



City of Seattle
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March 2, 2020

Key Dates:

March 2, 2020	Opposite House Fiscal Cutoff
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Education

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<u>ESSB 5395</u> (HB 1407) Sexual health education Requires every public school to provide comprehensive sexual health education that is consistent with Washington state health and physical education standards. Passed the House 28-21 on 1/22.	H Education	Wilson
<u>SSB 6073</u> Menstrual products/schools Requires school districts and charter schools to make menstrual hygiene products available at no cost by the beginning of the 2021-22 school year. Passed the Senate 48-0 on 2/17.	S 2nd Reading	Dhingra

Environment

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<u>E2SHB 1110</u> (SB 5412) Low Carbon Fuel Standards Low Carbon Fuel Standards. Directs the Department of Ecology to adopt a rule establishing a Clean Fuels Program (Program) to limit greenhouse gas emissions per unit of transportation fuel energy to 10 percent below 2017 levels by 2028 and 20 percent below 2017 levels by 2035. Passed the House 52-44 on 1/30. Upcoming Events: Transportation (Senate) Public Hearing 3/2 @ 1:30 pm	S Transportation	Fitzgibbon
<u>2SHB 2310</u> (SB 6399) On-demand transp. emissions Reducing emissions from vehicles associated with on-demand transportation services. Requires certain service providers arranging for the transportation of people, food, or other goods to submit information to the Department of Ecology regarding vehicle miles driven and greenhouse gas emissions. Requires providers develop plans to meet greenhouse gas emission reduction goals by 2023. Passed the House 56-39.	S Transportation	Fitzgibbon

<u>E2SHB 2311</u> (SB 6272)	Greenhouse gas emissions	S Ways & Means	Slatter
Amending state greenhouse gas emission limits for consistency with the most recent assessment of climate change science. Adds new interim milestones for state greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction limits in 2030 and 2040. Revises the 2050 state GHG emissions reduction limits from 50 percent to 95 percent below 1990 levels and requires the state to achieve net zero GHG emissions. Amends GHG emissions reduction targets for state agencies. Passed the House 55-41 on 2/16.			

Upcoming Events: Ways & Means (Senate) Public Hearing 2/28 @ 3:30 pm

<u>E2SHB 2405</u> (SB 6222)	C-PACER	S RecComm	Duerr
Creates a commercial property assessed clean energy and resiliency (C-PACER) program that facilitates a partnership for the financing of energy efficiency retrofits and new construction. Authorizes a capital provider (private entity) to provide financing for qualifying capital improvements such as energy efficiency, water conservation, renewable energy, and resiliency projects which are repaid through assessments on property. Passed the House 93-4 on 2/18.			

<u>SSB 6256</u> (SHB 2424)	Heating oil insurance	H Env & Energy	Wellman
Directs the Pollution Liability Insurance Agency (PLIA) to design and implement a process to close out existing claims under the Heating Oil Pollution Liability Insurance Program. Prohibits the Heating Oil Pollution Liability Insurance Program from registering heating oil tanks for coverage after July 1, 2020. States the intent of the Legislature that the Underground Storage Tank Revolving Loan and Grant Program be used to assist owners and operators of heating oil tanks to remediate past releases and prevent future releases. Modifies the circumstances in which the State Treasurer may transfer funds from the Pollution Liability Insurance Program Trust Account into the PLIA Underground Storage Tank Revolving Account. Passed the Senate 48-0 on 2/19.			

Upcoming Events: Capital Budget (House) Public Hearing 3/2 @ 9:00 am, Capital Budget (House) Exec Session 3/2 @ 9:00 am

General Government

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<u>HB 2217</u>	S Ag/Water/Natura	Eslick
Removes the requirement for cottage food businesses to place their business address on product labels and instead requires inclusion of the cottage food permit number. Passed the House 95-0.		
<u>HB 2218</u>	S Ag/Water/Natura	Eslick
Increases the cap on annual gross sales for cottage food products is increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000. Passed the House 97-0.		
<u>SSB 6152</u>	H State Govt & T	Salomon
Foreign national ownership Aligns campaign contribution rules for foreign-owned corporations with federal laws. Passed the Senate 30-16 on 2/13.		

