

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

Weekly Report

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The third week of the 2015 Legislative Session focused on House and Senate Policy Committees' public hearings, with an increasing emphasis on actually "moving" more bills than last week. Undoubtedly, the most colorful hearing occurred in the House Environment Committee when that Committee held a public hearing on HB 1314, which is Gov. Inslee's Carbon Cap & Trade bill.

With the media present on Tuesday, the crowd that gathered to testify on this issue spilled out into 2 other hearing rooms. Since the number of people that wished to testify far outstripped the 2 hour committee hearing timeslot, Chairman Joe Fitzgibbons was forced to continue the hearing until Thursday morning.

Throughout both hearings, "Pro" panels argued that the Governor's Cap & Trade bill needed to be enacted to battle global climate change, whereas "Con" panels consistently questioned the cost of the Governor's proposal, and indicated that there were alternative actions that could be taken that would reduce Washington's already tiny carbon footprint.

As with most public hearings, this one will have very little impact on the final disposition of this bill, which most Olympia Insiders believe will end once the House Environment Committee passes it on to the House Rules or Appropriations Committees.

Ag organizations, environmental organizations, and the Washington Association of Counties continued their efforts this week to obtain planning funding for the Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP). They worked hard to develop a joint letter to the legislature from all of the stakeholder organizations that supported full VSP planning funding. WACD indicated that it would be willing to lend its support to such a letter to House and Senate budget writers.

HB 1264, the House version of the bill that would allow King, Pierce, Snohomish, and Spokane Counties to increase their "Rates & Charges" (R&C) fee, (*if* Snohomish and Spokane moved from an Assessment to an R&C fee), hit a pretty big bump in the road this week.

Though it received uniformly positive testimony in a public hearing in front of the House Local Government committee on Tuesday, it became apparent by Thursday that none of the Republicans on that Committee were willing to vote for it. This development forced Committee Chair Dean Takko to postpone Executive Action on this bill on Thursday, when it was supposed to be voted out of his committee.

The Senate will take up its version of our R&C bill next Tuesday when the Senate Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development Committee holds a Public Hearing on SB 5322. Obviously, if Republican support is not forthcoming in the Republican-controlled Senate, SB 5322 will face a very difficult future.

BILL TRACKING SUMMARY

HIGH PRIORITY BILLS

	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Status</u>
1101 Concerning conservation districts.	Wilcox	Oppose	H, Local Govt
1104 Creating the crime of interference with agricultural production.	Schmick	Monitor	H, Public Safety

1105	Making 2015 supplemental operating appropriations.	Hunter	Monitor	H, Approps
1106	Making 2015-2017 operating appropriations.	Hunter	Monitor	H, Approps
1115	Concerning the capital budget.	Dunshee	Monitor	H, Cap Budget
1116	Concerning the supplemental capital budget.	Dunshee	Monitor	H, Cap Budget
1189	Regarding hours of availability of cities, towns, and special purpose districts for inspection and copying of public records.	S. Hunt	Monitor	H, Local Govt
1237	Providing landowners with necessary tools for the protection of their property from forest fires.	Kretz	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1264	Concerning conservation districts' rates and charges.	Wilcox	Support	H, Local Govt
5322	Concerning conservation districts' rates and charges.	Hatfield	Support	S, Ag/Water/RurEcD

