

2019 Washington State Legislative Session Report Far West Agribusiness Association March 4, 2019

The 2019 Washington State legislative session has reached its second cutoff date with today's fiscal committee deadline. Today is the day by which bills with a fiscal impact must move out of their respective house of origin fiscal committees in order to remain alive for further consideration. Fiscal committees include House Appropriations, Capital, Finance, and Transportation and Senate Ways & Means, Capital, and Transportation.

With over 2,000 bills introduced this session, cutoff dates help weed out bills and keep the legislative process moving efficiently. The next cutoff date is March 13, which is the last date to consider bills in their house of origin. As always, there are exceptions such as matters necessary to implement the budget. And any bill can come back to life under certain circumstances.

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

Budget

As the 2017 education funding reforms are now mostly implemented, there has been considerable conversation regarding K-12 basic education funding this session. As reported in this *Seattle Times* [article](#), 253 of the state's 295 school districts are forecasting a budget shortfall in the upcoming school year. [SSB 5313](#) would allow school districts the choice of setting a local property tax rate that raises \$3500 per student or collects up to 20% of the district's combined state and federal funding. This bill had a February 25 public hearing and March 1 executive session. On a different matter, legislation ([SJR 8201](#)) would amend the state constitution to allow a simple majority vote to authorize school bonds. Similarly, [SB 5066](#) would lower the voter approval threshold to a simple majority (from 60%) to issue general obligation bonds, levy taxes, and exceed the statutory debt limit. Both of these bills had February 28 public hearings in Senate Ways & Means. And both bills have March 1 executive sessions.

Business & Labor

Secure scheduling legislation ([SHB 1491/SSB 5717](#)) is modeled after a similar standard recently approved by the Seattle City Council. This bill is a statewide proposal to provide more predictable and balanced work schedules for those in the hospitality industry. The House version had a February 25 public hearing in House Appropriations. As noted in this *Yakima Herald* [article](#), the substitute version of the bill exempts rural counties.

[SHB 1575](#) is designed to strengthen the rights of workers through collective bargaining. Among other things, the legislation allows for electronic or recorded voice authorization to deduct union dues. This bill was voted out of committee on February 26. Its companion, [SSB 5623](#), is waiting to be called to the Senate floor for a vote.

Legislation ([HB 1252](#)) regarding crime by certain business entities received a February 25 public hearing in Senate Ways & Means. Among other things, this bill would clarify that a business entity found guilty of committing a crime may be liable for legal financial obligations.

Environment

As noted in this *Crosscut* [article](#), some private utilities have asked legislators to provide more time to transition to clean energy goals set by several climate-related bills this session. With climate legislation a top-priority for Democratic lawmakers, there are a considerable number of climate bills that remain alive. [2SSB 5116](#) would authorize the state Utilities & Transportation Commission to oversee the work of utilities to meet 2030 clean energy goals set by lawmakers. This bill also requires all electric utilities to eliminate from their allocation of electricity coal-fired resources by December 31, 2025. It is anticipated that this bill will be passed out of the Senate soon as it already has a March 5 public hearing scheduled in the House Environment & Energy Committee.

With the State of Washington responding to a record-setting 1,800 wildfires in 2018, Public Lands Commissioner Hilary Franz (D) has introduced a 10-year strategic [plan](#) to combat wildfires in the state. The plan requests \$55 million in funding.

A session priority for Governor Inslee (D) includes saving the region's southern resident orca whales. Legislation ([2SHB 1579](#)) aimed at increasing Chinook salmon habitat to help increase the food supply for orca whales was passed out of its fiscal committee on February 25. [SHB 1578](#) would remove threats to orcas by increasing transportation safety. It was voted out of fiscal committee on February 28. [SSB 5135](#) is designed to identify and reduce toxic chemicals polluting the state's waters. It was passed out of Senate Ways & Means on February 26. Finally, [SHB 1580/SSB 5577](#) would require reduced vessel noise and disturbance near southern resident orcas. These bills were passed out of fiscal committee on February 28.

Transportation

Senate Transportation Chair Steve Hobbs (D-Lake Stevens) released his 10-year \$17.1 billion transportation funding package ([SB 5970](#), [SB 5971](#), [SB 5972](#)) on February 21. A summary of the proposal can be found [here](#). The package includes a \$15 per ton carbon fee projected to generate \$7.9 billion in revenue over ten years. Further, it includes a six-cents per gallon fuel tax increase. As explained in this Associated Press [article](#), the ranking Senate Republican Transportation Committee member Curtis King (R-Yakima) expressed concerns about the proposal being too close in time to the voters' rejection of a carbon fee initiative in November 2018. On February 28, the bills received public hearings.

On February 25 House Appropriations passed [2SHB 1110](#) to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from transportation fuels. It is now waiting to be called to the floor for a vote. As explained in this KUOW [article](#), the legislation would task the Department of Ecology with implementing a program to limit the greenhouse gas emissions per unit of transportation fuel energy to 10% below 2017 levels by 2028 and 20% below 2017 levels by 2035.

