

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

Weekly Report

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The legislature passed the one-quarter mark of the 2011 Regular Session this week. With "only" 826 bills introduced in the House, and "only" 667 in the Senate, the 2011 Legislature has approximately 1500 measures in front of it as compared to the usual 2500 bills that are introduced at this point in most sessions. With the first major cutoff deadline, (the "House of Origin – Policy Committee" cutoff), coming up on February 21st, bill sponsors are pushing hard to get public hearings on their bills. Roughly 80% of the bills introduced so far will "die" at that first cutoff deadline.

The State Senate was the scene of some pretty important political drama this week. While working on a high-stakes unemployment insurance bill, 6 Senate Democrats bucked their own party leadership to hand control over to the Senate Republicans on Wednesday. The bill before the Senate at the time, SB 5135, is one that everyone agrees must pass quickly. It slashes tax rates for unemployment insurance this year, which would cut a staggering 36% increase for businesses in their unemployment taxes down to about 5%. If SB 5135 is enacted, the reduction is worth roughly \$300M to Washington businesses.

The meltdown occurred on the Senate floor when Majority Democrat's discipline broke down on a procedural vote concerning an amendment that was strongly supported by the State Labor Council. After the 6 Democrats sided with the Senate Republicans to win the procedural vote by a 26-22 margin, the Senate immediately adjourned. As important as this bill is, the procedural meltdown demonstrates that a major breakdown in Democratic unity may be coming later this session when it comes time to pass a budget bill.

One of our top priorities this Session is maintaining the Washington State Conservation Commission as an independent agency. We have actively opposed Gov. Gregoire's proposal to merge the Commission into the Department of Agriculture. While a number of members on both sides of the aisle have indicated that they too support an independent Commission, the opportunity for supervisors and others to actively weigh in on the Governor's Natural Resource Agency reorganization will be next Thursday, February 10th, at 10:00 AM in front of the Senate Agriculture & Rural Economic Development Committee. Our plan is to convince that Committee that this merger should not occur, and that it should recommend back to the Senate Natural Resources & Marine Waters Committee that this entire WSCC/WSDA merger concept should be dropped before any Natural Resource Agency reorganization measure moves forward. If you have interest in testifying at the Senate Ag Committee hearing, or just being there in person to support an independent Conservation Commission, please let John Larson (jl Larson@wadistricts.org) know early next week.

Largely as a result of some incredibly frustrating Public Disclosure Requests that have plagued the Snohomish Conservation District, WACD has been supporting several different measures that might address some aspects of that problem. We indicated our support for HB 1300, (a measure dealing with the recovery of costs of production and copying of public records), at a public hearing on Monday, January 31st, in front of the House State Government & Tribal Affairs Committee. In spite of active opposition to all of these public disclosure bills by the Allied Daily Newspapers, there may be enough frustration with abuses of the present system that we may see some small reforms this year.

BILL TRACKING SUMMARY

HIGH PRIORITY BILLS

		<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Status</u>
ES1086	Making 2009-2011 supplemental operating appropriations. (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)	Hunter	Concerns	S, Ways & Means
1087	Making 2011-2013 operating appropriations.	Hunter	Support	H, Ways & Means
1120	Delaying the implementation of the family leave insurance program.	Sells	Support	H, Labor/Work Dev
1152	Providing technical assistance to achieve voluntary compliance with water pollution control statutes.	Smith	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1162	Streamlining natural resources management.	Orcutt	Monitor	H, SGTribalAff
1300	Regarding the recovery of the costs of production and copying of public records.	Moeller	Monitor	H, SGTribalAff
1313	Regulating soil science and wetland science professions.	Green	Support	H, Bus & Fin Svcs
1348	Concerning state general obligation bonds and related accounts.	Dunshee	Support	H, Cap Budget
1460	Reorganizing natural resource agencies.	Hunt	Oppose	H, SGTribalAff
1467	Modifying the definition of a well for the purposes of chapter 18.104 RCW.	Buys	Support	H, Ag & Nat Res
1497	Adopting a 2011-2013 capital budget.	Dunshee	Monitor	H, Cap Budget
1610	Regarding the management of water resources.	Blake	Concerns	H, Ag & Nat Res
5088	Regarding the recovery of the costs of production and copying of public records.	Haugen	Support	S, GovtOp & Elect
5094	Making 2011-2013 operating appropriations.	Murray	Monitor	S, Ways & Means
5127	Concerning state general obligation bonds and related accounts.	Kilmer	Concerns	S, Ways & Means
5225	Regulating soil science and wetland science professions.	Murray	Support	S, Lab/Comm/CP
5467	Adopting a 2011-2013 capital budget.	Kilmer	Monitor	S, Ways & Means
5536	Regarding the management of water resources.	Rockefeller	Concerns	S, Env/Water/Ener

