

2018 Washington State Legislative Session Weekly Report Far West Agribusiness Association March 2, 2018

Week of February 26 to March 2 Highlights

With just one week left in the 2018 Washington State legislative session, a number of high profile issues continue to receive considerable attention. In addition to a long list of bills still requiring immediate action, the Legislature has begun operating budget negotiations, battled over a carbon tax proposal and acted on a controversial public records bill. Details on these matters appear below.

Two important cutoff dates passed this week. February 26 was the last day to pass opposite chamber bills out of House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees. Today, March 2 at 5:00 pm, is the deadline for each chamber to consider and pass bills off the floor from the opposite chamber, except for initiatives and alternatives to initiatives, budgets and matters necessary to implement budgets, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and closing of the session. We are still on pace to finish this session on its scheduled sine die date of March 8.

It is important to keep in mind that any bill deemed NTIB (necessary to implement the budget) can be exempt from these cut off deadlines. It is also important to note that "dead" bills can be brought back to life through either extraordinary procedural maneuvers or creative amendments on other bills moving through the process.

Below is a summary of the highlights from this week and events for next week.

Supplemental Budgets

2018 Supplemental Operating Budget

Having passed the Senate with a 25-23 vote (1 excused), the 2018 supplemental operating budget ([ESSB 6032](#)) for the 2017-19 biennium passed the House (50-46, 2 excused) on February 26. The House passed an [amended](#) version of the bill, so negotiators from the two chambers will now need to meet and resolve their differences before passing an agreed compromise budget. The House version of the budget funds teacher compensation to meet McCleary requirements. The budget relies on \$400 million from the rainy day fund to lower 2017 property tax increases by an estimated \$0.31 per thousand of assessed value for the years 2019 and 2020. It also includes a phased-in 40% reduction in Business and Occupation (B&O) taxes for rural area manufacturers. It does not include a capital gains tax ([SHB 2967](#)) that was in the original House supplemental operating proposal. However, it does provide funding for the Department of Revenue to implement the tax.

2018 Supplemental Capital Budget

The 2018 supplemental capital budget for the 2017-19 biennium ([ESSB 6095](#)) was passed by the Senate on February 23 (44-4, 1 excused). On February 27 an [amended](#) version was passed by the House (95-3).

Similar to the operating budget, negotiators from both chambers will need to settle on an agreed budget. Then the final version will need to be passed in each chamber.

2018 Supplemental Transportation Budget

On February 23 the Senate passed the supplemental transportation budget ([ESSB 6106](#)) with a vote of 47-0, 1 excused. On February 27 the House passed an amended version of the bill by a vote of 95-3. Like the other supplemental budgets, negotiators from both chambers will need to reach a final agreement and the final version of the bill will need to be passed in each chamber.

Business & Labor

Agriculture

For purposes of certain federal motor carrier regulation exemptions for agricultural operations, [SB 6180](#) will expand the planting and harvesting season in Washington to January 1 through December 31 of each year. The season currently runs from February 1 to November 30 each year. The bill was overwhelmingly passed by the Senate (47-0) and House (97-1).

Tax Preferences

The House Finance Committee passed [ESSB 5513](#), regarding tax preference transparency and accountability, on February 26. Specifically, the bill requires the Department of Revenue Tax Exemption Report to be updated more frequently. It also directs the Office of Financial Management to work with fiscal committees to incorporate ways for more transparency and accountability on the impacts of discretionary tax preferences in budget and outlook documents.

Reducing Workplace Sexual Assault & Harassment

On February 27 the House unanimously passed both [SSB 5996](#) to reduce sexual harassment and sexual assault in the workplace and [SB 6471](#), which is designed to improve the workplace by developing model policies and best practices to prevent sexual harassment. [SSB 6313](#) to prevent employee contracts that limit an employee's right to file a sexual harassment claim was unanimously passed by the House on February 28. [EHB 2759](#), establishing a Women's Commission, was passed with a vote of 44-5 by the Senate on March 1. On February 27 the House unanimously passed [ESSB 6068](#) concerning sexual assault or harassment nondisclosure agreement applicability. [HB 2661](#) that protects survivors of domestic assault from employment discrimination was passed by the Senate (44-5) on February 28 and will be sent to the governor to be signed into law.

Rural Jobs

[E2SHB 2177](#), creating a rural county jobs program, was passed out of the Senate Ways & Means Committee on February 26.

Fair Chance Act

On February 28, the Senate passed (33-16) [2SHB 1298](#), which prohibits employers from asking about a job applicant's prior criminal background until the employer has established the applicant is otherwise qualified for the position. Exemptions, such as for law enforcement and work with children, are included.

Law & Justice

Legal Financial Obligations (LFO)

[E2SHB 1783](#) prioritizes victim restitution and gives judges the ability to reduce or waive other fees and fines if a defendant is found to be indigent at the time of sentencing. An amended version passed the Senate (32-17) on February 28 and is back in the House for concurrence.

Juvenile Defense Diversion

On February 27 the House passed (55-43) [ESSB 6550](#) concerning diversion of juvenile offenders. Among other things, this bill expands the circumstances when a prosecutor may divert rather than prosecute an alleged juvenile offender case.

Environment

Green Energy Mandate

Energy-related legislation [SHB 2995](#) was passed out of the House Finance Committee on February 26 and is awaiting action on the floor. Among other things, it requires all electric utilities by year 2030 to eliminate costs from electric rates associated with delivering electricity generated from a coal-fired resource to Washington State customers.

Carbon Tax

Yesterday Governor Inslee announced that his carbon tax proposal ([2SSB 6203](#)) is dead for the session. The bill would have imposed in 2019 a carbon pollution tax equal to \$12 per metric ton of carbon dioxide emissions on the sale or use of fossil fuels and the generation or import of electricity in Washington generated using fossil fuels. The metric ton tax rate would have increased over time until reaching \$30 per metric ton of carbon dioxide.

State Government

Warrants, Bonds & Instruments

The Legislature acted quickly to pass [SB 6311](#) by votes of 47-0 (Senate) and 98-0 (House). The bill will modernize the laws related to lost or destroyed state warrants, bonds and other instruments.