Legislation ([SB 5042](#)) implementing lower car tab fees received a public hearing on February 26. As explained in this MyNorthwest [article](#), the current car tab fees help fund a regional transit system called ST3. The bill would use Kelley Blue Book values instead of the current system of using the manufacturers' suggested retail price when calculating car tab fees.

Health Care & Behavioral Health

The Washington Health Benefit Exchange recently [announced](#) over 200,000 residents purchased 2019 health insurance coverage through its online health insurance marketplace.

On February 28 Senate Ways & Means passed [SSB 5822](#), which would create a workgroup to identify a pathway to implementing a Universal Health Care system in Washington State. As reported by this *The Stranger* [article](#), the bill's sponsor Senator Randall (D-Gig Harbor) held a roundtable [discussion](#) on February 25 about the bill.

Legislation ([SHB 1479](#)) requiring mental health training for school educators and administrators received a February 26 public hearing in House Appropriations. Also relating to juvenile mental health, [SHB 1874](#) had a February 27 public hearing and February 28 executive session in House Appropriations. This bill is aimed at expanding adolescent behavioral health care access by implementing recommendations from the Children's Mental Health Work Group. Its companion, [SSB 5904](#), is waiting to be called to the floor for a vote.

Housing & Homelessness

House Democrats have introduced over [30 bills](#) focused on affordable housing and reducing homelessness. [HB 2010](#) would increase participation of for-profit developers in the [9% Low-Income Tax Housing Tax Credit program](#) by requiring the Housing Finance Commission to research this issue and report findings to the Legislature by December 2019. This bill is waiting to be called to the floor for a vote. Also waiting for a floor vote is bipartisan-sponsored accessory dwelling unit (ADU) legislation ([SHB 1797](#)). This bill would encourage development and placement of ADUs in areas zoned for single-family residential use. Its companion, [SSB 5812](#), is waiting to be called to the Senate floor for a vote.

In the Senate, condo reform law ([ESB 5334](#)) was unanimously voted out of the Senate on February 25 and is now in the House. As reported in this *Seattle Times* [article](#), existing laws in Washington State make it easier for condo owners to sue builders compared to other states.

Law & Justice

This past week it was discovered that up to 3,500 inmates may have been released early due to sentencing calculation errors by the Department of Corrections. As noted in this *Seattle Times* [article](#), a software glitch similar to past errors has led to the sentencing miscalculations.

Legislation ([2SHB 1166](#)) to reduce the backlog of over 8,000 untested rape kits in the state had a public hearing on February 25 in House Appropriations and was voted out of committee on February 28. As noted in this KIRO [news story](#), kits are taking 14 months on average to be tested. The bill's cost is estimated to be \$13 million.

Cyber

Bipartisan-sponsored legislation ([2SHB 1498](#)) unanimously passed out of the House Capital Budget Committee on February 26, had a February 27 public hearing in House Appropriations as was passed out of that committee on February 28. The legislation would support the expansion of broadband services in Washington State. As reported in this *Washington State Wire* [article](#), Microsoft estimates about 1 in 10 Washington State residents living in rural communities does not have access to broadband. Its companion, [SSB 5511](#), was passed out of fiscal committee on February 28.

[SSB 5064](#) would protect personal information by expanding its definition. It also requires the Attorney General to be notified within 25 days after discovery of a data breach. And it requires consumers to be notified within 35 days. This bill received a February 28 public hearing in Senate Ways & Means and has a

March 1 executive session. Also concerning consumer data, [SSB 5376](#) would create the Washington Privacy Act. This bill had a February 27 public hearing and was passed out of the Senate Ways & Means Committee on February 28. As noted in this MyNorthwest [article](#), the legislation's intent is to strengthen consumer rights relating to digital services, including protecting facial recognition data. Similar legislation in the House ([P2SHB 1854](#)) was heard on February 27 and passed out on February 28. Finally, legislation ([SHB 1654](#)) concerning the procurement and use of facial recognition technology received a February 26 public hearing in its fiscal committee and was passed out on February 28.

Far West Agribusiness Association

Upcoming Legislative Events

Environment & Energy (House) - HHR B, JLOB - 3/5 @ 8:00am

- 2SSB 5116 - Public Hearing - Supporting Washington's clean energy economy and transitioning to a clean, affordable, and reliable energy future.