MEDIUM PRIORITY BILLS

1014	Modifying the authority of a watershed management partnership.	Goodman	Monitor	H, Rules R
1044	Establishing the office of open records.	Hurst	Support	H, SGTribalAff
1054	Declaring water conservation practices to be a beneficial use of water for the purposes of relinquishment.	Chandler	Support	H, Ag & Nat Res
1070	Regarding the permitting of anaerobic digestion under chapter 70.94 RCW, the clean air act.	Bailey	Support	H, Environment
1117	Regarding the relinquishment of water rights.	Taylor	Support	H, Ag & Nat Res
1139	Concerning providing agencies notice of a dispute under the public records act and an opportunity to cure error in the production of public records.	Armstrong	Monitor	H, SGTribalAff
1161	Regarding the payment of compensation to small forest landowners participating in the forest riparian easement program.	Orcutt	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1169	Regarding noxious weed lists.	Haigh	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1179	Clarifying that public employees may attend informational or educational meetings regarding legislative issues.	Hunt	Monitor	H, Rules R
1192	Ensuring the viability of small forest landowners.	Blake	Support	H, Ag & Nat Res
1296	Creating a water commission.	Hinkle	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1297	Concerning the relinquishment of a water right.	Chandler	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1299	Regarding conferences for public records requests disputes.	Takko	Monitor	H, SGTribalAff
1371	Addressing boards and commissions.	Darneille	Concerns	H, SGTribalAff
1389	Regarding hours of availability of special purpose districts for	Haler	Support	H, SGTribalAff

	inspection and copying of public records.			
1509	Concerning the forestry riparian easement program.	Blake	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1720	Reorganizing and streamlining central service functions, powers, and duties of state government.	Hunt	Monitor	H, SGTribalAff
2058	(Title not yet available.)		Support	
S5049	Implementing recommendations of the sunshine committee.	Kline	Monitor	S, Rules 2
5089	Regarding conferences for public records requests disputes.	Hatfield	Monitor	S, GovtOp & Elect
5166	Allowing off-road vehicles on public highways in certain areas.	Schoesler	Support	S, Rules 2
5209	Concerning the relinquishment of a water right.	Delvin	Support	S, Env/Water/Ener
S5230	Establishing the Puget Sound corps. (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)	Ranker	Monitor	S, 2nd Reading
5266	Improving the permitting process at certain natural resources agencies.	Swecker	Monitor	S, NR/Marine
5267	Providing fairness in government regulation of property.	Swecker	Monitor	S, GovtOp & Elect
5293	Regarding the use of water delivered from the federal Columbia basin project.	Schoesler	Support	S, Env/Water/Ener
5294	Regarding hours of availability of special purpose districts for inspection and copying of public records.	Swecker	Support	S, GovtOp & Elect
5424	Concerning integrated resource plans.	Rockefeller	Monitor	S, Env/Water/Ener
5469	Addressing boards and commissions.	Pridemore	Monitor	S, GovtOp & Elect
5481	Establishing the natural resources partnership office.	Pflug	Monitor	S, NR/Marine
5485	Maximizing the use of our state's natural resources.	Hargrove	Monitor	S, Env/Water/Ener
5538	Concerning members of certain nonprofit conservation corps programs.	White	Monitor	S, Lab/Comm/CP
5551	Concerning the forestry riparian easement program.	Ranker	Monitor	S, NR/Marine
5553	Requiring public agencies, special purpose districts, and municipalities to post certain information on their web sites.	Roach	Monitor	S, GovtOp & Elect
5604	Concerning creating clean water jobs through storm water pollution funding.	Nelson	Monitor	S, Ways & Means
5643	Definition of "well" (Supplement not yet available.)		Support	S, Env/Water/Ener

LOW PRIORITY BILLS

1095	Regarding payments in lieu of taxes for lands managed by the department of fish and wildlife.	Taylor	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1110	Requiring certain state agencies that manage natural resources to coordinate their land management with local governments.	Taylor	Monitor	H, Ag & Nat Res
1111	Addressing federal and state government coordination with local governments.	Taylor	Monitor	H, Local Govt
1212	Authorizing the department of agriculture to accept and expend gifts.	Lytton	Support	H, Rules R
1216	Concerning digital copy machines used by public agencies.	Hudgins	Monitor	H, SGTribalAff
1240	Establishing a moratorium on the imposition of impact fees.	Orcutt	Monitor	H, Local Govt
1622	Authorizing rural conservation development demonstration projects.	Dunshee	Monitor	H, Local Govt
5062	Concerning providing agencies notice of a dispute under the public records act and an opportunity to cure error in the production of public records.	Pridemore	Monitor	S, GovtOp & Elect
S5072	Authorizing the department of agriculture to accept and expend gifts. (DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)	Hatfield	Support	S, Rules 2
5153	Expanding provisions relating to candidates appearing on the general election ballot.	Nelson	Monitor	S, GovtOp & Elect

5158	Regarding the forest practices permitting system.	Ericksen	Monitor	S, NR/Marine
5207	Adopting the international wildland urban interface code.	Pridemore	Monitor	S, GovtOp & Elect
5210	Creating a water commission.	Delvin	Support	S, Env/Water/Ener
5211	Concerning forest practices applications leading to conversion of land for development purposes.	Haugen	Monitor	S, NR/Marine
5241	Modifying the authority of a watershed management partnership.	Roach	Monitor	S, Env/Water/Ener
5253	Concerning landscape conservation and local infrastructure.	White	Monitor	S, GovtOp & Elect
5343	Concerning air emissions from anaerobic digesters.	Haugen	Monitor	S, Ag&RuralEc Dev
5376	Regarding the disposal of lands by natural resource agencies.	Morton	Monitor	S, NR/Marine
5425	Authorizing rural conservation development demonstration projects.	Hobbs	Monitor	S, Ag&RuralEc Dev

CALENDAR ITEMS

2/3/2011	5225	Soil and wetland scientists	Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection	10:00 AM	SHR 4
2/3/2011	5538	Conservation corps/nonprofit	Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection	10:00 AM	SHR 4
2/3/2011	5266	State agency permitting	Natural Resources & Marine Waters	1:30 PM	SHR 2
2/3/2011	ES1086	Operating sup budget 2009-11	Ways & Means	3:30 PM	HHR A
2/3/2011	ES1086	Operating sup budget 2009-11	Ways & Means	3:30 PM	SHR 4
2/4/2011	1152	Water pollution statutes	Agriculture & Natural Resources	8:00 AM	HHR A
2/4/2011	1161	Small forest landowners	Agriculture & Natural Resources	8:00 AM	HHR A
2/4/2011	1169	Noxious weed lists	Agriculture & Natural Resources	8:00 AM	HHR A
2/4/2011	1296	Water commission/creation	Agriculture & Natural Resources	8:00 AM	HHR A
2/4/2011	1509	Forestry riparian easement	Agriculture & Natural Resources	8:00 AM	HHR A
2/4/2011	5209	Water right beneficial use	Environment, Water & Energy	8:00 AM	SHR 4
2/4/2011	5241	Watershed mgmt partnerships	Environment, Water & Energy	8:00 AM	SHR 4
2/4/2011	5293	Columbia Basin project/water	Environment, Water & Energy	8:00 AM	SHR 4
2/4/2011	1313	Soil and wetland scientists	Business & Financial Services	1:30 PM	HHR B
2/7/2011	5294	Spec. purpose distr. records	Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections	10:00 AM	SHR 2
2/7/2011	1720	State government	State Government & Tribal Affairs	1:30 PM	HHR E
2/8/2011	1467	Definition of a well	Agriculture & Natural Resources	10:00 AM	HHR D
2/8/2011	1622	Rural residential developmnt	Local Government	10:00 AM	HHR E
2/8/2011	5485	State's natural resources	Environment, Water & Energy	10:00 AM	SHR 4
2/8/2011	5553	Public agency web site info	Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections	1:30 PM	SHR 2
2/9/2011	1610	Water resources management	Agriculture & Natural Resources	1:30 PM	HHR A
2/9/2011	5536	Water resources management	Environment, Water & Energy	1:30 PM	SHR 4
2/10/2011	5551	Forestry riparian easement	Natural Resources & Marine Waters	1:30 PM	SHR 2
2/11/2011	1110	Natural resources management	Agriculture & Natural Resources	8:00 AM	HHR A
2/11/2011	1161	Small forest landowners	Agriculture & Natural Resources	8:00 AM	HHR A
2/11/2011	1192	Small forest landowners	Agriculture & Natural Resources	8:00 AM	HHR A
2/11/2011	1509	Forestry riparian easement	Agriculture & Natural Resources	8:00 AM	HHR A

BILL TRACKING DETAILS

1014

WATERSHED MGMT PARTNERSHIPS

GOODMAN

Representatives Goodman, Springer, Sullivan, and Eddy

Addresses a watershed management partnership's authority with regard to Lake Tapps' water supply.

Companion Bill: 5241 Watershed mgmt partnerships S, Env/Water/Ener

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1014.pdf>

1044

OFFICE OF OPEN RECORDS

HURST

Representatives Hurst, Armstrong, Takko, Ross, Hinkle, Pearson, Warnick, Haler,
Johnson, Smith, Harris, and Fagan

Requested by
Attorney General and State Auditor

Creates an independent office of open records within the office of administrative hearings.

Companion Bill: 5237 Office of open records S, GovtOp & Elect

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1044.pdf>

1054

WATER CONSERVATION PRACTICES

CHANDLER

Representatives Chandler, Taylor, Nealey, and Warnick

Clarifies that water conservation practices by all water users are encouraged and are considered a beneficial use of the water for purposes of relinquishment.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1054.pdf>

1070

ANAEROBIC DIGESTION

BAILEY

Representatives Bailey, Blake, Smith, Chandler, and Hope

Creates a limited permitting exemption under the clean air act for anaerobic digestion in order to minimize any regulatory burdens inhibiting the furtherance of the state public interest.

Companion Bill: 5571 Anaerobic digestion S, 1st Reading

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1070.pdf>

ES1086

OPERATING SUP BUDGET 2009-11

HUNTER

House Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunter,
Alexander, and Darneille)

Requested by
Governor Gregoire

Makes 2009-2011 supplemental operating appropriations.

Companion Bill: 5095 Operating sup budget 2009-11 S, Ways & Means

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1086-s.e.pdf>

1087

OPERATING BUDGET 2011-2013

HUNTER

Representatives Hunter, Alexander, and Darneille

Requested by
Governor Gregoire

Makes 2011-2013 operating appropriations.

Companion Bill: 5094 Operating budget 2011-2013 S, Ways & Means

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1087.pdf>

1095

DFW-MANAGED LANDS/PAYMENTS

TAYLOR

Representatives Taylor, Kretz, Short, and McCune

Authorizes a county legislative authority, if deemed by the authority as beneficial for the economic development of the county, to elect to either reduce payments or excuse from payments certain department-owned game land.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to make payments under RCW 77.12.203 (in-lieu payments authorized) for lands transferred to the department from other state agencies.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1095.pdf>

1110

NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

TAYLOR

Representatives Taylor, Shea, Kretz, Short, Rolfes, and McCune

Requires the department of fish and wildlife, the department of natural resources, and the parks and recreation commission to coordinate with all applicable affected local government officials during the development, revision, and implementation of any public land use plan under the control or authority of the department or the commission, as applicable.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1110.pdf>

1111

FEDERAL, STATE & LOCAL GOVTS

TAYLOR

Representatives Taylor, Shea, Kretz, Short, McCune, and Condotta

Authorizes a local government or special purpose district, if the ordinances, regulations, plans, or policies of a local government or special purpose district are less restrictive than applicable federal or state laws or requirements, to demand that the federal or state government coordinate with the local government or special purpose district before the federal or state government implements, enforces, expands, or extends the federal or state law or requirement within the jurisdictional boundary of the local government or special purpose district.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1111.pdf>

1117

WATER RIGHT RELINQUISHMENT

TAYLOR

Representatives Taylor, Warnick, Chandler, Kretz, and McCune

Abolishes relinquishment of water rights by removing all references to relinquishment in the RCW.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1117.pdf>

1120

FAMILY LEAVE INSURANCE PROG.

SELLS

Representative Sells

Requested by
Office of Financial Management

Delays implementation of the family leave insurance program.

Companion Bill: 5091 Family leave insurance prog. S, Rules 2

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1120.pdf>

1139

PUBLIC RECORD DISPUTES

ARMSTRONG

Representatives Armstrong, Taylor, Eddy, Fagan, Hunt, Ross, and Kenney

Requested by
Attorney General

Provides an agency with the opportunity to correct an error and provide a public record that may have been previously withheld or not located to reduce the loss of public funds through the assessment of penalties.

Companion Bill: 5062 Public record disputes S, GovtOp & Elect

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1139.pdf>

1152

WATER POLLUTION STATUTES

SMITH

Representatives Smith, Schmick, Blake, Warnick, Takko, Ross, Pearson, Short, Van De Wege, Orcutt, Bailey, Kristiansen, and McCune

Requires the department of ecology, after determining that a violation of a water pollution control statute has occurred or is about to occur, to attempt to achieve voluntary compliance before any notice of violation or penalty may be assessed.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1152.pdf>

1161

SMALL FOREST LANDOWNERS

ORCUTT

Representatives Orcutt, Blake, Rivers, Kretz, and Short

Allows the small forest landowner office to begin the process of calculating the compensation that may be offered to a small forest landowner who is participating in the forest riparian easement program shortly after receipt of the landowner's application. Ensures that family forest landowners are compensated under the program before all other qualifying landowners.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1161.pdf>

1162

NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

ORCUTT

Representatives Orcutt, Blake, Rivers, Klippert, Kretz, Johnson, Taylor, Haler, McCune, Short, and Harris

Streamlines natural resources management.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1162.pdf>

1169

NOXIOUS WEED LISTS

HAIGH

Representatives Haigh, Chandler, Blake, Kristiansen, Taylor, Rivers, Finn, and Shea

Modifies provisions relating to noxious weed lists.

Companion Bill: 5087 Noxious weed lists S, Ag&RuralEc Dev

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1169.pdf>

1179

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES/MEETINGS

HUNT

Representatives Hunt, Hudgins, Appleton, Liias, Miloscia, McCoy, Reykdal, Goodman, Darneille, Van De Wege, Upthegrove, Ormsby, Billig, Orwall, Green, Kenney, Dickerson, Santos, Frockt, Tharinger, and Moscoso

Clarifies that state employees may attend informational or educational meetings regarding legislative issues with a legislator or other elected official.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1179.pdf>

1192

SMALL FOREST LANDOWNERS

BLAKE

Representative Blake

Declares that it is now timely to craft amendments to certain statutes and rules to help maintain and improve the economic viability of family forest owners managing forest land across the state and provide incentives to keep their land in long-term forestry. Revises provisions relating to small forest landowners, small parcels, and alternative management plans. Prohibits certain small forest landowners from participating in the forestry riparian easement program. Requires the forest practices board to initiate and complete a process to revise certain forest practices rules.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1192.pdf>

1212

DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE/GIFTS

LYTTON

Representatives Lytton, Smith, Blake, and Warnick

Requested by
Department of Agriculture

Authorizes the director of the department of agriculture to accept, expend, and retain certain gifts, grants, bequests, and contributions.

Companion Bill: 5072 Dept. of agriculture/gifts S, Rules 2

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1212.pdf>

1216

DIGITAL COPY MACHINES

HUDGINS

Representatives Hudgins and Morris

Establishes rules for public agencies to follow when disposing of digital copy machines to protect consumer information and prevent identity theft.

Requires the department of general administration to include in any digital copy machine contract a provision notifying the purchaser or lessor of their obligation to properly handle and dispose of any records stored on a digital copy machine before returning, selling, or disposing of the digital copy machine.

Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1216.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1216.pdf)

1240

IMPACT FEES MORATORIUM

ORCUTT

Representatives Orcutt, Rivers, Angel, Haler, Johnson, McCune, Kretz, Taylor, Harris, and Condotta

Establishes a moratorium on the imposition of impact fees.
Expires June 30, 2013.

Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1240.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1240.pdf)

1296

WATER COMMISSION/CREATION

HINKLE

Representatives Hinkle, Blake, Buys, Kretz, Warnick, Chandler, Klippert, Orcutt, Schmick, Armstrong, Haler, Walsh, Nealey, Fagan, Condotta, Taylor, Short, Johnson, McCune, and Harris

Creates the Washington water commission.

Transfers certain powers, duties, and functions of the department of ecology pertaining to water resources to the Washington water commission.

Companion Bill: 5210 Water commission/creation S, Env/Water/Ener

Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1296.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1296.pdf)

1297

WATER RIGHT BENEFICIAL USE

CHANDLER

Representatives Chandler, Blake, Warnick, Schmick, Hinkle, Armstrong, Klippert, Haler, Walsh, Nealey, Fagan, Condotta, Kretz, Taylor, Short, Johnson, McCune, and Harris

Modifies water right relinquishment provisions by extending the time period permitted to put water to beneficial use.

Companion Bill: 5209 Water right beneficial use S, Env/Water/Ener

Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1297.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1297.pdf)

1299

PUB RECORDS REQUEST DISPUTES

TAKKO

Representatives Takko, Armstrong, Hunt, Nealey, Haigh, Angel, and Rolfes

Authorizes a requester and an agency, before filing any court action alleging a violation of the public records act, to confer in person or by telephone regarding any dispute.

Companion Bill: 5089 Pub records request disputes S, GovtOp & Elect

Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1299.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House%20Bills/1299.pdf)

1300

PUBLIC RECORDS COPYING COSTS

MOELLER

Representatives Moeller, Armstrong, Takko, Nealey, Haigh, Hunt, Angel, Fitzgibbon, and Darneille

Authorizes a public agency to require a requester to pay personnel costs for a public records request during the month to complete

search and copying tasks if the production of records for the requester in a calendar month exceeds five person hours.

Companion Bill: 5088 Public records copying costs S, GovtOp & Elect
Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1300.pdf>

1313 **SOIL AND WETLAND SCIENTISTS** **GREEN**
Representatives Green, Sells, Reykdal, Morris, and Kirby

Regulates soil science and wetland science professions by establishing minimum standards of ethical conduct and professional responsibility and by establishing professional education and experience requirements for those persons representing to the public that they are soil scientists or wetland scientists certified by the state.
Creates a board for soil scientists and wetland scientists.

Companion Bill: 5225 Soil and wetland scientists S, Lab/Comm/CP
Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1313.pdf>

1348 **STATE GEN. OBLIGATION BONDS** **DUNSHEE**
Representatives Dunshee, Warnick, and Ormsby
Requested by
Governor Gregoire

Authorizes the state finance committee to issue general obligation bonds of the state to finance the projects described and authorized by the legislature in the capital and operating appropriations acts for the 2009-2011 and 2011-2013 fiscal bienniums.

Companion Bill: 5127 State gen. obligation bonds S, Ways & Means
Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1348.pdf>

1371 **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS** **DARNEILLE**
Representatives Darneille and Hunt
Requested by
Governor Gregoire

Eliminates certain boards and commissions.

Companion Bill: 5469 Boards and commissions S, GovtOp & Elect
Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1371.pdf>

1389 **SPEC. PURPOSE DISTR. RECORDS** **HALER**
Representatives Haler, Taylor, Fagan, and Chandler

Requires certain special purpose districts to post on the agency headquarters location or web site directions on how to contact agency personnel to inspect or copy public records.

Companion Bill: 5294 Spec. purpose distr. records S, GovtOp & Elect
Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1389.pdf>

1460 **NATURAL RESOURCE AGENCIES** **HUNT**
Representatives Hunt, Hudgins, and Hunter

Declares an intent to consolidate, streamline, and reorganize the agencies responsible for administering the natural resources of the state.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/House Bills/1460.pdf>

1467 **DEFINITION OF A WELL** **BUYS**
Representatives Buys, Blake, Chandler, Pearson, Fagan, Overstreet, Harris, Wilcox,

Johnson, Haler, Warnick, McCune, and Kelley

Revises the definition of "well" for purposes of water well construction.

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1497

CAPITAL BUDGET 2011-2013

Representatives Dunshee and Warnick

DUNSHEE

Requested by
Governor Gregoire

Adopts the 2011-2013 capital budget.

Companion Bill: 5467 Capital budget 2011-2013 S, Ways & Means

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1509

FORESTRY RIPARIAN EASEMENT

Representatives Blake, Dunshee, and Ryu

BLAKE

Requested by
Commissioner of Public Lands

Revises forestry riparian easement program provisions relating to: (1) Qualifying timber;
(2) Forestry riparian easement applications;
(3) Compensation for timber; and
(4) Qualification as a small forest landowner.

Directs the chair of the forest practices board to invite relevant stakeholders to participate in a process that investigates potential new long-term funding sources for the program.

Companion Bill: 5551 Forestry riparian easement S, NR/Marine

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1610

WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

Representatives Blake and Chandler

BLAKE

Requested by
Department of Ecology

Promotes active water management that protects and restores sustainable water supplies for our communities, farms, and ecosystems. Promotes water supply assessments as a foundational and science-based extension of current watershed planning and implementation efforts to project future water supply needs and availability.

Reforms current statutory provisions to promote administrative efficiencies and active water management.

Directs the department of ecology to recommend ways to make the state's water resource management program financially self-sufficient.

Eliminates the water rights tracking system account.

Companion Bill: 5536 Water resources management S, Env/Water/Ener

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1622

RURAL RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMNT

Representatives Dunshee and Hope

DUNSHEE

Creates a mechanism on a demonstration basis to allow certain counties to authorize a sustainable development alternative for residential development in rural areas as an alternative to limited areas of more intense rural development, fully contained communities and existing, traditional subdivision techniques in order to facilitate management of residential growth in rural areas, to promote preservation of open space, and to minimize and/or reduce the conversion of designated resource lands.

Explores the use of rural receiving areas to support strategies for transfer of development rights and to provide certain counties with options for authorizing sustainable residential development in the rural areas.

Companion Bill: 5425 Rural residential developmnt S, Ag&RuralEc Dev

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1720

Representatives Hunt and McCoy

STATE GOVERNMENT

HUNT

Requested by
Governor Gregoire

Creates the department of enterprise services to provide centralized leadership in efficiently and cost-effectively managing resources necessary to support the delivery of state government services.

Abolishes the department of general administration and the public printer and transfers their powers, duties, and functions to the department of enterprise services.

Transfers certain powers, duties, and functions of the department of information services, the department of personnel, and the office of financial management to the department of enterprise services.

Transfers certain powers, duties, and functions of the department of personnel to the office of financial management.

Requires the code reviser to prepare legislation for the 2012 regular session that changes all statutory references to the director or department of general administration to department of enterprise services.

Companion Bill: 5503 State government S, GovtOp & Elect

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S5049

Senators Kline, Roach, and Keiser

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

KLINE

Implements recommendations of the sunshine committee relating to background information records and public inspection and copying.

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5062

Senators Pridemore, Swecker, Hatfield, Becker, Kastama, White, Tom, Parlette, Shin, Chase, Pflug, and Holmquist Newbry

PUBLIC RECORD DISPUTES

PRIDEMORE

Requested by
Attorney General

Provides an agency with the opportunity to correct an error and provide a public record that may have been previously withheld or not located to reduce the loss of public funds through the assessment of penalties.

Companion Bill: 1139 Public record disputes H, SGTribalAff

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5062.pdf>

S5072

Senate Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Hatfield, Shin, and Haugen)

DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE/GIFTS

HATFIELD

Requested by
Department of Agriculture

Authorizes the director of the department of agriculture to accept, expend, and retain certain gifts, grants, bequests, and contributions. Requires the transfer of surplus funds of a candidate or political committee to the department of agriculture's food assistance program for distribution to food banks.

Companion Bill: 1212 Dept. of agriculture/gifts H, Rules R

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5072-s.pdf>

5088

Senators Haugen, Swecker, Hobbs, Hatfield, Harper, Shin, Rockefeller, Parlette, and

PUBLIC RECORDS COPYING COSTS

HAUGEN

Tom

Authorizes a public agency to require a requester to pay personnel costs for a public records request during the month to complete search and copying tasks if the production of records for the requester in a calendar month exceeds five person hours.

Companion Bill: 1300 Public records copying costs H, SGTribalAff
Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5088.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5088.pdf)

5089 **PUB RECORDS REQUEST DISPUTES** **HATFIELD**
Senators Hatfield, Swecker, Harper, Nelson, Parlette, and Chase

Authorizes a requester and an agency, before filing any court action alleging a violation of the public records act, to confer in person or by telephone regarding any dispute.

Companion Bill: 1299 Pub records request disputes H, SGTribalAff
Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5089.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5089.pdf)

5094 **OPERATING BUDGET 2011-2013** **MURRAY**
Senators Murray, Zarelli, Kilmer, and Parlette
Requested by
Governor Gregoire

Makes 2011-2013 operating appropriations.

Companion Bill: 1087 Operating budget 2011-2013 H, Ways & Means
Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5094.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5094.pdf)

5127 **STATE GEN. OBLIGATION BONDS** **KILMER**
Senators Kilmer, Parlette, Murray, and Zarelli
Requested by
Governor Gregoire

Authorizes the state finance committee to issue general obligation bonds of the state to finance the projects described and authorized by the legislature in the capital and operating appropriations acts for the 2009-2011 and 2011-2013 fiscal bienniums.

Companion Bill: 1348 State gen. obligation bonds H, Cap Budget
Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5127.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5127.pdf)

5153 **CANDIDATES ON BALLOT** **NELSON**
Senator Nelson

Prohibits a primary from being held for any single position in any partisan primary if, after the last day allowed for candidates to withdraw, there are no more than two candidates filed for the position.
Requires the county auditor to notify the affected candidates.

Companion Bill: 1142 Candidates on ballot H, SGTribalAff
Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5153.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5153.pdf)

5158 **FOREST PRACTICES PERMITTING** **ERICKSEN**
Senators Ericksen and Sheldon

Increases the amount of time an application to conduct a forest practice is effective.
Authorizes renewal of an application for an additional five years under certain circumstances.

