schoesler moved adoption of the following resolution:

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 8634

By Senators Schoesler, Chapman, Christian, Dozier, Hasegawa, Krishnadasan, Lovelett, Riccelli, Warnick, J. Wilson, King, Short, Trudeau, and Wagoner

WHEREAS, The Junior Livestock Show of Spokane has been a time-honored, annual event that is a staple of the agricultural community of the Pacific Northwest for generations, dating back to the first show in 1936 that was held at the Old Union Stockyards until 1965; and

WHEREAS, Going on 10 decades of dedication and tradition, the Junior Livestock Show of Spokane embodies community and family as it embraces the tradition through this educational and wholesome event as the region's premier youth livestock exposition; and

WHEREAS, The 90th annual event is scheduled for April 30th through May 3, 2025, at the Spokane County Fair and Expo Center to showcase the agricultural industry as it celebrates the economic stability that is brought to the Pacific Northwest region; and

WHEREAS, The show provides an opportunity for youth to showcase their skills taught by 4-H and Future Farmers of America by ethically and humanely raising market-quality livestock, at market-quality standard; and

WHEREAS, The 33rd president of the United States of America, President Harry Truman, visited the Livestock Show in 1950 and presented rosettes for swine along with presenting a

ribbon for a 4-H grand champion lamb; and

WHEREAS, The Junior Livestock Show of Spokane supports its hard working graduating seniors with \$13,000 in scholarships in 2024, with students dedicated to agriculture heading to schools in Idaho, Montana, and Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Locally raised cattle, hogs, sheep, and goats are presented as a testament to the hard work put into the proper raising of the animals by these youth to the general public; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 Youth Ambassadors, Amelia Ray and Alyssa Williams, represent the show by collaborating with the hosting of the stock show and sale, recognizing the show sponsors, exhibitor activities and show logistics, and also being available in the off season for community and youth events;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize the 90th annual Junior Livestock Show, which attracts nearly 500 youth from across the Pacific Northwest to showcase their hard work and dedication toward the future of agriculture, and hereby honor this show and all that it does for the agriculture community.

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

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8634.

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

#### INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President welcomed and introduced Junior Show Ambassadors Miss Amelia Ray and Miss Alyssa Williams, and Junior Livestock Show Executive Director Ms. Lori Williams who were seated in the gallery.

#### MOTION

At 12:39 p.m., on motion of Senator Riccelli, the Senate adjourned until 10:45 a.m. Wednesday, March 19, 2025.

DENNY HECK, President of the Senate

SARAH BANNISTER, Secretary of the Senate

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