Public Records Act

Since its swift passage by both chambers on February 23, there has been considerable media coverage of [ESB 6617](#). The issue arose because the Legislature has for years considered itself exempt from a 1972 public records ballot initiative approved by the people. The Initiative required that certain records of local and state government bodies be made public. Members of the media filed a lawsuit to challenge the Legislature's position that it was exempt from the law. The Thurston County Superior Court held in January that the law in fact does apply to the Legislature. In response, just last Friday the Legislature approved a bill that clearly exempts it from the Public Records Act. The Governor's Office has been contacted by a record-setting number of Washingtonians voicing concerns about and opposition to the bill's passage, as noted in this *Seattle Times* [article](#). Last night Governor Inslee vetoed the bill so as to allow the Legislature, the public and stakeholders to engage in a transparent process to discuss and consider legislative public records issues.

Health Care

Prescription Drugs

On February 26, the Senate Ways & Means Committee passed an amended version of [2SHB 1541](#). The legislation is designed to require insurance carriers, drug manufacturers, drug wholesalers, pharmacy benefit managers, and pharmacy services administrative organizations to report certain drug pricing information to a data organization. The data organization must collect the data and provide it to the Office of Financial Management, which then must produce a report to the Legislature. On February 27 the Senate unanimously passed an amended approach to [ESHB 1047](#) that creates a system for safe and secure collection and disposal of unwanted medications.

Foster Youth Health Care Benefits

Legislation ([SHB 2530](#)) concerning foster youth health care benefits was unanimously passed by the Senate on February 28. Specifically, it allows former foster children to continue coverage in the integrated managed health care plan for up to twelve months following reunification with a parent or guardian.

Women's Health Care

The House passed [SSB 6219](#) on February 28 with a 50-48 vote. The legislation requires that health plans include coverage for contraceptives with no cost sharing. It also establishes an abortion coverage requirement for health plans that provide maternity care coverage.

Continuity of Care

On February 27 the House unanimously passed [SSB 6147](#), which requires health insurers to continue to cover prescription drugs for enrollees under certain circumstances. It also prohibits health insurers from increasing copayment or coinsurance amounts for prescription drugs under certain circumstances. That same day, by a vote of 90-8, the House passed [ESSB 6157](#). The bill helps patients get access to health-care benefits by changing an insurance carrier's initial prior-authorization process so patients can have six consecutive treatment visits, without prior authorization, with specialty-care providers determined to be medically necessary.

Cyber: Net Neutrality

In an effort to protect net neutrality in Washington State, [SHB 2282](#) was passed by the Senate by a vote of 35-14 on February 27. Among other things, this bill would prohibit both the blocking and the throttling of lawful content by internet service providers.

Gun Responsibility

[ESB 5992](#), closing the machine gun loophole by prohibiting bump stocks (designed to accelerate a firearms' rate), was passed by the Senate on February 27 with a 31-18 vote. It has been delivered to the governor to be signed into law.

Elections: Voting Rights Act

On February 27 the House passed (52-46) Voting Rights Act legislation [ESSB 6002](#) to create a state Voting Rights Act with the intent of protecting equal opportunity for minority groups to participate in local elections.

Fall Elections

· 5th Legislative District: Representative Jay Rodne (R-Snoqualmie) announced he will not run for re-election. Former Republican legislator Chad Magendanz said he will run for this open seat.

- 6th Legislative District: Senator Michael Baumgartner (R-Spokane) announced he will not run for re-election to the Senate, but will be running for the open Spokane County Treasurer position this fall.
- 8th Legislative District: Representative Larry Haler (R-Tri-Cities) also announced he will not be returning to the Legislature after 14 years of service.

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Upcoming Legislative Events

High Priority Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>	
<p>Family & med leave insurance</p> <p>Implementing family and medical leave insurance.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Robinson (Prime), Appleton, Bergquist, Doglio, Dolan, Farrell, Frame, Goodman, Gregerson, Hudgins, Jinkins, Kagi, Kirby, Kloba, Lytton, Macri, McBride, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Peterson, Pollet, Reeves, Riccelli, Santos, Sells, Senn, Slatter, Stanford, Stonier, Tarleton, Tharinger, Wylie</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Requires the employment security department to: (1) Establish and administer a family and medical leave insurance program; and (2) Pay family and medical leave insurance benefits. Allows workers to: (1) Care for family members with a serious health condition or to recover from their own serious health condition; and (2) Deal with exigencies arising out of the military service of a family member. Changes the name of the family leave insurance account to the family and medical leave insurance account. Requires the state treasurer to, on July 1, 2017, transfer forty-two million dollars from the state general fund to the family and medical leave insurance account. The transfer is a loan for start-up costs of the program.</p>	<p>H Labor & Workpla</p>	<p>Robinson</p>	<p>Oppose</p>	
<p><u>SHB 1116</u> (SB 5032)</p>	<p>Hazard. substance possession</p> <p>Concerning imposing a surtax on the possession of hazardous substances.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Peterson (Prime), Fitzgibbon, Macri, Pollet</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Revises the model toxics control act to impose a surtax on those persons who are subject to the hazardous substance tax.</p>	<p>H Finance</p>	<p>Peterson</p>	<p>Concerns</p>
<p><u>HB 1663</u> (SB 5501)</p>	<p>Crew size on certain trains</p> <p>Establishing minimum crew size on certain trains.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Farrell (Prime), Barkis, Bergquist, Blake, Chandler, Chapman, Doglio, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Haler, Harmsworth, Harris, Holy, Hudgins, Irwin, Jinkins, Johnson, Koster, Lovick, Lytton, MacEwen, Macri, McBride, McCaslin, Muri, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Pollet, Riccelli, Robinson, Rodne, Ryu, Santos, Sawyer, Sells, Senn, Stambaugh, Stanford, Stokesbary, Stonier, Tarleton, Vick, Walsh, Wilcox, Wylie, Young</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Regulates minimum railroad crew staffing on trains carrying freight or passengers and trains transporting hazardous materials.</p>	<p>H Rules C</p>	<p>Farrell</p>	<p>Oppose</p>
<p><u>SHB 1669</u> (SB 5846)</p>				