ESSB 6280	Facial recognition services Concerning the use of facial recognition services. Requires state or local government agencies (agencies) to develop an accountability report and an annual report that meet certain requirements on the use of a facial recognition service (service). Specifies agency requirements regarding public notification, testing prior to deployment, independent testing for accuracy across distinct subpopulations, and service operator training. Prohibits the use of a service for ongoing surveillance, except in support of law enforcement and pursuant to a search warrant or agency director determination under certain conditions. Specifies disclosure and record keeping requirements. Establishes a facial recognition task force.	H Inn, Tech & Ec	Nguyen
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2SSB 6281 (SHB 2742)	Personal data 2020 Privacy Act. Provides Washington residents with the consumer personal data rights of access, correction, deletion, data portability, and opt out of the processing of personal data for specified purposes. Passed the Senate 46-1.	H Inn, Tech & Ec	Carlyle
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Health Care

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
SHB 2338	Mental health coverage Prohibiting discrimination in health care coverage. Expands health coverage mental health parity requirements. Expands health insurance nondiscrimination provisions.	S Health & Long T Macri

E2SSB 6128 (HB 2381)	Postpartum period/Medicaid Would extend postpartum Apple Health coverage from 60 days to 12 months, with the same eligibility standards as the current program (up to 198% FPL). Passed the Senate 48-0 and was amended to cap enrollment based on available funds. Pregnant and postpartum persons will enroll on a first come, first served basis. The HCA authority is directed to seek additional funds. The Senate budget proposal includes \$3.7 million.	H Approps Randall
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SSB 6254 (HB 2454)	Vapor products Governor request bill. Requires all vapor product manufacturers be licenses by the Liquor and Cannabis Board and requires manufacturers and distributors to submit a list of product ingredients to the Department of Health. Bans the sale of vapor products containing vitamin E acetate and flavored vapor products. Limits nicotine concentrations in vapor products. Deemed necessary to implement the budget (NTIB).	S Ways & Means Kuderer
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Housing, Homelessness & Affordability

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
EHB 1694	Tenants/installment payments Requires a landlord, upon receipt of a tenant's written request, to permit the tenant to pay deposits, nonrefundable fees, and last month's rent in installments. Prohibits a landlord from imposing a fee, charging interest, or otherwise imposing a cost on a tenant because a tenant elects to pay in installments. Passed the House 54-44 on 2/17.	S Financial Inst, Morgan