High Priority Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>
<p>Capital gains tax/prop. tax Assisting Washington families by improving the fairness of the state's tax system by enacting a capital gains tax and providing property tax relief.</p> <p>HB 1172 (SB 5314)</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Santos (Prime), Chapman, Dolan, Valdez, Wylie</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Imposes a tax, beginning January 1, 2020, on all individuals for the privilege of selling or exchanging long-term capital assets or receiving Washington capital gains.</p>	H Finance	Santos	Oppose
<p>Clean energy Supporting Washington's clean energy economy and transitioning to a clean, affordable, and reliable energy future.</p> <p>2SHB 1211 (E2SSB 5116)</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Tarleton (Prime), Callan, Chapman, Doglio, Dolan, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Hudgins, Jinkins, Kloba, Macri, Morris, Ortiz-Self, Orwall, Peterson, Pollet, Riccelli, Robinson, Ryu, Sells, Senn, Slatter, Stanford, Tharinger, Valdez, Walen, Wylie</p> <p><i>Summary:</i></p>	H Approps	Tarleton	Oppose
<p>Revenue Increasing revenues for the support of state government.</p> <p>HB 1343 (SB 5129)</p> <p><i>Sponsors:</i> Tarleton (Prime), Dolan, Ormsby, Valdez, Wylie</p> <p><i>Summary:</i> Imposes a tax on individuals for the privilege of selling or exchanging long-term capital assets or receiving Washington capital gains. Allows a business and occupation tax deduction against a person's gross income of the business to the extent necessary to avoid taxing the same amounts under chapter 82.04 RCW and section 102 of this act. Authorizes the department of revenue to enter into reciprocal tax collection agreements with the taxing officials of any other state imposing a</p>	H Finance	Tarleton	Oppose

specified tax. Increases the business and occupation tax rate on certain services.

Employer-employee status	H Rules R	Riccelli	Concerns
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Concerning the employer-employee relationship.

[SHB 1515](#)
(SB 5513)

Sponsors: Riccelli (Prime), Cody, Doglio, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Macri, Ormsby, Pellicciotti, Peterson, Pollet, Reeves, Robinson, Sells, Stonier, Tharinger, Valdez

Summary:

Excessive executive comp tax	H Finance	Doglio	Oppose
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Funding the working families tax exemption by imposing a surcharge on publicly traded companies providing excessive executive compensation.

[HB 1681](#)

Sponsors: Doglio (Prime), Appleton, Cody, Entenman, Frame, Jinkins, Macri, Ormsby, Pollet, Reeves, Robinson, Ryu

Summary: Imposes a surcharge, in addition to business and occupation taxes and public utility taxes, as appropriate, on corporations with excessive chief executive officer pay to provide funding for the working families' tax exemption in RCW 82.08.0206 (section 5 of this act). Creates the working families tax exemption account.

Crew size on certain trains	H 2nd Reading	Riccelli	Oppose
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Establishing minimum crew size on certain trains.

[HB 1841](#)
(SB 5877)

Sponsors: Riccelli (Prime), Appleton, Bergquist, Blake, Boehnke, Callan, Chambers, Chandler, Chapman, Cody, Davis, Dent, Doglio, Dolan, Entenman, Eslick, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Graham, Gregerson, Griffey, Harris, Hoff, Hudgins, Jenkin, Jinkins, Kilduff, Lekanoff, Lovick, MacEwen, Macri, McCaslin, Morgan, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Pellicciotti, Peterson, Pettigrew, Pollet, Ramos, Ryu, Santos, Sells, Senn, Shewmake, Stanford, Stokesbary, Stonier, Tarleton, Valdez, Van Werven, Volz, Walen, Walsh, Wylie, Ybarra, Young

Summary: Establishes minimum crew size requirements for freight and passenger trains and trains carrying hazardous materials. Creates exceptions to the requirements and increases monetary penalties for violations.

Railroad employee work hours	H Rules R	Gregerson	Oppose
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Concerning hours of service for certain railroad employees.

[HB 1842](#)
(SB 5878)

Sponsors: Gregerson (Prime), Appleton, Bergquist, Blake, Boehnke, Callan, Chambers, Chandler, Chapman, Cody, Davis, Dent, Doglio, Dolan, Entenman, Eslick, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Graham, Griffey, Harris, Hoff, Hudgins, Jenkin, Jinkins, Kilduff, Lekanoff, Lovick, MacEwen, Macri, McCaslin, Morgan, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Pellicciotti, Peterson, Pettigrew, Pollet, Ramos, Riccelli, Ryu, Santos, Sells, Senn, Shewmake, Smith, Stanford, Stokesbary, Stonier, Tarleton, Valdez, Van Werven, Vick, Volz, Walen, Walsh, Wylie, Ybarra, Young

Summary: Requires railroad carriers to observe rules limiting the hours of service for individuals performing yardmaster duties. Prohibits railroad carriers from communicating with an individual who performs yardmaster duties in a way that disrupts the individual's rest during an off-duty period.

Railroad workers	H Rules R	Chapman	Oppose
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Safeguarding the public safety by protecting railroad workers.