<p><u>HB 1806</u></p>	<p>Crimes by corporations Increasing monetary penalties for crimes committed by corporations.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Pellicciotti (Prime), Appleton, Bergquist, Chapman, Clibborn, Doglio, Dolan, Farrell, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Goodman, Gregerson, Hudgins, Jinkins, Kilduff, Lovick, Macri, McBride, Ormsby, Orwall, Pettigrew, Pollet, Riccelli, Robinson, Ryu, Sawyer, Sells, Senn, Stanford, Stonier, Tharinger, Wylie</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Addresses the penalties imposed for criminal offenses by corporations.</p>	<p>H Public Safety</p>	<p>Pellicciotti</p>	<p>Oppose</p>
<p><u>HB 2878</u> <u>(SB 6322)</u></p>	<p>Pesticide exposure Concerning pesticide exposure and notification of certain pesticide applications.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Ortiz-Self (Prime), Macri, Pollet, Robinson, Valdez</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Declares that community members should be protected from pesticide exposure and notified of certain pesticide applications to prevent unnecessary exposure. Requires a pesticide user to provide written notice of an intended pesticide application in accordance with certain requirements. Requires the department of health to develop a list of individuals who apply to receive notification of pesticide applications on adjacent property. Authorizes the department of health and the department of labor and industries to investigate and assess a civil fine in accordance with administrative procedures for certain violations in this act. Prohibits the civil fine from exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars.</p>	<p>H HC/Wellness</p>	<p>Ortiz-Self</p>	<p>Oppose</p>
<p><u>HB 2882</u></p>	<p>Agricultural activity odors Addressing the regulation of odors from agricultural activities under the state clean air act.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Kloba (Prime), Blake, Condotta, Sawyer</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Modifies the Washington clean air act to: (1) Provide a definition for "produce facility" which is a state-licensed marijuana facility; (2) Include in the definition of "agricultural activity," the growing, raising, or production of flowers, fruit trees, vegetables, marijuana, usable marijuana, marijuana-infused products, and honey; and (3) Exempt from clean air act provisions, odors or fugitive dust caused by agricultural activity consistent with good agricultural practices on produce facilities, unless they have a substantial adverse effect on public health.</p>	<p>H Environment</p>	<p>Kloba</p>	<p>Oppose</p>
<p><u>SB 5501</u> <u>(HB 1663)</u></p>	<p>Hazard. substance possession Concerning imposing a surtax on the possession of hazardous substances.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Carlyle (Prime), Chase, Frockt, Hunt, Liias, Rolfes</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Revises the model toxics control act to impose a surtax on those persons who are subject to the hazardous substance tax.</p>	<p>S Energy, Environ</p>	<p>Carlyle</p>	<p>Concerns</p>
<p><u>SB 5786</u> <u>(HB 1916)</u></p>	<p>Fertilizer, etc./B&O tax Creating a business and occupation tax exemption for certain sales of commercial fertilizer, agricultural crop protection products, and seed.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Walsh (Prime), Hobbs, Schoesler, Takko, Warnick</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Provides a business and occupation tax exemption for wholesale sales of commercial fertilizer, agricultural crop protection products, and seed by an eligible distributor to an eligible</p>	<p>S Rules X</p>	<p>Walsh</p>	<p>Support</p>

retailer.

Workers' compensation system	S Rules X	Baumgartner	Support
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Improving workers' compensation system costs and administration and worker outcomes through modification of procedures for claims to self-insureds, clarification of recovery in third-party legal actions, clarification of occupational disease claims, and lowering age barriers for structured settlements.

Sponsors: Baumgartner (Prime), Angel, Bailey, Becker, Braun, Brown, Ericksen, Fain, Fortunato, Hawkins, Honeyford, King, O'Ban, Padden, Rivers, Rossi, Schoesler, Sheldon, Short, Walsh, Warnick, Wilson, Zeiger

[SB 5822](#)

Summary: Revises the state industrial insurance act. Adopts a series of targeted reforms to address the costs and administration of workers' compensation. Clarifies the standards for occupational disease coverage and provides injured workers with a clear time period in which an occupational disease claim must be filed. Reduces the age restriction originally placed upon eligibility for the program. States that in light of certain developments and to align with past recommendations of the joint legislative audit and review committee, the legislature intends that the department of labor and industries' role in the management of claims by self-insured employers transition from readjudication to accountability oversight, first with respect to the allowance and denial of claims and by January 1, 2019, with respect to all claims management decisions.

Aerial crop protect./schools	S Energy, Enviro	Wellman	Oppose
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Concerning aerial application of crop protection products from an agricultural aircraft near school facilities.

Sponsors: Wellman (Prime), Billig, Hasegawa, Hunt, Kuderer, Rolfes

[SB 6063](#)

Summary: Requires the applicator of crop protection products to provide written notification to an affected school facility forty-eight hours before an aerial application that is conducted within one-quarter mile of the school facility. Requires a school or a licensed day care center, that receives an aerial application notice, to post notification of the aerial application at least twenty-four hours before the application. Requires the licensed day care center to keep children inside the center during the intended date and time of the application.

Medium Priority Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>
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School levy lid revs./delay	H Approps	Lytton	Neutral
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Delaying implementation of revisions to the school levy lid.

[SHB 1059](#)
(ESB 5023)

Sponsors: Lytton (Prime), Bergquist, Blake, Cody, Dolan, Farrell, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Hudgins, Jinkins, Kagi, Kilduff, Ormsby, Pollet, Senn, Sullivan, Tarleton

Summary: Extends current statutory policies on local enrichment through calendar year 2018 to promote a school district's ability to plan for the future during the 2017 transition period.

[HB 1132](#)
(SB 5075)

Seed buyer & dealer disputes	H Ag & Nat Res	Buys	Neutral
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Concerning dispute resolution between seed buyers and dealers.

Sponsors: Buys (Prime), Blake

Summary: Revises the state seed act with regard to dispute resolution between seed buyers and dealers.

[E3SHB 1144](#)

Greenhouse gas emissions

S 2nd Reading

Fitzgibbon

Neutral

Amending state greenhouse gas emission limits for consistency with the most recent assessment of climate change science.

Sponsors: Fitzgibbon (Prime), Doglio, Farrell, Fey, Goodman, Jinkins, Macri, Ormsby, Peterson, Pollet, Ryu, Stanford, Tarleton

Summary: HB 1144-S3 - DIGEST Addresses the most recent assessment of climate change science and changes certain requirements of the state with regard to greenhouse gas emission limits. Requires the department of ecology and the department of commerce to include the following in the report to the governor and certain committees of the senate and house: A description of Washington's per capita and total greenhouse gas emissions as compared to the per capita and total greenhouse gas emissions of other states, including Washington's ranking among other states as an emitter of greenhouse gases on both a per capita and total emissions basis. Requires the department of ecology to: (1) Survey state agencies to determine each agency's annual expenditures made during the biennium to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to support the achievement of the reduction goals; and (2) In coordination with the department of natural resources, calculate and include in its reporting the total emissions of greenhouse gases from wildfires in the state.