<u>SHB 2343</u> (SSB 6334)	Urban housing	S Housing Stabil	Fitzgibbon
Concerning urban housing supply. Modifies the list of planning actions that certain cities are encouraged to take in order to increase residential building capacity. Changes the frequency of transit service that triggers a cap on minimum residential parking requirements for certain affordable housing units, from four times per hour to two times per hour. Exempts certain project actions from appeal under SEPA on the basis of impacts to the aesthetics element of the environment if they have undergone the design review process at the appropriate local government level. Modifies the definition of permanent supportive housing. Directs the Department of Ecology to initiate the rule-making process to remove parking as an element of the environment and as a component of the environmental checklist. Passed the House 93-2 on 2/16.			
<u>SHB 2384</u> (SB 6232)	Nonprofit housing/prop. tax	S Ways & Means	Doglio
Concerning the property tax exemption for nonprofit organizations providing rental housing or mobile home park spaces to qualifying households. Passed the House 96-2 on 2/17.			
Upcoming Events: Ways & Means (Senate) Public Hearing 2/28 @ 3:30 pm			
<u>SHB 2607</u> (SB 6304)	Identicards/homelessness	S Transportation	Callan
Raises the age range to allow qualifying individuals up to age 25 to receive a Washington State identicard at reduced cost. Requires the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to assist youth under age 25 who do not have a permanent residence address to apply for identicards. Passed the House 87-11 on 2/18.			
<u>SHB 2620</u> (SSB 6411)	Multiple-unit dwellings/tax	H Rules C	Walen
Expanding the property tax exemption for new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in urban growth areas.			
<u>SHB 2634</u> (SB 6366)	Affordable housing/REET	S Ways & Means	Walen
Provides a Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) exemption when selling to a nonprofit or public housing authority for affordable housing. Passed the House 94-4.			
<u>SHB 2732</u>	Landlord mitigation/victims	H Rules C	Riccelli
Expanding the landlord mitigation program to alleviate the financial burden on victims attempting to flee domestic violence, sexual assault, unlawful harassment, or stalking.			
<u>HB 2950</u>	Housing tax exemption	H Finance	Macri
Addressing affordable housing needs through the multifamily housing tax exemption by providing an extension of the exemption until January 1, 2022, for certain properties currently receiving a twelve-year exemption and by convening a work group.			
Upcoming Events: Finance (House) Exec Session 3/2 @ 8:00 am			
<u>ESSB 5946</u>	SEPA/shelters & encampments	H ENVIDPA	Nguyen
Concerning the application of the state environmental policy act to temporary shelters and transitional encampments. Passed the Senate 40-7.			
<u>ESSB 6378</u> (HB 2724)	Residential tenants	H Civil R & Judi	Kuderer
Concerning residential tenant protections. Modifies the uniform 14-day pay or vacate notice and unlawful detainer action summons. Authorizes stay of an unlawful detainer judgement if the tenant will be able to pay the judgement with emergency rental assistance funds. Requires the tenant to provide a copy of the pledge of emergency rental assistance to stay the judgement and for the landlord to provide			

documentation necessary to possess such assistance. Removes the prohibition on eligibility for judicial discretion if a tenant is issues three or more 14-day notices within the previous 12-month period. Passed the Senate 30-18.

<u>SSB 6512</u>	School employee housing	S Ways & Means	Rolfes
<p>Providing housing to school district employees. Allows school districts to build teachers' cottages or other single or multifamily housing for school district employees when approved by a vote of the district to do so. The bill also allows school districts to enter into agreements with municipalities, taxing districts, or municipal corporations regarding leasing any lands, properties, or facilities for the development of single or multifamily housing for school district employees or to provide joint use. Passed the Senate 30-18.</p>			
<p>Upcoming Events: Ways & Means (Senate) Exec Session 2/28 @ 3:30 pm</p>			

<u>ESSB 6617</u>	Accessory dwelling units	H Env & Energy	Liias
<p>Requires counties planning under the Growth Management Act and cities within such counties to authorize up to two accessory dwelling units (ADUs) per lot, to not require the provision of off-street parking for ADUs close to major transit stops, and to not require an owner to occupy an ADU or other housing unit on the lot unless the owner owns more than five ADUs or the ADU is a short-term rental.</p>			

Public Safety

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<u>SHB 2240</u> (SSB 6077)	High capacity magazines	H Rules C
<p>Concerning high capacity magazines.</p>		
<u>E2SHB 2467</u>	Firearm background checks	S RecComm
<p>Establishing a centralized single point of contact background check system for firearms transfers.</p>		
<u>SHB 2632</u> (SB 6295)	False reporting	S Rules 2
<p>Modifies the crime of False Reporting and elevates the crime to a new first or second degree felony offense if it involves certain conduct and results in death or bodily harm. Passed the House unanimously on 2/12.</p>		
<u>3SSB 5164</u> (HB 1971)	Public assistance for crime victims	H HSELDPA
<p>Expands eligibility of the food assistance program for legal immigrants, state family assistance programs, and medical care services (MCS) to include victims of certain crimes including human trafficking. Passed the Senate 47-0 on 2/14.</p>		
<u>ESSB 6288</u>	Office of firearm safety	H Civil R & Judi
<p>Creates the Office of Firearm Violence Prevention within the Department of Commerce. Duties of the Office Include: collecting data and identifying gaps in data needed for ongoing analysis, policy development and implementation of firearm violence intervention and prevention strategies; researching, identifying and recommending policy options; researching, identifying and applying for non-state funding to support the work; working with the Office of Crime Victim Advocacy to identify opportunities to better support victims of firearm violence; and administering a grant program on firearm violence intervention and prevention. Passed the Senate 25-23.</p>		