[HB 1843](#)
(SB 5879)

Sponsors: Chapman (Prime), Appleton, Bergquist, Blake, Boehnke, Callan, Chandler, Cody, Davis, Dent,

Doglio, Dolan, Entenman, Eslick, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Goodman, Graham, Gregerson, Griffey, Harris, Hudgins, Jenkin, Jinkins, Kilduff, Lekanoff, Lovick, Macri, McCaslin, Morgan, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Pellicciotti, Peterson, Pettigrew, Pollet, Ramos, Riccelli, Ryu, Santos, Sells, Senn, Shewmake, Stanford, Stokesbary, Stonier, Tarleton, Valdez, Van Werven, Volz, Walen, Walsh, Wylie, Ybarra, Young

Summary: Prohibits railroad carriers from disciplining employees due to layoff due to illness or injury. Requires Class I railroad carriers and certain Class II and III railroad carriers to establish a fatigue layoff program. Establishes family and medical leave provisions for railroad carriers.

Ag. crop damage by wildlife H Approps Eslick Support
Concerning wildlife damage to agricultural crops.

Sponsors: Eslick (Prime), Dent

[SHB 1875](#)

Summary: Expands the scope of crops eligible for compensation as a result of wildlife damage from commercial crops to agricultural crops in general. Increases the maximum amount that the Washington department of fish and wildlife may pay per fiscal year for damage caused to agricultural crops by wild deer or elk. Increases the maximum compensation payable for each claim of damage to agricultural crops or other property caused by wild deer or elk. Adds a definition of property that is eligible for compensation, to include irrigation equipment, fencing, and managed pasture. Requires the department of fish and wildlife to cover the cost of property damage assessments.

Custom farming/tax exemption H Finance Ybarra Support
Making the custom farming and hauling farm products tax exemptions permanent.

[HB 1881](#)

Sponsors: Ybarra (Prime), Dent, Klippert, Orcutt, Van Werven

Summary: Makes the custom farming services business and occupation tax exemption permanent. Makes the hauling farm products for relatives public utility tax exemption permanent.

Clean energy H Env & Energy Carlyle Oppose

Supporting Washington's clean energy economy and transitioning to a clean, affordable, and reliable energy future.

[E2SSB 5116](#)
(2SHB 1211)

Sponsors: Carlyle (Prime), Billig, Darneille, Das, Frockt, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, Liias, McCoy, Miloscia, Nguyen, Palumbo, Pedersen, Rolfes, Salda?a, Wellman, Wilson

Summary:

Revenue S Ways & Means Rolfes Oppose

Increasing revenues for the support of state government.

Sponsors: Rolfes (Prime), Hunt

[SB 5129](#)
(HB 1343)

Summary: Imposes a tax on individuals for the privilege of selling or exchanging long-term capital assets or receiving Washington capital gains. Allows a business and occupation tax deduction against a person's gross income of the business to the extent necessary to avoid taxing the same amounts under chapter 82.04 RCW and section 102 of this act. Authorizes the department of revenue to enter into reciprocal tax collection agreements with the taxing officials of any other state imposing a specified tax. Increases the business and occupation tax rate on certain services.

[SSB 5259](#)

GMA/agricultural land S Ways & Zeiger Support

Means

Encouraging the success of agriculture on agricultural land.

Sponsors: Zeiger (Prime), Fortunato, Takko, Van De Wege, Warnick

Summary: Provides that, encouraging the conservation of productive agricultural lands requires local governments to have a regulatory strategy that allows agricultural landowners to successfully engage in agriculture. Permits counties and cities to use other measures, with regard to agricultural lands that include: Consolidating multiple permit requirements; reducing the amount of time required for permit review; expanding opportunities for county or city employees to provide technical assistance to landowners; and increasing coordination among counties, cities, and other agencies to avoid duplication of work during permit review. Authorizes the department of commerce to provide financial assistance and incentives to counties and cities to promote innovative zoning techniques and other measures. Changes the date to July 1, 2020, in which the county legislative authority must adopt certain ordinances or resolutions that allow it to participate in the voluntary stewardship program. Changes the date to July 31, 2021, in which the state conservation commission must determine, for participating watersheds, whether adequate funding to implement the voluntary stewardship program was provided during the preceding biennium.

Employer-employee status	S Labor & Commerc	Keiser	Concerns
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Concerning the employer-employee relationship.

[SB 5513](#)
(SHB 1515)

Sponsors: Keiser (Prime), Conway, Frockt, Salda?a, Wellman

Summary: Establishes the employee fair classification act which addresses prevailing wages, wage deductions, the wage payment act, the minimum wage act, unemployment insurance, industrial insurance, and the employer-employee relationship. Creates the employee fair classification act account.

Pesticide application safety	S Rules 2	Salda?a	Oppose
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Implementing the recommendations of the pesticide application safety work group.

[SSB 5550](#)
(2SHB 1725)

Sponsors: Salda?a (Prime), Conway, Das, Hasegawa, Keiser, King, Rolfes, Van De Wege, Warnick

Summary:

Aerial herbicide application	S Passed 3rd	Rolfes	Oppose
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Creating a work group on aerial herbicide applications in forestlands.