[2SHB 1298](#)

Job applicants/arrests, etc.

S Passed 3rd

Ortiz-Self

Neutral

Prohibiting employers from asking about arrests or convictions before an applicant is determined otherwise qualified for a position.

Sponsors: Ortiz-Self (Prime), Appleton, Bergquist, Farrell, Frame, Gregerson, Haler, Jinkins, Kagi, Kilduff, Lovick, Manweller, McBride, Ormsby, Santos, Sells, Senn, Stanford, Tarleton, Young

Summary: Establishes the Washington fair chance act. Prohibits an employer from including any question on an application for employment, from inquiring either orally or in writing, from receiving information through a criminal history background check, or from otherwise obtaining information about an applicant's criminal record until after the employer initially determines that the applicant is otherwise qualified for the position. Requires the state attorney general's office to enforce this act. Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

[3SHB 1562](#)

WA food policy forum

S Ways & Means

Gregerson

Neutral

Continuing the work of the Washington food policy forum.

Sponsors: Gregerson (Prime), Bergquist, Cody, Doglio, Dolan, Farrell, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Hudgins, Lovick, Macri, McBride, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Orwall, Peterson, Pike, Pollet, Riccelli, Ryu, Santos, Sawyer, Senn, Slatter, Stanford, Stonier, Tharinger

Summary: Establishes the Washington food policy forum, as a public-private partnership, and requires the forum to: (1) Increase the direct marketing sales of local farm products; (2) Reduce food insecurity in the state; (3) Identify opportunities to improve coordination between local food policy councils and state and federal agencies; and (4) Identify rules and regulations impeding the viability of small acreage agriculture. Gives responsibility to the directors of the state conservation commission and the department of agriculture for appointing participating members of the forum. Expires July 1, 2020. Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

[SHB 1692](#)

Agriculture and farming

H Ag & Nat Res

Buys

Neutral

Concerning agriculture and farming.

Sponsors: Buys (Prime), Blake, Chapman, Condotta, Fitzgibbon, Lytton, Sawyer, Stanford, Vick

Summary: Addresses marijuana, useable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products with regard to agricultural activities and forest practices; farm products; business and occupation taxes; unemployment compensation; and overtime laws found in chapter 49.46 RCW (the minimum wage act).

Basic education program

H Approps

Sullivan

Neutral

Fulfilling the state's paramount duty for all children through equitable and responsible investments in the state's basic education program and reductions to local effort contributions.

Sponsors: Sullivan (Prime), Appleton, Chapman, Doglio, Farrell, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Hudgins, Jinkins, Lytton, Macri, McBride, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Orwall, Pollet, Santos, Slatter, Springer, Tarleton, Tharinger

ESHB 1843
(SB 5623)

Summary: HB 1843-S - DIGEST Addresses equitable and responsible investments in the state's basic education program and reductions to local effort contributions to fulfill the state's paramount duty for all children. Requires the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Convene a technical working group to provide recommendations for revising school district accounting practices for the purpose of improving fiscal transparency by establishing methods for separate accounting of school district expenditures made to support the state's program of basic education and those made as locally determined enrichments with local or other funding sources; and (2) Convene a work group to determine whether the funded enrollment percent for special education programs of twelve and seven-tenths should be adjusted. Establishes an accountability monitoring and reporting system as part of a continuing effort to make meaningful and substantial progress toward meeting long-term performance goals in K-12 education.

Rural food & forest products

H Approps

Walsh

Neutral

Encouraging the economic vitality of rural food and forest product businesses.

Sponsors: Walsh (Prime), Barkis, Blake, Buys, Griffey, Haler, Kraft, MacEwen, Muri, Stambaugh, Van Werven

SHB 2133

Summary: Requires the department of agriculture to: (1) Establish a pilot program to create an omnibus permitting process for businesses that process or engage in other value-added activities that involve: (a) Raw products of agriculture, fisheries, and aquaculture, including shellfish aquaculture; (b) food, food products, or cottage food products; (c) forest products; and (d) specialized forest products, processed cedar products, or specialty wood; and (2) Coordinate with the office of regulatory assistance and state agencies and local governments responsible for issuing each permit included in the omnibus permit, including the department of ecology, the department of health, and the relevant county. Prohibits the department from charging an additional fee for the use of the omnibus permitting process. Requires the department of ecology to: (1) Undertake a comprehensive analysis of common value-added food and forest product manufacturing processes that generate wastes; (2) Consult with the department of natural resources and the department of agriculture in identifying common food and forest product production processes and their associated wastes; and (3) When making grants or loans for water pollution control facilities, consider whether the project will support the viability of local agriculture, aquaculture, fisheries, or silviculture, and associated food or forest product processing. Requires the community economic revitalization board, when prioritizing each proposed public facilities project, to consider whether the project will support rural economic development by facilitating the long-term sustainability of local agriculture, aquaculture, fisheries, and silviculture, and associated food and forest product processing activities.

SHB 2182

Hazardous substance tax

H Cap Budget

Peterson

Neutral

Relating to providing a tiered tax on the possession of hazardous substances to provide for the current program's immediate needs and a more stable source of revenue in the future.

Sponsors: Peterson (Prime)

Summary: Provides a tiered tax on the possession of hazardous substances to provide for the current program's immediate needs and a more stable source of revenue in the future. Requires the department of ecology, in consultation with the department of revenue, to provide a report regarding cleanup and stormwater projects and projected hazardous substance tax revenues to the office of financial management and legislative fiscal committees by October 1, 2018, 2020, 2022, and 2024.

Taxes

H Finance

Lytton

Neutral

Concerning investing in Washington families by improving the fairness of the state's excise tax system by narrowing or eliminating tax preferences, imposing a business and occupation tax surcharge while eliminating tax liability for small businesses, enacting an excise tax on capital gains, modifying the real estate excise tax, making administrative changes, and implementing marketplace fairness in Washington.

