

EIGHTY SIXTH DAY

MORNING SESSION

Senate Chamber, Olympia
Tuesday, April 8, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 10 o'clock 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 Pages Mr. Harald Savela and Miss Elle Gustafson, presented the Colors.

Page Mr. Jonathan Patrow led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The invocation was offered by Senator Rebecca Saldaña of 37th Legislative District, Seattle.

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

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2SHB 1154 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Ensuring environmental and public health protection from solid waste handling facility operations. 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; Cleveland; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1183 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning building code and development regulation reform. 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; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Kauffman; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating and Hasegawa.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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EHB 1217 Prime Sponsor, Representative Alvarado: Improving housing stability for tenants subject to the residential landlord-tenant act and the manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act by limiting rent and fee increases, requiring notice of rent and fee increases, limiting fees and deposits, establishing a landlord resource center and associated services, authorizing tenant lease termination, creating parity between lease types, and providing for attorney general enforcement. 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; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Cleveland; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1273 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Improving student access to dual credit programs. 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; Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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EHB 1279 Prime Sponsor, Representative Pollet: Providing postsecondary education consumer protections. 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;

Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; 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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SHB 1294 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Extending the pesticide application safety committee. 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; Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; 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 1296 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Education: Promoting a safe and supportive public education 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; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Cleveland; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1409 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning the clean fuels program. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Cleveland; Dhingra; Hansen; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Conway and

Hasegawa.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1497 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Improving outcomes associated with waste material management systems. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Hansen; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Dhingra and Hasegawa.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1514 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Encouraging the deployment of low carbon thermal energy networks. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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ESHB 1522 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Environment & Energy: Concerning approval of electric utility wildfire mitigation plans. 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; Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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2SHB 1587 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Encouraging local government partner promise scholarship programs within the opportunity scholarship program. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development. 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; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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ESHB 1651 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Education: Concerning teacher residency and apprenticeship programs. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education. 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; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1696 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Modifying the covenant homeownership program. 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; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1858 Prime Sponsor, Representative Scott: Eliminating the exemption for assignments or substitutions of previously recorded deeds of trust from the document recording fee and the covenant homeownership program assessment. 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; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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E2SHB 1912 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning the exemption for fuels used for agricultural purposes in the climate commitment act. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology. 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; 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.

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 SECRETARY OF STATE

April 7, 2025

Lt. Governor Denny Heck
President of the Senate
Legislative Building
Olympia, Washington 98504

To the Honorable Members of the Washington State Senate:
I respectfully transmit for your consideration Senate Bill No. 5577, which was partially vetoed by the Governor, along with his objections to the bill, as required by Article III, section 12, of the Washington State Constitution:



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the seal of the state of Washington this 7th April 2025.

/s/
Randy Bolerjack
Deputy Secretary of State

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

April 4, 2025

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

Esteemed Colleagues:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to Section 2, Senate Bill No. 5577 entitled:

“AN ACT Relating to Medicaid coverage for HIV antiviral drugs.”

The funding for the medications addressed in this bill are already covered in the Health Care Authority’s base expenditures. Accordingly, there will be no gap in coverage, so there is no need for an emergency clause.

For these reasons I have vetoed Section 2 of Senate Bill No. 5577.

With the exception of Section 2, Senate Bill No. 5577 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/
Bob Ferguson
Governor

MOTION

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

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 5807 by Senator Robinson

AN ACT Relating to wellness incentives for public and school employee health benefit plans; and amending RCW 41.05.065 and 41.05.740.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5808 by Senator Robinson

AN ACT Relating to funding for health insurance premium assistance; adding a new section to chapter 48.43 RCW; creating a new section; and providing an effective date.

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.

On motion of Senator Riccelli, Senate Rule 20 was suspended for the remainder of the day to allow consideration of floor resolutions not filed before the 24-hour deadline.

EDITOR’S NOTE: Senate Rule 20 requires floor resolutions not essential to the operation of the Senate to be submitted 24 hours prior to consideration.

MOTION

Senator MacEwen moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION 8650

By Senator MacEwen

WHEREAS, Washington state is committed to the promotion of safety programs, policies, and actions; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of motorcyclists travel the roads, streets, highways, and interstate systems of Washington state every day; and

WHEREAS, Motorcycles are fuel efficient vehicles that have access to Washington state high occupancy vehicle lanes, promoting a less congested travel way; and

WHEREAS, Motorcyclists help to provide funds for the transportation infrastructure of Washington state that they and others use; and

WHEREAS, The majority of the motorcycling community is committed to motorcycle safety and awareness and promotes policies and procedures for themselves and other motorists in order to create a safe roadway for all; and

WHEREAS, Motorcyclists make up just about three percent of all registered vehicles but account for about fifteen percent of all traffic fatalities as of 2017; and

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration launched a Get Up to Speed on Motorcycles campaign to help motorists learn how to drive safely around motorcycles in order to keep all roadway users safe; and

WHEREAS, The motorcycling community is filled with people dedicated to charitable organizations and activities; and

WHEREAS, Hundreds of motorcyclists, like those of Bikers Against Child Abuse and American Legion Riders, band together to support kids, veterans, and other vulnerable communities all around the state; and

WHEREAS, The month of May is recognized nationally and throughout the state as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate celebrate the month of May as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the AAA Washington office, the ABATE of Washington office, Bikers Against Child Abuse, the representative of the Washington Road Riders Association, the headquarters of the Washington State Patrol, and the Washington State Department of Transportation.

Senator MacEwen spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution. The President declared the question before the Senate to be the

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adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8650.

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

MOTION

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

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Short: "For those of you who don't know, a person who is a constituent of ours, Mary Selecky, who also served under many governors as Secretary of Health recently passed away. And I was just wondering if we would have a moment of silence on this floor today."

MOMENT OF SILENCE

The Senate observed a moment of silence in memory of former Secretary Mary Selecky, who passed away April 7, 2025.

THIRD READING

CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

Senator Bateman moved that Steven J. Drew, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9088, be confirmed as a member of the South Puget Sound Community College Board of Trustees.

Senator Bateman spoke in favor of the motion.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Nobles, Senators Ramos and Stanford were excused.

APPOINTMENT OF STEVEN J. DREW

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the confirmation of Steven J. Drew, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9088, as a member of the South Puget Sound Community College Board of Trustees.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of Steven J. Drew, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9088, as a member of the South Puget Sound Community College Board of Trustees and the appointment was confirmed 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, Lias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Shewmake, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Voting nay: Senator Schoesler

Excused: Senator Ramos

Steven J. Drew, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9088, having received the constitutional majority was declared confirmed as a member of the South Puget Sound Community College Board of Trustees.

THIRD READING

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MOTION

Senator Wellman moved that Brent L. Stark, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9093, be confirmed as a member of the Washington State School for the Blind Board of Trustees.

Senator Wellman spoke in favor of the motion.

APPOINTMENT OF BRENT L. STARK

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the confirmation of Brent L. Stark, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9093, as a member of the Washington State School for the Blind Board of Trustees.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of Brent L. Stark, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9093, as a member of the Washington State School for the Blind Board of Trustees and the appointment was confirmed 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, Lias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Ramos

Brent L. Stark, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9093, having received the constitutional majority was declared confirmed as a member of the Washington State School for the Blind Board of Trustees.

THIRD READING

CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

Senator Torres moved that Bernal C. Baca, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9115, be confirmed as a member of the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges.

Senators Torres and Conway spoke in favor of passage of the motion.

APPOINTMENT OF BERNAL C. BACA

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the confirmation of Bernal C. Baca, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9115, as a member of the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of Bernal C. Baca, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9115, as a member of the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges and the appointment was confirmed 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, Lias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner,

Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.
Excused: Senator Ramos

Bernal C. Baca, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9115, having received the constitutional majority was declared confirmed as a member of the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges.

THIRD READING CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

Senator Bateman moved that David Schumacher, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9120, be confirmed as a member of the University of Washington Board of Regents.

Senator Bateman spoke in favor of the motion.

APPOINTMENT OF DAVID SCHUMACHER

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the confirmation of David Schumacher, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9120, as a member of the University of Washington Board of Regents.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of David Schumacher, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9120, as a member of the University of Washington Board of Regents and the appointment was confirmed by the following vote: Yeas, 39; Nays, 9; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

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

Voting nay: Senators Boehnke, Christian, Fortunato, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Schoesler, Trudeau and Wilson, J.
Excused: Senator Ramos

David Schumacher, Senate Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9120, having received the constitutional majority was declared confirmed as a member of the University of Washington Board of Regents.

MOTION

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

SECOND READING

HOUSE BILL NO. 1484, by Representatives Salahuddin, Davis, Duerr, Doglio, Ryu, Reed, and Parshley

Concerning exceptional sentences for offenses which result in the pregnancy of a victim of rape.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Dhingra, the rules were suspended, House Bill No. 1484 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 House Bill No. 1484.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1484 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, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Ramos

HOUSE BILL NO. 1484, 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. 1718, by House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Thai, Shavers, Parshley, Zahn, and Scott)

Concerning well-being programs for certain health care professionals.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Cleveland, the rules were suspended, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1718 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Cleveland and Muzzall 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. 1718.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1718 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, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Ramos

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1718, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

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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. 1815, by House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services (originally sponsored by Peterson, Cortes, and Goodman)

Concerning prison riot offenses.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

Senator Christian moved that the following floor amendment no. 0274 by Senator Christian be adopted:

On page 1, after line 5, insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that increasing violence and disruptions have occurred at juvenile rehabilitation facilities and juvenile detention facilities. As a result, greater numbers of youth are being charged and convicted of prison riot offenses. The legislature further finds that since juvenile rehabilitation to age 25 policies have been implemented, longer and more severe sentences are being served at juvenile rehabilitation facilities, which has caused greater levels of violence and disruption in programming, according to the preliminary report on juvenile rehabilitation to age 25 provided to the legislature by the Washington state institute for public policy. The legislature further finds that, in the interest of rehabilitation, persons who engage in conduct similar to prison riot in a juvenile confinement setting should be subject to a separate offense than persons placed in adult correctional institutions."

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

On page 5, after line 35, insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A new section is added to chapter 9.94 RCW to read as follows:

(1)(a) A person is guilty of juvenile confinement riot whenever four or more incarcerated persons of an institution or detention facility knowingly assemble with the intent to disrupt the good order of the institution; and

(b) Act contrary to the commands of the officers of the institution, by the use of force or violence, or the threat thereof; and

(c) Take any of the following actions:

(i) Kidnap or unlawfully imprison another person;

(ii) Seize control over the institution or facility or any part thereof;

(iii) Cause extreme property damage;

(iv) Take actions that require outside law enforcement to respond;

(v) Cause a fire or explosion;

(vi) Assault another person;

(vii) Cause a loss of life; or

(viii) Otherwise disturb the peace of the institution or facility such that it impedes the rehabilitative goals of the institution.

(2) The crime of juvenile confinement riot is a class B felony.

(3) "Institution" and "detention facility" as used in this section have the same meaning as in RCW 13.40.020."

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

On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "13.40 RCW;" strike "creating a new section" and insert "adding a new section to chapter 9.94 RCW; creating new sections; prescribing penalties;"

Senators Christian and Braun spoke in favor of adoption of the amendment.

Senator Wilson, C. spoke against adoption of the amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of floor amendment no. 0274 by Senator Christian on page 1, after line 5 to Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1815.

The motion by Senator Christian did not carry and floor amendment no. 0274 was not adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

Senator Wilson, C. moved that the following floor amendment no. 0281 by Senator Wilson, C. be adopted:

On page 5, line 35, after "charged" insert "within five years before the effective date of this section"

Senators Wilson, C. and Christian spoke in favor of adoption of the amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of floor amendment no. 0281 by Senator Wilson, C. on page 5, line 35 to Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1815.

The motion by Senator Wilson, C. carried and floor amendment no. 0281 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

Senator Wilson, C. moved that the following floor amendment no. 0276 by Senator Wilson, C. be adopted:

On page 6, line 1, strike all of section 7 and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately."

On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "and" strike the remainder of the title and insert "declaring an emergency."

Senator Wilson, C. spoke in favor of adoption of the amendment.

Senator Christian spoke against adoption of the amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of floor amendment no. 0276 by Senator Wilson, C. on page 6, line 1 to Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1815.

The motion by Senator Wilson, C. carried and floor amendment no. 0276 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Wilson, C., the rules were suspended, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1815 as amended by the Senate was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senator Wilson, C. spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

Senators Christian and Braun spoke against passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1815 as amended by the Senate.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1815 as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 27; Nays, 21; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Chapman, Cleveland, Conway, Dhingra, Frame, Hansen, Hasegawa, Kauffman, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Shewmake, Slatter, Stanford, Trudeau, Valdez, Wellman and Wilson, C.

Voting nay: Senators Boehnke, Braun, Christian, Cortes, Dozier, Fortunato, Gildon, Goehner, Harris, Holy, King, Krishnadasan, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Schoesler, Short, Torres, Wagoner, Warnick and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Ramos

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1815 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

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1403, by Representatives Taylor, Connors, Duerr, Jacobsen, Peterson, Reed, Barkis, Rule, Doglio, Tharinger, Salahuddin, Ormsby, Ryu, Entenman, Street, and Hill

Simplifying condominium construction statutes.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

Senator Bateman moved that the following committee striking amendment by the Committee on Housing be adopted:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 64.90.670 and 2019 c 238 s 102 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A declarant and any dealer warrants to a purchaser of a condominium unit that the unit will be in at least as good condition at the earlier of the time of the conveyance or delivery of possession as it was at the time of contracting, except for reasonable wear and tear and damage by casualty or condemnation.

(2) ~~((A))~~ (a) If a condominium unit is part of a common interest community organized under this chapter and created prior to the effective date of this section, a declarant and any dealer impliedly warrants to a purchaser of ~~((B))~~ the condominium unit that the unit and the common elements in the condominium are suitable for the ordinary uses of real estate of its type and that any improvements made or contracted for by such declarant or dealer will be:

~~((A))~~ (i) Free from defective materials;

~~((B))~~ (ii) Constructed in accordance with engineering and construction standards, including applicable building codes, generally accepted in the state of Washington at the time of construction; and

~~((C))~~ (iii) Constructed in a workmanlike manner.

(b) If a condominium unit is part of a common interest community created on or after the effective date of this section, a declarant and any dealer impliedly warrants to a purchaser of the condominium unit that the unit and the common elements in the condominium are suitable for the ordinary uses of real estate of its type and that any improvements made or contracted for by such declarant or dealer will be:

(i) Free from defective materials;

(ii) Constructed in accordance with the plans, specifications approved by the applicable jurisdiction for the construction of the condominium, manufacturer installation guidelines, applicable building codes in effect at the time of permit approval, and any published industry standards specifically incorporated into the applicable building codes in effect at the time of permit approval; and

(iii) Constructed in a workmanlike manner. For purposes of this subsection (2)(b)(iii), "workmanlike manner" means the degree of care that a reasonably prudent contractor licensed in the state of Washington would exercise under the same or similar circumstances.

(3) A declarant and any dealer warrants to a purchaser of a condominium unit that may be used for residential use that an existing use, continuation of which is contemplated by the parties, does not violate applicable law at the earlier of the time of conveyance or delivery of possession.

(4) Warranties imposed under this section may be excluded or modified as specified in RCW 64.90.675.

(5) For purposes of this section, improvements made or contracted for by an affiliate of a declarant are made or contracted for by the declarant.

(6) Any conveyance of a condominium unit transfers to the purchaser all of a declarant's or dealer's implied warranties of quality.

(7)(a) In a proceeding for breach of any of the obligations arising under this section, the purchaser must show that the alleged breach has adversely affected or will adversely affect the performance of that portion of the unit or common elements alleged to be in breach. Nothing in this section limits the ability of a board to bring claims on behalf of two or more unit owners pursuant to RCW 64.90.405(2)(d).

(b) To establish an adverse effect on performance, the purchaser is required to prove that the alleged breach:

(i) Is more than technical;

(ii) Is significant to a reasonable person; and

(iii) Has caused or will cause physical damage to the unit or common elements; has materially impaired the performance of mechanical, electrical, plumbing, elevator, or similar building equipment; or presents an actual, unreasonable safety risk to the occupants of the condominium.

(8) Proof of breach of any obligation arising under this section is not proof of damages. Damages awarded for a breach of a warranty arising under subsection (2) of this section are the reasonable cost of repairs. However, if it is established that the cost of such repairs is clearly disproportionate to the loss in market value caused by the breach, damages are limited to the loss in market value.

Sec. 2. RCW 64.55.005 and 2019 c 238 s 216 are each amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) RCW 64.55.010 through 64.55.090 apply to any multiunit residential building for which the permit for construction or rehabilitative construction of such building was issued on or after August 1, 2005.

(b) RCW 64.55.010 and 64.55.090 apply to conversion condominiums as defined in RCW 64.34.020 or conversion buildings as defined in RCW 64.90.010, provided that RCW 64.55.090 shall not apply to a condominium conversion for which a public offering statement had been delivered pursuant to chapter 64.34 RCW prior to August 1, 2005.