MEDIUM PRIORITY BILLS

1032	Amending the fee structure provided in RCW 77.55.321 to encourage habitat projects that provide a public benefit.	Blake	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1187	Concerning best practices for water banks.	Chandler	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1214	Addressing the definition of agricultural lands under the shoreline management act.	Scott	Monitor	H, Local Govt
1215	Restricting the conversion of agricultural land to other uses under the growth management act.	Scott	Monitor	H, Local Govt
1216	Restricting the conversion of agricultural land to other uses under the growth management act and shoreline management act.	Scott	Monitor	H, Local Govt
1224	Accelerating the rate of wolf recovery in Washington.	Kretz	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1225	Increasing the social acceptance of endangered species recovery by providing the fish and wildlife commission with the tools necessary to enact changes to the status of a species.	Kretz	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1399	Annually adjusting the limit on distribution of hazardous substance tax revenues to the state and local toxics control accounts to correct for inflation.	Hudgins	Monitor	H, Cap Budget
1425	Ensuring that entities performing government functions and advisory committees are subject to the open public meetings act and public records act.	Pollet	Monitor	H, State Governme
1508	Providing permissive authority for counties to assume authority over local forest fire management.	Kretz	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1509	Giving priority selection to forest fire suppression resource contractors that are located geographically close to fire suppression activities.	Kretz	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
5060	Improving relationships between agricultural producers and state regulatory staff.	Honeyford	Monitor	S, Ag/Water/RurEcD
5062	Concerning water quality enforcement procedure.	Honeyford	Monitor	S, Ag/Water/RurEcD
5168	Addressing the definition of agricultural lands under the shoreline management act.	Warnick	Monitor	S, Ag/Water/RurEc
5169	Restricting the conversion of agricultural land to other uses under the growth management act.	Warnick	Monitor	S, Ag/Water/RurEcD
5170	Restricting the conversion of agricultural land to other uses under the growth management act and shoreline management act.	Warnick	Monitor	S, Ag/Water/RurEcD
5204	Providing an exemption from hydraulic project permit fees for certain emergency permits.	Parlette	Monitor	S, Natural Resour
5320	Concerning the administrative rate the recreation and conservation funding board may retain to administer the grant programs established in chapter 79A.15 RCW.	Honeyford	Monitor	S, Natural Resourc

5347	Creating demonstration projects for preserving agricultural land and public infrastructure in flood plains.	Hobbs	Monitor	S, Ag/Water/RurEc
5348	Allowing public agencies to enter into contracts providing for the joint utilization of architectural or engineering services.	Miloscia	Monitor	S, GovtOp&StSec
5445	Extending the alternative fuel vehicle retail sales and use tax exemption.	Liias	Monitor	S, Energy, Enviro
5446	Requiring incentives for electric vehicle readiness in buildings.	Hobbs	Monitor	S, Energy, Enviro

LOW PRIORITY BILLS

1079	Allowing public agencies to enter into contracts providing for the joint utilization of architectural or engineering services.	Kochmar	Monitor	H, State Governme
1197	Concerning water-sewer districts.	Takko	Monitor	H, Local Govt
1202	Providing that an administrative rule or policy of the department of ecology may be abrogated by act of the governor or either house of the legislature.	Scott	Monitor	H, State Governme
1203	Limiting the enforcement of administrative rules and policies.	Scott	Monitor	H, State Governme
1204	Limiting the enforcement of policies of the department of ecology.	Scott	Monitor	H, State Governme
1392	Concerning the administrative rate the recreation and conservation funding board may retain to administer the grant programs established in chapter 79A.15 RCW.	Stanford	Monitor	H, Cap Budget
5013	Regarding the use of designated agricultural lands.	Honeyford	Monitor	S, Ag/Water/RurEcD

CALENDAR ITEMS

1/22/2015	5204	Hydraulic projct permit fees	Natural Resources & Parks	TVW	1:30 PM	SHR 3
1/27/2015	5013	Designated agricultural land	Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development		8:00 AM	SHR 3
1/27/2015	5168	Ag lands/shoreline mgmt act	Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development		8:00 AM	SHR 3
1/27/2015	5169	Ag land conversion/GMA	Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development		8:00 AM	SHR 3
1/27/2015	5170	Ag land conversion/GMA, SMA	Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development		8:00 AM	SHR 3
1/27/2015	5347	Flood plains/ag land, etc.	Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development		8:00 AM	SHR 3
1/27/2015	1032	Habitat projects	Agriculture & Natural Resources		10:00 AM	HHR B
1/27/2015	1189	City, district publ. records	Technology & Economic Development		10:00 AM	HHR C
1/27/2015	1215	Ag land conversion/GMA	Technology & Economic Development		10:00 AM	HHR C
1/27/2015	1264	Conservation district rates	Technology & Economic Development		10:00 AM	HHR C
1/28/2015	1189	City, district publ. records	Local Government		8:00 AM	HHR D
1/29/2015	5348	Joint utilization contracts	Commerce & Gaming		9:00 AM	HHR C
1/29/2015	1189	City, district publ. records	Local Government		1:30 PM	HHR D