[SSB 5597](#)

Sponsors: Rolfes (Prime), Conway, Hasegawa, McCoy, Salda?a

Summary:

Agricultural supply chains	S Rules 2	Salda?a	Oppose
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Creating transparency in agricultural supply chains.

[SSB 5693](#)

Sponsors: Salda?a (Prime), Das, Hasegawa, Keiser

Summary:

[SB 5877](#)
(HB 1841)

Crew size on certain trains	S Labor & Commer	Kuderer	Oppose
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Establishing minimum crew size on certain trains.

Sponsors: Kuderer (Prime), Billig, Carlyle, Conway, Darneille, Das, Fortunato, Hasegawa, Hunt, Keiser, Liias, McCoy, Nguyen, Palumbo, Rivers, Saldaña, Takko, Van De Wege, Walsh, Wilson, Zeiger

Summary: Establishes minimum crew size requirements for freight and passenger trains and trains carrying hazardous materials. Creates exceptions to the requirements and increases monetary penalties for violations.

Railroad employee work hours

S Labor &
Commer

Conway

Oppose

Concerning hours of service for certain railroad employees.

[SB 5878](#)
(HB 1842)

Sponsors: Conway (Prime), Carlyle, Darneille, Das, Fortunato, Hasegawa, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, Liias, McCoy, Nguyen, Palumbo, Saldaña, Takko, Van De Wege, Wilson, Zeiger

Summary: Requires railroad carriers to observe rules limiting the hours of service for individuals performing yardmaster duties. Prohibits railroad carriers from communicating with an individual who performs yardmaster duties in a way that disrupts the individual's rest during an off-duty period.

Railroad workers

S Labor &
Commer

Kuderer

Oppose

Safeguarding the public safety by protecting railroad workers.

[SB 5879](#)
(HB 1843)

Sponsors: Kuderer (Prime), Carlyle, Conway, Darneille, Das, Fortunato, Hasegawa, Hunt, Keiser, Liias, Nguyen, Palumbo, Saldaña, Takko, Van De Wege, Wilson, Zeiger

Summary: Prohibits railroad carriers from disciplining employees due to layoff due to illness or injury. Requires Class I railroad carriers and certain Class II and III railroad carriers to establish a fatigue layoff program. Establishes family and medical leave provisions for railroad carriers.

Medium Priority Bills

Bill Details

Status

Sponsor

Position

Aquaculture chemicals

H Env &
Energy

Walsh

Neutral

Concerning the use of chemicals to prevent the decline of aquaculture production.

[HB 1037](#)

Sponsors: Walsh (Prime)

Summary: Establishes the aquaculture fairness act. Requires the director of the department of ecology to approve a chemical that is authorized for use to control burrowing shrimp in the waters of western Washington.

Capital budget 2019-2021

H Cap Budget

Tharinger

Neutral

Concerning the capital budget.

[HB 1102](#)
(SB 5134)

Sponsors: Tharinger (Prime)

Summary: Funds capital projects.

<u>HB 1108</u> (SB 5154)	Supp. operating budget 17-19 Making 2017-2019 biennium second supplemental operating appropriations. <i>Sponsors:</i> Ormsby (Prime) <i>Summary:</i> Makes 2017-2019 biennium second supplemental operating appropriations.	H Approps	Ormsby	Neutral
<u>HB 1109</u> (SB 5153)	Operating budget 2019-2021 Making 2019-2021 biennium operating appropriations. <i>Sponsors:</i> Ormsby (Prime) <i>Summary:</i> Makes 2019-2021 biennium operating appropriations.	H Approps	Ormsby	Neutral
<u>SB 5130</u> (HB 1228)	Fish barrier removal funding Increasing transportation revenues to help fund state fish barrier removal. <i>Sponsors:</i> Rolfes (Prime), Saldaña <i>Summary:</i> Helps fund state fish barrier removal by implementing a graduated real estate excise tax and moving up to August 1, 2019, the increase in certain vehicle weight fees.	S Transportation	Rolfes	Neutral
<u>SB 5134</u> (HB 1102)	Capital budget 2019-2021 Concerning the capital budget. <i>Sponsors:</i> Frockt (Prime), Honeyford, Sheldon <i>Summary:</i> Funds capital projects.	S Ways & Means	Frockt	Neutral
<u>SB 5153</u> (HB 1109)	Operating budget 2019-2021 Making 2019-2021 biennium operating appropriations. <i>Sponsors:</i> Rolfes (Prime), Braun <i>Summary:</i> Makes 2019-2021 biennium operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Rolfes	Neutral
<u>SB 5154</u> (HB 1108)	Supp. operating budget 17-19 Making 2017-2019 biennium second supplemental operating appropriations. <i>Sponsors:</i> Rolfes (Prime), Braun <i>Summary:</i> Makes 2017-2019 biennium second supplemental operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Rolfes	Neutral

Low Priority Bills

No bills.

