

THIRTY SECOND DAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2025

2025 REGULAR SESSION

**THIRTY SECOND DAY****AFTERNOON SESSION**Senate Chamber, Olympia  
Thursday, February 13, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Senator Conway 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**

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**SB 5040** Prime Sponsor, Senator Stanford: Expanding the definition of uniformed personnel to all law enforcement officers employed by a city, town, or county. Reported by Committee on Labor & Commerce

**MAJORITY recommendation:** That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5040 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Saldaña, Chair; Conway, Vice Chair; Alvarado; Ramos and Stanford.

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

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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**SB 5052** Prime Sponsor, Senator Salomon: Modifying law enforcement ability to contact juvenile witnesses and victims not suspected of criminal involvement or activity. Reported by Committee on Human Services

**MAJORITY recommendation:** That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5052 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wilson, C., Chair; Frame, Vice Chair and Orwall.

**MINORITY recommendation:** Do not pass. Signed by Senators Christian, Ranking Member and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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**SB 5201** Prime Sponsor, Senator Salomon: Concerning access to psychedelic substances. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

**MAJORITY recommendation:** That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Orwall, Vice Chair;

Muzzall, Ranking Member; Cleveland, Chair; Bateman; Chapman; Christian; Harris; Holy; Riccelli; Robinson and Slatter.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

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**SB 5225** Prime Sponsor, Senator MacEwen: Concerning candidate filing requirements. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections

**MAJORITY recommendation:** That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5225 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Valdez, Chair; Krishnadasan, Vice Chair; Hasegawa; Kauffman and Riccelli.

**MINORITY recommendation:** Do not pass. Signed by Senators Fortunato; McCune and Short.

**MINORITY recommendation:** That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Wilson, J., Ranking Member.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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**SB 5358** Prime Sponsor, Senator Braun: Concerning career and technical education in sixth grade. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

**MAJORITY recommendation:** That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5358 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Nobles, Vice Chair, K-12; Wilson, C., Vice Chair, Early Learning; Harris, Ranking Member; Cortes; Dozier; Hansen; Krishnadasan and McCune.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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**SB 5386** Prime Sponsor, Senator Orwall: Supporting survivors of sexual assault in public elementary and secondary schools. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

**MAJORITY recommendation:** Do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Nobles, Vice Chair, K-12; Wilson, C., Vice Chair, Early Learning; Cortes; Hansen and Krishnadasan.

**MINORITY recommendation:** Do not pass. Signed by Senators Harris, Ranking Member; Dozier and McCune.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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**SB 5409** Prime Sponsor, Senator Wilson, C.: Concerning a pilot program creating a healthier environment for correctional officers, department of corrections staff, and individuals within a correctional facility. Reported by Committee on Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Wilson, C., Chair; Frame, Vice Chair and Orwall.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Christian, Ranking Member and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5412 Prime Sponsor, Senator Robinson: Providing temporary interfund loans for school districts. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5412 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Nobles, Vice Chair, K-12; Wilson, C., Vice Chair, Early Learning; Cortes; Hansen and Krishnadasan.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Harris, Ranking Member; Dozier and McCune.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5427 Prime Sponsor, Senator Wilson, C.: Extending the program to address complex cases of children in crisis. Reported by Committee on Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Wilson, C., Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Christian, Ranking Member; Orwall and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5463 Prime Sponsor, Senator Alvarado: Concerning the duties of industrial insurance self-insured employers and third-party administrators. Reported by Committee on Labor & Commerce

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

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5470 Prime Sponsor, Senator Goehner: Establishing limitations on detached accessory dwelling units outside urban growth areas. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5470 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Bateman, Chair; Alvarado, Vice Chair; Goehner, Ranking Member; Gildon; Orwall; Salomon and Trudeau.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5496 Prime Sponsor, Senator Alvarado: Preserving homeownership options by limiting excessive home buying by certain entities. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5496 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Bateman, Chair; Alvarado, Vice Chair; Orwall; Salomon and Trudeau.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Goehner, Ranking Member and Gildon.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5499 Prime Sponsor, Senator Christian: Codifying the body scanner program at the department of corrections. Reported by Committee on Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Wilson, C., Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Christian, Ranking Member; Orwall and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5500 Prime Sponsor, Senator Alvarado: Modernizing reimbursement rates for the working connections child care program. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5500 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Nobles, Vice Chair, K-12; Wilson, C., Vice Chair, Early Learning; Cortes; Hansen and Krishnadasan.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Harris, Ranking Member; Dozier and McCune.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5506 Prime Sponsor, Senator Christian: Extending the effective date of licensing living accommodations for residential private schools. Reported by Committee on Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Wilson, C., Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Christian, Ranking Member; Orwall and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5508 Prime Sponsor, Senator Krishnadasan: Concerning the child welfare housing assistance program. Reported by Committee on Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5508 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wilson, C., Chair; Frame, Vice Chair and Orwall.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Christian, Ranking Member.

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

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5522 Prime Sponsor, Senator Krishnadasan: Concerning the state capitol campus. Reported by Committee on State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5522 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Valdez, Chair; Krishnadasan, Vice Chair; Wilson, J., Ranking Member; Fortunato; Hasegawa; Kauffman; McCune; Riccelli and Short.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5528 Prime Sponsor, Senator Liias: Concerning the installation of transportation electrification infrastructure. Reported by Committee on Labor & Commerce

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5528 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Saldaña, Chair; Conway, Vice Chair; Alvarado; Ramos and Stanford.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5643 Prime Sponsor, Senator Christian: Expanding the purview of child fatality and near fatality reviews. Reported by Committee on Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5643 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wilson, C., Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Christian, Ranking Member; Orwall and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SGA 9181 MICHONE R. PRESTON, appointed on November 8, 2024, for the term ending June 30, 2027, as Member of the Housing Finance Commission. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Bateman, Chair; Alvarado, Vice Chair; Goehner, Ranking Member; Gildon; Orwall; Salomon and Trudeau.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SGA 9217 MICHAEL MACKILLOP, appointed on January 15, 2025, for the term ending at the governors pleasure, as Director of the Department of Services for the Blind - Agency Head. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12

Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Nobles, Vice Chair, K-12; Wilson, C., Vice Chair, Early Learning; Harris, Ranking Member; Cortes; Dozier; Hansen; Krishnadasan and McCune.

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 fourth order of business.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

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MR. PRESIDENT:

The House has passed:

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1149, 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 5740 by Senator Braun

AN ACT Relating to eviction reform and tenant safety; amending RCW 59.12.050, 59.18.050, 59.18.365, 59.18.370, 59.18.380, 59.18.640, 59.18.130, 59.18.180, 59.18.650, and 59.18.650; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Housing.

SB 5741 by Senators Alvarado, and Bateman

AN ACT Relating to addressing court capacity for unlawful detainer actions by authorizing superior courts to appoint housing court commissioners; adding new sections to chapter 59.18 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 59.20 RCW; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Housing.

SB 5742 by Senator Fortunato

AN ACT Relating to impaired driving; amending RCW 46.61.5055; adding a new section to chapter 66.08 RCW; prescribing penalties; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 5743 by Senators Krishnadasan, and Lovick

AN ACT Relating to names to be included on the Washington state law enforcement memorial; and adding a new section to chapter 79.24 RCW.

Referred to Committee on State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections.

SB 5744 by Senator Hasegawa

AN ACT Relating to requiring the joint legislative audit and review committee to conduct a legislative comparison study; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections.

SB 5745 by Senators Dhingra, and Bateman

AN ACT Relating to appointed counsel for individuals detained under the involuntary treatment act; amending RCW 71.05.110, 71.05.130, 71.05.730, 72.23.010, 72.23.020, 2.70.020, and 2.70.023; reenacting and amending RCW 71.05.020, 71.05.020, 71.34.020, and 71.34.020; repealing 2024 c 62 ss 26 and 27; providing contingent effective dates; providing contingent expiration dates; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 5746 by Senators Wilson, J., and Christian

AN ACT Relating to creating an advisory committee on electric vehicle charger infrastructure property crime; adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5747 by Senators Wilson, J., and Christian

AN ACT Relating to an exemption for affordable housing; amending RCW 19.27A.080; reenacting and amending RCW 19.27.015; adding a new section to chapter 19.27 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 19.27A RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Housing.

SB 5748 by Senators Wilson, J., Harris, McCune, Goehner, Holy, Warnick, and Wagoner

AN ACT Relating to incentivizing the substantial reduction or elimination of impact fees; adding a new section to chapter 82.14 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5749 by Senators Wilson, J., Fortunato, Short, Christian,

Torres, Dozier, Boehnke, Holy, Wagoner, and McCune  
AN ACT Relating to housing development opportunity zones; adding a new section to chapter 35.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35A.21 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Housing.

SB 5750 by Senators Wilson, J., Schoesler, Christian, McCune, Chapman, Braun, Short, Goehner, Boehnke, Warnick, and Fortunato

AN ACT Relating to fees for charging electrical vehicles at state facilities; and amending RCW 43.01.250.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 1054 by Representatives Leavitt, Ramel, Paul, Shavers, Bronoske, Timmons, Nance, and Berg  
AN ACT Relating to county ferry maintenance and repair contracts; and amending RCW 36.32.235.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

SHB 1066 by House Committee on Consumer Protection & Business (originally sponsored by Reeves, Morgan, Wylie, and Davis)

AN ACT Relating to the creation of a data dashboard to track policies, funding, and program and health outcomes related to the sale, consumption, and use of regulated substances; and adding a new section to chapter 66.08 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

ESHB 1149 by House Committee on Community Safety (originally sponsored by Hackney, Low, Ramel, Leavitt, Obras, Timmons, Peterson, Wylie, Pollet, Kloba, Farivar, Berg, Ormsby, Fosse, Hill, and Walen)

AN ACT Relating to the prevention of cruelty to animals; amending RCW 16.52.011, 16.52.085, 16.52.100, 16.52.117, 16.52.200, and 16.52.207; reenacting and amending RCW 9.94A.515; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SHB 1371 by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Orcutt, Klicker, Couture, Jacobsen, Leavitt, Ley, Simmons, Shavers, and Dufault)

AN ACT Relating to parking privileges for veterans; amending RCW 46.19.010, 46.19.040, and 41.04.007; adding a new section to chapter 46.19 RCW; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Riccelli, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of Senate Bill No. 5748 which was designated to the Committee on Housing and referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

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

Senator Fortunato moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION  
8614

By Senator Fortunato, Conway and Hasegawa

WHEREAS, Washington has emerged in recent decades as an increasingly popular destination for immigrants and the state of Washington continues to benefit tremendously from the contribution of immigrants; and

WHEREAS, Immigrants are our neighbors, our friends, and most importantly, Washingtonians; and

WHEREAS, Immigrant culture provides change for the better by introducing new ideas, expertise, customs, food, and art; and

WHEREAS, Linguistic diversity in Washington boasts 163 different languages, and nearly half of all immigrants in

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Washington are naturalized citizens; and

WHEREAS, 15.3 percent of the state's population is foreign-born, with an additional 8.8 percent of the population having at least one immigrant parent; and

WHEREAS, Immigration fuels the economy by increasing the productive capacity of the economy and contributing to the gross domestic product, and immigrants pay state and local taxes; and

WHEREAS, Washington is one of the highest food-producing states in the nation and relies heavily on its growing immigrant population and their significant contributions to this state, as over half of the state's agriculture, fishing, hunting, and forestry work is performed by immigrant workers; and

WHEREAS, Immigrant business owners accounted for 21.5 percent of all self-employed Washington residents in 2022 and generated three billion dollars in business income, and immigrants comprised at least 19 percent of the labor force, 30.6 percent of STEM workers, and 17.3 percent of nurses; and

WHEREAS, Nearly half of immigrants in Washington state have white-collar jobs, have made substantial contributions to their community, and have invigorated business, church, and academic interests in the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the vital role immigrants play in Washington state as neighbors, business owners, workers, and taxpayers, as immigrants are an integral part of Washington's diverse and thriving communities and they make extensive contributions that

benefit all.

Senators Fortunato, Riccelli and Hasegawa spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President Pro Tempore declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8614.

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

#### REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

President Conway: "I want to say one thing. We do have a birthday at the rostrum here that we need to recognize, Jeannie will you please stand and be recognized by the people here today. Happy Birthday to you, alright."

#### MOTION

At 12:48 p.m., on motion of Senator Riccelli, the Senate adjourned until 12:30 p.m. Friday, February 14, 2025.

STEVE CONWAY, President of the Senate

SARAH BANNISTER, Secretary of the Senate

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