BILL TRACKING DETAILS

1032

HABITAT PROJECTS

BLAKE

Representatives Blake and Hurst

Encourages habitat projects that provide a public benefit by providing an exemption for the application fee for a hydraulic project permit or permit modification.

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1032.pdf](http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1032.pdf)

1079

JOINT UTILIZATION CONTRACTS

KOCHMAR

Representatives Kochmar, Takko, Pike, Springer, Fitzgibbon, and S. Hunt

Authorizes any two or more public agencies to enter into a contract providing for the joint utilization of architectural or engineering services if certain conditions are met.

Companion Bill: 5348 Joint utilization contracts S, GovtOp&StSec

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1079.pdf](http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1079.pdf)

1101

CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

WILCOX

Representatives Wilcox, Blake, Lytton, and MacEwen

Modifies conservation district provisions relating to special assessment and rates and charges in consideration of the natural resource needs within the district and the capacity of the district to provide either services or improvements, or both.

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1101.pdf](http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1101.pdf)

1104

INTERFERENCE W/AG PRODUCTION

SCHMICK

Representatives Schmick and Wilcox

Creates the crime of interference with agricultural production.

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1104.pdf](http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1104.pdf)

1105

OPERATING SUP BUDGET 2015

HUNTER

Representatives Hunter, Ormsby, and Sullivan

Requested by
Governor Inslee

Makes 2015 supplemental operating appropriations.

Companion Bill: 5076 Operating sup budget 2015 S, Ways & Means

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1105.pdf](http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1105.pdf)

1106

OPERATING BUDGET 2015-2017

HUNTER

Representatives Hunter, Ormsby, and Sullivan

Requested by
Governor Inslee

Makes 2015-2017 operating appropriations.

Companion Bill: 5077 Operating budget 2015-2017 S, Ways & Means

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1106.pdf](http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1106.pdf)

1115

CAPITAL BUDGET 2015-2017

DUNSHEE

Representatives Dunshee, DeBolt, Gregerson, Morris, and Reykdal

Requested by
Governor Inslee

Adopts the capital budget.

Companion Bill: 5097 Capital budget 2015-2017 S, Ways & Means

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1115.pdf](http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1115.pdf)

1116

CAPITAL SUP BUDGET 2015

DUNSHEE

Adopts the supplemental capital budget.

Companion Bill: 5096 Capital sup budget 2015

S, Ways & Means

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesex.leg.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1116.pdf](http://lawfilesex.leg.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1116.pdf)

1187

WATER BANKING BEST PRACTICES

CHANDLER

Representatives Chandler, Blake, Buys, Stanford, Hayes, and Parker

Establishes the water banking best practices act.

Companion Bill: 5014 Water banking best practices

S, Ag/Water/RurEc

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesex.leg.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1187.pdf](http://lawfilesex.leg.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1187.pdf)

1189

CITY, DISTRICT PUBL. RECORDS

S. HUNT

Representatives S. Hunt, Holy, Bergquist, Johnson, Appleton, and Buys

Requires cities, towns, and special purpose districts that customarily do not maintain regular office hours to post, on the agency headquarters location and their web site, directions on how to contact agency personnel to inspect or copy public records.