Monitoring Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>
<u>E2SHB 1112</u> <u>(2SSB 5426)</u>	Hydrofluorocarbon emissions Reducing greenhouse gas emissions from hydrofluorocarbons.	H Passed 3rd Fitzgibbon	Neutral
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Fitzgibbon (Prime), Bergquist, Doglio, Frame, Goodman, Jinkins, Kloba, Macri, Peterson, Pollet, Robinson, Stanford, Tharinger		
	<i>Summary:</i>		
<u>HB 1160</u> <u>(SB 5214)</u>	Transportation budget 19-21 Making transportation appropriations for the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium.	H Trans Fey	Neutral
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Fey (Prime), Slatter, Valdez, Wylie		
	<i>Summary:</i> Makes transportation appropriations for the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium.		
<u>HB 1161</u> <u>(SB 5213)</u>	Supp. transportation budget Making 2017-2019 supplemental transportation appropriations.	H Trans Fey	Neutral
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Fey (Prime), Slatter, Wylie		
	<i>Summary:</i> Makes 2017-2019 supplemental transportation appropriations.		
<u>HB 1252</u>	Business entities/crime Concerning crime committed by business entities.	S Law & Justice Pellicciotti	Neutral
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Pellicciotti (Prime), Appleton, Bergquist, Chapman, Doglio, Dolan, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Goodman, Hudgins, Jinkins, Kilduff, Klippert, Leavitt, Lovick, Macri, Orwall, Peterson, Pollet, Riccelli, Robinson, Senn, Slatter, Stanford, Stonier, Tharinger, Valdez, Wylie		
	<i>Summary:</i> Establishes the corporate crime act. Modifies the state criminal code relating to crime committed by business entities.		
<u>2SHB 1257</u> <u>(2SSB 5293)</u>	Energy efficiency Concerning energy efficiency.	H Approps Doglio	Neutral
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Doglio (Prime), Appleton, Dolan, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Hudgins, Jinkins, Kloba, Lekanoff, Macri, Mead, Morris, Peterson, Pollet, Riccelli, Slatter, Stanford, Tarleton, Tharinger		
	<i>Summary:</i>		
<u>SHB 1348</u>	B&O tax provisions Helping Washington businesses succeed by modifying certain business and occupation tax provisions.	H Finance Chapman	Neutral
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Chapman (Prime), Maycumber, Morris, Springer, Steele, Tharinger		
	<i>Summary:</i>		

H-2A agricultural program H Labor & Workpl Dolan Neutral

Concerning the H-2A temporary agricultural program.

Sponsors: Dolan (Prime), Appleton, Doglio, Frame, Gregerson, Ormsby, Sells, Valdez

[HB 1398](#)
(2SSB 5438)

Summary: Declares it to be in the public interest to clarify the state's role in the H-2A temporary agricultural program to provide: (1) Adequate protection for foreign and domestic workers; and (2) Education and outreach opportunities to help growers maintain the stable workforce they need. Creates the office of H-2A compliance and farm labor within the employment security department. Requires an employer to submit an H-2A application to the department and pay a fee for each H-2A application submitted to the department. Requires the commissioner of the employment security department to appoint an advisory committee to review issues and topics of interest related to this act. Creates the H-2A enforcement account.

Manufacturing B&O tax rate H Finance MacEwen Neutral

Reducing the current standard business and occupation tax rates for manufacturers to the current aerospace preferential business and occupation tax rates.

[HB 1420](#)

Sponsors: MacEwen (Prime), Barkis, Irwin, Jenkin, Maycumber, Orcutt, Schmick, Smith, Stokesbary, Van Werven

Summary: Reduces the current standard business and occupation tax rates for manufacturers to the current aerospace preferential business and occupation tax rates.

Wage and salary information H Rules R Dolan Neutral

Concerning wage and salary information.

[SHB 1696](#)

Sponsors: Dolan (Prime), Appleton, Chapman, Davis, Doglio, Frame, Goodman, Gregerson, Jinkins, Kilduff, Leavitt, Macri, Ortiz-Self, Peterson, Pollet, Robinson, Senn, Stanford, Valdez, Wylie

Summary:

Farm products/vehicle weight H Trans Dye Neutral

Authorizing vehicles or combinations of vehicles carrying farm products to exceed total gross weight limits by two thousand pounds.

[HB 1712](#)

Sponsors: Dye (Prime), Blake, Caldier, Chambers, Chapman, Dent, Eslick, Gregerson, Kraft, Schmick, Van Werven

Summary: Authorizes vehicles or combinations of vehicles that are carrying farm products to exceed certain weight limits by up to two thousand pounds when operating on a highway that is not part of the federal-aid interstate system. Prohibits the vehicle or combination of vehicles from exceeding posted weight limits for a bridge.