Companion Bill: 1157 Forest practices permitting H, Ag & Nat Res
Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5158.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5158.pdf)

5166

OFF-ROAD VEHICLES ON HIGHWAY

SCHOESLER

Senators Schoesler, King, Hatfield, Morton, Honeyford, Hewitt, and Roach

Allows off-road vehicles on certain public highways.

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5207

WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE

PRIDEMORE

Senators Pridemore, Nelson, Chase, and Kline

Includes the international wildland urban interface code in the state building code.

Companion Bill: 1505 Wildland urban interface H, Local Govt

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5209

WATER RIGHT BENEFICIAL USE

DELVIN

Senators Delvin, Hatfield, Schoesler, Hewitt, Honeyford, Holmquist Newbry, Haugen, Hobbs, Morton, and King

Modifies water right relinquishment provisions by extending the time period permitted to put water to beneficial use.

Companion Bill: 1297 Water right beneficial use H, Ag & Nat Res

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5210

WATER COMMISSION/CREATION

DELVIN

Senators Delvin, Hobbs, Honeyford, Morton, Holmquist Newbry, Zarelli, Haugen, King, Hewitt, Schoesler, Hatfield, and Shin

Creates the Washington water commission.

Transfers certain powers, duties, and functions of the department of ecology pertaining to water resources to the Washington water commission.

Companion Bill: 1296 Water commission/creation H, Ag & Nat Res

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FOREST PRACTICE APPLICATIONS

HAUGEN

Senators Haugen, Swecker, Morton, Ranker, and Hargrove

Modifies forest practices provisions regarding how the forest practices board must define Class II and Class IV forest practices by rule; and a local government's requirement to provide an economic impact statement involving a forest practice on certain lands.

Companion Bill: 1582 Forest practice applications H, Ag & Nat Res

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5225

SOIL AND WETLAND SCIENTISTS

MURRAY

Senators Murray, Kohl-Welles, and Ranker

Regulates soil science and wetland science professions by establishing minimum standards of ethical conduct and professional responsibility and by establishing professional education and experience requirements for those persons representing to the public that they are soil scientists or wetland scientists certified by the state.

Creates a board for soil scientists and wetland scientists.

Companion Bill: 1313 Soil and wetland scientists H, Bus & Fin Svcs

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PUGET SOUND CORPS

RANKER

Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Marine Waters (originally sponsored by Senators Ranker, Swecker, Litzow, Rockefeller, Regala, Kohl-Welles, Hargrove, Kline, Conway, Fraser, Nelson, Hobbs, Shin, and Harper)

Requested by
Commissioner of Public Lands and
Department of Ecology

Maintains the Washington conservation corps statewide, collaborates with the veterans conservation corps, and establishes the Puget Sound corps as a distinct program within the Washington conservation corps.

Streamlines how government administers and manages the state's conservation corps to more efficiently expend the state's resources toward priority outcomes, including the recovery of the Puget Sound ecosystem to health by 2020.

Increases opportunities for meaningful work experiences.

Authorizes public-private partnerships as a key element of corps activities.

Companion Bill: 1294 Puget Sound corps H, Exec Action

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WATERSHED MGMT PARTNERSHIPS

ROACH

Senators Roach and Tom

Addresses a watershed management partnership's authority with regard to Lake Tapps' water supply.

Companion Bill: 1014 Watershed mgmt partnerships H, Rules R

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LANDSCAPE CONSERVATION

WHITE

Senators White, Swecker, Nelson, Litzow, and Harper

Addresses landscape conservation and local infrastructure relating to: (1) Designation of agricultural and forest lands and rural zoned lands as sending areas;

(2) Transfer of development rights to receiving areas;

(3) Allocation among local governments of transferable development rights;

(4) Development plan for infrastructure;

(5) Quantitative and qualitative performance measures;

(6) Local infrastructure project areas and project financing;

(7) Participating taxing districts;

(8) Property tax revenues to pay or finance costs of public improvements; and

(9) Comprehensive plan optional elements.

Companion Bill: 1469 Landscape conservation H, Local Govt

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STATE AGENCY PERMITTING

SWECKER

Senator Swecker

Establishes a permitting work group to prepare a coordinated, multiagency strategy for permitting within the department of ecology, the department of fish and wildlife, and the department of natural resources.

Requires the departments of ecology, natural resources, and fish and wildlife to establish a tiered permitting system separately covering new construction and maintenance.

Provides an expiration of December 31, 2012, for the work group.

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GOVT. REGULATION OF PROPERTY

SWECKER

Senator Swecker

Establishes the property fairness act.
Provides fairness in government regulation of property.

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5293 **COLUMBIA BASIN PROJECT/WATER** **SCHOESLER**
Senators Schoesler, Swecker, Holmquist Newbry, and Honeyford

Modifies provisions relating to the use of water delivered from the federal Columbia basin project.

Companion Bill: 1391 Columbia Basin project/water H, Exec Action

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5294 **SPEC. PURPOSE DISTR. RECORDS** **SWECKER**
Senators Swecker, Schoesler, Holmquist Newbry, Delvin, and Honeyford

Requires certain special purpose districts to post on the agency headquarters location or web site directions on how to contact agency personnel to inspect or copy public records.

Companion Bill: 1389 Spec. purpose distr. records H, SGTribalAff

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5343 **ANAEROBIC DIGESTER EMISSIONS** **HAUGEN**
Senators Haugen, Delvin, Hatfield, Honeyford, Becker, Shin, and Schoesler

Modifies the clean air act relating to notification of construction of new contaminant sources and exemptions for generators operating at an electric generating project.

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5376 **NATURAL RESOURCE AGENCIES** **MORTON**
Senators Morton, Swecker, Schoesler, Parlette, and Stevens

Requires the department of natural resources, the department of fish and wildlife, and the parks and recreation commission to: (1) Identify and list property that is no longer required for their departmental purposes; and (2) Sell the property identified that is no longer required for departmental purposes.

Full Text URL: [http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5376.pdf](http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Bills/5376.pdf)

5424 **INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANS** **ROCKEFELLER**
Senators Rockefeller, Chase, Nelson, Fraser, and White

Requires the utilities and transportation commission to: (1) Acknowledge by order an integrated resource plan that is consistent with RCW 19.280.030 (development and requirements of a resource plan); and (2) Reject by order any integrated resource plan that is inconsistent with RCW 19.280.030.
Authorizes the department of commerce to request the state auditor to audit a consumer-owned utility for certain compliance requirements.

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5425 **RURAL RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMNT** **HOBBS**
Senators Hobbs, Shin, Harper, and McAuliffe

Creates a mechanism on a demonstration basis to allow certain counties to authorize a sustainable development alternative for residential development in rural areas as an alternative to limited areas of more intense rural development, fully contained communities and existing, traditional subdivision techniques in order to facilitate management of residential growth in rural areas, to promote preservation of open space, and to minimize and/or reduce the conversion of designated resource lands. Explores the use of rural receiving areas to support strategies for transfer of development rights and to provide certain counties with options for authorizing sustainable residential development in the rural areas.

Companion Bill: 1622 Rural residential developmnt H, Local Govt
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5467 CAPITAL BUDGET 2011-2013
Senators Kilmer, Parlette, and Murray

KILMER
Requested by
Governor Gregoire

Adopts the 2011-2013 capital budget.

Companion Bill: 1497 Capital budget 2011-2013 H, Cap Budget
Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5467.pdf>

5469 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
Senator Pridemore

PRIDEMORE
Requested by
Governor Gregoire

Eliminates certain boards and commissions.

Companion Bill: 1371 Boards and commissions H, SGTribalAff
Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5469.pdf>

5481 NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERSHIP
Senators Pflug, Murray, and Swecker

PFLUG

Creates the natural resources partnership office to identify and facilitate the development of opportunities for public-private and public-public partnerships with a substantial likelihood to increase efficiency or reduce costs in order to facilitate the preservation of access to recreational opportunities on state lands as well as key services performed by natural resources agencies.

Comments
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5485 STATE'S NATURAL RESOURCES
Senators Hargrove and Ranker

HARGROVE

Reduces greenhouse gas emissions and other environmental impacts at earlier stages in the building and construction design process. Adopts by reference, the international green construction code. Requires the state building code council to review the state building code and adopt changes as necessary to promote the greater use of wood and wood products.

Full Text URL: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/pub/billinfo/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate Bills/5485.pdf>

5536 WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
Senators Rockefeller, Honeyford, Ranker, Nelson, Shin, and Kline

ROCKEFELLER
Requested by
Department of Ecology

Promotes active water management that protects and restores sustainable water supplies for our communities, farms, and ecosystems. Promotes water supply assessments as a foundational and science-based extension of current watershed planning and implementation

efforts to project future water supply needs and availability.

Reforms current statutory provisions to promote administrative efficiencies and active water management.

Directs the department of ecology to recommend ways to make the state's water resource management program financially self-sufficient.

Eliminates the water rights tracking system account.

Companion Bill: 1610 Water resources management H, Ag & Nat Res

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CONSERVATION CORPS/NONPROFIT

WHITE

Senator White

Exempts participants in certain conservation corps programs from provisions related to rates of compensation while performing environmental and trail maintenance work.

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FORESTRY RIPARIAN EASEMENT

RANKER

Senators Ranker, Swecker, Sheldon, Regala, and Stevens

Requested by

Commissioner of Public Lands

Revises forestry riparian easement program provisions relating to: (1) Qualifying timber;

(2) Forestry riparian easement applications;

(3) Compensation for timber; and

(4) Qualification as a small forest landowner.

Directs the chair of the forest practices board to invite relevant stakeholders to participate in a process that investigates potential new long-term funding sources for the program.

Companion Bill: 1509 Forestry riparian easement H, Ag & Nat Res

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PUBLIC AGENCY WEB SITE INFO

ROACH

Senators Roach, Pridemore, and Chase

Requires public agencies, special purpose districts, and municipalities to post information on regular, special, or emergency meetings on their web sites.

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CLEAN WATER JOBS

NELSON

Senators Nelson, Murray, Rockefeller, Kline, Keiser, Conway, Fraser, Regala, Shin, Kohl-Welles, and Chase

Establishes the clean water jobs act of 2011.

Imposes a storm water pollution fee on the first possession of petroleum products, pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers for the purpose of offsetting the burden of funding projects and activities that redress state water pollution caused by the presence of such substances in storm water runoff.

Creates the storm water pollution account.

Companion Bill: 1735 Clean water jobs H, Ways & Means

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DEFINITION OF "WELL"

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