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1197

WATER-SEWER DISTRICTS

TAKKO

Representatives Takko and Kochmar

Modifies water-sewer district provisions.

Companion Bill: 5350 Water-sewer districts

S, GovtOp&StSec

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1202

ECOLOGY ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

SCOTT

Representatives Scott, Shea, Taylor, Short, Holy, Manweller, Buys, Griffey, Condotta, Young, and McCaslin

Provides that, if the governor by executive order or either house of the legislature by resolution declares an administrative rule or policy of the department of ecology to be abrogated, the rule or policy is null and void and of no force or effect.

Companion Bill: 5367 Ecology administrative rules

S, Energy, Enviro

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesex.leg.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1202.pdf](http://lawfilesex.leg.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1202.pdf)

1203

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES & POLICY

SCOTT

Representatives Scott, Shea, Short, Taylor, Manweller, Buys, Griffey, Vick, Condotta, Young, and McCaslin

Prohibits a rule or policy of any state agency from being enforced unless and until the rule or policy has been adopted pursuant to the administrative procedure act, codified in the Washington Administrative Code, and ratified by act of the legislature.

Companion Bill: 5368 Administrative rules & policy

S, GovtOp&StSec

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesex.leg.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1203.pdf](http://lawfilesex.leg.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1203.pdf)

1204

ECOLOGY POLICIES ENFORCEMENT

SCOTT

Representatives Scott, Shea, Taylor, Short, Holy, Manweller, Buys, Griffey, Condotta,

and Young

Prohibits any policy of the department of ecology from being enforced unless and until it has been adopted pursuant to the administrative procedure act, codified in the Washington Administrative Code, and ratified by act of the legislature.

Companion Bill: 5366 Ecology policies enforcement S, Energy, Enviro
Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1204.pdf>

1 2 1 4 **AG LANDS/SHORELINE MGMT ACT** **SCOTT**
Representatives Scott, Taylor, Chandler, Blake, Shea, Griffey, Buys, Condotta, Young, and McCaslin

Prohibits land qualifying as agricultural under the shoreline management act from being converted to wetland or fish habitat, or from being subjected to tidal inundation.

Companion Bill: 5168 Ag lands/shoreline mgmt act S, Ag/Water/RurEc
Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1214.pdf>

1 2 1 5 **AG LAND CONVERSION/GMA** **SCOTT**
Representatives Scott, Taylor, Chandler, Blake, Shea, Griffey, Buys, Young, and McCaslin

Prohibits land designated as agricultural under the growth management act from being converted to wetland or fish habitat, or from being subjected to tidal inundation.

Companion Bill: 5169 Ag land conversion/GMA S, Ag/Water/RurEcD
Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1215.pdf>

1 2 1 6 **AG LAND CONVERSION/GMA, SMA** **SCOTT**
Representatives Scott, Taylor, Chandler, Blake, Shea, Griffey, Buys, Haler, Young, and McCaslin

Prohibits land designated as agricultural under the growth management act from being converted to wetland or fish habitat, or from being subjected to tidal inundation.
Prohibits land qualifying as agricultural under the shoreline management act from being converted to wetland or fish habitat, or from being subjected to tidal inundation.

Companion Bill: 5170 Ag land conversion/GMA, SMA S, Ag/Water/RurEcD
Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1216.pdf>

1 2 2 4 **WOLF RECOVERY, RATE OF** **KRETZ**
Representatives Kretz and Short

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to conduct a pilot project to explore active wolf recovery options as an alternative to passive population dispersal.
Exempts the intrastate translocation of wolves by the department of fish and wildlife from environmental impact statement requirements when conducted for the purposes of recovering wolf populations.
Expires June 30, 2019.

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1224.pdf>

1 2 2 5 **SPECIES STATUS/F&W COMM.** **KRETZ**
Representatives Kretz, Blake, Short, Wilcox, Scott, and Buys

Requires the fish and wildlife commission, if it has listed a species statewide as endangered, threatened, or sensitive in this state, to

consider any petitions for removing a species from classification or changing the classification of the species, on a regional basis.