Productive farmland H Approps Gregerson Neutral

Retaining productive farmland.

[SHB 1733](#)
(SSB 5543)

Sponsors: Gregerson (Prime), Blake, Dent, Dye, Tarleton

Summary:

[SHB 1736](#)

Adaptive agricultural equip. H Finance Kraft Neutral

Concerning tax relief for veterans and service members with disabilities to purchase adaptive agricultural equipment.

Sponsors: Kraft (Prime), Dent, Kilduff, Kirby, Klippert, Leavitt, Lovick, Peterson, Stanford, Van Werven, Walsh, Young

Summary:

Excessive executive comp tax	H Finance	Doglio	Neutral
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Funding the working families tax exemption by imposing a surcharge on publicly traded companies providing excessive executive compensation.

[HB 1778](#)

Sponsors: Doglio (Prime), Entenman, Frame, Jinkins, Macri, Ormsby, Pollet, Robinson

Summary: Imposes a surcharge, in addition to business and occupation taxes and public utility taxes, as appropriate, on corporations with excessive chief executive officer pay to provide funding for the working families' tax exemption in RCW 82.08.0206 (section 5 of this act). Creates the working families tax exemption account.

Ag., food, nat. resource ed.	H Education	Blake	Neutral
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Concerning agriculture, food, and natural resource education.

[HB 1863](#)
[\(SB 5804\)](#)

Sponsors: Blake (Prime), Corry, Dent, Dye, Eslick, Irwin, Klippert, Kretz, Orcutt, Shewmake

Summary: Establishes a career-connected learning opportunity in the agriculture, food, and natural resource career cluster area as a career and technical education program in the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

Vehicle combinations	H Trans	Doglio	Neutral
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Concerning vehicle combinations that may be operated on public highways.

[HB 1897](#)
[\(SB 5830\)](#)

Sponsors: Doglio (Prime), Fitzgibbon, Irwin, Lovick, Van Werven, Walsh

Summary: Requires the Washington state department of transportation to implement a pilot project to allow combinations of three vehicles to operate on designated public highways of the state through June 30, 2024. Limits the overall length of longer-combination vehicles participating in the pilot project to one hundred five feet.

Judicial assistants, etc.	H Rules R	Morgan	Neutral
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Concerning the hiring of bailiffs, judicial assistants, and other legal professionals by courts of record.

[HB 1977](#)

Sponsors: Morgan (Prime), Pellicciotti, Valdez

Summary:

Ag competitiveness/emissions	H Env & Energy	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 1984](#)

Sponsors: Maycumber (Prime), Eslick, Kretz, Walsh

Summary:

<u>HB 1985</u>	Ag/greenhouse emission rules	H Env & Energy	Maycumber	Neutral
	Providing regulatory relief from greenhouse gas emissions rules for producers of agricultural commodities and food products.			
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Maycumber (Prime), Eslick, Kretz, Walsh			
	<i>Summary:</i>			
<u>HB 2095</u> (2SSB 5947)	Sustainable farms and fields	H RDev, Ag&NR	Walsh	Neutral
	Establishing the sustainable farms and fields grant program.			
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Walsh (Prime), Chapman, Corry, Dye, Eslick, Fitzgibbon, Peterson, Shea, Shewmake, Springer			
	<i>Summary:</i>			
<u>SB 5213</u> (HB 1161)	Supp. transportation budget	S Transportation	Hobbs	Neutral
	Making 2017-2019 supplemental transportation appropriations.			
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Hobbs (Prime)			
	<i>Summary:</i> Makes 2017-2019 supplemental transportation appropriations.			
<u>SB 5214</u> (HB 1160)	Transportation budget 19-21	S Transportation	Hobbs	Neutral
	Making transportation appropriations for the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium.			
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Hobbs (Prime), Palumbo			
	<i>Summary:</i> Makes transportation appropriations for the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium.			
<u>2SSB 5293</u> (2SHB 1257)	Energy efficiency	S Rules 2	Carlyle	Neutral
	Concerning energy efficiency.			
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Carlyle (Prime), Billig, Das, Frockt, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, Lias, McCoy, Nguyen, Palumbo, Pedersen, Wellman			
	<i>Summary:</i>			
<u>2SSB 5426</u> (E2SHB 1112)	Hydrofluorocarbon emissions	S Rules 2	Mullet	Neutral
	Reducing greenhouse gas emissions from hydrofluorocarbons.			
	<i>Sponsors:</i> Mullet (Prime), Dhingra, Nguyen, Palumbo, Rivers, Rolfes			
	<i>Summary:</i>			
<u>SSB 5543</u> (SHB 1733)	Productive farmland	S Ways & Means	Takko	Neutral

Retaining productive farmland.

Sponsors: Takko (Prime)

Summary:

Crude oil volatility/rail

S Amended

Billig

Neutral

Concerning the volatility of crude oil received in the state by rail.