Safety Net & Civil Rights

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<p>Domestic worker protections</p> <p>SHB 2511 (SSB 6247)</p> <p>Requires employers of domestic workers, and individuals who pay wages for services of domestic workers, to provide minimum wages, overtime, and meal and rest breaks, and to have terms and expectations of employment in written agreements. Passed the House 59-39 on 2/18.</p>	S RecComm	Stonier
<p>Courts/arrests</p> <p>SHB 2567 (SB 6522)</p> <p>Open Courts for All. Aims to protect all people from warrantless civil immigration arrests at courts, prohibits court staff and prosecutors from using state and local justice resources to report people for federal immigration enforcement, and requires courts to collect data on immigration agents' surveillance of courthouses in Washington. Passed the House 55-43 on 2/17.</p>	S LAWDP	Thai
<p>Death penalty elimination</p> <p>SB 5339 (HB 1488)</p> <p>Eliminates the death penalty and requires life imprisonment without possibility of release or parole as the sentence for aggravated first degree murder.</p>	H Public Safety	Carlyle
<p>Long-term care workers</p> <p>E2SSB 6205 (2SHB 2681)</p> <p>Requires home care agencies and the consumer directed employers to establish certain protocols related to employee discrimination and abuse. Requires the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) to convene a stakeholder work group to recommend best practices for training employers, workers, and clients to keep home care settings free from discrimination and abusive conduct. Authorizes L&I to assess a civil penalty up to \$5,000 for instances of noncompliance. Passed the Senate 37-11.</p>	H LAWSDP	Cleveland
<p>WIC fruit & veg. benefit</p> <p>2SSB 6309 (HB 2262)</p> <p>Expanding access to nutritious foods. Passed the Senate 46-0.</p>	H Approps	Lovelett
<p>Young voters</p> <p>ESB 6313 (HB 2558)</p> <p>Allows persons to vote in a primary election if they are 17 years old, but will be 18 by the general election. Requires that DOL provide an automated process for 16 and 17 year olds to sign up to register to vote. Requires that public universities, if requested by the student government, and certain public university branch campuses open student engagement centers to provide ballots. Passed the Senate 28-19.</p>	H Approps	Liias

Transportation

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<p>Auto. traffic safety cameras</p> <p>SSB 5789 (ESHB 1793)</p> <p>Allows automated traffic safety cameras to be used to detect the following: Stoptlight violations; railroad crossing violations; stopping when traffic obstructed violations; stopping at intersection or crosswalk violations; public transportation only lane violations; stopping, standing, or parking violations at locations restricted for emergency response vehicle entry or exit or the boarding or disembarking of public transportation vehicles, including public ferries. Specifies that a public transportation vehicle is</p>	H Trans	Liias

any motor vehicle, streetcar, train, trolley vehicle, ferry boat, or other device, vessel, or vehicle owned or operated by a transit authority that is used for carrying passengers and that operates on established routes. The House version passed 56-40 on 1/30.

Upcoming Events: Transportation (House) Public Hearing 2/29 @ 11:00 am

Regional transit authorities

S 2nd Reading

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[SSB 6606](#)

Requires Sound Transit to transition from the 1996 car tab valuation schedule to the 2006 valuation schedule, which would reduce ST revenue by \$1 billion, or \$2.9 billion long term if they bond to replace the immediate lost revenue. Retains the existing 1.1% MVET that was repealed by I-976. By making a legislative change to an Initiative the bill requires a 2/3 vote of the legislature.