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1225.pdf>

1 2 3 7

LANDOWNERS AND FOREST FIRES

KRETZ

Representatives Kretz, Blake, Dent, Lytton, Manweller, Pettigrew, Short, Scott, Buys, and Condotta

Authorizes certain landowners, landowners' agents, and other persons to access land owned or managed by the department of natural resources or the department of fish and wildlife to construct a fire line or take other preventive measures intended to stop or slow the spread of a fire onto property owned by, or under the responsibility of, the actor.

Provides that, for the purposes of this act: (1) Accessing department of natural resources-managed land for the purposes of fire suppression is considered authorized access; and

(2) Cutting and/or removing timber for the purposes of fire suppression is considered an authorized activity.

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1237.pdf>

1 2 6 4

CONSERVATION DISTRICT RATES

WILCOX

Representatives Wilcox, Blake, MacEwen, Gregerson, Lytton, and Zeiger

Modifies provisions relating to rates and charges of conservation districts.

Companion Bill: 5322 Conservation district rates S, Ag/Water/RurEcD

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1264.pdf>

1 3 9 2

REC AND CONSERV. FUNDING BRD

STANFORD

Representatives Stanford, Tharinger, Dunshee, and McBride

Requested by
Recreation and Conservation Office

Addresses the administration of grant programs by the recreation and conservation funding board.

Companion Bill: 5320 Rec and conserv. funding brd S, Natural Resourc

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1392.pdf>

1 3 9 9

TOXICS CONTROL ACCOUNTS

HUDGINS

Representatives Hudgins, DeBolt, Dunshee, Tharinger, Short, Smith, and McBride

Requested by
Department of Ecology

Adjusts the limit annually on distribution of hazardous substance tax revenues to the state toxics control account and the local toxics control account to correct for inflation.

Companion Bill: 5345 Toxics control accounts S, Ways & Means

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1399.pdf>

1 4 2 5

ADVISORY COMMITTEES, ETC.

POLLET

Representatives Pollet, Kretz, S. Hunt, Appleton, Bergquist, Holy, Tarleton, Hargrove, and Kochmar

Subjects to the open public meetings act and the public records act, certain advisory boards, committees, and other entities performing government functions.

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1425.pdf>

1 5 0 8

LOCAL FOREST FIRES/CNTY MGMT

KRETZ

Representatives Kretz, Blake, Short, Reykdal, and Condotta

Authorizes a county to create a local forest fire protection division that is responsible for preventing and responding to forest fires in the county.

Authorizes two or more counties to organize into a single local forest fire protection division.

Requires notification to the department of natural resources of the creation of a local forest fire protection division within thirty days of its creation.

Requires the department of natural resources to, upon the request of a county's local forest fire protection division, assist the county in any fire response necessary to protect public safety.

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1508.pdf>

1509

FOREST FIRE SUPPRESSION

KRETZ

Representatives Kretz, Blake, Reykdal, and Condotta

Requires the department of natural resources, in implementing the authority to direct the work of forest fire suppression, to give first priority to fire suppression resource contractors that are located geographically closer to the actual fire suppression activities.

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1509.pdf>

5013

DESIGNATED AGRICULTURAL LAND

HONEYFORD

Senator Honeyford

Clarifies provisions regarding the protection of designated agricultural land for future agricultural use.

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5013.pdf>

5060

AG PRODUCERS & AGENCY STAFF

HONEYFORD

Senators Honeyford, Schoesler, and Warnick

Initiates a public process employing the state conservation commission to test processes to clearly define agency roles, improve mutual understanding, and build improved working relationships between agricultural producers and personnel of the departments of ecology, agriculture, and fish and wildlife.

Expires July 1, 2020.