(c) RCW 64.55.010 through 64.55.090 do not apply to an accessory dwelling unit organized pursuant to chapter 64.90 RCW as a condominium unit in a common interest community created on or after the effective date of this section.

(2) RCW 64.55.010 and 64.55.100 through 64.55.160 and

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64.34.415 apply to any action that alleges breach of an implied or express warranty under chapter 64.34 RCW or that seeks relief that could be awarded for such breach, regardless of the legal theory pleaded, except that RCW 64.55.100 through 64.55.160 and 64.34.415 shall not apply to:

- (a) Actions filed or served prior to August 1, 2005;
- (b) Actions for which a notice of claim was served pursuant to chapter 64.50 RCW prior to August 1, 2005;
- (c) Actions asserting any claim regarding a building that is not a multiunit residential building;
- (d) Actions asserting any claim regarding a multiunit residential building that was permitted on or after August 1, 2005, unless the letter required by RCW 64.55.060 has been submitted to the appropriate building department or the requirements of RCW 64.55.090 have been satisfied.

(3) Other than the requirements imposed by RCW 64.55.010 through 64.55.090, nothing in this chapter amends or modifies the provisions of RCW 64.34.050.

Sec. 3. RCW 64.55.005 and 2024 c 321 s 423 are each amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) RCW 64.55.010 through 64.55.090 apply to any multiunit residential building for which the permit for construction or rehabilitative construction of such building was issued on or after August 1, 2005.

(b) RCW 64.55.010 and 64.55.090 apply to conversion buildings as defined in RCW 64.90.010.

(c) RCW 64.55.010 through 64.55.090 do not apply to an accessory dwelling unit organized pursuant to chapter 64.90 RCW as a condominium unit in a common interest community created on or after the effective date of section 2 of this act.

(2) RCW 64.55.010 and 64.55.100 through 64.55.160 and 64.90.620 apply to any action that alleges breach of an implied or express warranty under chapter 64.90 RCW or that seeks relief that could be awarded for such breach, regardless of the legal theory pleaded, except that RCW 64.55.100 through 64.55.160 and 64.90.620 shall not apply to:

- (a) Actions filed or served prior to August 1, 2005;
- (b) Actions for which a notice of claim was served pursuant to chapter 64.50 RCW prior to August 1, 2005;
- (c) Actions asserting any claim regarding a building that is not a multiunit residential building;
- (d) Actions asserting any claim regarding a multiunit residential building that was permitted on or after August 1, 2005, unless the letter required by RCW 64.55.060 has been submitted to the appropriate building department or the requirements of RCW 64.55.090 have been satisfied.

(3) Other than the requirements imposed by RCW 64.55.010 through 64.55.090, nothing in this chapter amends or modifies the provisions of RCW 64.90.025.

Sec. 4. RCW 64.90.675 and 2018 c 277 s 416 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Except as limited under subsections (2) and (4) of this section with respect to a purchaser of a condominium unit that may be used for residential use, implied warranties of quality under RCW 64.90.670:

(a) May be excluded or modified by written agreement of the parties; and

(b) Are excluded by written expression of disclaimer, such as "as is," "with all faults," or other language that in common understanding calls the buyer's attention to the exclusion of warranties.

(2) With respect to a purchaser of a condominium unit that may be used for residential use, no disclaimer of implied warranties of quality under RCW 64.90.670 is effective, except that a declarant and any dealer may disclaim liability in an instrument for one or

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more specified defects or failures to comply with applicable law, if:

- (a) The declarant or dealer knows or has reason to believe that the specific defects or failures exist at the time of disclosure;
- (b) The disclaimer specifically describes the defects or failures;
- (c) The disclaimer includes a statement as to the effect of the defects or failures;
- (d) The disclaimer is boldfaced, capitalized, underlined, or otherwise set out from surrounding material so as to be conspicuous; and
- (e) The disclaimer is signed by the purchaser.

(3) ((A)) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, a declarant or dealer may not make an express written warranty of quality that limits the implied warranties of quality made to the purchaser set forth in RCW 64.90.670.

(4)(a) With respect to a unit in a condominium created on or after the effective date of this section, a declarant or dealer is not subject to the implied warranties of quality set forth in RCW 64.90.670 if the declarant or dealer provides for the condominium unit an express warranty of quality and express warranty insurance coverage that meets the requirements in (b) of this subsection, and the condominium unit is:

(i) An accessory dwelling unit organized as a condominium pursuant to this chapter;

(ii) Located in a new building or a conversion building containing 12 or fewer units and two or fewer stories;

(iii) Located in a new building or a conversion building containing 12 or fewer units and three or fewer stories, if one story is utilized for parking, either above or below ground, or as a commercial space; or

(iv) Located in a new building or a conversion building containing 12 or fewer units where no unit is physically located above or below any other unit, except for balconies, roof decks, overhangs, and minor building features.

(b) An express warranty of quality and insurance coverage provided under (a) of this subsection must:

(i) Require acknowledgment by the unit purchaser that the express warranty of quality applies;

(ii) Allow for recovery of defects under the express warranty of quality by the unit owner and any subsequent purchaser, and by the unit owners association for common areas;

(iii) Apply to all condominium units and common areas within the building; and

(iv) Provide minimum coverage periods as follows:

(A) One year for defective workmanship and materials;

(B) Two years for defective plumbing, electrical, and ductwork distribution systems; and

(C) 10 years for structural defects to load-bearing structural members.

(c) A proceeding for breach of an express warranty of quality and insurance coverage provided under (a) of this subsection must be commenced pursuant to RCW 64.90.680(3).

Sec. 5. RCW 64.55.010 and 2024 c 122 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in RCW 64.34.020 and in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Attached dwelling unit" means any dwelling unit that is attached to another dwelling unit by a wall, floor, or ceiling that separates heated living spaces. A garage is not a heated living space.

(2) "Building enclosure" means that part of any building, above or below grade, that physically separates the outside or exterior environment from interior environments and which weatherproofs, waterproofs, or otherwise protects the building or its components from water or moisture intrusion. Interior

environments consist of both heated and unheated enclosed spaces. The building enclosure includes, but is not limited to, that portion of roofs, walls, balcony support columns, decks, windows, doors, vents, and other penetrations through exterior walls, which waterproof, weatherproof, or otherwise protect the building or its components from water or moisture intrusion.

(3) "Building enclosure design documents" means plans, details, and specifications for the building enclosure that have been stamped by a licensed engineer or architect. The building enclosure design documents shall include details and specifications that are appropriate for the building in the professional judgment of the architect or engineer who prepared the same to waterproof, weatherproof, and otherwise protect the building or its components from water or moisture intrusion, including details of flashing, intersections at roof, eaves or parapets, means of drainage, water-resistive membrane, and details around openings.

(4) "Developer" means:

(a) With respect to a condominium or a conversion condominium, the declarant; and

(b) With respect to all other buildings, an individual, group of individuals, partnership, corporation, association, municipal corporation, state agency, or other entity or person that obtains a building permit for the construction or rehabilitative reconstruction of a multiunit residential building. If a permit is obtained by service providers such as architects, contractors, and consultants who obtain permits for others as part of services rendered for a fee, the person for whom the permit is obtained shall be the developer, not the service provider.

(5) "Dwelling unit" has the meaning given to that phrase or similar phrases in the ordinances of the jurisdiction issuing the permit for construction of the building enclosure but if such ordinances do not provide a definition, then "dwelling unit" means a residence containing living, cooking, sleeping, and sanitary facilities.

(6) "Multiunit residential building" means:

(a) A building containing more than two attached dwelling units, including a building containing nonresidential units if the building also contains more than two attached dwelling units, but excluding the following classes of buildings:

- (i) Hotels and motels;
- (ii) Dormitories;
- (iii) Care facilities;
- (iv) Floating homes;

(v) A building that contains attached dwelling units that are each located on a single platted lot, except as provided in (b) of this subsection;

(vi) A building in which all of the dwelling units are held under one ownership and is subject to a recorded irrevocable sale prohibition covenant;

(vii) A building with 12 or fewer units that is no more than two stories; and

(viii) A building with 12 or fewer units that is no more than three stories so long as one story is utilized for parking, either above or below ground, or retail space, except if such building is subject to a 2-10 express warranty, as provided in RCW 64.90.675(4), as an alternative to the implied warranty in RCW 64.90.670.

(b) If the developer submits to the appropriate building department when applying for the building permit described in RCW 64.55.020 a statement that the developer elects to treat the improvement for which a permit is sought as a multiunit residential building for all purposes under this chapter, then "multiunit residential building" also means the following buildings for which such election has been made:

- (i) A building containing only two attached dwelling units;

(ii) A building that does not contain attached dwelling units; and

(iii) Any building that contains attached dwelling units each of which is located on a single platted lot.

(7) "Party unit owner" means a unit owner who is a named party to an action subject to this chapter and does not include any unit owners whose involvement with the action stems solely from their membership in the association.

(8) "Qualified building inspector" means a person satisfying the requirements of RCW 64.55.040.

(9) "Rehabilitative construction" means construction work on the building enclosure of a multiunit residential building if the cost of such construction work is more than five percent of the assessed value of the building.

(10) "Sale prohibition covenant" means a recorded covenant that prohibits the sale or other disposition of individual dwelling units as or as part of a condominium for five years or more from the date of first occupancy except as otherwise provided in RCW 64.55.090, a certified copy of which the developer shall submit to the appropriate building department; provided such covenant shall not apply to sales or dispositions listed in RCW 64.34.400(2). The covenant must be recorded in the county in which the building is located and must be in substantially the following form:

This covenant has been recorded in the real property records of County, Washington, in satisfaction of the requirements of RCW 64.55.010 through 64.55.090. The undersigned is the owner of the property described on Exhibit A (the "Property"). Until termination of this covenant, no dwelling unit in or on the Property may be sold as a condominium unit except for sales listed in RCW 64.34.400(2).

This covenant terminates on the earlier of either: (a) Compliance with the requirements of RCW 64.55.090, as certified by the owner of the Property in a recorded supplement hereto; or (b) the fifth anniversary of the date of first occupancy of a dwelling unit as certified by the Owner in a recorded supplement hereto.

All title insurance companies and persons acquiring an interest in the Property may rely on the forgoing certifications without further inquiry in issuing any policy of title insurance or in acquiring an interest in the Property.

(11) "Stamped" means bearing the stamp and signature of the responsible licensed architect or engineer on the title page, and on every sheet of the documents, drawings, or specifications, including modifications to the documents, drawings, and specifications that become part of change orders or addenda to alter those documents, drawings, or specifications.

Sec. 6. RCW 64.55.010 and 2024 c 321 s 424 and 2024 c 122 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in RCW 64.90.010 and in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Attached dwelling unit" means any dwelling unit that is attached to another dwelling unit by a wall, floor, or ceiling that separates heated living spaces. A garage is not a heated living space.

(2) "Building enclosure" means that part of any building, above or below grade, that physically separates the outside or exterior environment from interior environments and which weatherproofs, waterproofs, or otherwise protects the building or its components from water or moisture intrusion. Interior environments consist of both heated and unheated enclosed spaces. The building enclosure includes, but is not limited to, that portion of roofs, walls, balcony support columns, decks,

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windows, doors, vents, and other penetrations through exterior walls, which waterproof, weatherproof, or otherwise protect the building or its components from water or moisture intrusion.

(3) "Building enclosure design documents" means plans, details, and specifications for the building enclosure that have been stamped by a licensed engineer or architect. The building enclosure design documents shall include details and specifications that are appropriate for the building in the professional judgment of the architect or engineer who prepared the same to waterproof, weatherproof, and otherwise protect the building or its components from water or moisture intrusion, including details of flashing, intersections at roof, eaves or parapets, means of drainage, water-resistive membrane, and details around openings.

(4) "Developer" means:

(a) With respect to a condominium or a conversion condominium, the declarant; and

(b) With respect to all other buildings, an individual, group of individuals, partnership, corporation, association, municipal corporation, state agency, or other entity or person that obtains a building permit for the construction or rehabilitative reconstruction of a multiunit residential building. If a permit is obtained by service providers such as architects, contractors, and consultants who obtain permits for others as part of services rendered for a fee, the person for whom the permit is obtained shall be the developer, not the service provider.

(5) "Dwelling unit" has the meaning given to that phrase or similar phrases in the ordinances of the jurisdiction issuing the permit for construction of the building enclosure but if such ordinances do not provide a definition, then "dwelling unit" means a residence containing living, cooking, sleeping, and sanitary facilities.

(6) "Multiunit residential building" means:

(a) A building containing more than two attached dwelling units, including a building containing nonresidential units if the building also contains more than two attached dwelling units, but excluding the following classes of buildings:

(i) Hotels and motels;

(ii) Dormitories;

(iii) Care facilities;

(iv) Floating homes;

(v) A building that contains attached dwelling units that are each located on a single platted lot, except as provided in (b) of this subsection;

(vi) A building in which all of the dwelling units are held under one ownership and is subject to a recorded irrevocable sale prohibition covenant;

(vii) A building with 12 or fewer units that is no more than two stories; and

(viii) A building with 12 or fewer units that is no more than three stories so long as one story is utilized for parking, either above or below ground, or retail space, except if such building is subject to a 2-10 express warranty, as provided in RCW 64.90.675(4), as an alternative to the implied warranty in RCW 64.90.670.

(b) If the developer submits to the appropriate building department when applying for the building permit described in RCW 64.55.020 a statement that the developer elects to treat the improvement for which a permit is sought as a multiunit residential building for all purposes under this chapter, then "multiunit residential building" also means the following buildings for which such election has been made:

(i) A building containing only two attached dwelling units;

(ii) A building that does not contain attached dwelling units; and

(iii) Any building that contains attached dwelling units each of which is located on a single platted lot.

(7) "Party unit owner" means a unit owner who is a named party to an action subject to this chapter and does not include any unit owners whose involvement with the action stems solely from their membership in the association.

(8) "Qualified building inspector" means a person satisfying the requirements of RCW 64.55.040.

(9) "Rehabilitative construction" means construction work on the building enclosure of a multiunit residential building if the cost of such construction work is more than five percent of the assessed value of the building.

(10) "Sale prohibition covenant" means a recorded covenant that prohibits the sale or other disposition of individual dwelling units as or as part of a condominium for five years or more from the date of first occupancy except as otherwise provided in RCW 64.55.090, a certified copy of which the developer shall submit to the appropriate building department; provided such covenant shall not apply to sales or dispositions listed in RCW 64.90.600(2). The covenant must be recorded in the county in which the building is located and must be in substantially the following form:

This covenant has been recorded in the real property records of County, Washington, in satisfaction of the requirements of RCW 64.55.010 through 64.55.090. The undersigned is the owner of the property described on Exhibit A (the "Property"). Until termination of this covenant, no dwelling unit in or on the Property may be sold as a condominium unit except for sales or dispositions listed in RCW 64.90.600(2).

This covenant terminates on the earlier of either: (a) Compliance with the requirements of RCW 64.55.090, as certified by the owner of the Property in a recorded supplement hereto; or (b) the fifth anniversary of the date of first occupancy of a dwelling unit as certified by the Owner in a recorded supplement hereto.

All title insurance companies and persons acquiring an interest in the Property may rely on the forgoing certifications without further inquiry in issuing any policy of title insurance or in acquiring an interest in the Property.

(11) "Stamped" means bearing the stamp and signature of the responsible licensed architect or engineer on the title page, and on every sheet of the documents, drawings, or specifications, including modifications to the documents, drawings, and specifications that become part of change orders or addenda to alter those documents, drawings, or specifications.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. Sections 2 and 5 of this act expire January 1, 2028.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. Sections 3 and 6 of this act take effect January 1, 2028."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "statutes;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 64.90.670, 64.55.005, 64.55.005, 64.90.675, and 64.55.010; reenacting and amending RCW 64.55.010; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date."

MOTION

Senator Bateman moved that the following floor amendment no. 0260 by Senator Bateman be adopted:

On page 6, line 24, after "64.90.680" strike "(3)"

Senators Bateman and Goehner spoke in favor of adoption of the amendment to the committee striking amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of floor amendment no. 0260 by Senator Bateman on page 6, line 24 to the committee striking amendment.

The motion by Senator Bateman carried and floor amendment no. 0260 was adopted by voice vote.

Senators Bateman and Goehner spoke in favor of adoption of the committee striking amendment as amended.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of the committee striking amendment by the Committee on Housing as amended to Engrossed House Bill No. 1403.

The motion by Senator Bateman carried and the committee striking amendment as amended was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Bateman, the rules were suspended, Engrossed House Bill No. 1403 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 Bateman and Goehner 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. 1403 as amended by the Senate.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 1403 as amended by the Senate 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, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Voting nay: Senator Hasegawa

Excused: Senator Ramos

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1403 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

ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1648, by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Dent, Eslick, Burnett, Penner, Jacobsen, and Graham)

Modifying child care provider qualifications.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

Senator Wellman moved that the following committee striking amendment by the Committee on Early Learning & K-12

Education be adopted:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The legislature finds that the COVID-19 pandemic had a dramatic impact on all people, but had a particularly dramatic impact on child care and the child care industry. Many child care facilities closed during the COVID-19 pandemic and providers left the child care field. It became clear during the COVID-19 pandemic how critical child care is to the success of every industry as parents need child care to work.