[ESSB 5579](#)
(HB 1785)

Sponsors: Billig (Prime), Carlyle, Conway, Dhingra, Frockt, Hasegawa, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, Liias, Nguyen, Palumbo, Pedersen, Rolfes, Salda?a, Van De Wege

Summary:

State tax laws

H 2nd Reading

Rolfes

Neutral

Improving the effectiveness and adequacy of state tax laws by clarifying and simplifying nexus provisions, by decreasing compliance and administrative burdens for taxpayers and the department of revenue, by facilitating the collection of new tax revenue resulting from the United States supreme court's decision in South Dakota v. Wayfair, Inc., by providing more consistent tax obligations for both domestic and foreign sellers, and by simplifying the expiration of sales tax sourcing mitigation payments to local governments on September 30, 2019.

[SSB 5581](#)
(HB 1890)

Sponsors: Rolfes (Prime), Braun, Carlyle, Keiser, Salda?a

Summary:

B&O manufacturing tax rate

S Ways &
Means

Ericksen

Neutral

Lowering the ceiling of the business and occupation manufacturing tax rate to 0.2904 percent.

[SB 5608](#)

Sponsors: Ericksen (Prime), Bailey, Becker, Brown, Fortunato, Honeyford, Padden, Rivers, Short, Wilson, Zeiger

Summary: Lowers the business and occupation tax rate ceiling to increase the sustainability of manufacturing.

Worker protections

S Labor &
Commer

Salda?a

Neutral

Creating the universal worker protections act.

[SB 5690](#)

Sponsors: Salda?a (Prime), Conway, Keiser, Nguyen

Summary: Establishes the universal worker protections act and addresses the following: The employee fair classification act; prevailing wages; wage deductions; the wage payment act; the minimum wage act; unemployment insurance; industrial insurance; and workers' boards and portable benefits for workers.

Ag, food, nat. resource ed.

S EL/K-12

Warnick

Neutral

Concerning agriculture, food, and natural resource education.

[SB 5804](#)
(HB 1863)

Sponsors: Warnick (Prime), Becker, Braun, Brown, Honeyford, Rivers, Schoesler, Short, Takko, Walsh, Wilson, Zeiger

Summary: Establishes a career-connected learning opportunity in the agriculture, food, and natural

resource career cluster area as a career and technical education program in the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

Juvenile sentencing	S Rules 2	Kuderer	Neutral
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Concerning juvenile sentencing.

[SB 5880](#)

Sponsors: Kuderer (Prime), Darneille, Nguyen, Salda?a

Summary:

Farm products/vehicle weight	S Rules 2	King	Neutral
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Authorizing vehicles or combinations of vehicles carrying farm products to exceed total gross weight limits.

[SSB 5883](#)

Sponsors: King (Prime), Hobbs, Keiser, Rivers, Takko, Wellman

Summary:

Sustainable farms and fields	S Rules 2	McCoy	Neutral
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Establishing the sustainable farms and fields grant program.

[2SSB 5947](#)
[\(HB 2095\)](#)

Sponsors: McCoy (Prime), King, Palumbo, Salomon, Schoesler, Warnick

Summary:

Transportation funding bonds	S Transportation	Hobbs	Neutral
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Authorizing bonds for transportation funding.

[SB 5970](#)

Sponsors: Hobbs (Prime), Cleveland, Das, Fortunato, King, Liias, Lovelett, Mullet, Nguyen, Palumbo, Randall, Salda?a, Sheldon, Takko, Wagoner, Wilson, Zeiger

Summary:

Transportation funding	S Transportation	Hobbs	Neutral
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Concerning transportation funding.

[SB 5971](#)

Sponsors: Hobbs (Prime), Cleveland, Conway, Liias, Lovelett, Mullet, Nguyen, Palumbo, Randall, Salda?a, Sheldon, Takko

Summary:

Additive trans funding	S Transportation	Hobbs	Neutral
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Concerning additive transportation funding and appropriations.

[SB 5972](#)

Sponsors: Hobbs (Prime), Cleveland, Conway, Das, Fortunato, King, Liias, Lovelett, Mullet, Nguyen, Padden, Palumbo, Randall, Salda?a, Sheldon, Takko, Wagoner, Wilson, Zeiger

Summary:

Agricultural tariffs

S Ways &
Means

Takko

Neutral

Requesting the federal government to address tariffs on agricultural commodities.

[SIM 8011](#)

Sponsors: Takko (Prime), Billig, Carlyle, Cleveland, Conway, Darneille, Das, Dhingra, Frockt, Hasegawa, Hobbs, Hunt, Keiser, Kuderer, Lias, Lovelett, McCoy, Mullet, Nguyen, Palumbo, Pedersen, Randall, Rolfes, Saldaña, Salomon, Van De Wege, Wellman, Wilson

Summary:
