

NINETEENTH DAY

AFTERNOON SESSION

Senate Chamber, Olympia  
Friday, January 31, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by the President of the Senate, Lt. Governor Heck presiding. No roll call was taken.

MOTIONS

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

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

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**SB 5004** Prime Sponsor, Senator Torres: Updating emergency response systems in public schools including panic or alert buttons. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5004 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Nobles, Vice Chair, K-12; Wilson, C., Vice Chair, Early Learning; Harris, Ranking Member; Cortes; Dozier; Hansen; Krishnadasan and McCune.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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**SB 5027** Prime Sponsor, Senator Torres: Establishing a loan repayment program for public defense attorneys and prosecutors. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5027 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Warnick, Ranking Member; Boehnke and Slatter.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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**SB 5064** Prime Sponsor, Senator Lias: Creating an advisory council on rare diseases. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5064 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Orwall, Vice Chair; Muzzall, Ranking Member; Cleveland, Chair; Bateman; Chapman; Christian; Harris; Holy; Riccelli; Robinson and Slatter.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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**SB 5138** Prime Sponsor, Senator Saldaña: Concerning public facilities districts. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Salomon, Chair; Lovelett, Vice Chair; Torres, Ranking Member; Bateman and Goehner.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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**SB 5155** Prime Sponsor, Senator Salomon: Extending a program to streamline the environmental permitting process for salmon recovery projects. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5155 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Salomon, Chair; Lovelett, Vice Chair and Bateman.

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

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

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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**SB 5164** Prime Sponsor, Senator Nobles: Providing student navigational supports to increase postsecondary enrollment. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5164 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair and Slatter.

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

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

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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**SB 5187** Prime Sponsor, Senator Wellman: Providing adequate and predictable student transportation. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

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

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5192 Prime Sponsor, Senator Nobles: Concerning school district materials, supplies, and operating costs. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

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

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

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

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5193 Prime Sponsor, Senator Cortes: Supporting remote testing options for students enrolled in online school programs. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5193 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Nobles, Vice Chair, K-12; Wilson, C., Vice Chair, Early Learning; Harris, Ranking Member; Cortes; Dozier; Hansen; Krishnadasan and McCune.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5221 Prime Sponsor, Senator Bateman: Simplifying processes and timelines related to personal property distraint. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5221 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Salomon, Chair; Lovelett, Vice Chair; Torres, Ranking Member; Bateman and Goehner.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5263 Prime Sponsor, Senator Pedersen: Concerning special education funding. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5263 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Wellman, Chair; Nobles, Vice Chair, K-12; Wilson, C., Vice Chair, Early Learning; Harris, Ranking Member; Cortes; Dozier; Hansen; Krishnadasan and McCune.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5288 Prime Sponsor, Senator Schoesler: Concerning vacancies on boards of county commissioners. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Salomon, Chair; Lovelett, Vice Chair; Torres, Ranking Member; Bateman and Goehner.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5304 Prime Sponsor, Senator Kauffman: Expanding eligibility for the students experiencing homelessness and foster youth program to an accredited tribal college. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Warnick, Ranking Member; Boehnke and Slatter.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5315 Prime Sponsor, Senator Gildon: Standardizing notification provisions relating to local tax rate changes and shared taxes administered by the department. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Salomon, Chair; Lovelett, Vice Chair; Torres, Ranking Member; Bateman and Goehner.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5321 Prime Sponsor, Senator Nobles: Concerning access at public postsecondary educational institutions to medication abortion. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5321 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair and Slatter.

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

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SB 5361 Prime Sponsor, Senator Dhingra: Delaying the use of the ASAM 4 criteria, treatment criteria for addictive, substance related, and co-occurring conditions. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Orwall, Vice Chair; Muzzall, Ranking Member; Cleveland, Chair; Bateman; Chapman; Harris; Holy; Riccelli; Robinson and Slatter.

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

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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SGA 9127 JAMES A. RESTUCCI, reappointed on July 1, 2024, for the term ending June 30, 2030, as Member of the Transportation Commission. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be

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confirmed. 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; MacEwen; Nobles; Shewmake and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SGA 9192 SAMUEL W. HUNT, appointed on December 31, 2024, for the term ending September 30, 2030, as Member of the Washington State University Board of Regents. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Warnick, Ranking Member; Boehnke and Slatter.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SGA 9194 MICHAEL ANTHONY, appointed on January 8, 2025, for the term ending December 26, 2027, as Member of the Board of Pilotage Commissioners. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. 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; MacEwen; Nobles; Shewmake and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

#### MOTIONS

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

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

#### INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 5605 by Senators Frame, and Shewmake

AN ACT Relating to the operation, authorization, and permitting of microenterprise home kitchens; adding a new section to chapter 69.07 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 70.54 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 69 RCW; creating new sections; and providing expiration dates.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

SB 5606 by Senator Bateman

AN ACT Relating to providing sufficient funding for the Washington state long-term care ombuds program; adding a new section to chapter 43.190 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5607 by Senator Warnick

AN ACT Relating to free speech information for students at institutions of higher education; adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5608 by Senator Warnick

AN ACT Relating to adopting free speech policy statements at public institutions of higher education; adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5609 by Senator Kauffman

AN ACT Relating to cultural resource protection for certain land use activities that are categorically exempt from the state environmental policy act; and adding a new section to chapter 43.21C RCW.

Referred to Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology.

SB 5610 by Senator Kauffman

AN ACT Relating to establishing an equine industry tax credit, allowing the horse racing commission to impose a fee, and using equine industry sales tax revenues for federal regulatory compliance; adding new sections to chapter 67.16 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.04 RCW; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Business, Financial Services & Trade.

SB 5611 by Senators Salomon, and Trudeau

AN ACT Relating to streamlining and clarifying local governments' land use permitting workloads; amending RCW 58.17.035, 58.17.040, 64.90.025, and 36.70B.080; reenacting and amending RCW 58.17.040; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

SB 5612 by Senators Salomon, and Liias

AN ACT Relating to a categorical exemption for multiunit housing development within the incorporated areas in an urban growth area under the state environmental policy act; and amending RCW 43.21C.229.

Referred to Committee on Housing.

SB 5613 by Senators Salomon, Trudeau, and Liias

AN ACT Relating to the development of clear and objective standards, conditions, and procedures for residential development; amending RCW 36.70A.030 and 36.70A.190; reenacting and amending RCW 36.70A.280; adding a new section to chapter 36.70A RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Housing.

SB 5614 by Senators Salomon, Trudeau, Alvarado, and Liias

AN ACT Relating to impact fees; and amending RCW 82.02.050.

Referred to Committee on Housing.

SB 5615 by Senator Salomon

AN ACT Relating to project permit applications for residential housing units; and adding a new section to chapter 36.70B RCW.

Referred to Committee on Housing.

SB 5616 by Senators Hasegawa, and Stanford

AN ACT Relating to the Washington saves administrative trust account; amending RCW 19.05.010 and 19.05.110; reenacting and amending RCW 43.79A.040 and 43.79A.040; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 5617 by Senator Wilson, C.

AN ACT Relating to providing for a child in need of services petition process for juveniles in and exiting detention; amending RCW 13.32A.045, 13.32A.150, 13.32A.152, 13.32A.160, 13.32A.170, 13.32A.179, and 43.330.724; reenacting and amending RCW 13.32A.030; and adding new sections to chapter 13.32A RCW.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

SB 5618 by Senator Boehnke

AN ACT Relating to transparency in college admissions; and adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5619 by Senator Boehnke

AN ACT Relating to establishing minimum in-state resident enrollment thresholds for public universities; adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 5620 by Senator Cleveland

AN ACT Relating to codifying the rights of children and youth in foster care; adding a new section to chapter 74.13 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

SB 5621 by Senators Stanford, Kauffman, Chapman, Trudeau, Saldaña, Muzzall, Ramos, Conway, Wagoner, and Braun

AN ACT Relating to electronic raffles at live sporting events; and amending RCW 9.46.0277.

Referred to Committee on Business, Financial Services & Trade.

SB 5622 by Senators Lovick, and Dhingra

AN ACT Relating to establishing restrictions on the sale of over-the-counter diet pills and dietary supplements for weight loss or muscle building to individuals under 18 years of age; adding a new chapter to Title 69 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Business, Financial Services & Trade.

SB 5623 by Senators Wilson, J., Fortunato, Holy, McCune, Boehnke, Dozier, Short, Braun, and Warnick

AN ACT Relating to recommendations of the public records exemptions accountability committee; and amending RCW 42.56.140.

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

SB 5624 by Senators Wilson, J., Fortunato, Holy, Dozier, McCune, Gildon, Torres, Goehner, Short, Warnick, and Wagoner

AN ACT Relating to developing best practices for responding to electric vehicle fires; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 5625 by Senators Shewmake, Boehnke, MacEwen, Slatter, Lovelett, Wellman, Conway, Frame, Saldaña, Wilson, J., Wagoner, and Riccelli

AN ACT Relating to designating the Pacific geoduck as the state clam; and adding a new section to chapter 1.20 RCW.

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

SB 5626 by Senators Saldaña, Lovelett, Valdez, Cortes, Alvarado, Orwall, Kauffman, and Slatter

AN ACT Relating to creating a wage replacement program for certain Washington workers excluded from unemployment insurance; amending RCW 50.29.041 and 50.24.014; reenacting and amending RCW 42.56.410 and 50.29.025; adding a new chapter to Title 50 RCW; creating a new section; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Labor & Commerce.

SB 5627 by Senators Ramos, Harris, Wellman, Shewmake, and Wilson, J.

AN ACT Relating to improving safe excavation practices and preventing damage to underground utilities; amending RCW 19.122.010, 19.122.020, 19.122.027, 19.122.030, 19.122.031, 19.122.040, 19.122.050, 19.122.055, 19.122.070, 19.122.090, 19.122.100, 19.122.130, and 19.122.150; adding a new section to chapter 19.122 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology.

HB 1006 by Representatives Ryu, McClintock, and Reeves

AN ACT Relating to regulating service contracts and protection product guarantees; and amending RCW 48.110.020, 48.110.050, 48.110.055, 48.110.060, 48.110.073, 48.110.075, 48.110.110, and 48.110.140.

Referred to Committee on Business, Financial Services & Trade.

HB 1009 by Representatives Low, Ramel, and Eslick

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AN ACT Relating to the membership of the pharmacy quality assurance commission; and amending RCW 18.64.001.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

HB 1012 by Representatives Taylor, Mena, Ryu, Reed, Macri, Cortes, Doglio, Gregerson, Ortiz-Self, Simmons, Street, Pollet, Fey, Duerr, Berg, Ormsby, Lekanoff, Parshley, Reeves, and Hill

AN ACT Relating to expressly authorizing the women's commission to solicit gifts, grants, and endowments from public or private sources; and amending RCW 43.119.050.

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

HB 1013 by Representatives Schmidt, Fosse, Berry, and Reeves  
AN ACT Relating to exemption of certain personnel of the department of social and health services from civil service; and amending RCW 41.06.076.

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

HB 1046 by Representatives Leavitt, Low, Ryu, Walen, Fitzgibbon, Callan, Bronoske, Peterson, Pollet, Nance, Berg, and Fosse

AN ACT Relating to protecting the vulnerable by providing immunity from civil liability for damage to a motor vehicle arising from the rescue of vulnerable persons or domestic animals; and adding new sections to chapter 4.24 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

HB 1075 by Representatives Walen, Leavitt, Ramel, Duerr, Shavers, Doglio, Tharinger, Peterson, Wylie, Nance, Berg, Ormsby, Lekanoff, Scott, Salahuddin, Reeves, and Hill

AN ACT Relating to expanding housing supply by supporting the ability of public housing authorities to finance affordable housing developments; and amending RCW 35.82.070.

Referred to Committee on Housing.

HB 1112 by Representatives Farivar, Davis, Berry, Reed, Macri, Bergquist, Scott, Ryu, Fitzgibbon, Taylor, Obras, Gregerson, Street, Ormsby, and Hill

AN ACT Relating to removing the city residency requirement for judges pro tempore in municipalities with a population of more than 400,000 inhabitants; and amending RCW 35.20.200.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

HB 1126 by Representatives Walen, Reeves, Ryu, Wylie, and Hill

AN ACT Relating to standardizing notification provisions relating to local tax rate changes and shared taxes administered by the department; and amending RCW 82.14.055, 82.14.390, and 82.14.485.

Referred to Committee on Local Government.

HB 1157 by Representative Steele

AN ACT Relating to authorizing access to certifications of birth and death to additional family members; and amending RCW 70.58A.530.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

HB 1190 by Representatives Marshall, Leavitt, Jacobsen, Couture, Barkis, and Timmons

AN ACT Relating to allowing additional health professions to access the University of Washington health sciences library; and amending RCW 43.70.110.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Riccelli, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of Senate Bill No. 5605 which was designated to the Committee on Health & Long-Term Care and referred to the Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

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

Senator Lovelett moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION  
8607

By Senators Lovelett, Chapman, Dhingra, Orwall, Valdez, and J. Wilson

WHEREAS, A 1983 public works report commissioned by the Washington State Legislature found that local governments of the State of Washington projected more than \$2 billion in critical infrastructure needs at that time; and

WHEREAS, To support Washington State local governments in the financing of critical infrastructure projects, the 1985 Washington State Legislature created the Washington State Public Works Board and Public Works Assistance Account through chapter 466, Laws of 1985; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Board is composed of 13 members appointed by the governor; three representing cities, three representing counties, three jointly representing water-sewer districts and public utility districts, and four representing the general public; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Board is responsible for administering Public Works Assistance Account funds in the form of low-interest loans and grants to Washington State counties, cities, water and sewer districts, and public utility districts to finance essential drinking water, sanitary sewer, stormwater, road, bridge, and solid waste infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Assistance Account is a revolving loan fund that uses Public Works Board-awarded project loan repayments and percentages of the Washington State real estate excise tax, public utility tax, and solid waste tax to generate monies for additional infrastructure-funded projects; and

WHEREAS, Since its creation, the Public Works Board has invested nearly \$3.5 billion in more than 2,200 projects supporting essential infrastructure to the direct benefit of residents and businesses in every county and across cities and towns in the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Just in the past six years, awards by the Public

Works Board have saved local governments \$188 million in interest rate savings and grants, helping keep utility rates affordable; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Public Works Board and Public Works Assistance Account in providing a viable option for local governments to finance critical infrastructure projects has been recognized and emulated by other states across the nation; and

WHEREAS, In the 2023-2025 biennium, the Public Works Board awarded \$392 million in loans and grants for construction projects, \$15 million in loans and grants for preconstruction projects, and \$8.5 million in loans and grants for emergency infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 Session of the Washington State Legislature marks the 40th anniversary of the creation of the Public Works Board and the Public Works Assistance Account;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Public Works Board and Public Works Assistance Account and recognize the significant benefit the program has created for the State of Washington and communities across the state by preserving public health and safety, protecting the environment, supporting affordable housing, and creating family-wage jobs since its creation in 1985.

Senators Lovelett, Short, Wellman and Goehner spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8607.

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

#### MOTION

Senator Hasegawa moved adoption of the following resolution:

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 8608

By Senators Hasegawa and Conway

WHEREAS, January 29, 2025, marks the beginning of the Lunar New Year, which is celebrated in many diverse communities around the world, including in the United States and in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, The 2024 regular session of the Legislature passed House Bill 2209 recognizing Lunar New Year as a state legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year is celebrated annually on the second new moon following the winter solstice; and

WHEREAS, Washington is home to nearly 920,000 Asian and

Pacific Islander Americans of Cambodian, Chinese, Filipino, Hmong, Indian, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Samoan, Sri Lankan, Taiwanese, Tongan, and Vietnamese descent; and

WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year is an especially significant holiday in East and Southeast Asian cultures, including in Chinese, Vietnamese, and Korean communities, among others; and

WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year is a celebration of the arrival of spring and the beginning of a new year, as a time to renew family ties, and to start the new year with a clean slate; and

WHEREAS, In the United States, Lunar New Year is commonly associated with the Chinese New Year, also known as the Spring Festival, in Vietnam, the holiday is known as Tet Nguyen Dan, also commonly referred to as Tet, and in Korea it is known as Seollal; and

WHEREAS, The Lunar Calendar rotates through 12-year cycles, with each year representing an animal from The Great Race, and through 60-year cycles—with each animal associated with one of the five elements: Metal, wood, fire, water, or earth—to create harmony and balance; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 Lunar Year is the Year of the Wood Snake, symbolizing versatility, growth, and creativity; and

WHEREAS, The celebration of the Lunar New Year in communities throughout Washington State illustrates the state's rich cultural history and commitment to racial, religious, and cultural diversity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate join Asian and Pacific Islander communities throughout the state, the nation, and the world in celebrating January 29, 2025, as the beginning of the Lunar New Year and extend best wishes for a peaceful and prosperous Lunar New Year to all Washingtonians.

Senators Hasegawa, Wagoner and Saldaña spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8608.

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

#### MOTION

At 12:57 p.m., on motion of Senator Riccelli, the Senate adjourned until 12:30 p.m. Monday, February 3, 2025.

DENNY HECK, President of the Senate

SARAH BANNISTER, Secretary of the Senate

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