(2) The legislature further finds that because of the unprecedented impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the child care industry, the plans of many child care providers to receive education were put on hold as efforts were focused on addressing the immediate needs of child care providers and families. Additionally, the current market-based funding model results in wages so low that affording college tuition is often impossible for child care providers. The limited availability of college courses in multiple languages and the scarcity of early childhood education college programs further hinders access to required training and certification. Similar to the mixed delivery system of early learning, child care providers should also have access to a mix of pathways to meet staff qualification requirements.

(3) For those reasons, the legislature intends to delay the requirement for child care providers to meet certification and training qualification conditions and honor the experience of child care providers by extending the timeline for licensed child care providers to demonstrate experience-based competency. Extending these timelines will support child care providers in their professional journey.

Sec. 2. RCW 43.216.755 and 2020 c 342 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) By July 1, 2021, the department shall implement a noncredit-bearing, community-based training pathway for licensed child care providers to meet professional education requirements associated with child care licensure. The community-based training pathway must be offered as an alternative to existing credit-bearing pathways available to providers.

~~(2) ((The department shall consult with the following stakeholders in the development and implementation of the community based training pathway: The statewide child care resource and referral network, a community based training organization that provides training to licensed family day care providers, a statewide organization that represents the interests of family day care providers, a statewide organization that represents the interests of licensed child day care centers, an organization that represents the interests of refugee and immigrant communities, a bilingual child care provider whose first language is not English, an organization that advocates for early learning, an organization representing private and independent schools, and the state board for community and technical colleges.~~

~~(3))~~ The community-based training pathway must:

(a) Align with adopted core competencies for early learning professionals;

(b) Be made available to providers in multiple languages;

(c) Include culturally relevant practices; ~~((and))~~

(d) Be made available at low cost to providers and at prices comparable to the cost of similar community-based trainings, not to exceed ~~((two hundred and fifty dollars))~~ \$250 per person; and

(e) Be accessible to providers in rural and urban settings.

~~((4))~~ ~~(3)~~ The department shall allow licensed child care providers until at least August 1, ~~((2026))~~ 2030, to:

(a) Comply with child care licensing rules that require a

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provider to hold an early childhood education initial certificate or an early childhood education short certificate; or

(b) Complete the community-based training((s)) pathway.

~~((5) For the purposes of this section, "demonstrated competence" means an individual has shown that he or she has the skills to complete the required work independently.))~~ (4) Nothing prohibits the department from adopting rules that provide timelines beyond August 1, 2030, to allow providers additional time to meet staff qualification requirements based on their date of licensure, hire, or promotion, which can be no more than five years.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 43.216 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the department shall allow licensed child care providers until August 1, 2030, to demonstrate experience-based competency as an alternative means to comply with child care licensing rules that require a provider to hold an early childhood education initial, short, or state certificate, when the provider has all of the following documented in the department's electronic workforce registry:

(a) Active employment in a position that requires an early childhood education initial, short, or state certificate;

(b) Employment in a licensed or certified child care center or licensed family home provider without a break in service since August 1, 2021, as of the effective date of this section or a cumulative five years of employment in a licensed or certified child care center or licensed family home provider; and

(c) Completion of and maintained compliance with all health and safety and child care or school-age care basics training required by the department.

(2) Nothing in this section prohibits the department from establishing more restrictive requirements for providers serving the early childhood education and assistance program including, but not limited to, excluding experience-based competency as an alternative means to fulfill staff qualification requirements, nor does it prohibit the department from excluding experience-based competency from the calculation of early achievers professional development points.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. (1) The department of children, youth, and families shall convene a stakeholder group to assist the department in identifying strategies to improve early learning and school-age staff qualification requirements and verification processes including, but not limited to:

(a) Identifying measures to streamline and clarify relevant administrative rules and department policies;

(b) Defining criteria and methods by which to honor equivalent out-of-state education and training; and

(c) Identifying options for offering the community-based training pathway in an online format.

(2) At a minimum, the stakeholder group must include:

(a) Family home and child care center providers, including at least one provider from a child care center that is part of a national chain or has 10 or more sites; and

(b) Representation from the following organizations:

(i) The statewide child care resource and referral network;

(ii) A community-based training organization that provides training to licensed family day care providers;

(iii) A statewide organization that represents the interests of family day care providers;

(iv) A statewide organization that represents the interests of licensed child day care centers;

(v) The statewide out-of-school time intermediary organization;

(vi) An organization that represents the interests of refugee and

immigrant communities;

(vii) A bilingual child care provider whose first language is not English;

(viii) An organization that advocates for early learning;

(ix) An organization representing private and independent schools; and

(x) The state board for community and technical colleges.

(3) The department of children, youth, and families shall report to the legislature by December 1, 2026, in compliance with RCW 43.01.036, on strategies identified by the stakeholder group and the department's plans and timelines under which to carry out those strategies.

(4) The department of children, youth, and families must convene the stakeholder group and produce the report as required in this section within existing resources.

(5) This section expires July 1, 2028."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "qualifications;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 43.216.755; adding a new section to chapter 43.216 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date."

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of the committee striking amendment by the Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education to Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1648.

The motion by Senator Wellman carried and the committee striking amendment was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Wellman, the rules were suspended, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1648 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 Wellman, Harris and Wilson, C. spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1648 as amended by the Senate.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1648 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, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Ramos

ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1648 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

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1879, by House Committee on Labor & Workplace Standards (originally sponsored by Thomas, Berry, Doglio, Parshley, Simmons, Cortes, Santos, Fitzgibbon, Ormsby, Scott, Ramel, Hill, Fosse, and Pollet)

Concerning meal and rest breaks for hospital workers.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Saldaña, the rules were suspended, Substitute House Bill No. 1879 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Saldaña and King 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. 1879.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1879 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, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Excused: Senator Ramos

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1879, 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

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1990, by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Abbarno, Doglio, and Parshley)

Authorizing utility companies to securitize certain costs related to disasters or emergencies to lower costs to customers.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

Senator Boehnke moved that the following committee striking amendment by the Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology be not adopted:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The purpose of this act is to allow an electrical, gas, or water company, if authorized by an order issued by the utilities and transportation commission, to use securitization financing for certain types of costs related to emergency events and approved for recovery in rates. The legislature finds that:

(1) Securitized debt may lower the total rates in comparison

with other methods of recovery and may benefit the citizens of this state who are electrical, gas, or water company customers;

(2) Rate recovery bonds are not a public debt or pledge of the full faith and credit of the state but require the state to provide clear and exclusive methods to create, transfer, and encumber the rate recovery assets and prohibit future impairment; and

(3) This act allowing electrical, gas, or water companies to use securitization financing for emergency-related costs does not limit, impair, or affect the utilities and transportation commission's plenary authority and jurisdiction over rates and services offered by electrical, gas, or water companies.

Sec. 2. RCW 80.28.005 and 1994 c 268 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Assignee" means a person, and any subsequent assignee, to which an electrical, gas, or water company assigns, sells, or transfers all or part of the electrical, gas, or water company's interest in or right to rate recovery assets, except as security.

(2) "Bond" includes bonds, notes, certificates of beneficial interests in a trust, or other evidences of indebtedness.

(3) "Bondable ((conservation investment)) rate recovery expenditures" means all costs and expenditures ((made)) incurred or to be incurred through the date of issuance of a financing order by an electrical, gas, or water ((companies)) company associated with ((respect to energy)):

(a) An event that is the subject of a federal or state declaration of disaster or emergency that has caused widespread loss of life, injury to person or property, human suffering, or financial loss, including those costs and expenses owed by an electrical, gas, or water company to such company's customers as a result of the event, but not including any fees, fines, penalties, or costs imposed as a result of criminal or civil enforcement actions brought against the utility, or attributable to the utility's negligence or gross negligence in causing the event; or

(b) Energy or water conservation measures and services intended to improve the efficiency of electricity, gas, or water end use, including related carrying costs if:

((a)) (i) The conservation measures and services do not produce assets that would be bondable utility property under the general utility mortgage of the electrical, gas, or water company;

((b)) (ii) The commission has determined that the expenditures were incurred in conformance with the terms and conditions of a conservation service tariff in effect with the commission at the time the costs were incurred, and at the time of such determination the commission finds that the company has proven that the costs were prudent, that the terms and conditions of the financing are reasonable, and that financing under this chapter is more favorable to the customer than other reasonably available alternatives;

((c)) (iii) The commission has approved inclusion of the expenditures in rate base and has not ordered that they be currently expensed; and

((d)) (iv) The commission has not required that the measures demonstrate that energy or water savings have persisted at a certain level for a certain period before approving the cost of these investments as bondable ((conservation investment)) rate recovery expenditures.

((2)) "Conservation bonds" means bonds, notes, certificates of beneficial interests in trusts, or other evidences of indebtedness or ownership that:

(a) The commission determines at or before the time of issuance are issued to finance or refinance bondable conservation investment by an electrical, gas or water company; and

(b) Rely partly or wholly for repayment on conservation investment assets and revenues arising with respect thereto.

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~~(3) "Conservation investment assets" means the statutory right of an electrical, gas, or water company:~~

~~(a) To have included in rate base all of its bondable conservation investment and related carrying costs; and~~

~~(b) To receive through rates revenues sufficient to recover the bondable conservation investment and the costs of equity and debt capital associated with it, including, without limitation, the payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on conservation bonds;))~~

~~(4) "Bondholder" means a holder or owner of a rate recovery bond.~~

~~(5) "Finance subsidiary" means any corporation, limited liability company, company, association, joint stock association, ((or)) trust, or other entity that is beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by an electrical, gas, or water company, or in the case of a trust issuing ((conservation)) rate recovery bonds consisting of beneficial interests, for which an electrical, gas, or water company or a subsidiary thereof is the grantor, or an unaffiliated entity formed for the purpose of financing or refinancing approved ((conservation investment)) bondable rate recovery expenditures, and that acquires ((conservation investment)) rate recovery assets directly or indirectly from such company in a transaction approved by the commission.~~

~~(6) "Financing costs" includes the following costs related to rate recovery bonds, whether incurred and paid upon issuance or over the life of rate recovery bonds:~~

~~(a) The costs of issuing, serving, managing, repaying, or refinancing rate recovery bonds, including any fees, expenses, or charges incurred and the costs of any activities performed in connection with the rate recovery bonds, including:~~

~~(i) Information technology programming;~~
~~(ii) Obtaining a financing order;~~
~~(iii) Serving, accounting, or auditing;~~
~~(iv) Services related to trustees;~~
~~(v) Legal services;~~
~~(vi) Consulting;~~
~~(vii) Services related to financial and structuring advisors;~~
~~(viii) Administration;~~
~~(ix) Placement and underwriting;~~
~~(x) Services related to independent directors and managers;~~
~~(xi) Services related to rating agencies;~~
~~(xii) Stock exchange listing and compliance;~~
~~(xiii) Securities registration and filing; and~~
~~(xiv) Services necessary to ensure a timely payment of rate recovery bonds or other amounts or charges payable in connection with rate recovery bonds;~~

~~(b) Principal, interest and acquisition, defeasance, and redemption premiums payable on rate recovery bonds;~~

~~(c) Payments required under an ancillary agreement and any amounts required to fund or replenish a reserve or account established under the terms of an indenture, ancillary agreement, or financing document related to rate recovery bonds;~~

~~(d) Applicable federal, state, and local taxes, franchise fees, license fees, gross receipts, or other taxes or charges, whether paid, payable, or accrued; and~~

~~(e) The commission's costs in performing the commission's duties related to rate recovery bonds that are recoverable by the commission under RCW 80.24.010.~~

~~(7) "Financing order" means an order issued by the commission that authorizes one or more of the following:~~

~~(a) The recovery of bondable rate recovery expenditures and financing costs;~~

~~(b) The creation of rate recovery assets;~~

~~(c) The issuance of rate recovery bonds;~~

~~(d) The imposition, collection, and periodic adjustment of rate~~

~~recovery charges; or~~

~~(e) The sale, assignment, or transfer of rate recovery assets to an assignee.~~

~~(8) "Financing party" includes:~~

~~(a) Bondholders, trustees, agents, and secured parties related to rate recovery bonds;~~

~~(b) A person acting for the benefit of bondholders, trustees, agents, or secured parties; and~~

~~(c) A party to rate recovery bond documents or an ancillary agreement.~~

~~(9) "Rate recovery asset" means the right of an electrical, gas, or water company to recover from customers bondable rate recovery expenditures and related costs and expenses approved in a financing order, including the right to:~~

~~(a) Impose, charge, bill, collect, receive, hold, and apply rate recovery charges authorized under a financing order or obtain, to the extent authorized, periodic adjustments of rate recovery charges; and~~

~~(b) All claims, accounts, revenues, payments, collections, moneys, or proceeds arising from the rights and interest specified in a financing order, regardless of whether the claims, accounts, revenues, payments, collections, moneys, or proceeds arising from the rights and interest specified in the financing order are commingled with other claims, accounts, revenues, payments, collections, moneys, or proceeds.~~

~~(10) "Rate recovery bonds" means bonds, notes, certificates of beneficial interests in trusts, or other evidences of indebtedness or ownership that:~~

~~(a) The commission determines at or before the time of issuance are issued to finance or refinance bondable rate recovery expenditures by an electrical, gas, or water company; and~~

~~(b) Rely partly or wholly for repayment on rate recovery assets and revenues arising with respect thereto.~~

~~(11) "Rate recovery charge" means charges to electrical, gas, or water company customers authorized by the commission to recover bondable rate recovery expenditures and financing costs and to be used to pay, repay, or refinance rate recovery bonds.~~

~~(12) "Secured party" means a financing party that has been granted a security interest in rate recovery assets.~~

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 80.28 RCW to read as follows:

(1) It is the policy of the state of Washington to encourage the financing of certain costs and expenses by electrical, gas, and water companies at the lowest, reasonable, and prudent cost to customers of such companies including, but not limited to, bondable rate recovery expenditures.

(2) To carry out the policy described in subsection (1) of this section, the state of Washington and all agencies, instrumentalities, political subdivisions, and local governments thereof:

(a) Acknowledge that owners of rate recovery assets, bondholders, and financing parties require certainty with respect to the owners, bondholders, and financing parties' rights to enter into financing transactions that offer the lowest, reasonable, and prudent cost; and

(b) Pledge and agree with electrical, gas, and water companies; assignees; bondholders; and financing parties not to reduce, alter, or impair, in a manner that is adverse to the electrical, gas, and water companies; assignees; bondholders; or financing parties:

(i) Rate recovery assets;

(ii) Rate recovery bonds or the security for rate recovery bonds; or

(iii) Rate recovery charges or the collection of rate recovery charges.

(3) The pledge and agreement described under subsection

(2)(b) of this section includes the pledge and agreement not to reduce, alter, or impair rate recovery assets, rate recovery bonds or the security for rate recovery bonds, or rate recovery charges or the collection of rate recovery charges by taking any of the following actions:

(a) Altering the provisions of this section or RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, or 80.28.309 to the extent that those provisions authorize the commission to issue financing orders that:

- (i) Create rate recovery assets;
- (ii) Establish rate recovery charges that may not be avoided by electrical, gas, or water company customers, as described under section 4(4) of this act; or
- (iii) Provide rights and remedies to electrical, gas, and water companies; assignees; bondholders; and financing parties;
- (b) Impairing the rights or remedies of electrical, gas, and water companies; assignees; bondholders; or financing parties that are created under this section and RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, and 80.28.309 or by a financing order, including reducing the amount of or impairing the collection of rate recovery charges until all principal, interest, premium, if any, and other amounts due on the rate recovery bonds and financing costs have been paid in full and except as provided under section 4 of this act; or

(c) Taking any action listed under section 4(5)(b) of this act.

(4) An electrical, gas, or water company or financing subsidiary that issues rate recovery bonds may include the pledge and provisions of this section in the bonds and related documentation.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 80.28 RCW to read as follows:

(1)(a) If an electrical, gas, or water company applies to the commission for recovery of expenditures related to a federal or state declared disaster or emergency and the commission finds some or all of the expenditures to be reasonable and in the public interest, the company may petition the commission for a financing order designating all or part of such expenditures as bondable rate recovery expenditures, for the purpose of financing or refinancing the designated expenditures under RCW 80.28.306(1). A company must request this designation by the commission in a separate proceeding.

(b) A petition filed under (a) of this subsection must include a narrative description of purpose for which the electrical, gas, or water company seeks approval of a financing order. The narrative description must:

(i) Explain the event that is the subject of a federal or state declaration of disaster or emergency that gave rise to the costs and expenses that the company seeks to recover through a financing order, including those costs and expenses owed by an electrical, gas, or water company to such company's customers or other persons as a result of the event; and

(ii) In the case such costs and expenses accrued to the electrical, gas, or water company through a legal settlement, provide the total:

- (A) Legal fees and costs paid by the company;
- (B) Estimated legal fees and costs the company would have incurred had it elected not to settle the matter;
- (C) Amount of initial claims that had been sought against the company; and
- (D) Amount of the settlement.

(c) The petition filed under (a) of this subsection must include an analysis of how the electrical, gas, or water company's financing order is consistent with the state's greenhouse gas emissions reduction limits in RCW 70A.45.020.

(d) After notice and an opportunity for a hearing, the commission may approve a petition if the commission finds that:

(i) The bondable rate recovery expenditures included in the petition are reasonable and prudent;

(ii) Financing or refinancing the bondable rate recovery expenditures through the issuance of rate recovery bonds is likely to be more favorable to electrical, gas, or water company customers for the recovery of the bondable rate recovery expenditures than other methods of rate recovery; and

(iii) Bonds, notes, certificates of beneficial interests in a trust, and other evidences of indebtedness or ownership issued pursuant to the approval are reasonably likely to receive a determination of, at a minimum, investment grade by credit rating agencies.

(e) The commission shall issue an order within 180 days of a petition approving or denying the petition. If the commission approves the petition, the commission shall issue a financing order.

(2)(a) A financing order issued under this section shall specify the highest amount of rate recovery expenditures that qualify as bondable rate recovery expenditures.

(b) In specifying the amount for bondable rate recovery expenditures associated with an event described in RCW 80.28.005(3)(a), net of appropriate adjustments as determined by the commission to be reasonable, the commission may include, but is not limited to including, the following rate recovery expenditures:

(i) Capital and operating costs incurred or to be incurred as a result of the event;

(ii) Costs and expenses that may be recovered at a later time from third parties or insurers and returned to electrical, gas, or water company customers through a separate rate proceeding consistent with cost causation and rate design principles and statutory or regulatory requirements; and

(iii) Carrying costs or charges.

(3) A financing order issued under this section must include the following provisions:

(a) Confirmation of the existence of recoverable bondable rate recovery expenditures and authorization to recover bondable rate recovery expenditures and associated financing costs, including the maximum principal amount of bondable rate recovery expenditures and financing costs that may be recovered through securitization;

(b) Authorization for the creation of rate recovery assets and imposition of rate recovery charges that allow for the recovery of rate recovery expenditures and associated financing costs, as determined by the commission;

(c) A requirement that the rate recovery charges authorized by the financing order are ongoing and may not be avoided by an electrical, gas, or water company customer, as described under subsection (4) of this section, until all principal, interest, premium, if any, and other amounts due on the rate recovery bonds and financing costs have been paid in full;

(d) A methodology for:

(i) Allocating rate recovery charges between the different classes of electrical, gas, or water company customers, which may include not allocating rate recovery charges to one or more classes of such company's customers, that is consistent with cost causation and rate design principles and statutory or regulatory requirements;

(ii) Adjusting rate recovery charges as necessary to ensure timely payment on, and payment in full of, the rate recovery bonds and associated financing costs or in response to changes to applicable customers, service territories, or collection rates;

(iii) Periodic true-up adjustments of the rate recovery charges under (d)(ii) of this subsection, as determined by the commission, to correct for any overcollection or undercollection of the rate recovery charge. The true-up adjustment shall include, but not be limited to, changing economic factors, efficiency measures, and

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electrification, which may impact the full and timely payment of future scheduled debt service, based on updated usage forecasts. For the purposes of this subsection, "electrification" means the installation of energy efficient electric end-use equipment that replaces end-use equipment that is fueled by gas that results in the customer no longer taking service from the gas company; and

(iv) Evaluating the impact of bondable rate recovery expenditures consistent with the state's greenhouse gas emissions reduction limits in RCW 70A.45.020;

(e) Authorization for the electrical, gas, or water company to issue one or more series of rate recovery bonds with flexibility for such company to establish the terms and conditions of the rate recovery bonds, including repayment schedules, initial interest rates, and initial financing costs;

(f) Authorization to assign rate recovery assets to a financing subsidiary and grant security interests in the rate recovery assets to secured parties without limiting the rights of subsequent assignees;

(g) Authorization for the bond documentation and ancillary documents related to the rate recovery bonds, including servicing arrangements for the rate recovery charges, without requiring the authorization to be on the final forms of the documents;

(h) Authorization for the electrical, gas, or water company to earn a return, at the cost of capital authorized in such company's most recent general rate case prior to the date of the financing order, on any moneys advanced by such company to fund advances, reserves, or capital accounts established under the terms of any indenture, ancillary agreement, or financing documents related to the rate recovery bonds;

(i) A finding that the proposed issuance of rate recovery bonds and the imposition of rate recovery charges is expected to provide the lowest possible, reasonable, and prudent cost on a net present value basis to electrical, gas, or water company customers for recovery of the bondable rate recovery expenditures as compared to other methods of financing and recovery;

(j) A date, not earlier than one year from the date that the financing order becomes final, on which the authority to issue rate recovery bonds granted in the financing order expires;

(k) A requirement that the electrical, gas, or water company notify the commission if such company recovers costs and expenses from a third party or insurer; and

(l) Any other conditions that the commission finds appropriate and that are consistent with this section.

(4) Rate recovery charges authorized by a financing order shall be collected through the charges or incorporated into rates paid by, and may not be avoided by, the electrical, gas, or water company customers located within such company's service territory, if applicable, as the territory existed on the date of the financing order or, if the financing order provides, as such service territory, if applicable, may be expanded, even if:

(a) Such company's customer receives electricity, natural gas, or water; electricity, natural gas, or water services; or ancillary services from a successor or assignee of such company;

(b) Such company's customer elects to receive electricity, natural gas, or water; electricity, natural gas, or water services; or ancillary services from another electrical, gas, or water company or service provider in the service territory; or

(c) After the date of issuance of the financing order, such company's customer changes customer class.

(5)(a) Rate recovery assets, including rate recovery charges, and the rights of electrical, gas, and water companies; assignees; bondholders; and financing parties, established by a financing order issued under this section, are irrevocable and unchangeable, except as provided in the financing order, until all principal, interest, premium, if any, and other amounts due on the rate

recovery bonds and financing costs are paid in full.

(b) Until all principal, interest, premium, if any, and other amounts due on the rate recovery bonds and financing costs are paid in full, the commission, except as provided in the financing order, the state of Washington, and all agencies, instrumentalities, political subdivisions, and local governments thereof may not:

(i) Revalue the bondable rate recovery expenditures or financing costs for rate-making purposes;

(ii) Determine that the rates or revenues authorized under the financing order are unjust or unreasonable;

(iii) Reduce, alter, or impair the rate recovery assets, rate recovery charges or the collection of the rate recovery charges, or rate recovery bonds or the security for the rate recovery bonds;

(iv) Rescind, suspend, amend, or impair the financing order; or

(v) When setting other rates or charges for the electrical, gas, or water company or taking other actions pursuant to the commission's authority, consider the rate recovery bonds as debt of such company, the rate recovery assets to be revenue for such company, or the bondable rate recovery expenditures to be costs of such company.

(6) The commission may not require an electrical, gas, or water company to:

(a) Apply to the commission for a financing order designating all or part of rate recovery expenditures as bondable rate recovery expenditures; or

(b) Finance or refinance rate recovery expenditures that the commission has designated bondable rate recovery expenditures.

Sec. 5. RCW 80.28.303 and 1994 c 268 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) An electrical, gas, or water company may file a conservation service tariff with the commission. The tariff shall provide:

(a) The terms and conditions upon which the company will offer the conservation measures and services specified in the tariff;

(b) The period of time during which the conservation measures and services will be offered; and

(c) The maximum amount of expenditures to be made during a specified time period by the company on conservation measures and services specified in the tariff.

(2) The commission has the same authority with respect to a proposed conservation service tariff as it has with regard to any other schedule or classification the effect of which is to change any rate or charge, including, without limitation, the power granted by RCW 80.04.130 to conduct a hearing concerning a proposed conservation service tariff and the reasonableness and justness thereof, and pending such hearing and the decision thereon the commission may suspend the operation of the tariff for a period not exceeding ten months from the time the tariff would otherwise go into effect.

~~(3) ((An electrical, gas, or water company may from time to time apply to the commission for a determination that specific expenditures may under its tariff constitute bondable conservation investment. A company may request this determination by the commission in separate proceedings for this purpose or in connection with a general rate case. The commission may designate the expenditures as bondable conservation investment as defined in RCW 80.28.005(1) if it finds that such designation is in the public interest.~~

~~(4) The commission shall include in rate base all bondable conservation investment. The commission shall approve rates for service by electrical, gas, and water companies at levels sufficient to recover all of the expenditures of the bondable conservation investment included in rate base and the costs of equity and debt capital associated therewith, including, without limitation, the~~

~~payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on conservation bonds.))~~ The rates so determined may be included in general rate schedules or may be expressed in one or more separate rate schedules. ~~((The commission shall not revalue bondable conservation investment for rate making purposes, to determine that revenues required to recover bondable conservation investment and associated equity and debt capital costs are unjust, unreasonable, or in any way impair or reduce the value of conservation investment assets or that would impair the timing or the amount of revenues arising with respect to conservation investment assets that have been pledged to secure conservation bonds.~~

~~(5))~~ (4) Nothing in this chapter precludes the commission from adopting or continuing other conservation policies and programs intended to provide incentives for and to encourage ~~((utility)) electrical, gas, or water company~~ investment in improving the efficiency of energy or water end use. However, the policies or programs shall not impair ~~((conservation investment)) rate recovery~~ assets. This chapter is not intended to be an exclusive or mandatory approach to conservation programs for electrical, gas, and water companies, and no such company is obligated to file conservation service tariffs under this chapter, to apply to the commission for a determination that conservation costs constitute bondable ~~((conservation investment)) rate recovery~~ expenditures within the meaning of this chapter, or to issue ~~((conservation)) rate recovery~~ bonds.

~~((6))~~ (5)(a) If a customer of an electrical, gas, or water company for whose benefit the company made expenditures for conservation measures or services ceases to be a customer of such company for one or more of the following reasons, the commission may require that the portion of such ~~((conservation))~~ expenditures that had been included in rate base but not theretofore recovered in the rates of such company be removed from the rate base of the company:

(i) The customer ceases to be a customer of the ~~((supplier of energy or water)) electrical, gas, or water company~~, and the customer repays to the company the portion of the ~~((conservation))~~ expenditures made for the benefit of such customer that has not theretofore been recovered in rates of ~~((the)) such~~ company; or

(ii) ~~((The)) Such~~ company sells its property used to serve such customer and the customer ceases to be a customer of the company as a result of such action.

(b) An electrical, gas, or water company may include in a contract for a conservation measure or service, and the commission may by rule or order require to be included in such contracts, a provision requiring that, if the customer ceases to be a customer of that ~~((supplier of energy or water)) such company~~, the customer shall repay to the company the portion of the conservation expenditures made for the benefit of such customer that has not theretofore been recovered in rates of the company.

Sec. 6. RCW 80.28.306 and 1994 c 268 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Electrical, gas, and water companies, or finance subsidiaries, may ~~((issue conservation bonds))~~, upon approval by the commission, finance or refinance bondable rate recovery expenditures as described in RCW 80.28.303. Bonds, notes, certificates of beneficial interests in a trust, and other evidences of indebtedness or ownership issued for this purpose are rate recovery bonds for the purposes of this section.

(2) ~~((Electrical))~~ (a) An electrical, gas, ~~((and)) or~~ water ~~((companies, or)) company~~, finance ~~((subsidiaries)) subsidiary, or assignee~~ may ~~((pledge conservation investment)) grant a security interest in rate recovery~~ assets as collateral for ~~((conservation)) rate recovery~~ bonds ~~((by obtaining an order of the commission approving an issue of conservation bonds and providing for a~~

~~security interest in conservation investment assets))~~. A security interest in ~~((conservation investment)) rate recovery~~ assets is ~~((created and perfected only upon entry of an order by the commission approving a contract governing the granting of the security interest and the filing with the department of licensing of a UCC 1 financing statement, showing such pledgor as "debtor" and identifying such conservation investment assets and the bondable conservation investment associated therewith. The security interest is)) valid and enforceable against the debtor and ((all)) third parties, subject only to the rights of any third parties holding security interests in the ((conservation investment)) rate recovery assets attached and perfected in the manner described in this ((section,)) subsection.~~

~~(b) A security interest in rate recovery assets attaches if ((value has been)):~~

~~(i) The secured party, or a financing party that the secured party represents, has given ((by the purchasers of conservation bonds. An approved)) value; and~~

~~(ii) The debtor has signed a security agreement granting the secured party a security interest in ((conservation investment)) the rate recovery assets.~~

~~(c) A valid and enforceable security interest in rate recovery assets is perfected if: (i) The security interest has attached in the manner described in (b) of this subsection; and (ii) a financing statement has been filed in accordance with the requirements of chapter 62A.9A RCW that identifies the debtor as "debtor," the secured party as "secured party," and the rate recovery assets granted as security as the "collateral," and contains a description in the financing statement that refers to the commission's financing order creating the rate recovery assets. The financing statement is deemed sufficient under chapter 62A.9A RCW and all other relevant law for identifying the rate recovery assets granted as security.~~

~~(d) A perfected security interest in rate recovery assets is a continuously perfected security interest ((in all revenues and proceeds arising with respect to the associated bondable conservation investment)), whether or not ((such)) the related revenues have accrued((-Upon such approval, the priority of such security interest shall be as set forth in)) or the ((contract governing the conservation bonds. Conservation investment)) related rate recovery charges have been charged, billed, or collected. Rate recovery assets constitute a presently existing, fully vested property right for the purposes of contracts securing ((conservation)) the rate recovery bonds whether or not the related revenues have accrued or the related rate recovery charges have been charged, billed, or collected. Multiple security interests in the same rate recovery assets shall rank according to priority in time of perfection.~~

~~((3) The))~~ (e) Subject to the terms of the security agreement covering the rate recovery assets, the relative priority of a security interest created or perfected under this section is not ~~((defeated or))~~ adversely affected by: (i) Any later modification of the financing order or rate recovery assets; or (ii) the commingling of ((revenues arising with respect to conservation investment)) proceeds of rate recovery assets with other ((funds of the debtor. The holders of conservation bonds shall have a perfected security interest in all cash and deposit accounts of the debtor in which revenues arising with respect to conservation investment assets pledged to such holders have been commingled with other funds, but such perfected security interest is limited to an amount not greater than the amount of such revenues received by the debtor within twelve months before (a) any default under the conservation bonds held by the holders or (b) the institution of insolvency proceedings by or against the debtor, less payments from such revenues to the holders during such twelve month period. If an event of default occurs under an approved contract

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~~governing conservation bonds, the holders of conservation bonds or their authorized representatives, as secured parties, may foreclose or otherwise enforce the security interest in the conservation investment assets securing the conservation bonds, subject to the rights of any third parties holding prior security interests in the conservation investment assets perfected in the manner provided in this section.)) moneys.~~

(3)(a) A transfer of rate recovery assets to an assignee is perfected against all third parties if a notice of the transfer, by means of a financial statement:

(i) Is filed in accordance with the requirements of chapter 62A.9A RCW;

(ii) Specifies that the notice of transfer is filed to provide notice of the transfer of the rate recovery assets from the transferor to the assignee;

(iii) Identifies the transferor as "debtor," the assignee as "secured party," and the rate recovery asset as "collateral"; and

(iv) Contains a description that refers to the commission's financing order that created the rate recovery assets.

(b) A notice of transfer that is filed in accordance with the requirements under (a) of this subsection shall be deemed sufficient under chapter 62A.9A RCW and all other relevant laws for identifying the rate recovery assets and for providing notice that the rate recovery assets have been transferred to the assignee.

(c) A transfer is perfected against third parties on the date a notice of transfer is filed.

(d) A transfer of rate recovery assets to a financing subsidiary that is perfected under this subsection is free and clear of all claims, security interests, liens, and encumbrances of the transferring electrical, gas, or water company, except for any prior security interest perfected under subsection (2) of this section.

(e) The priority of a transfer that is perfected under this subsection is not adversely affected by:

(i) Any later modification of the financing order or rate recovery assets; or

(ii) The commingling of proceeds of rate recovery assets.

(4)(a) When proceeds of rate recovery assets are transferred to a segregated account for an assignee or secured party, any lien or security interest that may apply to those proceeds, other than a security interest perfected under subsection (2) of this section, is automatically terminated, without the need for further notice, act, or evidence.

(b) Proceeds from rate recovery assets shall be held in trust for an assignee or secured party until the proceeds have been transferred to the assignee or secured party.

(c) Any adjustment in rate recovery charges does not affect the validity, perfection, or priority of a security interest in or the transfer of rate recovery assets.

(5)(a) The rights and remedies of a secured party in enforcing a security interest in rate recovery assets do not include and are without recourse to any electrical, gas, or water company asset except for the rate recovery assets, even if the rate recovery assets are commingled with other assets.