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5060.pdf>

5062

WATER QUALITY ENFORCEMENT

HONEYFORD

Senators Honeyford, Schoesler, and Warnick

Extends the reporting deadline to the department of ecology for certain water pollution determinations.

Prohibits the department of ecology from issuing an order or directive unless the department demonstrates through site-specific testing or observation that the person receiving the order or directive is in fact causing pollution of the particular waters of the state identified in the order or directive.

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5062.pdf>

5168

AG LANDS/SHORELINE MGMT ACT

WARNICK

Senators Warnick, Honeyford, Hatfield, Schoesler, and Benton

Prohibits land qualifying as agricultural under the shoreline management act from being converted to wetland or fish habitat, or from being subjected to tidal inundation.

Companion Bill: 1214 Ag lands/shoreline mgmt act H, Local Govt

Full Text URL: <http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5168.pdf>

5169

AG LAND CONVERSION/GMA

WARNICK

Senators Warnick, Honeyford, Hatfield, and Schoesler

Prohibits land designated as agricultural under the growth management act from being converted to wetland or fish habitat, or from being subjected to tidal inundation.

Companion Bill: 1215 Ag land conversion/GMA H, Local Govt

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5169.pdf](http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5169.pdf)

5170

AG LAND CONVERSION/GMA, SMA

WARNICK

Senators Warnick, Honeyford, Hobbs, Schoesler, and Hatfield

Prohibits land designated as agricultural under the growth management act from being converted to wetland or fish habitat, or from being subjected to tidal inundation.

Prohibits land qualifying as agricultural under the shoreline management act from being converted to wetland or fish habitat, or from being subjected to tidal inundation.

Companion Bill: 1216 Ag land conversion/GMA, SMA H, Local Govt

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5204

HYDRAULIC PROJECT PERMIT FEES

PARLETTE

Senators Parlette, Pearson, and Warnick

Exempts from hydraulic project permit fees, emergency permits where the hydraulic project is necessitated by a fire, earthquake, storm, flood, or similar natural disaster or phenomena for which the governor has declared a state of emergency.
Expires June 30, 2017.

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5204.pdf](http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5204.pdf)

5320

REC AND CONSERV. FUNDING BRD

HONEYFORD

Senators Honeyford, Keiser, Ranker, Warnick, and Parlette

Requested by

Recreation and Conservation Office

Addresses the administration of grant programs by the recreation and conservation funding board.

Companion Bill: 1392 Rec and conserv. funding brd H, Cap Budget

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5322

CONSERVATION DISTRICT RATES

HATFIELD

Senators Hatfield, Hobbs, and Honeyford

Modifies provisions relating to rates and charges of conservation districts.

Companion Bill: 1264 Conservation district rates H, Local Govt

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5322.pdf](http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5322.pdf)

5347

FLOOD PLAINS/AG LAND, ETC.

HOBBS

Senators Hobbs, Hatfield, Warnick, Honeyford, and Pearson

Requires the state conservation commission and the departments of agriculture, natural resources, fish and wildlife, and ecology to jointly identify and implement two demonstration projects that test the effectiveness and costs of river management.

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5347.pdf](http://lawfilesextra.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5347.pdf)

5348

Senators Miloscia and Chase

JOINT UTILIZATION CONTRACTS

MILOSCIA

Authorizes any two or more public agencies to enter into a contract providing for the joint utilization of architectural or engineering services if certain conditions are met.

Companion Bill: 1079 Joint utilization contracts H, State Governme

Full Text URL: [http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5348.pdf](http://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2015-16/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5348.pdf)

5445

Senators Liias, Litzow, and Jayapal

ALT. FUEL VEHICLE TAX EXEM

LIIAS

Requested by
Governor Inslee

Delays, until July 1, 2025, the expiration of the alternative fuel vehicle retail sales and use tax exemption.

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Encourages the transition to electric vehicle use by developing an infrastructure of convenient electric vehicle charging opportunities.

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