Sponsors: Lytton (Prime), Jinkins, Macri

[**SHB 2186**](#)

Summary: Addresses the state's tax system with regard to: (1) Capital gains taxes; (2) Business and occupation tax rate change and deduction; (3) Eliminating the sales and use tax exemption for bottled water; (4) Repealing the preferential business and occupation tax rate for warehousing and reselling prescription drugs; (5) Narrowing a use tax exemption for self-produced fuel; (6) Eliminating the preferential business and occupation tax rate for international investment management services; (7) Nonresident sales tax exemption remittances; (8) Graduated real estate excise tax rates; (9) Real estate excise tax on foreclosures; (10) Requiring local governments that issue building permits to supply subcontractor information to the department of revenue; (11) Remote sellers, referrers, and marketplace facilitators; (12) The expansion of an individual's liability for an entity's unpaid tax obligations; (13) Reducing interest on tax refunds; and (14) Transfers to the education legacy trust account.

Supp. operating budget

H 3rd Reading

Ormsby

Neutral

Making 2018 supplemental operating appropriations.

[**ESHB 2299**](#)
[**\(ESSB 6032\)**](#)

Sponsors: Ormsby (Prime)

Summary: HB 2299-S - DIGEST Makes 2018 supplemental operating appropriations.

State property tax reduction

H Finance

Condotta

Neutral

Reducing the state property tax in calendar year 2018.

[**HB 2303**](#)
[**\(SB 6004\)**](#)

Sponsors: Condotta (Prime), Chapman, Haler, Orcutt, Shea, Stokesbary, Taylor, Van Werven, Vick, Wilcox

Summary: Changes the state property tax, for calendar year 2018, to two dollars and forty cents per thousand dollars of assessed value.

Retired farmers/property tax

H Finance

Kraft

Neutral

Exempting land removed from open space or farm and agricultural land classification from additional tax, interest, and other penalties if the land is owned in whole or in part by a retired farmer.

[**HB 2349**](#)

Sponsors: Kraft (Prime), Haler, Shea, Young

Summary: Provides an exemption from additional tax, interest, and other penalties on land that is removed from open space or farm and agricultural land classification if the land is owned by a retired farmer.

CDL medical certificates	S 2nd Reading	Valdez	Neutral
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Concerning medical certificate requirements for applicants and holders of commercial drivers' licenses and commercial learners' permits.

Sponsors: Valdez (Prime), Eslick, Jinkins, Orcutt

[SHB 2696](#)
(SSB 6330)

Summary: Modifies the uniform commercial driver's license act with regard to: Medical certificate requirements for applicants and holders; traffic infractions for licensees while being downgraded for not maintaining a current medical certificate; excepted or nonexcepted intrastate and excepted or nonexcepted interstate; and revision of the definition of "nonexcepted intrastate" and "excepted intrastate," relating to obtaining a certificate and wishing to maintain a CDL or CLP but not operate a commercial motor vehicle without changing his or her self-certification type. Requires the department of licensing, upon receiving an electronic copy of the medical examiner's certificate from the federal motor carrier safety administration, to post a medical qualification status of "certified" on the CDLIS driver record for the driver.

Ag competitiveness/emissions	H Environment	Maycumber	Neutral
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Ensuring that attempts to limit greenhouse gas emissions in Washington state do not make Washington's agricultural products and food processing businesses economically uncompetitive, thereby shifting emissions to jurisdictions without similar greenhouse gas policies.

[HB 2768](#)

Sponsors: Maycumber (Prime), Haler

Summary: Requires food processing facilities to be designated as energy intense trade-exposed industries for the purposes of policies adopted or implemented by the state that limit greenhouse gas emissions or are otherwise intended to support the achievement of certain limits.

Ag/greenhouse emission rules	H Environment	Maycumber	Neutral
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Providing regulatory relief from greenhouse gas emissions rules for producers of agricultural commodities and food products.

Sponsors: Maycumber (Prime), Haler

[HB 2769](#)

Summary: States that, if a rule is created that regulates greenhouse gas emissions of agricultural activities and food processing, the producers of agricultural commodities or food products may request the department of ecology to calculate greenhouse gas emissions in a comparison of a specified competitor's agricultural commodity or food product imported from out-of-state against the same type of agricultural commodity if obtained in the state. Requires the department of commerce, in consultation with the department of ecology, transportation-industry experts, and other business-related interests, to create a greenhouse gas emissions shipping modeling tool that allows a producer of a product to estimate the amount of greenhouse gas emissions produced when importing products and goods from out-of-state locations.

Clean air act	H Environment	Fitzgibbon	Neutral
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Concerning the Washington clean air act.

[HB 2879](#)

Sponsors: Fitzgibbon (Prime), Macri, Pollet

Summary: Authorizes the department of ecology to require persons who produce or distribute fossil fuels to comply with emission standards or emission limits on emissions of greenhouse gases from

those fossil fuels when the fossil fuels are used in this state. Modifies the Washington clean air act regarding the emission credits banking program; requirements to report emissions of greenhouse gases where the emissions are from fossil fuels sold in this state by a single supplier; and adoption of rules on certain emissions of carbon dioxide, methodologies established to ensure that emissions occurring outside of this state are not reported to the department, requiring a person to use a specific method to complete their report, and requiring persons to have a third party verify their report.

Rural small businesses/taxes	H Finance	Chapman	Neutral
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Providing tax relief to small businesses located in rural counties.

HB 2946

Sponsors: Chapman (Prime), Haler, Maycumber, Schmick, Steele

Summary: Provides a business and occupation tax credit to qualified small businesses as that term is defined in this act. Expires January 1, 2019.

Rural manufacturers B&O tax	H Finance	Chapman	Neutral
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Providing business and occupation tax relief to rural manufacturers.

HB 2947
(SB 6596)

Sponsors: Chapman (Prime), Haler, Maycumber, Schmick, Steele, Tharinger

Summary: Provides relief, from business and occupation taxes, to manufacturers located in rural counties.

Rural manuf., etc./B&O tax	H Rules R	Chapman	Neutral
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Modifying the business and occupation tax structure for rural manufacturers and timber and wood product manufacturers, extractors, and wholesalers.

SHB 2992

Sponsors: Chapman (Prime), Maycumber, Muri

Summary: Encourages economic growth and lower unemployment rates in rural counties by modifying the business and occupation tax structure for rural manufacturers and timber and wood product manufacturers, extractors, and wholesalers.

Energy	H Finance	Doglio	Neutral
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Concerning Washington's clean, affordable, and reliable energy future.

Sponsors: Doglio (Prime), Appleton, Fitzgibbon, Morris, Pollet, Tarleton

HB 2997

Summary: Modifies energy independence act provisions. Finds and declares that: (1) Washington is the nation's leading producer of electricity from hydroelectric sources; (2) Washington should continue its leadership in conservation, renewable energy, and climate change mitigation by increasing energy efficiency across the state and encouraging investment in the state's clean energy future; and (3) Washington can promote energy independence, create high-quality jobs in the clean technology sector, maintain stable and affordable electric rates for customers, and protect clean air and water.

Property tax/2018	H Finance	Vick	Neutral
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Providing property tax relief to all Washingtonians for taxes levied for collection in 2018.

HB 3000

Sponsors: Vick (Prime), Caldier, Chandler, Hargrove, Harris, Hayes, Kraft, Manweller, Maycumber, Pike, Taylor, Van Werven, Walsh, Young

Summary: Lowers the property tax rate and issues property tax refunds for calendar year 2018 in order to return excess state revenue back to the taxpayers.

<p>HB 3004 (SSB 6620)</p>	<p>School security Improving security in schools and the safety of students.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Jinkins (Prime), Appleton, Bergquist, Doglio, Fey, Kagi, Kloba, Ormsby, Peterson, Pollet, Robinson, Ryu, Senn, Slatter, Stanford, Valdez</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Requires the superintendent of public instruction to allocate grants to school districts for the purpose of implementing emergency response systems using evolving technology to expedite the response and arrival of law enforcement in the event of a threat or emergency at school. Creates the students protecting students program, within the office of the attorney general, to operate a statewide communications center that provides students and the community with the means to relay information anonymously concerning unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent, or criminal activities, or the threat of these activities, first to law enforcement and public safety agencies, and as appropriate to school officials. Authorizes the office of the attorney general to contract with an organization or call center to provide this program. Requires the same background check process to purchase semiautomatic rifles and shotguns with tactical features as is currently required for pistols. Requires the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs to establish a grant program for local law enforcement agencies to conduct background checks for the purchase and sale of pistols, semiautomatic rifles, and shotguns with tactical features. Exempts the following from public inspection and copying under the public records act: Personally identifiable information received, made, or kept by, or received from, the students protecting students program that is confidential.</p>	<p>H Judiciary</p>	<p>Jinkins</p>	<p>Neutral</p>
<p>SB 5002</p>	<p>Water banks/permanent avail. Requiring certain water banks to replace leased water rights provided for mitigation with water rights that will be permanently available.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Honeyford (Prime)</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Requires a county-operated water bank that leases water rights to offer for mitigation to replace the rights with rights that will be permanently available for mitigation before the expiration of the lease.</p>	<p>S Econ Developmen</p>	<p>Honeyford</p>	<p>Neutral</p>
<p>SB 5032 (SHB 1116)</p>	<p>Family & med leave insurance Implementing family and medical leave insurance.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Keiser (Prime), Billig, Chase, Cleveland, Conway, Darneille, Frockt, Hasegawa, Hobbs, Hunt, McCoy, Nelson, Palumbo, Pedersen, Ranker, Rolfes</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Allows workers to: (1) Care for family members with a serious health condition or to recover from their own serious health condition; and (2) Deal with exigencies arising out of the military service of a family member. Requires the employment security department to: (1) Establish and administer a family and medical leave insurance program; and (2) Pay family and medical leave insurance benefits. Changes the name of the family leave insurance account to the family and medical leave insurance account.</p>	<p>S Labor & Commerc</p>	<p>Keiser</p>	<p>Neutral</p>
<p>SB 5127 (HB 1555)</p>	<p>Carbon pollution tax Establishing a carbon pollution tax and investment program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, facilitate the transition to a clean energy economy, and invest in K-12 education and other vital public services.</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Braun (Prime), Hunt, Ranker</p>	<p>S Rules X</p>	<p>Braun</p>	<p>Neutral</p>

Summary: Establishes the carbon pollution tax and investment act. Imposes a carbon pollution tax on: (1) The sale or use of fossil fuels, including fossil fuels used in generating electricity; or (2) The sale or consumption of electricity generated through the combustion of fossil fuels. Creates the carbon pollution reduction account and the carbon reduction investment fund.

Paid family leave	S Labor & Commerc	Fain	Neutral
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Addressing paid family leave.

[SB 5149](#)

Sponsors: Fain (Prime), Baumgartner, Braun, Hobbs, Miloscia, Palumbo, Rivers, Walsh, Warnick, Zeiger

Summary: Provides family leave benefits to certain employees and those employees continue to be eligible for the benefits during employment with a covered employer. Requires the employment security department to administer family leave provisions.

Small business owners	S Labor & Commerc	Wilson	Neutral
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Concerning licensing and regulatory requirements of small business owners.

Sponsors: Wilson (Prime), Angel, Bailey, Baumgartner, Becker, Braun, Brown, Chase, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Hobbs, Keiser, King, Miloscia, Mullet, O'Ban, Padden, Palumbo, Sheldon, Takko, Walsh, Warnick

[SB 5230](#)
[\(HB 1352\)](#)

Summary: Requires the attorney general to review the administrative procedure act, as well as related administrative rules, similar statutes, and case law, to identify the current rights and protections afforded to small business owners selected for agency enforcement actions including inspections, audits, site visits, or record review. Requires the department of agriculture, department of ecology, employment security department, department of labor and industries, department of revenue, and state fire marshal to: (1) Review provisions of their governing statutes, administrative rules, policy statements, guidance, and directives to identify the current rights and protections afforded to small business owners that are selected for inspection, audit, or other enforcement action by the agency; and (2) No later than August 31, 2017, provide the attorney general with certain information. Expires December 31, 2017.

Seeds, agency procurement of	S Ag/Water/Natura	Warnick	Neutral
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Concerning the procurement of seeds by state agencies.

[ESSB 5263](#)

Sponsors: Warnick (Prime)

Summary: SB 5263-S - DIGEST Requires agencies, when purchasing seed through a contract that is over two thousand five hundred dollars in value, to require suppliers of the seed to ensure the identity and purity of the seed through appropriate testing performed by the department of agriculture or certain other agencies to ensure the identity and purity of the seed.

Carbon pollution tax	S Energy, Environ	Hobbs	Neutral
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Creating a fossil fuel carbon pollution tax.