(b) If an electrical, gas, or water company or finance subsidiary defaults on a required payment with respect to rate recovery bonds, a secured party or secured party's representatives may apply to the commission for relief. Upon application by ~~((the holders of or their))~~ a secured party or secured party's representatives, the commission shall order, without limiting ~~((their))~~ other remedies of the secured party or secured party's representatives, ~~((the commission shall order))~~ the sequestration and payment to the ~~((holders or their))~~ secured party or secured party's representatives of ~~((revenues arising with respect to))~~ the ~~((conservation investment))~~ proceeds of the rate recovery assets ~~((pledged to such holders))~~. ~~((Any such))~~

(c) The interest of an assignee or financing party in rate recovery assets is not subject to setoff, counterclaim, surcharge, or defense by the electrical, gas, or water company or any other person in connection with a bankruptcy, reorganization, or insolvency proceeding. However, any surplus in excess of amounts necessary to pay principal, premium, if any, interest, and other amounts due with respect to the rate recovery bonds and associated financing costs, including enforcement costs, with respect to the security agreement shall be remitted to the debtor electrical, gas, or water company for the return of such surplus as customer refunds. A company may request authorization for the return of surplus funds by the commission in separate proceedings for this purpose. The commission shall issue an order approving or denying the petition for return of surplus funds within 90 days.

(d) The commission's financing order and any order issued under (b) of this subsection shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding any bankruptcy, reorganization, or other insolvency proceedings with respect to ~~((the))~~ an electrical, gas, or water company debtor, or transferor with respect to rate recovery assets. ~~((Any surplus in excess of amounts necessary to pay principal, premium, if any, interest, and expenses arising under the contract governing the conservation bonds shall be remitted to the debtor electrical, gas, or water company or the debtor finance subsidiary.))~~

~~((4))~~ (6) The granting, perfection, and enforcement of security interests in ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery assets to secure ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds is ~~((governed by this chapter rather than by))~~ subject to chapter 62A.9A RCW, except that when a provision in chapter 62A.9A RCW comes in conflict with a provision in this section, the provision in this section shall control.

~~((5))~~ (7) A transfer of ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery assets by an electrical, gas, or water company to a finance subsidiary or other assignee, which such parties have in the governing documentation expressly stated to be a sale or other absolute transfer, in a transaction approved in ~~((an))~~ a financing order ~~((issued by the commission and in connection with the issuance by such finance subsidiary of conservation bonds))~~, shall be treated as a true sale, and not as a pledge or other financing, of such ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery assets. According to the holders of ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds a preferred right to revenues of the electrical, gas, or water company, or the provision by such company of other credit enhancement with respect to ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds, does not impair or negate the characterization of any such transfer as a true sale.

~~((6))~~ (8) Any successor to an electrical, gas, or water company pursuant to any bankruptcy, reorganization, or other insolvency proceeding shall perform and satisfy all obligations of the company under an approved contract governing ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds, in the same manner and to the same extent as was required of such company before any such proceeding, including, without limitation, billing, collecting, and paying to the bondholders or their representatives revenues arising with respect to the ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery assets pledged to secure the ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds.

(9) Except for enforcement permitted under the laws of another state, the laws of this state shall govern the creation, validity, enforceability, attachment, perfection, priority, and exercise of remedies with respect to the creation or transfer of a security interest in a rate recovery asset.

Sec. 7. RCW 80.28.309 and 1994 c 268 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Costs incurred before ~~((June 9, 1994,))~~ the effective date of this section by electrical, gas, or water companies with respect to

events described in RCW 80.28.005(3)(a) or energy or water conservation measures and services (~~((intended to improve the efficiency of energy or water end use))~~) described in RCW 80.28.005(3)(b) shall constitute bondable (~~((conservation investment))~~) rate recovery expenditures for purposes of RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, and this section, if:

(a) The commission has previously issued a rate order authorizing the inclusion of such costs in rate base; and

(b) The commission authorizes the issuance of (~~((conservation))~~) rate recovery bonds secured by (~~((conservation investment))~~) rate recovery assets associated with such costs.

(2) If costs incurred before (~~((June 9, 1994,))~~) the effective date of this section by electrical, gas, or water companies with respect to events described in RCW 80.28.005(3)(a) or energy or water conservation measures (~~((intended to improve the efficiency of energy or water end use))~~) described in RCW 80.28.005(3)(b) have not previously been considered by the commission for inclusion in rate base, an electrical, gas, or water company may apply to the commission for approval of such costs. If the commission finds that the expenditures are (~~((a))~~) bondable (~~((conservation investment))~~) rate recovery expenditures, the commission shall by order designate such expenditures as bondable (~~((conservation investment))~~) rate recovery expenditures, which shall be subject to RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, sections 3 and 4 of this act, and this section.

Sec. 8. RCW 80.08.140 and 1961 c 14 s 80.08.140 are each amended to read as follows:

No provision of this chapter, RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, 80.28.309, or section 3 or 4 of this act, and no deed or act done or performed under or in connection therewith, shall be held or construed to obligate the state of Washington or any agency, instrumentality, political subdivision, or local government thereof to pay or guarantee, in any manner whatsoever, any stock or stock certificate or other evidence of interest or ownership, or bond, note or other evidence of indebtedness, authorized, issued or executed under the provisions of this chapter, RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, 80.28.309, or section 3 or 4 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. A new section is added to chapter 80.28 RCW to read as follows:

If any provision of this section and sections 1, 3, and 4 of this act or the amendments to RCW 80.08.140, 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, and 80.28.309 by sections 2, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of this act is determined to be invalid, or is invalidated, superseded, replaced, repealed, or expired, such determination or occurrence does not affect the validity of any action allowed under this section and sections 1, 3, and 4 of this act or the amendments to RCW 80.08.140, 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, and 80.28.309 by sections 2, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of this act and taken in good faith and pursuant to a financing order issued prior to such determination or occurrence.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. Except to the extent required by section 7 of this act, this act applies prospectively only and not retroactively. Nothing in this act shall impair or affect the validity of any conservation bonds issued under RCW 80.28.303, 80.28.306, and 80.28.309 as those sections existed prior to the effective date of this section. Conservation bonds issued under those sections prior to the effective date of this section shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such sections as they existed at the time such conservation bonds were issued.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. If specific funding for the purposes of this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June 30, 2025, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and void.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or

support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately."

On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "customers;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, 80.28.309, and 80.08.140; adding new sections to chapter 80.28 RCW; creating new sections; and declaring an emergency."

The President declared the question before the Senate to be to not adopt the committee striking amendment by the Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology to Second Substitute House Bill No. 1990.

The motion by Senator Boehnke carried and the committee striking amendment was not adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

Senator Shewmake moved that the following striking floor amendment no. 0278 by Senator Shewmake be adopted:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The purpose of this act is to allow an electrical, gas, or water company, if authorized by an order issued by the utilities and transportation commission, to use securitization financing for certain types of costs related to emergency events and approved for recovery in rates or charges. The legislature finds that:

(a) Securitized debt may lower the total rates in comparison with other methods of recovery and may benefit the citizens of this state who are electrical, gas, or water company customers;

(b) Rate recovery bonds are not a public debt or pledge of the full faith and credit of the state but require the state to provide clear and exclusive methods to create, transfer, and encumber the rate recovery assets and prohibit future impairment; and

(c) This act allowing electrical, gas, or water companies to use securitization financing for emergency-related costs does not limit, impair, or affect the utilities and transportation commission's plenary authority and jurisdiction over rates and services offered by electrical, gas, or water companies.

(2) It is the legislature's intent that when issuing an approval for recovery of expenditures under this act, the utilities and transportation commission will consider whether expenditures are broadly aligned with Washington state climate goals including, but not limited to, chapters 70A.45 and 19.405 RCW.

Sec. 2. RCW 80.28.005 and 1994 c 268 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Assignee" means a person, and any subsequent assignee, to which an electrical, gas, or water company assigns, sells, or transfers all or part of the electrical, gas, or water company's interest in or right to rate recovery assets, except as security.

(2) "Bond" includes bonds, notes, certificates of beneficial interests in a trust, or other evidences of indebtedness.

(3) "Bondable (~~((conservation investment))~~) rate recovery expenditures" means all costs and expenditures (~~((made))~~) incurred or to be incurred through the date of issuance of a financing order by an electrical, gas, or water (~~((companies))~~) company associated with (~~((respect to energy))~~);

(a) An event that is the subject of a federal or state declaration of disaster or emergency that has caused widespread loss of life, injury to person or property, human suffering, or financial loss, including those costs and expenses owed by an electrical, gas, or water company to such company's customers as a result of the event, but not including any fees, fines, penalties, or costs

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imposed as a result of criminal or civil enforcement actions brought against the utility, or attributable to the utility's negligence or gross negligence as determined in a finding by a court of law in causing the event; or

(b) Energy or water conservation measures and services intended to improve the efficiency of electricity, gas, or water end use, including related carrying costs if:

~~((a))~~ (i) The conservation measures and services do not produce assets that would be bondable utility property under the general utility mortgage of the electrical, gas, or water company;

~~((b))~~ (ii) The commission has determined that the expenditures were incurred in conformance with the terms and conditions of a conservation service tariff in effect with the commission at the time the costs were incurred, and at the time of such determination the commission finds that the company has proven that the costs were prudent, that the terms and conditions of the financing are reasonable, and that financing under this chapter is more favorable to the customer than other reasonably available alternatives;

~~((c))~~ (iii) The commission has approved inclusion of the expenditures in rate base and has not ordered that they be currently expensed; and

~~((d))~~ (iv) The commission has not required that the measures demonstrate that energy or water savings have persisted at a certain level for a certain period before approving the cost of these investments as bondable ((conservation investment)) rate recovery expenditures.

~~((2)) "Conservation bonds" means bonds, notes, certificates of beneficial interests in trusts, or other evidences of indebtedness or ownership that:~~

~~(a) The commission determines at or before the time of issuance are issued to finance or refinance bondable conservation investment by an electrical, gas or water company; and~~

~~(b) Rely partly or wholly for repayment on conservation investment assets and revenues arising with respect thereto.~~

~~(3) "Conservation investment assets" means the statutory right of an electrical, gas, or water company:~~

~~(a) To have included in rate base all of its bondable conservation investment and related carrying costs; and~~

~~(b) To receive through rates revenues sufficient to recover the bondable conservation investment and the costs of equity and debt capital associated with it, including, without limitation, the payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on conservation bonds.)~~

~~(4) "Bondholder" means a holder or owner of a rate recovery bond.~~

~~(5) "Finance subsidiary" means any corporation, limited liability company, company, association, joint stock association, ((or)) trust, or other entity that is beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by an electrical, gas, or water company, or in the case of a trust issuing ((conservation)) rate recovery bonds consisting of beneficial interests, for which an electrical, gas, or water company or a subsidiary thereof is the grantor, or an unaffiliated entity formed for the purpose of financing or refinancing approved ((conservation investment)) bondable rate recovery expenditures, and that acquires ((conservation investment)) rate recovery assets directly or indirectly from such company in a transaction approved by the commission.~~

~~(6) "Financing costs" includes the following costs related to rate recovery bonds, whether incurred and paid upon issuance or over the life of rate recovery bonds:~~

~~(a) The costs of issuing, serving, managing, repaying, or refinancing rate recovery bonds, including any fees, expenses, or charges incurred and the costs of any activities performed in connection with the rate recovery bonds, including:~~

(i) Information technology programming;

(ii) Obtaining a financing order;

(iii) Serving, accounting, or auditing;

(iv) Services related to trustees;

(v) Legal services;

(vi) Consulting;

(vii) Services related to financial and structuring advisors;

(viii) Administration;

(ix) Placement and underwriting;

(x) Services related to independent directors and managers;

(xi) Services related to rating agencies;

(xii) Stock exchange listing and compliance;

(xiii) Securities registration and filing; and

(xiv) Services necessary to ensure a timely payment of rate recovery bonds or other amounts or charges payable in connection with rate recovery bonds;

(b) Principal, interest and acquisition, defeasance, and redemption premiums payable on rate recovery bonds;

(c) Payments required under an ancillary agreement and any amounts required to fund or replenish a reserve or account established under the terms of an indenture, ancillary agreement, or financing document related to rate recovery bonds;

(d) Applicable federal, state, and local taxes, franchise fees, license fees, gross receipts, or other taxes or charges, whether paid, payable, or accrued; and

(e) The commission's costs in performing the commission's duties related to rate recovery bonds that are recoverable by the commission under RCW 80.24.010.

(7) "Financing order" means an order issued by the commission that authorizes one or more of the following:

(a) The recovery of bondable rate recovery expenditures and financing costs;

(b) The creation of rate recovery assets;

(c) The issuance of rate recovery bonds;

(d) The imposition, collection, and periodic adjustment of rate recovery charges; or

(e) The sale, assignment, or transfer of rate recovery assets to an assignee.

(8) "Financing party" includes:

(a) Bondholders, trustees, agents, and secured parties related to rate recovery bonds;

(b) A person acting for the benefit of bondholders, trustees, agents, or secured parties; and

(c) A party to rate recovery bond documents or an ancillary agreement.

(9) "Rate recovery asset" means the right of an electrical, gas, or water company to recover from customers bondable rate recovery expenditures and related costs and expenses approved in a financing order, including the right to:

(a) Impose, charge, bill, collect, receive, hold, and apply rate recovery charges authorized under a financing order or obtain, to the extent authorized, periodic adjustments of rate recovery charges; and

(b) All claims, accounts, revenues, payments, collections, moneys, or proceeds arising from the rights and interest specified in a financing order, regardless of whether the claims, accounts, revenues, payments, collections, moneys, or proceeds arising from the rights and interest specified in the financing order are commingled with other claims, accounts, revenues, payments, collections, moneys, or proceeds.

(10) "Rate recovery bonds" means bonds, notes, certificates of beneficial interests in trusts, or other evidences of indebtedness or ownership that:

(a) The commission determines at or before the time of issuance are issued to finance or refinance bondable rate recovery

expenditures by an electrical, gas, or water company; and

(b) Rely partly or wholly for repayment on rate recovery assets and revenues arising with respect thereto.

(11) "Rate recovery charge" means charges to electrical, gas, or water company customers authorized by the commission to recover bondable rate recovery expenditures and financing costs and to be used to pay, repay, or refinance rate recovery bonds.

(12) "Secured party" means a financing party that has been granted a security interest in rate recovery assets.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 80.28 RCW to read as follows:

(1) It is the policy of the state of Washington to encourage the financing of certain costs and expenses by electrical, gas, and water companies at the lowest, reasonable, and prudent cost to customers of such companies including, but not limited to, bondable rate recovery expenditures.

(2) To carry out the policy described in subsection (1) of this section, the state of Washington and all agencies, instrumentalities, political subdivisions, and local governments thereof:

(a) Acknowledge that owners of rate recovery assets, bondholders, and financing parties require certainty with respect to the owners, bondholders, and financing parties' rights to enter into financing transactions that offer the lowest, reasonable, and prudent cost; and

(b) Pledge and agree with electrical, gas, and water companies; assignees; bondholders; and financing parties not to reduce, alter, or impair, in a manner that is adverse to the electrical, gas, and water companies; assignees; bondholders; or financing parties:

- (i) Rate recovery assets;
- (ii) Rate recovery bonds or the security for rate recovery bonds; or
- (iii) Rate recovery charges or the collection of rate recovery charges.

(3) The pledge and agreement described under subsection (2)(b) of this section includes the pledge and agreement not to reduce, alter, or impair rate recovery assets, rate recovery bonds or the security for rate recovery bonds, or rate recovery charges or the collection of rate recovery charges by taking any of the following actions:

(a) Altering the provisions of this section or RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, or 80.28.309 to the extent that those provisions authorize the commission to issue financing orders that:

- (i) Create rate recovery assets;
- (ii) Establish rate recovery charges that may not be avoided by electrical, gas, or water company customers, as described under section 4(4) of this act; or
- (iii) Provide rights and remedies to electrical, gas, and water companies; assignees; bondholders; and financing parties;

(b) Impairing the rights or remedies of electrical, gas, and water companies; assignees; bondholders; or financing parties that are created under this section and RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, and 80.28.309 or by a financing order, including reducing the amount of or impairing the collection of rate recovery charges until all principal, interest, premium, if any, and other amounts due on the rate recovery bonds and financing costs have been paid in full and except as provided under section 4 of this act; or

(c) Taking any action listed under section 4(5)(b) of this act.

(4) An electrical, gas, or water company or financing subsidiary that issues rate recovery bonds may include the pledge and provisions of this section in the bonds and related documentation.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 80.28 RCW to read as follows:

(1)(a) If an electrical, gas, or water company applies to the commission for recovery of expenditures related to a federal or state declared disaster or emergency and the commission finds some or all of the expenditures to be reasonable and prudent, the company may petition the commission for a financing order designating all or part of such expenditures as bondable rate recovery expenditures, for the purpose of financing or refinancing the designated expenditures under RCW 80.28.306(1). A company must request this designation by the commission in a separate proceeding.

(b) A petition filed under (a) of this subsection must include a narrative description of purpose for which the electrical, gas, or water company seeks approval of a financing order. The narrative description must:

(i) Explain the event that is the subject of a federal or state declaration of disaster or emergency that gave rise to the costs and expenses that the company seeks to recover through a financing order, including those costs and expenses owed by an electrical, gas, or water company to such company's customers or other persons as a result of the event; and

(ii) In the case such costs and expenses accrued to the electrical, gas, or water company through a legal settlement, provide the total:

- (A) Legal fees and costs paid by the company;
- (B) Estimated legal fees and costs the company would have incurred had it elected not to settle the matter;
- (C) Amount of initial claims that had been sought against the company; and
- (D) Amount of the settlement.

(c) After notice and an opportunity for a hearing, the commission may approve a petition if the commission finds that:

- (i) The bondable rate recovery expenditures and financing costs included in the petition are reasonable and prudent;
- (ii) Financing or refinancing the bondable rate recovery expenditures through the issuance of rate recovery bonds is likely to be more favorable to electrical, gas, or water company customers for the recovery of the bondable rate recovery expenditures than other methods of cost and expenditure recovery; and

(iii) Bonds, notes, certificates of beneficial interests in a trust, and other evidences of indebtedness or ownership issued pursuant to the approval are reasonably likely to receive a determination of, at a minimum, investment grade by credit rating agencies.

(d) The commission shall issue an order within 180 days of a petition approving or denying the petition. If the commission approves the petition, the commission shall issue a financing order.

(2)(a) A financing order issued under this section shall specify the highest amount of rate recovery expenditures that qualify as bondable rate recovery expenditures.

(b) In specifying the amount for bondable rate recovery expenditures associated with an event described in RCW 80.28.005(3)(a), net of appropriate adjustments as determined by the commission to be reasonable, the commission may include, but is not limited to including, the following rate recovery expenditures:

(i) Capital and operating costs incurred or to be incurred as a result of the event;

(ii) Costs and expenses that may be recovered at a later time from third parties or insurers and returned to electrical, gas, or water company customers through a separate rate proceeding consistent with cost causation and rate design principles and statutory or regulatory requirements; and

(iii) Carrying costs or charges.

(3) A financing order issued under this section must include the following provisions:

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(a) Confirmation of the existence of recoverable bondable rate recovery expenditures and authorization to recover bondable rate recovery expenditures and associated financing costs, including the maximum principal amount of bondable rate recovery expenditures and financing costs that may be recovered through securitization;

(b) Authorization for the creation of rate recovery assets and imposition of rate recovery charges that allow for the recovery of rate recovery expenditures and associated financing costs, as determined by the commission;

(c) A requirement that the rate recovery charges authorized by the financing order are ongoing and may not be avoided by an electrical, gas, or water company customer, as described under subsection (4) of this section, until all principal, interest, premium, if any, and other amounts due on the rate recovery bonds and financing costs have been paid in full;

(d) A methodology for:

(i) Allocating rate recovery charges between the different classes of electrical, gas, or water company customers, which may include not allocating rate recovery charges to one or more classes of such company's customers, that is consistent with cost causation and rate design principles and statutory or regulatory requirements;

(ii) Adjusting rate recovery charges as necessary to ensure timely payment on, and payment in full of, the rate recovery bonds and associated financing costs or in response to changes to applicable customers, service territories, or collection rates; and

(iii) Providing for periodic true-up adjustments of the rate recovery charges under (d)(ii) of this subsection, as determined by the commission, to correct for any overcollection or undercollection of the rate recovery charge. The true-up adjustment shall include, but not be limited to, changing economic factors, efficiency measures, and electrification, which may impact the full and timely payment of future scheduled debt service, based on updated usage forecasts. For the purposes of this subsection, "electrification" means the installation of energy efficient electric end-use equipment that replaces end-use equipment that is fueled by gas that results in the customer no longer taking service from the gas company;

(e) Authorization for the electrical, gas, or water company to issue one or more series of rate recovery bonds with flexibility for such company to establish the terms and conditions of the rate recovery bonds, including repayment schedules, initial interest rates, and initial financing costs;

(f) Authorization to assign rate recovery assets to a financing subsidiary and grant security interests in the rate recovery assets to secured parties without limiting the rights of subsequent assignees;

(g) Authorization for the bond documentation and ancillary documents related to the rate recovery bonds, including servicing arrangements for the rate recovery charges, without requiring the authorization to be on the final forms of the documents;

(h) Authorization for the electrical, gas, or water company to earn a return, at the cost of capital authorized in such company's most recent general rate case prior to the date of the financing order, on any moneys advanced by such company to fund advances, reserves, or capital accounts established under the terms of any indenture, ancillary agreement, or financing documents related to the rate recovery bonds;

(i) A finding that the proposed issuance of rate recovery bonds and the imposition of rate recovery charges is expected to provide the lowest possible, reasonable, and prudent cost on a net present value basis to electrical, gas, or water company customers for recovery of the bondable rate recovery expenditures as compared to other methods of financing and recovery;

(j) A date, not earlier than one year from the date that the financing order becomes final, on which the authority to issue rate recovery bonds granted in the financing order expires;

(k) A requirement that the electrical, gas, or water company notify the commission if such company recovers costs and expenses from a third party or insurer; and

(l) Any other conditions that the commission finds appropriate and that are consistent with this section.

(4) Rate recovery charges authorized by a financing order shall be collected through the charges or incorporated into rates paid by, and may not be avoided by, the electrical, gas, or water company customers located within such company's service territory, if applicable, as the territory existed on the date of the financing order or, if the financing order provides, as such service territory, if applicable, may be expanded, even if:

(a) Such company's customer receives electricity, natural gas, or water; electricity, natural gas, or water services; or ancillary services from a successor or assignee of such company;

(b) Such company's customer elects to receive electricity, natural gas, or water; electricity, natural gas, or water services; or ancillary services from another electrical, gas, or water company or service provider in the service territory; or

(c) After the date of issuance of the financing order, such company's customer changes customer class.

(5)(a) Rate recovery assets, including rate recovery charges, and the rights of electrical, gas, and water companies; assignees; bondholders; and financing parties, established by a financing order issued under this section, are irrevocable and unchangeable, except as provided in the financing order, until all principal, interest, premium, if any, and other amounts due on the rate recovery bonds and financing costs are paid in full.

(b) Until all principal, interest, premium, if any, and other amounts due on the rate recovery bonds and financing costs are paid in full, the commission, except as provided in the financing order, the state of Washington, and all agencies, instrumentalities, political subdivisions, and local governments thereof may not:

(i) Revalue the bondable rate recovery expenditures or financing costs for rate-making purposes;

(ii) Determine that the rates or revenues authorized under the financing order are unjust or unreasonable;

(iii) Reduce, alter, or impair the rate recovery assets, rate recovery charges or the collection of the rate recovery charges, or rate recovery bonds or the security for the rate recovery bonds;

(iv) Rescind, suspend, amend, or impair the financing order; or

(v) When setting other rates or charges for the electrical, gas, or water company or taking other actions pursuant to the commission's authority, consider the rate recovery bonds as debt of such company, the rate recovery assets to be revenue for such company, or the bondable rate recovery expenditures to be costs of such company.

(6) The commission may not require an electrical, gas, or water company to:

(a) Apply to the commission for a financing order designating all or part of rate recovery expenditures as bondable rate recovery expenditures; or

(b) Finance or refinance rate recovery expenditures that the commission has designated bondable rate recovery expenditures.

Sec. 5. RCW 80.28.303 and 1994 c 268 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) An electrical, gas, or water company may file a conservation service tariff with the commission. The tariff shall provide:

(a) The terms and conditions upon which the company will offer the conservation measures and services specified in the tariff;

(b) The period of time during which the conservation measures and services will be offered; and

(c) The maximum amount of expenditures to be made during a specified time period by the company on conservation measures and services specified in the tariff.

(2) The commission has the same authority with respect to a proposed conservation service tariff as it has with regard to any other schedule or classification the effect of which is to change any rate or charge, including, without limitation, the power granted by RCW 80.04.130 to conduct a hearing concerning a proposed conservation service tariff and the reasonableness and justness thereof, and pending such hearing and the decision thereon the commission may suspend the operation of the tariff for a period not exceeding ten months from the time the tariff would otherwise go into effect.

(3) ~~((An electrical, gas, or water company may from time to time apply to the commission for a determination that specific expenditures may under its tariff constitute bondable conservation investment. A company may request this determination by the commission in separate proceedings for this purpose or in connection with a general rate case. The commission may designate the expenditures as bondable conservation investment as defined in RCW 80.28.005(1) if it finds that such designation is in the public interest.~~

(4) ~~The commission shall include in rate base all bondable conservation investment. The commission shall approve rates for service by electrical, gas, and water companies at levels sufficient to recover all of the expenditures of the bondable conservation investment included in rate base and the costs of equity and debt capital associated therewith, including, without limitation, the payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on conservation bonds.)) The rates so determined may be included in general rate schedules or may be expressed in one or more separate rate schedules. ((The commission shall not revalue bondable conservation investment for rate making purposes, to determine that revenues required to recover bondable conservation investment and associated equity and debt capital costs are unjust, unreasonable, or in any way impair or reduce the value of conservation investment assets or that would impair the timing or the amount of revenues arising with respect to conservation investment assets that have been pledged to secure conservation bonds.~~

~~((5))~~ (4) Nothing in this chapter precludes the commission from adopting or continuing other conservation policies and programs intended to provide incentives for and to encourage ~~((utility))~~ electrical, gas, or water company investment in improving the efficiency of energy or water end use. However, the policies or programs shall not impair ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery assets. This chapter is not intended to be an exclusive or mandatory approach to conservation programs for electrical, gas, and water companies, and no such company is obligated to file conservation service tariffs under this chapter, to apply to the commission for a determination that conservation costs constitute bondable ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery expenditures within the meaning of this chapter, or to issue ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds.

~~((6))~~ (5)(a) If a customer of an electrical, gas, or water company for whose benefit the company made expenditures for conservation measures or services ceases to be a customer of such company for one or more of the following reasons, the commission may require that the portion of such ~~((conservation))~~ expenditures that had been included in rate base but not theretofore recovered in the rates of such company be removed from the rate base of the company:

(i) The customer ceases to be a customer of the ~~((supplier of energy or water))~~ electrical, gas, or water company, and the

customer repays to the company the portion of the ~~((conservation))~~ expenditures made for the benefit of such customer that has not theretofore been recovered in rates of ~~((the))~~ such company; or

(ii) ~~((The))~~ Such company sells its property used to serve such customer and the customer ceases to be a customer of the company as a result of such action.

(b) An electrical, gas, or water company may include in a contract for a conservation measure or service, and the commission may by rule or order require to be included in such contracts, a provision requiring that, if the customer ceases to be a customer of that ~~((supplier of energy or water))~~ such company, the customer shall repay to the company the portion of the conservation expenditures made for the benefit of such customer that has not theretofore been recovered in rates of the company.

Sec. 6. RCW 80.28.306 and 1994 c 268 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Electrical, gas, and water companies, or finance subsidiaries, may ~~((issue conservation bonds))~~, upon approval by the commission, finance or refinance bondable rate recovery expenditures as described in RCW 80.28.303. Bonds, notes, certificates of beneficial interests in a trust, and other evidences of indebtedness or ownership issued for this purpose are rate recovery bonds for the purposes of this section.

(2) ~~((Electrical))~~ (a) An electrical, gas, ~~((and))~~ or water ~~((companies, or))~~ company, finance ~~((subsidiaries))~~ subsidiary, or assignee may ~~((pledge conservation investment))~~ grant a security interest in rate recovery assets as collateral for ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds ~~((by obtaining an order of the commission approving an issue of conservation bonds and providing for a security interest in conservation investment assets)).~~ A security interest in ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery assets is ~~((created and perfected only upon entry of an order by the commission approving a contract governing the granting of the security interest and the filing with the department of licensing of a UCC 1 financing statement, showing such pledgor as "debtor" and identifying such conservation investment assets and the bondable conservation investment associated therewith. The security interest is))~~ valid and enforceable against the debtor and ~~((all))~~ third parties, subject only to the rights of any third parties holding security interests in the ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery assets attached and perfected in the manner described in this ((section,)) subsection.

(b) A security interest in rate recovery assets attaches if ~~((value has been))~~:

(i) The secured party, or a financing party that the secured party represents, has given ~~((by the purchasers of conservation bonds. An approved))~~ value; and

(ii) The debtor has signed a security agreement granting the secured party a security interest in ~~((conservation investment))~~ the rate recovery assets.

(c) A valid and enforceable security interest in rate recovery assets is perfected if: (i) The security interest has attached in the manner described in (b) of this subsection; and (ii) a financing statement has been filed in accordance with the requirements of chapter 62A.9A RCW that identifies the debtor as "debtor," the secured party as "secured party," and the rate recovery assets granted as security as the "collateral," and contains a description in the financing statement that refers to the commission's financing order creating the rate recovery assets. The financing statement is deemed sufficient under chapter 62A.9A RCW and all other relevant law for identifying the rate recovery assets granted as security.

(d) A perfected security interest in rate recovery assets is a continuously perfected security interest ~~((in all revenues and proceeds arising with respect to the associated bondable~~

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conservation investment)), whether or not ((such)) the related revenues have accrued ((Upon such approval, the priority of such security interest shall be as set forth in)) or the ((contract governing the conservation bonds. Conservation investment)) related rate recovery charges have been charged, billed, or collected. Rate recovery assets constitute a presently existing, fully vested property right for the purposes of contracts securing ((conservation)) the rate recovery bonds whether or not the related revenues have accrued or the related rate recovery charges have been charged, billed, or collected. Multiple security interests in the same rate recovery assets shall rank according to priority in time of perfection.

((3-The)) (e) Subject to the terms of the security agreement covering the rate recovery assets, the relative priority of a security interest created or perfected under this section is not ((defeated or)) adversely affected by: (i) Any later modification of the financing order or rate recovery assets; or (ii) the commingling of ((revenues arising with respect to conservation investment)) proceeds of rate recovery assets with other ((funds of the debtor. The holders of conservation bonds shall have a perfected security interest in all cash and deposit accounts of the debtor in which revenues arising with respect to conservation investment assets pledged to such holders have been commingled with other funds, but such perfected security interest is limited to an amount not greater than the amount of such revenues received by the debtor within twelve months before (a) any default under the conservation bonds held by the holders or (b) the institution of insolvency proceedings by or against the debtor, less payments from such revenues to the holders during such twelve month period. If an event of default occurs under an approved contract governing conservation bonds, the holders of conservation bonds or their authorized representatives, as secured parties, may foreclose or otherwise enforce the security interest in the conservation investment assets securing the conservation bonds, subject to the rights of any third parties holding prior security interests in the conservation investment assets perfected in the manner provided in this section:)) moneys.

(3)(a) A transfer of rate recovery assets to an assignee is perfected against all third parties if a notice of the transfer, by means of a financial statement:

(i) Is filed in accordance with the requirements of chapter 62A.9A RCW;

(ii) Specifies that the notice of transfer is filed to provide notice of the transfer of the rate recovery assets from the transferor to the assignee;

(iii) Identifies the transferor as "debtor," the assignee as "secured party," and the rate recovery asset as "collateral"; and

(iv) Contains a description that refers to the commission's financing order that created the rate recovery assets.

(b) A notice of transfer that is filed in accordance with the requirements under (a) of this subsection shall be deemed sufficient under chapter 62A.9A RCW and all other relevant laws for identifying the rate recovery assets and for providing notice that the rate recovery assets have been transferred to the assignee.

(c) A transfer is perfected against third parties on the date a notice of transfer is filed.

(d) A transfer of rate recovery assets to a financing subsidiary that is perfected under this subsection is free and clear of all claims, security interests, liens, and encumbrances of the transferring electrical, gas, or water company, except for any prior security interest perfected under subsection (2) of this section.

(e) The priority of a transfer that is perfected under this subsection is not adversely affected by:

(i) Any later modification of the financing order or rate recovery assets; or

(ii) The commingling of proceeds of rate recovery assets.

(4)(a) When proceeds of rate recovery assets are transferred to a segregated account for an assignee or secured party, any lien or security interest that may apply to those proceeds, other than a security interest perfected under subsection (2) of this section, is automatically terminated, without the need for further notice, act, or evidence.

(b) Proceeds from rate recovery assets shall be held in trust for an assignee or secured party until the proceeds have been transferred to the assignee or secured party.

(c) Any adjustment in rate recovery charges does not affect the validity, perfection, or priority of a security interest in or the transfer of rate recovery assets.

(5)(a) The rights and remedies of a secured party in enforcing a security interest in rate recovery assets do not include and are without recourse to any electrical, gas, or water company asset except for the rate recovery assets, even if the rate recovery assets are commingled with other assets.

(b) If an electrical, gas, or water company or finance subsidiary defaults on a required payment with respect to rate recovery bonds, a secured party or secured party's representatives may apply to the commission for relief. Upon application by ((the holders of [or] their)) a secured party or secured party's representatives, the commission shall order, without limiting ((their)) other remedies of the secured party or secured party's representatives, ((the commission shall order)) the sequestration and payment to the ((holders or their)) secured party or secured party's representatives of ((revenues arising with respect to)) the ((conservation investment)) proceeds of the rate recovery assets ((pledged to such holders)). ((Any such))

(c) The interest of an assignee or financing party in rate recovery assets is not subject to setoff, counterclaim, surcharge, or defense by the electrical, gas, or water company or any other person in connection with a bankruptcy, reorganization, or insolvency proceeding. However, any surplus in excess of amounts necessary to pay principal, premium, if any, interest, and other amounts due with respect to the rate recovery bonds and associated financing costs, including enforcement costs, with respect to the security agreement shall be remitted to the debtor electrical, gas, or water company for the return of such surplus as customer refunds. A company may request authorization for the return of surplus funds by the commission in separate proceedings for this purpose. The commission shall issue an order approving or denying the petition for return of surplus funds within 90 days.

(d) The commission's financing order and any order issued under (b) of this subsection shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding any bankruptcy, reorganization, or other insolvency proceedings with respect to ((the)) an electrical, gas, or water company debtor, or transferor with respect to rate recovery assets. ((Any surplus in excess of amounts necessary to pay principal, premium, if any, interest, and expenses arising under the contract governing the conservation bonds shall be remitted to the debtor electrical, gas, or water company or the debtor finance subsidiary.

(4)) (6) The granting, perfection, and enforcement of security interests in ((conservation investment)) rate recovery assets to secure ((conservation)) rate recovery bonds is ((governed by this chapter rather than by)) subject to chapter 62A.9A RCW, except that when a provision in chapter 62A.9A RCW comes in conflict with a provision in this section, the provision in this section shall control.

((5)) (7) A transfer of ((conservation investment)) rate recovery assets by an electrical, gas, or water company to a finance subsidiary or other assignee, which such parties have in the governing documentation expressly stated to be a sale or other

absolute transfer, in a transaction approved in ~~((an))~~ a financing order ~~((issued by the commission and in connection with the issuance by such finance subsidiary of conservation bonds))~~, shall be treated as a true sale, and not as a pledge or other financing, of such ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery assets. According to the holders of ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds a preferred right to revenues of the electrical, gas, or water company, or the provision by such company of other credit enhancement with respect to ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds, does not impair or negate the characterization of any such transfer as a true sale.

~~((6))~~ (8) Any successor to an electrical, gas, or water company pursuant to any bankruptcy, reorganization, or other insolvency proceeding shall perform and satisfy all obligations of the company under an approved contract governing ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds, in the same manner and to the same extent as was required of such company before any such proceeding, including, without limitation, billing, collecting, and paying to the bondholders or their representatives revenues arising with respect to the ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery assets pledged to secure the ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds.

(9) Except for enforcement permitted under the laws of another state, the laws of this state shall govern the creation, validity, enforceability, attachment, perfection, priority, and exercise of remedies with respect to the creation or transfer of a security interest in a rate recovery asset.

Sec. 7. RCW 80.28.309 and 1994 c 268 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Costs incurred before ~~((June 9, 1994,))~~ the effective date of this section by electrical, gas, or water companies with respect to events described in RCW 80.28.005(3)(a) or energy or water conservation measures and services ~~((intended to improve the efficiency of energy or water end use))~~ described in RCW 80.28.005(3)(b) shall constitute bondable ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery expenditures for purposes of RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, and this section, if:

(a) The commission has previously issued a rate order authorizing the inclusion of such costs in rate base; and

(b) The commission authorizes the issuance of ~~((conservation))~~ rate recovery bonds secured by ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery assets associated with such costs.

(2) If costs incurred before ~~((June 9, 1994,))~~ the effective date of this section by electrical, gas, or water companies with respect to events described in RCW 80.28.005(3)(a) or energy or water conservation measures ~~((intended to improve the efficiency of energy or water end use))~~ described in RCW 80.28.005(3)(b) have not previously been considered by the commission for inclusion in rate base, an electrical, gas, or water company may apply to the commission for approval of such costs. If the commission finds that the expenditures are ~~((a))~~ bondable ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery expenditures, the commission shall by order designate such expenditures as bondable ~~((conservation investment))~~ rate recovery expenditures, which shall be subject to RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, sections 3 and 4 of this act, and this section.

Sec. 8. RCW 80.08.140 and 1961 c 14 s 80.08.140 are each amended to read as follows:

No provision of this chapter, RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, 80.28.309, or section 3 or 4 of this act, and no deed or act done or performed under or in connection therewith, shall be held or construed to obligate the state of Washington or any agency, instrumentality, political subdivision, or local government thereof to pay or guarantee, in any manner whatsoever, any stock or stock certificate or other evidence of interest or ownership, or bond, note or other evidence of indebtedness, authorized, issued or executed under the provisions

of this chapter, RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, 80.28.309, or section 3 or 4 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. A new section is added to chapter 80.28 RCW to read as follows:

If any provision of this section and sections 1, 3, and 4 of this act or the amendments to RCW 80.08.140, 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, and 80.28.309 by sections 2, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of this act is determined to be invalid, or is invalidated, superseded, replaced, repealed, or expired, such determination or occurrence does not affect the validity of any action allowed under this section and sections 1, 3, and 4 of this act or the amendments to RCW 80.08.140, 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, and 80.28.309 by sections 2, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of this act and taken in good faith and pursuant to a financing order issued prior to such determination or occurrence.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. Except to the extent required by section 7 of this act, this act applies prospectively only and not retroactively. Nothing in this act shall impair or affect the validity of any conservation bonds issued under RCW 80.28.303, 80.28.306, and 80.28.309 as those sections existed prior to the effective date of this section. Conservation bonds issued under those sections prior to the effective date of this section shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such sections as they existed at the time such conservation bonds were issued.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. If specific funding for the purposes of this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June 30, 2025, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and void.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately."

On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "customers;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 80.28.005, 80.28.303, 80.28.306, 80.28.309, and 80.08.140; adding new sections to chapter 80.28 RCW; creating new sections; and declaring an emergency."

Senators Shewmake and Boehnke spoke in favor of adoption of the striking amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of striking floor amendment no. 0278 by Senator Shewmake to Second Substitute House Bill No. 1990.

The motion by Senator Shewmake carried and striking floor amendment no. 0278 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Boehnke, the rules were suspended, Second Substitute House Bill No. 1990 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 Boehnke and Shewmake spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1990 as amended by the Senate.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1990 as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 45; Nays, 3; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Bateman, Boehnke, Braun, Chapman,

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Christian, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Dozier, Fortunato, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Hansen, Harris, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Riccelli, Robinson, Salomon, Schoesler, Shewmake, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Voting nay: Senators Alvarado, Hasegawa and Saldaña

Excused: Senator Ramos

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1990 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

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1874, by Representatives Morgan, Entenman, Reeves, Hill, Donaghy, Reed, Street, Berg, Taylor, Scott, Thomas, Ryu, Thai, Salahuddin, Berry, Gregerson, Parshley, Doglio, Nance, Caldier, Simmons, Peterson, Macri, Obras, Pollet, Zahn, Ormsby, and Duerr

Requiring training for cosmetologists, barbers, estheticians, and hair designers on the care, styling, and treatment of textured hair.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

Senator Nobles moved that the following floor amendment no. 0272 by Senator Nobles be adopted:

On page 8, after line 15, insert the following:

"**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** This act takes effect March 1, 2026."

On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "18.16.030;" strike "and creating a new section" and insert "creating a new section; and providing an effective date"

Senator Nobles spoke in favor of adoption of the amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of floor amendment no. 0272 by Senator Nobles on page 8, after line 15 to Engrossed House Bill No. 1874.

The motion by Senator Nobles carried and floor amendment no. 0272 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Riccelli, the rules were suspended, Engrossed House Bill No. 1874 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 Saldaña, King and Nobles 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. 1874 as amended by the Senate.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 1874 as amended by the Senate and the bill passed

the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 37; Nays, 11; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Senators Alvarado, Bateman, Braun, Chapman, Cleveland, Conway, Cortes, Dhingra, Frame, Gildon, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Holy, Kauffman, King, Krishnadasan, Liias, Lovelett, Lovick, Nobles, Orwall, Pedersen, Riccelli, Robinson, Saldaña, Salomon, Shewmake, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

Voting nay: Senators Boehnke, Christian, Dozier, Fortunato, Goehner, MacEwen, McCune, Muzzall, Schoesler, Short and Wagoner

Excused: Senator Ramos

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1874 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. 1540, by Representatives Timmons, Eslick, Ortiz-Self, Ramel, Reed, Duerr, Kloba, Macri, Callan, Zahn, Ormsby, Pollet, Scott, Doglio, Hill, and Simmons

Expanding eligibility for the students experiencing homelessness and foster youth program to an accredited tribal college.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Nobles, the rules were suspended, House Bill No. 1540 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Kauffman and Warnick 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. 1540.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1540 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 45; Nays, 4; Absent, 0; Excused, 0.

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

Voting nay: Senators Christian, Fortunato, MacEwen and McCune

HOUSE BILL NO. 1540, 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. 1222, by Representatives Stearns, and Kloba

Concerning public inspection and copying of proprietary

financial and security information submitted to or obtained by the gambling commission.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Valdez, the rules were suspended, House Bill No. 1222 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Valdez 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. 1222.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1222 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 47; Nays, 2; Absent, 0; Excused, 0.

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

Voting nay: Senators Christian and McCune

HOUSE BILL NO. 1222, 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. 1934, by Representatives Chase, Doglio, and Schmidt

Concerning the disclosure of information pertaining to complainants, accusers, and witnesses in an employment investigation.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

Senator Wilson, J. moved that the following floor amendment no. 0273 by Senator Wilson, J. be adopted:

On page 2, line 18, after "(f)" strike "Investigative" and insert "~~((Investigative))~~ (i) Except as provided in (f)(ii) of this subsection, investigative"

On page 2, after line 38, insert the following:

"(ii) After the investigation is complete and the complainant has been notified of the outcome of the investigation, if an elected government official is a complainant, the name and title of such elected government official shall not be redacted from the investigatory records;"

Senators Wilson, J. and Valdez spoke in favor of adoption of the amendment.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of floor amendment no. 0273 by Senator Wilson, J. on page 2, line 18 to House Bill No. 1934.

The motion by Senator Wilson, J. carried and floor amendment no. 0273 was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Riccelli, the rules were suspended, House Bill No. 1934 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., Valdez and Riccelli 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. 1934.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1934 as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 48; Nays, 1; Absent, 0; Excused, 0.

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

Voting nay: Senator Kauffman

HOUSE BILL NO. 1934 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

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1351, by House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services (originally sponsored by Bernbaum, Eslick, Springer, Ormsby, Salahuddin, Parshley, Hill, Doglio, Hunt, Pollet, Cortes, and Nance)

Adjusting age requirements for accessing the early childhood education and assistance program.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

Senator Wellman moved that the following committee striking amendment by the Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education be adopted:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 43.216.505 and 2021 c 67 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout RCW 43.216.500 through 43.216.559, 43.216.900, and 43.216.901.

(1) "Advisory committee" means the advisory committee under RCW 43.216.520.

(2) "Approved programs" means those state-supported education and special assistance programs which are recognized by the department as meeting the minimum program rules adopted by the department to qualify under RCW 43.216.500

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through 43.216.550, 43.216.900, and 43.216.901 and are designated as eligible for funding by the department under RCW 43.216.530 and 43.216.540.

(3) "Comprehensive" means an assistance program that focuses on the needs of the child and includes education, health, and family support services.

(4) "Eligible child" means a child who is at least three ((to five-year-old child who)) years old by August 31st of the school year, is not yet age-eligible for kindergarten, is not a participant in a federal or state program providing comprehensive services, and who:

(a) Has a family income at or below ~~((one hundred ten))~~ 110 percent of the federal poverty level, as published annually by the federal department of health and human services;

(b) Is eligible for special education due to disability under RCW 28A.155.020; or

(c) Meets criteria under rules adopted by the department if the number of such children equals not more than ~~((ten))~~ 10 percent of the total enrollment in the early childhood program. Preference for enrollment in this group shall be given to children from families with the lowest income, children in foster care, or to eligible children from families with multiple needs.

(5) "Family support services" means providing opportunities for parents to:

(a) Actively participate in their child's early childhood program;

(b) Increase their knowledge of child development and parenting skills;

(c) Further their education and training;

(d) Increase their ability to use needed services in the community;

(e) Increase their self-reliance.

(6) "Homeless" means a child without a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence as described in the federal McKinney-Vento homeless assistance act (Title 42 U.S.C., chapter 119, subchapter VI, part B) as it existed on January 1, 2021.

Sec. 2. RCW 43.216.505 and 2021 c 199 s 204 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout RCW 43.216.500 through 43.216.559, 43.216.900, and 43.216.901.

(1) "Advisory committee" means the advisory committee under RCW 43.216.520.

(2) "Approved programs" means those state-supported education and special assistance programs which are recognized by the department as meeting the minimum program rules adopted by the department to qualify under RCW 43.216.500 through 43.216.550, 43.216.900, and 43.216.901 and are designated as eligible for funding by the department under RCW 43.216.530 and 43.216.540.

(3) "Comprehensive" means an assistance program that focuses on the needs of the child and includes education, health, and family support services.

(4) "Eligible child" means a child who is at least three ((to five-year-old child who)) years old by August 31st of the school year, is not yet age-eligible for kindergarten, is not a participant in a federal or state program providing comprehensive services, and who:

(a) Has a family with financial need;

(b) Is experiencing homelessness;

(c) Has participated in early head start or a successor federal program providing comprehensive services for children from birth through two years of age, the early support for infants and toddlers program or received class C developmental services, the

birth to three early childhood education and assistance program, or the early childhood intervention and prevention services program;

(d) Is eligible for special education due to disability under RCW 28A.155.020;

(e) Is Indian as defined in rule by the department after consultation and agreement with Washington state's federally recognized tribes pursuant to RCW 43.216.5052 and is at or below 100 percent of the state median income adjusted for family size; or

(f) Meets criteria under rules adopted by the department if the number of such children equals not more than ~~((ten))~~ 10 percent of the total enrollment in the early childhood program. Preference for enrollment in this group shall be given to children from families with the lowest income, children in foster care, or to eligible children from families with multiple needs.

(5) "Experiencing homelessness" means a child without a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence as described in the federal McKinney-Vento homeless assistance act (Title 42 U.S.C., chapter 119, subchapter VI, part B) as it existed on January 1, 2021.

(6) "Family support services" means providing opportunities for parents to:

(a) Actively participate in their child's early childhood program;

(b) Increase their knowledge of child development and parenting skills;

(c) Further their education and training;

(d) Increase their ability to use needed services in the community;

(e) Increase their self-reliance; and

(f) Connect with culturally competent, disability positive therapists and supports where appropriate.

(7) "Family with financial need" means families with incomes at or below 36 percent of the state median income adjusted for family size until the 2030-31 school year. Beginning in the 2030-31 school year, "family with financial need" means families with incomes at or below 50 percent of the state median income adjusted for family size.

Sec. 3. RCW 43.216.505 and 2024 c 225 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout RCW 43.216.500 through 43.216.559, 43.216.900, and 43.216.901.

(1) "Advisory committee" means the advisory committee under RCW 43.216.520.

(2) "Approved programs" means those state-supported education and special assistance programs which are recognized by the department as meeting the minimum program rules adopted by the department to qualify under RCW 43.216.500 through 43.216.550, 43.216.900, and 43.216.901 and are designated as eligible for funding by the department under RCW 43.216.530 and 43.216.540.

(3) "Comprehensive" means an assistance program that focuses on the needs of the child and includes education, health, and family support services.

(4) "Eligible child" means a child who is at least three ((to five-year-old child who)) years old by August 31st of the school year, is not yet age-eligible for kindergarten, is not a participant in a federal or state program providing comprehensive services, and who:

(a) Has a family with an income at or below 50 percent of the state median income adjusted for family size;

(b) Is experiencing homelessness;

(c) Has participated in early head start or a successor federal

program providing comprehensive services for children from birth through two years of age, the early support for infants and toddlers program or received class C developmental services, the birth to three early childhood education and assistance program, or the early childhood intervention and prevention services program;

(d) Is eligible for special education due to disability under RCW 28A.155.020;

(e) Is a member of an assistance unit that is eligible for or is receiving basic food benefits under the federal supplemental nutrition assistance program or the state food assistance program;

(f) Is Indian as defined in rule by the department after consultation and agreement with Washington state's federally recognized tribes pursuant to RCW 43.216.5052 and is at or below 100 percent of the state median income adjusted for family size; or

(g) Meets criteria under rules adopted by the department if the number of such children equals not more than ~~((ten))~~ 10 percent of the total enrollment in the early childhood program. Preference for enrollment in this group shall be given to children from families with the lowest income, children in foster care, or to eligible children from families with multiple needs.

(5) "Experiencing homelessness" means a child without a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence as described in the federal McKinney-Vento homeless assistance act (Title 42 U.S.C., chapter 119, subchapter VI, part B) as it existed on January 1, 2021.

(6) "Family support services" means providing opportunities for parents to:

(a) Actively participate in their child's early childhood program;

(b) Increase their knowledge of child development and parenting skills;

(c) Further their education and training;

(d) Increase their ability to use needed services in the community;

(e) Increase their self-reliance; and

(f) Connect with culturally competent, disability positive therapists and supports where appropriate.

Sec. 4. RCW 43.216.512 and 2024 c 225 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The department shall adopt rules that allow the enrollment of children who meet one or more of the following criteria in the early childhood education and assistance program, as space is available if the number of such children equals not more than ~~((twenty-five))~~ 25 percent of total statewide enrollment:

(a) The child's family income is above ~~((one hundred ten))~~ 110 percent but less than or equal to ~~((one hundred thirty))~~ 130 percent of the federal poverty level;

(b) The child's family income is above ~~((one hundred thirty))~~ 130 percent but less than or equal to ~~((two hundred))~~ 200 percent of the federal poverty level if the child meets at least one of the risk factor criterion described in subsection (2) of this section; or

(c) Beginning November 1, 2024, the child is not eligible under RCW 43.216.505 and is a member of an assistance unit that is eligible for or is receiving basic food benefits under the federal supplemental nutrition assistance program or the state food assistance program.

(2) Children enrolled in the early childhood education and assistance program pursuant to subsection (1)(b) of this section must be prioritized for available funded slots according to a prioritization system adopted in rule by the department that considers risk factors that have a disproportionate effect on kindergarten readiness and school performance, including:

(a) Family income as a percent of the federal poverty level;

(b) Homelessness;

(c) Child welfare system involvement;

(d) Developmental delay or disability that does not meet the eligibility criteria for special education described in RCW 28A.155.020;

(e) Domestic violence;

(f) English as a second language;

(g) Expulsion from an early learning setting;

(h) A parent who is incarcerated;

(i) A parent with a substance use disorder or mental health treatment need; and

(j) Other risk factors determined by the department to be linked by research to school performance.

(3) The department shall adopt rules that allow a three-year-old child who is not eligible under RCW 43.216.505 to enroll in the early childhood education and assistance program, as space is available, when ~~((the child is not eligible under RCW 43.216.505 and the child turns three years old at any time during the school year when))~~ the child:

(a)(i) Has a family income at or below ~~((two hundred))~~ 200 percent of the federal poverty level or meets at least one risk factor criterion adopted by the department in rule; and

~~((b))~~ (ii) Has received services from or participated in:

~~((i))~~ (A) The early support for infants and toddlers program;

~~((iii))~~ (B) The early head start or a successor federal program providing comprehensive services for children from birth through two years of age; or

~~((iiii))~~ (C) The birth to three early childhood education and assistance program, if such a program is established; or

(b) Did not turn three on or before August 31st of the school year, but otherwise meets the definition of eligible child under RCW 43.216.505.

(4) Children enrolled in the early childhood education and assistance program under this section are not considered eligible children as defined in RCW 43.216.505 and are not considered to be part of the state-funded entitlement required in RCW 43.216.556.

Sec. 5. RCW 43.216.513 and 2021 c 199 s 206 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The department shall adopt rules that allow a three-year-old child who is not eligible under RCW 43.216.505 to enroll in the early childhood education and assistance program, as space is available and subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, when the child ~~((is not eligible under RCW 43.216.505 and the child turns three years old at any time during the school year when the child))~~:

(a)(i) Has a family income at or below 50 percent of the state median income or meets at least one risk factor criterion adopted by the department in rule; and

~~((b))~~ (ii) Has received services from or participated in:

~~((i))~~ (A) The early head start or a successor federal program providing comprehensive services for children from birth through two years of age;

~~((iii))~~ (B) The early support for infants and toddlers program or received class C developmental services;

~~((iiii))~~ (C) The birth to three early childhood education and assistance program; or

~~((iv))~~ (D) The early childhood intervention and prevention services program; or

(b) Did not turn three on or before August 31st of the school year, but otherwise meets the definition of eligible child under RCW 43.216.505.

(2) Children enrolled in the early childhood education and assistance program under this section are not eligible children as defined in RCW 43.216.505 and are not part of the state-funded entitlement required in RCW 43.216.556.

Sec. 6. 2021 c 199 s 604 (uncodified) is amended to read as

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follows:

(1) Section((s 204 through 206 and)) 403 of this act takes effect July 1, 2026.

(2) Sections 204 through 206 of this act take effect July 1, 2025.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** Section 2 of this act expires August 1, 2030.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** Section 3 of this act takes effect August 1, 2030.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** (1) Section 1 of this act takes effect only if chapter . . . (Senate Bill No. 5752), Laws of 2025 is not enacted by July 1, 2025.

(2) Section 2 of this act takes effect July 1, 2025, if chapter . . . (Senate Bill No. 5752), Laws of 2025 is enacted by July 1, 2025.

(3) Section 6 of this act takes effect only if chapter . . . (Senate Bill No. 5752), Laws of 2025 is enacted by July 1, 2025.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** (1) Section 4 of this act expires July 1, 2025, if chapter . . . (Senate Bill No. 5752), Laws of 2025 is enacted by July 1, 2025.

(2) Section 4 of this act expires July 1, 2026, if chapter . . . (Senate Bill No. 5752), Laws of 2025 is not enacted by July 1, 2025.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** Sections 2 and 5 of this act take effect July 1, 2026, if chapter . . . (Senate Bill No. 5752), Laws of 2025 is not enacted by July 1, 2025.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 12.** Except as provided in sections 8 and 11 of this act, this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect July 1, 2025."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "program;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 43.216.505, 43.216.512, and 43.216.513; amending 2021 c 199 s 604 (uncodified); reenacting and amending RCW 43.216.505; providing effective dates; providing contingent effective dates; providing an expiration date; providing contingent expiration dates; and declaring an emergency."

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of the committee striking amendment by the Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education to Substitute House Bill No. 1351.

The motion by Senator Wellman carried and the committee striking amendment was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Wellman, the rules were suspended, Substitute House Bill No. 1351 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 Wellman and Harris 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. 1351 as amended by the Senate.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1351 as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 49; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 0.

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

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1351, 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. 1028, by Representatives Goodman, Eslick, Reed, Fey, Davis, and Lekanoff

Addressing child exposure to violence.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Wilson, C., the rules were suspended, House Bill No. 1028 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senator Wilson, C. spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

Senator Christian spoke against passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of House Bill No. 1028.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1028 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 47; Nays, 2; Absent, 0; Excused, 0.

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

Voting nay: Senators Christian and McCune

HOUSE BILL NO. 1028, 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. 1705, by Representatives Dent, Reeves, Parshley, Connors, and Bernbaum

Convening a work group to study and recommend strategies to recruit, train, and retain large animal veterinarians.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Nobles, the rules were suspended, Engrossed House Bill No. 1705 was advanced to third reading,

the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Nobles and Warnick 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. 1705.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 1705 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 49; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 0.

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, Shewmake, Short, Slatter, Stanford, Torres, Trudeau, Valdez, Wagoner, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C. and Wilson, J.

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1705, 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 there would be no Republican Caucus.

MOTION

At 11:58 a.m., on motion of Senator Riccelli, the Senate was declared to be at ease subject to the call of the President.

The Senate was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Vice President Pro Tempore Lovick.

MOTION

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

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

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SB 5444 Prime Sponsor, Senator Cortes: Creating several new special license plates. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5444 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; Christian; Cortes; Fortunato; Harris; Holy; Krishnadasan; Lovelett; Nobles; Shewmake; Valdez and Wilson, J.

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 5734 Prime Sponsor, Senator Liias: Concerning the interstate bridge replacement toll bond authority. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5734 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 Senators Christian and MacEwen.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5786 Prime Sponsor, Senator Stanford: Increasing license, permit, and endorsement fees. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: That Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5786 be substituted therefor, and the second substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5804 Prime Sponsor, Senator Trudeau: Concerning fish habitat restoration. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5804 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating and Boehnke.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Gildon, Ranking

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Member, Operating and Muzzall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SHB 1061 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Providing additional parking flexibility in residential neighborhoods. Reported by Committee on Transportation

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

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Lovelett and Valdez.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1068 Prime Sponsor, Representative Doglio: Removing the exclusion from interest arbitration of Washington management service employees at the department of corrections. 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; Wagoner; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1069 Prime Sponsor, Representative Fosse: Allowing collective bargaining over contributions for certain supplemental retirement benefits. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Labor & Commerce. 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; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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E2SHB 1102 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Increasing support and services for veterans. 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; 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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EHB 1106 Prime Sponsor, Representative Barnard: Recognizing the tremendous sacrifices made by our military veterans by phasing down the disability rating requirements to ensure more disabled veterans are eligible for property tax relief. 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; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 7, 2025

E2SHB 1131 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning clemency and pardons. 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; Cleveland; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

ESHB 1141 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Labor & Workplace Standards: Concerning collective bargaining for agricultural cannabis workers. 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; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1162 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning workplace violence in health care settings. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Labor & Commerce. 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; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 7, 2025

E2SHB 1163 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Enhancing requirements relating to the purchase, transfer, and possession of firearms. 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; Cleveland; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Conway and Kauffman.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

SHB 1177 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Early Learning & Human Services: Concerning the child welfare housing assistance program. 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; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Cleveland; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Braun; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

E2SHB 1213 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Expanding protections for workers in the state paid family and medical leave program. 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; Cleveland; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Braun; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

EHB 1219 Prime Sponsor, Representative Taylor: Concerning the interbranch advisory committee. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Law & Justice. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Braun; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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E2SHB 1232 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning private detention facilities. 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; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

SHB 1244 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Concerning training as an alternative to driver license suspension for the accumulation of certain traffic infractions. Reported by Committee on Transportation

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

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Goehner, Assistant Ranking Member; Christian; Fortunato; MacEwen and Wilson, J.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Harris and Holy.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

SHB 1261 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Finance: Providing tax relief for certain incidental uses on open space land. 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; Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

SHB 1264 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Concerning the salaries of ferry system collective bargaining units. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Liias, Chair; Lovick, Vice Chair; Ramos, Vice Chair; Alvarado; Chapman; Cortes; Krishnadasan; Lovelett; Nobles; Shewmake; Valdez and Wilson, J.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators King, Ranking Member; Christian; Fortunato and Holy.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Goehner, Assistant Ranking Member; Harris and MacEwen.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SHB 1272 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Extending the program to address complex cases of children in crisis. 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; 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 1293 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning litter. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology. 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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2SHB 1359 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Reviewing laws related to criminal insanity and competency to stand trial. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Law & Justice. 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; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Dozier, Assistant

Ranking Member, Capital; Braun and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1389 Prime Sponsor, Representative Bernbaum:
Extending the expiration date for reporting requirements on
timber purchases. 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;
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.

April 8, 2025

SHB 1390 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Early Learning &
Human Services: Repealing the community protection program.
Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by
Committee on Human Services. 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; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

2SHB 1391 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations:
Improving developmentally appropriate alternatives for youth
outside the formal court process. 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; Wellman and
Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without
recommendation. Signed by Senators Gildon, Ranking
Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member,
Operating; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier,
Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Braun;
Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SHB 1392 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations:
Creating the medicaid access program. 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; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa;
Kauffman; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wellman and
Wilson, C.

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

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

ESHB 1423 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation:
Authorizing the use of automated vehicle noise enforcement
cameras in vehicle-racing camera enforcement zones. Reported
by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.
Signed by Senators Liias, Chair; Lovick, Vice Chair; Ramos,
Vice Chair; Alvarado; Chapman; Cortes; Krishnadasan;
Nobles; Shewmake and Valdez.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by
Senators Goehner, Assistant Ranking Member; Christian;
Fortunato; Harris; Holy; MacEwen and Wilson, J.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

2SHB 1427 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations:
Concerning certified peer support specialists. 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;
Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant
Ranking Member, Operating; Dozier, Assistant Ranking
Member, Capital; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen;
Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña;
Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without
recommendation. Signed by Senators Schoesler, Ranking
Member, Capital; Boehnke and Braun.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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E2SHB 1432 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations:
Improving access to appropriate mental health and substance use
disorder services. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

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MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care. 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; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Boehnke; Braun and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 8, 2025

SHB 1460 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning protection order hope cards. 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; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 7, 2025

2SHB 1462 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Reducing greenhouse gas emissions associated with hydrofluorocarbons. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital and Hasegawa.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 7, 2025

3SHB 1491 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Promoting transit-oriented housing development. 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; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; 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; Schoesler, Ranking Member, Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Hasegawa; Muzzall; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SHB 1509 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning family reconciliation services. 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; 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.

April 8, 2025

2SHB 1515 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Modernizing the regulation of alcohol service in public spaces. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

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

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Hasegawa and Muzzall.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Boehnke; Dhingra and Kauffman.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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E2SHB 1563 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Establishing a prescribed fire claims fund pilot program. 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; Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Schoesler, Ranking Member,

Capital; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1605 Prime Sponsor, Representative Fey: Concerning the establishment of a state patrol longevity bonus. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. 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.

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SHB 1670 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Environment & Energy: Increasing transparency regarding sewage-containing spills. 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; 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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E2SHB 1686 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Creating a health care entity registry. 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; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1715 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Regarding the costs of compliance with the state energy performance standard. 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; Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member, Operating; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Boehnke; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SHB 1733 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Civil Rights & Judiciary: Increasing the reimbursement cap for moving and relocation expenses incurred by persons affected by agency displacements. 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.

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SHB 1774 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Modifying allowable terms for the lease of unused highway land. 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; Alvarado; Chapman; Cortes; Harris; Holy; Krishnadasan; Lovelett; Nobles; Shewmake and Valdez.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Christian; Fortunato and MacEwen.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Goehner, Assistant Ranking Member and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1796 Prime Sponsor, Representative Callan: Concerning school districts' authority to contract indebtedness for school construction. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wellman and Wilson, C.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Gildon, Ranking Member, Operating; Torres, Assistant Ranking Member,

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recommendation. Signed by Senators Goehner, Assistant Ranking Member; Fortunato; Holy and Wilson, J.

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SHB 1811 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care & Wellness: Enhancing crisis response services through co-response integration and support. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

HB 1936 Prime Sponsor, Representative Chase: Extending the expiration of certain school employee postretirement employment restrictions. 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; Dozier, Assistant Ranking Member, Capital; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Hasegawa; Kauffman; Muzzall; Pedersen; Riccelli; Saldaña; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

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

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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

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Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

E2SHB 1813 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Concerning the reprocurement of medical assistance services, including the realignment of behavioral health crisis services for medicaid enrollees. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

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MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. 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; Wellman and Wilson, C.

HB 1970 Prime Sponsor, Representative Zahn: Concerning state highway construction project alternative contracting procedures. Reported by Committee on Transportation

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

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.

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

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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ESHB 1837 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Establishing intercity passenger rail improvement priorities. Reported by Committee on Transportation

ESHB 1971 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care & Wellness: Increasing access to prescription hormone therapy. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Lias, Chair; Lovick, Vice Chair; Ramos, Vice Chair; Alvarado; Chapman; Cortes; Harris; Krishnadasan; Lovelett; Nobles; Shewmake and Valdez.

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; Wagoner; Warnick; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

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

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without

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Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1975 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Amending the climate commitment act by adjusting auction price containment mechanisms and ceiling prices, addressing the department of ecology's authority to amend rules to facilitate linkage with other jurisdictions, and providing for market dynamic analysis. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology. 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 2015 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Improving public safety funding by providing resources to local governments and state and local criminal justice agencies, and authorizing a local option tax. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Robinson, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair, Operating; Frame, Vice Chair, Finance; Braun; Cleveland; Conway; Dhingra; Hansen; Kauffman; Pedersen; Riccelli; Wellman and Wilson, C.

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

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Trudeau, Vice Chair, Capital; Hasegawa; Muzzall; Saldaña; Wagoner and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SHJM 4001 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Concerning Russ Blount memorial bridge naming. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Lias, Chair; Lovick, Vice Chair; Ramos, Vice

Chair; King, Ranking Member; Goehner, Assistant Ranking Member; Alvarado; Christian; Cortes; Fortunato; Harris; Holy; Krishnadasan; MacEwen; Shewmake; Valdez and Wilson, J.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Chapman; Lovelett and Nobles.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HJM 4002 Prime Sponsor, Representative Dent: Designating the bridge that carries Interstate 90 over the Columbia river near Vantage, Washington as the "Medal of Honor Bridge." Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. 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.

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SGA 9197 SEVERIN E. KNUTSEN, appointed on January 8, 2025, for the term ending December 26, 2028, as Member of the Board of Pilotage Commissioners. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. 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.

At 6:05 p.m., on motion of Senator Riccelli, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

DENNY HECK, President of the Senate

SARAH BANNISTER, Secretary of the Senate

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