Sponsors: Hobbs (Prime), Hunt

[SB 5385](#)

Summary: Imposes a fossil fuel carbon pollution tax, at the time of the first taxable event and upon the first taxable person within the state, on the carbon content of fossil fuels extracted, manufactured, or introduced into the state equal to fifteen dollars per metric ton of carbon dioxide. Requires the department of revenue to: (1) Calculate the carbon content of fossil fuels, in consultation with the

department of ecology; and (2) If practical, integrate the administration and collection of the fossil fuel carbon pollution taxes with the administration and collection of other taxes imposed on the taxpayer. Exempts certain fossil fuels from the tax. Creates the carbon pollution revenues account. Requires at least fifty percent of the funds transferred to the multimodal transportation account from the carbon pollution revenues account to be expended to assist certain school district programs.

Greenhouse gas emissions	S Energy, Environ	Chase	Neutral
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Reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

[SB 5421](#)

Sponsors: Chase (Prime), Hasegawa, Salda?a

Summary: Requires the state to limit emissions of greenhouse gases to reduce, by 2025, overall emissions of greenhouse gases in the state to twenty percent below 1990 levels.

Workplace bullying	S Labor & Commerc	Chase	Neutral
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Addressing workplace bullying by making it an unfair practice to subject an employee to an abusive work environment.

[SB 5423](#)

Sponsors: Chase (Prime), Hasegawa, Hunt, Kuderer, Salda?a

Summary: Revises the state civil rights act to provide: (1) Legal recourse for employees who have been harmed by being deliberately subjected to abusive work environments; and (2) Legal incentives for employers to prevent and respond to mistreatment of employees at work.

Carbon tax	S Energy, Environ	Carlyle	Neutral
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Promoting an equitable clean energy economy by creating a carbon tax that allows investment in clean energy, clean air, healthy forests, and Washington's communities.

Sponsors: Carlyle (Prime), Frockt, Hunt, Ranker, Salda?a

[SB 5509](#)
[\(HB 1646\)](#)

Summary: Creates a carbon pollution mitigation tax on fossil fuel emissions of greenhouse gases that contribute to global climate change. Creates the carbon program oversight board to oversee implementation of this act and advise the governor on the achievement of greenhouse gas emission reductions. Creates an economic and environmental justice oversight panel as a joint body between the office of the governor, the department of ecology, and the department of health. Requires the department of revenue to establish and administer a low-income carbon pollution mitigation tax grant for state residents to assist in the equitable transition to lower carbon emission energy sources. Involves the following in some role regarding the imposition of the carbon tax: The department of ecology, the department of revenue, the department of commerce, the department of health, the Washington State University extension energy office, the recreation and conservation office, the office of the attorney general, and other state agencies with control of expenditures of carbon pollution mitigation tax receipts. Creates the clean energy account, the clean water climate program account, the sustainable forest health account, the carbon reduction investment fund, the sustainable infrastructure fund, and the equitable transition fund.

Tax exemptions	H Rules R	Frockt	Neutral
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Increasing tax exemption transparency and accountability.

[ESSB 5513](#)
[\(HB 1500\)](#)

Sponsors: Frockt (Prime), Billig, Chase, Conway, Darneille, Hasegawa, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, McCoy, Miloscia, Rolfes, Salda?a, Wellman

Summary: Declares an intent to: (1) Incorporate a more explicit recognition of the fiscal impact of tax preferences on the state budget; and (2) Reform the tax preference expenditure process by including

the fiscal impact of tax preference expenditures in the budget outlook document that is created as part of the biennial state budget process.

Vehicle taxation S Transportation Fortunato Neutral
Concerning vehicle taxation.

[SB 5564](#)

Sponsors: Fortunato (Prime), Hawkins, King, O'Ban

Summary: Modifies provisions relating to vehicle taxation.

Foreign national ownership S State Govt/Trib Billig Neutral
Concerning certification of the level of foreign national ownership for corporations that participate in Washington state elections.

[SB 5570](#)

Sponsors: Billig (Prime), Hasegawa, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, Miloscia, Rolfes, Zeiger

Summary: Requires each treasurer, candidate, and political committee to include the following in the report they file with the public disclosure commission: A certification from each corporation making a contribution to the candidate or political committee that, in compliance with the federal foreign agents registration act, the corporation's ownership comprises less than fifty percent foreign nationals.

Education S Rules X Braun Neutral
Concerning education.

[SSB 5607](#)

Sponsors: Braun (Prime), Angel, Becker, Brown, Fain, Honeyford, King, Miloscia, Rivers, Schoesler, Sheldon, Warnick, Wilson, Zeiger

Summary: Revises education provisions with regard to: The weighted per pupil funding model; local effort levy; local excess levy authority for calendar year 2020 and thereafter; providing a one-year delay in the levy lid reduction; compensation and salary; housing allowance; national board for professional teaching standards bonus; state-funded extended year contracts; health care benefits; measures of a school district's success; accountability through improved accounting transparency; providing flexibility to school districts; recognizing school districts meeting the performance targets; addressing school districts not meeting the performance targets; establishing the top teacher recognition grant program; conforming future collective bargaining agreements to this act; prohibiting teacher strikes; student absenteeism; paraeducators; technical amendments to align statutes with the per pupil funding distribution model and recognizing and rewarding school districts that meet the measures of success; education sector excellence assessment framework; and authority to remove teachers that are detrimental to student academic performance. Provides for submission of this act to a vote of the people.

Production-based comp. wages S Rules X Hawkins Neutral
Addressing the payment of production-based compensation wages for the employment and use of labor in agricultural activities and in the production, handling, and storage of farm products.

[ESB 5720](#)
(HB 2049)

Sponsors: Hawkins (Prime), Baumgartner, Brown, Hobbs, King, Schoesler, Sheldon, Takko

Summary: SB 5720 - DIGEST Addresses production-based safe harbor compensation which is a wage rate paid to employees in connection with work related to the growing, production, handling, or storage of farm products or in performing agricultural activities based upon the employee's job performance as measured through the number of: (1) Units picked, packed, or manufactured; (2) Tasks performed; (3) Events completed; or (4) Other measurable recurring circumstances produced, completed, or performed.

	Noxious weeds on state lands Concerning the management of noxious weeds on state lands.	S Rules X	Short	Neutral
SB 5754	<i>Sponsors:</i> Short (Prime), Schoesler			
<i>Summary:</i> Addresses liens, with regard to the management of noxious weeds, on lands owned by the state.				
SSB 5799 (HB 2089)	Food flavor products tax Extending the expiration date of the sales and use tax exemptions for certain products that impart flavor to food.	S Rules X	Ranker	Neutral
<i>Sponsors:</i> Ranker (Prime), Braun, Keiser				
<i>Summary:</i> Changes the July 1, 2017, expiration date to January 1, 2028, on the sales and use tax exemptions for products sold to restaurants that impart flavor to food during the cooking process.				
SB 5836	Equal pay act enforcement Enhancing enforcement of the equal pay act.	S Rules X	Fain	Neutral
<i>Sponsors:</i> Fain (Prime), Baumgartner, Braun, Cleveland, Conway, Hasegawa, Hunt, Keiser, Saldaña				
<i>Summary:</i> Updates the existing state equal pay act to reflect the equal status of workers in the state and requires men and women in the same job to be compensated as equals.				
SSB 5847	Tax prefs citizen commission Concerning the review process of the citizen commission for performance measurement of tax preferences.	S Rules X	Carlyle	Neutral
<i>Sponsors:</i> Carlyle (Prime), Hasegawa, Hunt				
<i>Summary:</i> Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee, when reviewing tax preferences, to include the following: (1) The overall effective tax rate for the industry groups benefiting from the tax preference; (2) An analysis of the general effects on the overall state economy and regions within the state, including the effects on the consumption and expenditures of persons and businesses within the state, employment, and personal income; and (3) Using economic modeling techniques, evaluate potential economic impacts of the tax preference compared to the economic impact of government activities funded at the same level as the preference.				
SB 5888	B&O manufacturing tax rate Lowering the ceiling of the business and occupation manufacturing tax rate to 0.2904 percent.	S Rules X	Baumgartner	Neutral
<i>Sponsors:</i> Baumgartner (Prime), Hobbs, Padden, Sheldon, Takko				
<i>Summary:</i> Lowers the manufacturing rate for those manufacturing industries still taxed at the highest rate to create greater equity in taxation of manufacturers and reduce the tax burden on manufacturers.				
SB 6004 (HB 2303)	State property tax reduction Reducing the state property tax in calendar year 2018.	S Ways & Means	Mullet	Neutral
<i>Sponsors:</i> Mullet (Prime), Braun, Keiser, Sheldon, Wilson				
<i>Summary:</i> Changes the state property tax, for calendar year 2018, to two dollars and forty cents per				

thousand dollars of assessed value.

Supp. operating budget	H Passed 3rd	Rolfes	Neutral
Making 2018 supplemental operating appropriations.			
<u>ESSB 6032</u> (ESHB 2299)			
<i>Sponsors:</i> Rolfes (Prime), Braun			
<i>Summary:</i> Makes 2018 supplemental operating appropriations.			

State property tax reduction	S Ways & Means	Ericksen	Neutral
Reducing the state property tax in calendar year 2018.			
<u>SB 6033</u> (HB 2434)			
<i>Sponsors:</i> Ericksen (Prime)			
<i>Summary:</i> Decreases the 2018 state property tax.			

Planting and harvest dates	H Passed 3rd	Hobbs	Neutral
Defining the planting and harvest dates for purposes of exemptions for agricultural transporters.			
<u>SB 6180</u>			
<i>Sponsors:</i> Hobbs (Prime), King, Schoesler, Takko			
<i>Summary:</i> States that the planting and harvesting seasons are January 1st through December 31st of each year, with regard to the exemption for agricultural transporters.			

Hazardous substance tax	S Energy, Enviro	Palumbo	Neutral
Creating the hazardous substance tax stabilization act.			
<u>SB 6285</u>			
<i>Sponsors:</i> Palumbo (Prime)			
<i>Summary:</i> Creates the hazardous substance tax stabilization act to support and provide financial reliability for local governments to implement large-scale environmental clean-up construction projects managed by a single local government with construction expected to span multiple biennia. Creates the hazardous substance tax stabilization escrow trust account.			

Pesticide exposure	S Energy, Enviro	Salda?a	Neutral
Concerning pesticide exposure and notification of certain pesticide applications.			
<u>SB 6322</u> (HB 2878)			
<i>Sponsors:</i> Salda?a (Prime), Chase, Cleveland, Conway, Hasegawa, Hunt, McCoy, Ranker, Rolfes, Van De Wege			
<i>Summary:</i> Declares that community members should be protected from pesticide exposure and notified of certain pesticide applications to prevent unnecessary exposure. Requires a pesticide user to provide written notice of an intended pesticide application in accordance with certain requirements. Requires the department of health to develop a list of individuals who apply to receive notification of pesticide applications on adjacent property. Authorizes the department of health and the department of labor and industries to investigate and assess a civil fine in accordance with administrative procedures for certain violations in this act. Prohibits the civil fine from exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars.			

Carbon pollution tax	S Energy, Enviro	Hobbs	Neutral
Creating a fossil fuel carbon pollution tax.			
<u>SB 6335</u>			
<i>Sponsors:</i> Hobbs (Prime), Salda?a			

Summary: Addresses education funding reform legislation. Declares an intent to: (1) Recalibrate the balance of state and local funding for school districts in light of the court's latest order; (2) Fully implement the salary allocations in school year 2018-2019; (3) Accelerate the implementation of certain accounting and budget transparency requirements; and (4) Reduce local school district levies by an amount equal to the increased state salary allocations that will be made to school districts in school year 2018-2019.

Legislative records

Del to Gov

Nelson

Neutral

Concerning records disclosure obligations of the legislative branch.

Sponsors: Nelson (Prime), Schoesler

ESB 6617

Summary: SB 6617 - DIGEST Establishes the legislative public records act. Establishes records disclosure obligations that preserve the independent deliberation of the people's representatives while providing access to legislative public records. Establishes continued public access to specified records of the legislature as originally codified in the public records act in 1995, as well as additional records provided in this act.

School security

S Rules 2

Froct

Neutral

Improving security in schools and the safety of students.

SSB 6620
(HB 3004)

Sponsors: Froct (Prime), Billig, Carlyle, Darneille, Dhingra, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, McCoy, Pedersen, Ranker, Salda?a

Summary:
