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AGRICULTURE & ECOLOGY COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
E2SHB 1328	Schoesler, Chandler, Sheahan	Hay Alfalfa, Seed/B&O Tax - Eliminates the business and occupation (B&O) tax rate for wholesale sales to farmers of agricultural seed conditioned for use in planting and not packaged for retail sale, or for conditioning agricultural seed for planting by others; and limits this tax change to sales and conditioning of agricultural seed and seed potatoes and not sales or conditioning of flower seeds, vegetable seeds, or seeds or propagative portions of plants used to grow ornamental flowers or used to grow any type of bush, moss, fern, shrub, or tree.	C 170 L 98
2E2SHB 1354	Pennington, Mielke, Dunn	Changing Air Pollution Control Provisions - <u>Vehicle Emission Testing.</u> Reduces the maximum allowable fee for an emissions test under the state's vehicle emission testing program to \$15 from \$18; exempts collector cars from testing if they meet certain requirements and, beginning January 1, 2000, exempts from testing all vehicles less than 5 years old or more than 25 years old; requires persons whose vehicles fail emissions tests to be provided information regarding temporary waivers from further testing; requires the Department of Ecology (DOE) to make available to the public, within disclosure law limitations, complaints it receives about the testing program and repairs secured for such testing; requires the DOE to establish a science advisory board to review plans for establishing or expanding the area for which vehicle emission testing is required; requires the DOE to conduct a public hearing if a rule it proposes to create or expand a testing area is in conflict with the opinion of the advisory board and to include in its rule-making process a written response regarding any inconsistency with the advisory board's opinion; requires the DOE to evaluate options that meet air quality objectives and lessen the effect of the program on motorists and to report to the Legislature by January 1, 1999. <u>Other.</u> Declares that the first stage of impaired air quality is reached when particles 10 microns and smaller reach the average daily ambient level of 60 micrograms per cubic meter, rather than 75 micrograms per cubic meter as currently; and prohibits a person designated as the alternate for a member of the board of a local air pollution control authority from serving as the permanent chair of the board.	C 342 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2051	Chandler, Linville, Regala	Hazardous Waste Remediation/Tax - Provides an exemption from sales tax for labor and services and sets the (B&O) tax rate at 0.471percent for environmental remedial actions until July 1, 2003; provides this exemption and reduction for actions conducted, supervised, or ordered by the Department of Ecology (DOE) under the state's Model Toxics Control Act as well as those that are, on the whole, substantially equivalent to such actions and for actions conducted under the supervision or order of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or that are consistent with the national contingency plan adopted under a comparable federal law and conducted at facilities included on the national priorities list or subject to a removal action under the federal act; requires certification regarding the action to be provided to the DOE and to the Department of Revenue (DOR); requires the DOR to confirm receipt of a certification; requires the owner of the site to provide a copy of the confirmation to each person who takes the remedial actions at the site and requires these persons to identify the charges for the labor and services for the action; requires the site owner to submit to the DOE a report documenting the remedial actions taken and their compliance with the state act when the actions are completed; specifies the penalties provided by current law that apply to a person who falsifies or misrepresents statements in a certification; and requires that a penalty of 50 percent of the tax due plus interest be assessed against a person who improperly reports the person's tax class, but requires the penalty to be waived if the misreporting was due to circumstances beyond the person's control.	C 308 L 98
EHB 2414	Pennington, Mielke, Alexander	Outdoor Burning Compliance - Allows outdoor burning to continue in the urban growth areas of cities of less than 5,000 population until December 31, 2006. Outdoor burning in all other urban growth areas is prohibited after December 31, 2000.	C 68 L 98
ESHB 2514	Chandler, Linville, Mastin	Providing for Integrated Watershed Management - If certain counties, cities, and water supply utilities within a water resource inventory area (WRIA) choose to proceed with watershed planning, they invite all tribes within reservation lands within the WRIA to participate. These initiating governments designate a lead agency and work with state, local, and affected tribal governments to develop a planning process. The planning unit must represent a wide range of water resource interests. The planning unit must plan for water quantity and may plan for water quality, habitat, and instream flows. The Department of Ecology must use a collaborative process for setting instream flows, but if agreement is not obtained within four years of the date when the planning unit first receives funds from the department, the department has two years to establish the instream flows. The priority date for these flows is two years after funding is first received, unless the planning unit unanimously approves a different date. The watershed plan must be submitted to the counties for approval within four years after funding was first received. Three grants are available from the Department of Ecology for this planning: an initial organizing grant of \$5,000 for single WRIsAs or \$7,500 for multi-WRIAs, a watershed assessment grant up to \$200,000 per WRIA, and a watershed plan grant up to \$250,000 per WRIA. Partial Veto: Vetoes sections which would prohibit the DOE from conducting water-related planning under other statutes that conflicts with watershed plans developed under this act, and which stated that nothing in the act authorized or directed the DOE to establish a moratorium on water rights processing.	C 247 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2523	Chandler, Linville, Mulliken	Regarding Fire Training Activities - Requires aircraft crash fire training to obtain written approval from the Department of Ecology or local air pollution control authority prior to the commencement of training. Such approval will be provided if training is conducted in compliance with required conditions. Burning of petroleum in conjunction with aircraft crash fire training is exempt from the requirement for a limited outdoor burning permit. A limited outdoor burning permit is required to burn materials that are normally prohibited from outdoor burning if such burning is done in conjunction with fire fighting or other actions to protect health and safety.	C 43 L 98
SHB 2710	Chandler, Honeyford	Changing Irrigation District Administration - Authorizes a landowner-petition process for merging small irrigation districts into larger irrigation districts. Gives boards of joint control the same authority as irrigation districts regarding eminent domain and the acquisition or disposal of property.	C 84 L 98
HB 2717	Chandler, Regala, Dunn	Implementing House Joint Resolution No. 4209 - Provides statutory authority for cities, towns, counties, special districts, municipal corporations, and quasi-municipal corporations to implement the recently approved constitutional amendment. These entities may use public moneys or credit derived from the sale of stormwater or sewer services to assist owners to acquire and install materials and equipment that will result in more efficient use of stormwater or sewer services.	C 31 L 98
SHB 2960	Chandler, Mastin, Linville	Solid Waste Recycling Permits - Directs the Department of Ecology to refine some of its recommendations contained in the 1997 report on the state's solid waste system, including the applicability of a permit-by-rule process for solid waste recycling facilities, and the consistency of permitting for regional and multi-jurisdictional recycling facilities. Allows an operating waste recycling facility to continue operating after a permit denial or suspension until completion of any appeal filed with the Pollution Control Hearings Board, unless the continued operation poses a very probable threat to human health and the environment.	C 90 L 98
SHB 3056	Chandler, Linville, Constantine	On-Site Wastewater Certification - Requires the Department of Health (DOH) and the Department of Licensing to develop proposed legislation to license designers of on-site septic systems, and a proposed certification program for inspectors of those systems. The DOH must develop a 1-day training course for local health officials pertaining to waivers and use of appropriate sewage treatment technology.	C 34 L 98
2SHB 3058	Chandler, Linville	Changing Statutes for Waste Reduction, Recycling, & Litter Control - Makes the Department of Ecology responsible for administering the distribution of appropriations from the Waste Reduction, Recycling, and Litter Control Account to state agencies and local governments. The Department of Revenue is charged with enforcing litter tax collection. The distribution of the litter tax is changed to fifty percent for use by state agencies, twenty percent for use by local governments, and thirty percent for use by the Department of Ecology for waste reduction and recycling efforts. The Department of Ecology is required to give priority for funding to those projects that achieve the greatest progress toward waste reduction, recycling, and litter control. The use of business logos on adopt-a-highway signs is allowed. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes a section allowing the use of logos on adopt-a-highway signs.	C 257 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
HB 3060	Chandler	<p>Sufficient Cause for Nonuse of Water Rights - Provides an exemption from relinquishment for non-use of a water right if the use of the right is precluded or reduced by federal or state leases of or options to purchase lands or water rights or if the water right is leased and the lessee makes beneficial use of the right in accordance with an approved transfer or change of the right.</p>	C 258 L 98
ESSB 5527	McDonald, Rasmussen, Sellar	<p>Providing Incentives for Water-Efficient Irrigation Systems - Declares the reduction in evaporative loss resulting from the installation of a water-efficient irrigation system to be readily transferrable and requires that its transfer be allowed under the current water transfer approval process; includes within this readily transferable amount evaporative loss from the conveyance and application of surface or ground water and from certain cover crops; prohibits the Department of Ecology (DOE) from delaying approval of the transfer of the reduction in evaporative loss while determining additional net water savings that may also be transferred; requires that the methods used for calculating reductions in evaporative loss be those recommended by the Cooperative Extension Service and establishes the priority date for the transferred portion of the water right; requires contracts for permanent or temporary transfers of portions of water rights to be filed with the DOE; allows the DOE to establish presumptions of the validity of an original right that may be used by a contract purchaser but may not be used as evidence in a general adjudication proceeding; requires that contracts for voluntarily transferring water savings to the DOE use the same methods of calculating the transferrable amounts as are used in transferring such water savings to another party; however, declares that the use of water supplied by an irrigation district that is saved through installation of such a water-efficient irrigation system is regulated solely as provided by the district.</p> <p>Requires the DOE to issue, when it approves any transfer or change of a surface water right, a formal authorization for the transfer or change, which is followed by the issuance of a water right certificate once the terms of the authorization are fulfilled; and establishes rules for determining when the board of directors of an irrigation district may approve, under current laws, changes in the place of use of district-supplied water by an individual water user.</p>	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESSB 5703	Anderson, Morton	Concerning a Water Right for the Beneficial Use of Water - Establishes a procedure under which a person who used water before January 1, 1993, without authority is allowed to continue to use the water on an interim basis if the water has been used at least three of the last five years for irrigation or stock watering purposes or for domestic uses by a public water supply system with up to 100 service connections; requires the person to file with the Department of Ecology (DOE) a statement of claim for the use during a filing period beginning September 1, 1998, and ending midnight, June 30, 1999, to file with the statement certain evidence that the water described in the claim was used beneficially as claimed, and to file an application for a water right permit for the use, if the person has not already done so; allows the claimant to continue using the water until the DOE makes a final decision granting or denying the application or, prior to such a decision, a superior court issues a general adjudication decree defining or denying the use; establishes criteria for authorizing the continued use of the water; prohibits the DOE from making final decisions on water right applications associated with such a claim where certain local watershed planning is initiated before July 1, 2000; requires withdrawals to be consistent with certain minimum instream flow requirements pending completion of the plan or general adjudication; allows the DOE to make decisions on applications if a watershed plan is not completed within four years or the planning effort is abandoned before that deadline; requires the DOE to consider alternative sources or augmented sources of water for the water use in the application; requires the DOE's decisions in areas with approved watershed plans to be made in accordance with the plans; sets the priority date for any continued interim use for which a water right permit is issued as being the effective date of the bill; and prohibits these provisions on interim use of water from applying in certain areas and from applying to uses of water for which an application has been denied by the DOE.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SSB 5873	Benton, Winsley	Defining Terms Under the Model Toxics Control Act - Exempts a fiduciary (a person acting for the benefit of another party under specified circumstances, such as a trustee) from liability under the Model Toxics Control Act if the fiduciary fulfills certain requirements imposed on lenders who have foreclosed their security interests; prohibits the exemption if the fiduciary's powers to fulfill the requirements were limited with the purpose of avoiding liability under, or compliance with, the act and provides other exceptions to this waiver of liability that are similar to those established for lenders; states that the exemption does not preclude a claim against an estate or trust administered by the fiduciary; and limits the liability of a fiduciary to the assets held in a fiduciary capacity.	C 6 L 98
SB 6122	Morton, Rasmussen	Inspecting Horticultural Products - Updates statutes pertaining to uniform grades and standards for fruits and vegetables to better reflect the Department of Agriculture's existing inspection program and to provide contemporary language. A new chapter is created to organize and consolidate requirements pertaining to the collection, cultivation, and sale of American ginseng.	C 154 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESB 6123	Morton, Rasmussen	Regulating Animal Health - Grants the Director of Agriculture more uniform authority to control diseases in all animals except fish, insects, or non-captive wildlife and permits the director's rules for such control to be more stringent than federal rules; expressly grants the director authority to issue "hold orders" for up to seven days for disease control and other purposes and to establish quarantines for the reproductive products (sperm, ova, and embryos) of animals; makes it unlawful to falsify an official animal health document intentionally; requires veterinarian labs and persons using their own diagnostic services to report immediately reportable diseases among animals, including wildlife; requires permits for importing animals with or exposed to reportable diseases; requires a person with livestock infected with or exposed to scrapie or another transmissible spongiform brain disease to report it immediately; broadens the types of animals held in quarantine that the director may order destroyed for failure to abide by a written agreement with the State Veterinarian and increases the indemnity the director may pay for such an animal to not more than 75 percent of its appraised or salvage value; allows the director to license veterinary laboratories; and prohibits the rules of the director from allowing the importation, possession, or use of animals in violation of game or game fish laws or rules.	C 8 L 98
SSB 6129	Swecker, Fraser, Winsley	Pollution Control Tax Credit - Allows the continuation of existing pollution control tax credits after a modification or removal of the facility for which the credit was given, or an alteration or cessation of operations, if the result is adequate compliance with air pollution and water pollution control laws.	C 9 L 98
SSB 6130	Swecker, Fraser, Patterson	Regulating Underground Storage Tanks - Reauthorizes the underground storage tank program in the Department of Ecology which was due to expire in July, 1999. The program will now expire on July 1, 2009, unless reauthorized by the Legislature. Licensing requirements are simplified and coordinated with the master business license program. Increases tank fees from \$75 to \$100 per tank to account for inflation.	C 155 L 98
SB 6158	Morton, Rasmussen	Washington State Wheat Commission - Repeals legislation enacted in 1961 that would have created the Wheat Commission by statute if its creation by marketing order had not been upheld by the state's Supreme Court.	C 11 L 98
SB 6159	Morton, Rasmussen	Repealing the Authority for the Washington Land Bank - Repeals laws authorizing a Washington Land Bank patterned after the federal land bank and regulating the bank's activities.	C 12 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SSB 6161	Swecker, Newhouse, Rasmussen	<p>Creating a Dairy Nutrient Management Program - Modifies the existing dairy waste management program to require: dairy farms to register with the Department of Ecology, the Department of Ecology to inspect all dairy farms within two years, and all dairy producers to develop a dairy nutrient management plan. Such plans must be approved by local conservation districts by July 1, 2002, and be certified as being fully implemented by December 31, 2003. Four technical assistance teams are established to assist dairy producers in developing dairy nutrient management plans, and to develop alternative dairy nutrient management standards that are appropriate for various geographic conditions around the state. An advisory and oversight committee, comprised of a balance of interests, is created to make recommendations to the program. A database is created to monitor inspections, dairy nutrient management planning, and corrective and enforcement actions. An appeals process is created for dairy producers to contest local conservation district decisions. Penalties are provided for violations of planning requirements. The fee for national pollutant discharge elimination system permits is reduced to fifty cents per animal unit for dairy farms up to the present fee limit. Reports to the Legislature on program implementation and funding needs are required.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes a section authorizing the cration of an advisory and oversight committee.</p>	C 26 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
ESSB 6203	Morton, Fraser, Snyder	<p>Authorizing Exemptions from Solid Waste Designations - Allows the Department of Ecology (DOE) to exempt a solid waste from solid waste permitting requirements if the waste is to be beneficially used and does not present threats to human health or the environment; allows the DOE by rule to exempt from waste facility permitting requirements a category of solid waste handling facility if it presents little or no environmental risk and meets the environmental protection and performance requirements required for similar facilities, but prohibits such exemptions for certain facilities such as those that receive municipal solid waste destined for final disposal or receive or process waste materials into compost in large volumes; requires the DOE to adopt rules describing when a local health department may, at its discretion, waive the requirement that a solid waste permit be issued for a facility by deferring to other environmental permits, but allows this deference to be granted only if other environmental permits for the facility will provide a comparable level of protection for human health and the environment; allows the DOE to assess a civil penalty up to \$1000/day/violation to any person exempt from solid waste permitting under these authorities who fails to comply with the terms of the exemption; and confirms as valid certain actions previously taken by the DOE and local health departments in providing these exemptions or waivers of permit requirements.</p>	C 156 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESSB 6204	Morton	<p>Increasing the Efficiency of Registering and Identifying Livestock - Board. Creates a Livestock Identification Board made up of six voting members appointed by the Governor (a beef producer, cattle feeder, dairy producer, meat packer, market owner, and horse producer) and one nonvoting member, the Director of Agriculture; transfers from the state's Department of Agriculture (WSDA) to the board responsibility for administering the livestock identification program, the certified feed lot licensing program, and the licensing and regulation of public livestock markets; requires the board to contract with the WSDA for certain work until June 30, 2004, and allows the board to contract with it after that date; authorizes the board to hire staff and exempts its officers and employees from the state civil service law. <u>Fees.</u> Retains at current levels the fees funding the livestock identification program that are currently scheduled to be reduced on July 1, 1998; increases the brand recording and renewal fee to \$70 per two-year period (from \$25 for the period) and sets the late fee for such a renewal at \$20; declares the sections of the bill providing for fee increases and repealing the scheduled decrease in fees to be null and void unless the board is created and authorities are transferred to the board; allows the board to establish a permanent renewal fee for heritage brands not intended for use on livestock; allows the board to enter into agreements with veterinarians for conducting livestock inspections if they have been certified by the board for this purpose; and grants the WSDA these authorities regarding heritage brands and agreements with veterinarians if the board is not created. <u>Inspections.</u> Exempts from mandatory inspection an individual private sale of un-branded dairy breed milk production cattle involving 15 head or less and sales by dairies of male calves not more than 30 days old; allows self inspection for horses; and clarifies the types of ownership and related certificates needed for livestock identification. <u>Livestock Markets.</u> Modifies the information required on an application for a public livestock market license; exempts from public disclosure certain financial information submitted in an application; and alters the disease control responsibilities of the WSDA and the licensees at such a market.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes all of the provisions of the bill except sections 5 and 6 which authorize heritage brands and inspections conducted by veterinarians.</p>	C 263 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SSB 6474	Jacobsen, Rasmussen, Kline	<p>Adopting the Fertilizer Regulation Act - Adopts the Canadian standards for nonnutritive substances in commercial fertilizers. Authorizes the Department of Agriculture to amend these standards by rule if scientific studies show that they are not sufficient to protect human health or the environment. Requires a comprehensive study on the plant uptake of metals, and a study on whether dioxins occur in fertilizers, soil amendments, and soils, and at what levels. Requires packages of commercial fertilizers to be labeled indicating that the product meets the standards for a number of nonnutritive elements. Requires waste-derived fertilizers and micronutrient fertilizers to be registered with the Department of Agriculture. Requires information regarding fertilizer components to be available from the Department of Agriculture on the Internet after July 1, 1999, and this must be stated on the product labels.</p>	C 36 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SSB 6605	Morton, Rasmussen	Artificial Insemination Liens - Extends the length of time during which the owner of a sire has a lien against the animal bred by the sire to 18 months (from 12 months); grants a similar lien on the animal bred and the resulting offspring for the artificial insemination of a female animal; does not require the lien holder to first obtain from the county auditor a certificate regarding the services offered, as is required for sire services, but requires a statement of account regarding services delivered to be filed with the county auditor. Attaches the lien upon the delivery of the semen by artificial insemination and declares the lien on either the female animal bred or the resulting offspring to be a preferred lien.	C 99 L 98
SB 6728	Newhouse, Loveland, Morton	Providing Tax Exemptions for Activities Conducted for Hop Commodity Commissions or Boards - Exempts from the business and occupation tax activities conducted by a nonprofit organization for a hop commodity board or commission if: the activity is approved by an official referendum conducted by the board or commission; the organization is specified in referendum information as one that will conduct the activity; and the organization is one that qualifies for an exemption from federal income taxation provided for labor, agricultural, and horticultural organizations.	C 200 L 98

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 1971	Bush, Lambert, Carrell	<p>Preventing Double Payment for Insurance Benefits for Teachers Who Are Legislators - Directs the House of Representatives and the Senate will prepare vouchers for amounts due to a school district for health benefits for any teacher who is on leave from a school district in order to serve as a legislator and who has chosen to continue to self-purchase health benefits through the school district. Legislators who are teachers who choose to continue their health insurance through their school district will not be eligible for health benefits from the state.</p> <p>*Passed committee in 1997, passed House in 1998</p>	C 62 L 98
HB 2371	Carlson, Radcliff, Constantine	<p>Creating a Medical Expense Plan for Certain Retirees - Allows retiring state and higher education employees to put their sick leave cash outs into a VEBA for medical expenses.</p>	C 254 L 98
HB 2355	Alexander, Ogden, Lantz	<p>Managing State Park Lands - Places proceeds from the sale of state park lands into a dedicated account to purchase other park lands rather than into the general fund. Removes a restriction on the time period within which the State Parks and Recreation Commission must conduct public hearings on certain land exchanges.</p>	C 42 L 98
SHB 2394	Alexander, Schmidt, D., Sommers, H.	<p>Consolidating General Administration Funds and Accounts - Creates the general administration services account within the custody of the State Treasurer. The department must use the account for all activities previously budgeted and accounted for in the motor transport account, the general administration management fund, the facilities and services revolving fund, the central stores revolving fund, the surplus property purchase revolving fund, and the risk management account.</p>	C 105 L 98
ESHB 2491	Carlson, Sommers, H., Ogden	<p>Sharing Extraordinary Investment Gains - Provides that, whenever there are extraordinary earnings (defined as averaging more than 10 percent over four years) in the pension funds, half of the extraordinary earnings will be used to increase Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) Plan I and the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) Plan I benefits. TRS and PERS Plan I retirees who are at least age 66 will receive an increase in their cost-of-living allowance (COLA) of 10 cents per month per year of service beginning July 1, 1998. Every two years, beginning January 2000, TRS and PERS Plan I retirees will receive an increase in their COLA whenever there are extraordinary gains.</p>	C 340 L 98

¹**Note:** This summary includes only bills that were initially referred to the Appropriations Committee. Bills that were referred to the committee after having been considered by another committee are included in the original committees' summaries. Please see the numerical index.

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2544	Sommers, H., Sehlin, Ogden	<p>Funding the State Retirement Systems - Creates the Pension Funding Council. Members of the council will be the director of the Department of Retirement Systems, the director of the Office of Financial Management, and the chair and ranking minority member of the House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Ways and Means Committee. The council will adopt the economic assumptions to be used in setting pension contribution rates and will adopt the pension contribution rates.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetos the results in requiring the pension funding council to adopt changes to long-term economic assumptions in September of every odd-numbered year. Without the veto, the council could adopt changes to economic assumptions at any time.</p>	C 283 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SHB 2724	Boldt, Mielke, Pennington	<p>Requiring Legislative Oversight of Moneys Received from Enforcement Actions - Provides that agencies may not expend revenues received from fines, penalties, settlements, and other civil enforcement actions unless a legislative appropriation authorizes the expenditure. Moneys received in these types of actions may not be spent as recoveries of amounts expended pursuant to an appropriation. The appropriation requirement does not apply to: statutory accounts that are not referenced in the bill; trust funds established for environmental remediation; "cy pres" distributions to injured parties other than state agencies; statutory funds of the Department of Labor and Industries; fees collected by state agencies; and recoveries by the Department of Social and Health Services for services, benefits, vendor payments, or amounts collected by the Child Support Division.</p>	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
EHB 2894	Huff, Schmidt, K., Robertson	<p>Reallocating Motor Vehicle Excise Tax and General Fund Resources for the Purpose of Transportation and Local Criminal Justice Funding and Tax Reduction - Transfers a portion of the state general fund revenue derived from the motor vehicle excise tax (MVET) to the motor vehicle fund. The MVET is reduced by \$30 per vehicle. Distributions to local government for criminal justice assistance are increased. MVET revenues are provided for increased sales and use tax equalization for cities and infrastructure for distressed counties. A \$25 million loan is made to the motor vehicle fund. A total of \$1.9 billion in bonds is authorized for transportation purposes. Amendments are made to Initiative 601. A large part of the legislation is placed on the ballot.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the study of long-term transportation funding needs and the loan to the motor vehicle fund.</p>	C 321 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SHB 2922	Carlson, Sommers, H., Alexander	<p>Administering the Deferred Compensation Plan - Places in trust the assets of the Washington State Deferred Compensation Plan (DCP) with the Washington State Investment Board (SIB) for the exclusive use of the plan's participants and beneficiaries. The SIB is responsible for establishing investment policy and developing participant investment options, after consulting with the Employee Retirement Benefits Board, for the participants in the DCP.</p>	C 116 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
HB 3053	Clements, Skinner	Providing a Lump Sum Distribution Option for Certain Members of the Teachers' Retirement System, Plan III - Allows a member of the Teachers' Retirement System Plan III who has a terminal illness and who has terminated employment to choose to have the balance in the member's account distributed as a lump sum payment based on the most recent valuation in order to expedite the payment. The Department of Retirement Systems is required to make the payment within 10 working days after receiving notice of termination of employment.	C 117 L 98
SHB 3109	Huff, Sommers, H., Dyer	Verifying the Income of Subsidized Enrollees of the State Basic Health Plan - Provides that, when a Basic Health Plan enrollee fails to report income or income changes accurately, the administrator of the Health Care Authority has the authority either to bill the enrollee for the amount of overpayment or to impose a civil penalty of up to 200 percent of the amount of subsidy overpaid as a result of the incorrect reporting.	C 148 L 98
HJM 4030	Backlund, Cody, Dyer	Petitioning for Medicaid Flexibility - Petitions the President to submit, and Congress to pass, legislation granting extensive flexibility to the states in the use of Medicaid funding for acute and long-term care services.	Filed Sec/St
HJM 4039	Huff, Carlson, Sommers, H.	Petitioning for Amendment to the Federal Communications Commission Ruling Barring Direct Reimbursement to State Agencies That Provide Telecommunications Services - Petitions the President and Congress to urge the Federal Communications Commission to revise its ruling barring direct reimbursement to state agencies that provide telecommunications services.	Filed Sec/St
SB 5217	Bauer, Winsley, Franklin	Providing Death Benefits for Volunteer Fire Fighters - Provides that survivors of volunteer fire fighters will receive a duty-related death benefit of \$152,000.	C 151 L 98
ESSB 6108	West	Making Supplemental Operating Appropriations - Amends the 1997-99 Omnibus Appropriations Act. The bill adjusts appropriations for a variety of agencies but does not make a change in the overall state general fund appropriation level of \$19.085 billion. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes all or parts of 22 sections of the act. The net effect of the vetoes is to decrease the state general fund appropriation by \$953,000. The final enacted appropriation level after vetoes is \$19.084 billion from the state general fund.	C 346 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SSB 6297	Benton, Bauer, Snyder	Revising the Formula for Local Public Health Financing in a County Where a City Annexed Territory with Fifty Thousand Residents or More in 1996 or 1997 - Expands the adjustment to amounts distributed to local public health jurisdictions. City annexation of areas with 50,000 or more residents as a result of a petition during 1996 or 1997 will be included in the calculation of city contributions to counties for public health purposes as an adjustment to the 1995 base year level.	C 266 L 98
SB 6303	Bauer, Long, Franklin	Restoring Retirement Service Credit - Allows Washington State University classified employees who transferred from TIAA-CREF to PERS after 1973 to purchase service credit for prior service in TIAA-CREF-eligible positions by paying the full actuarial cost of the service credit.	C 17 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESB 6305	Roach, Long, Rossi	Providing a Death Benefit for Certain General Authority Police Officers - Provides that survivors of general authority police officers at ports and universities who are members of the Public Employees' Retirement System will receive a \$150,000 duty-related death benefit.	C 157 L 98
SSB 6306	Long, Winsley, Rossi	Creating the School Employees' Retirement System - As of September 2000, transfers classified K-12 employees in the Public Employees' Retirement System Plan II to the newly created Washington School Employees' Retirement System (SERS) Plan II. SERS Plan II employees can transfer to SERS Plan III, a newly created defined benefit/defined contribution plan. Those who transfer to Plan III before March 2001, will receive a 65 percent transfer payment. The transfer payment for teachers who transferred from the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) Plan II to TRS Plan III prior to January 1998 is increased from 40 percent to 65 percent. Gain sharing is provided for SERS Plan III and TRS Plan III members.	C 341 L 98
SB 6429	Long, Kline, Wojahn	Allowing the Children's Trust Fund to Retain its Proportionate Share of Earnings - Adds the children's trust fund to the list of accounts and funds within the treasurer's trust fund that receive a 100 percent proportionate share of interest earnings.	C 268 L 98
SB 6541	Sellar, Snyder, Schow	Funding Tourism Development - Creates a tourism development advisory committee within the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development to review the department's tourism development plan and related activities. Establishes a budget development process for the department's Tourism Development Division based on state sales tax revenues in selected industries.	C 299 L 98
SSB 6727	West, Wood, Hale	Modifying the Savings Incentive and Education Savings Accounts - Changes the Savings Incentive Account to clarify the types of savings that are eligible for deposit into the account. The Education Savings Account is made subject to legislative appropriation. Ten percent of the account's existing balance and 10 percent of additional appropriations will be divided among three existing state trust funds established for specific higher education purposes: 50 percent for distinguished professorships; 17 percent for graduate fellowships; and 33 percent for community and technical college exceptional faculty awards.	C 302 L 98

CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 1692	Sehlin, Morris, Anderson	Describing Those Lands Eligible to Be Included in a Port District Aquatic Lands Management Agreement - Exempts land beneath port district marina facilities, if the facility is in a bay where the distance between the headlands is two miles or less (Friday Harbor), from paying rent for state aquatic lands. These lands are in addition to current eligible lands in a port district aquatic land agreement. Extends the ability for free rent agreements on state aquatic lands to cities that operate publicly owned marinas.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SB 6171	Strannigan, Fraser, West	Authorizing Loans for Projects Recommended by the Public Works Board - Approves the 1998 list of local government infrastructure projects funded under the Public Works Trust Fund Program. The list includes 71 projects totaling \$124.5 million. Authorizes the Public Works Board to provide up to \$2.2 million in emergency loans to local governments.	C 13 L 98
SB 6441	Oke, Prince, Haugen	Clarifying Procedures for Environmental Protection Change Orders in Public Projects - Removes the requirement that governmental entities include copies of all federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations in invitations for competitive bids on public construction projects. The term "arbitration" used for resolving disputes over cost of new environmental laws is changed to the term dispute resolution.	C 196 L 98
SSB 6455	Strannigan, West, Anderson	Adopting a Supplemental Capital Budget - Authorizes \$62.4 million in new projects, including \$17.7 million in state bonds. The level of bonds was established in the 1997 bond authorization bill. \$31.3 million of the total was Department of Natural Resources trust land replacement and management funds. \$12 million of the excess cash balance in the management fund (Forest Development Account) will be returned to the counties. \$6.5 million will be retained by the counties and \$5.5 million will be returned to the state for the salmon recovery program. The balance of the budget was for emergency projects and adjusting money among construction projects to recognize new cost information and priorities. The supplemental budget also approved the 1999 list of local projects for the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program and financing contracts for six projects.	C 347 L 98

CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 1121	Veloria, Cook, Tokuda	<p>Revising Legal Custody of Children - Adds custody by a non-parental individual through a permanent custody order to the list of long-term goals that an agency may select to implement in a dependency proceeding. Entry of a permanent custody order by a court acts to dismiss a dependency proceeding and ends court supervision of the child. Because the court ordering permanent child custody (superior court) is a separate court from the one supervising the child's dependency (juvenile court), concurrent jurisdiction by both courts is explicitly permitted.</p>	C 130 L 98
SHB 2556	Cooke, Tokuda, O'Brien	<p>Making Changes Concerning the Federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act - Provides that an abused or neglected child's health and safety are the paramount concerns in child abuse cases. Reasonable efforts to prevent the removal of a child must be discontinued when specified aggravating circumstances exist. Aggravated circumstances are added to the current list. If a court does not require reasonable efforts at reunification, the court must hold a permanency planning hearing within 30 days and reasonable efforts must be made to place the child permanently in a timely manner. The foster parents or relatives currently providing care to a dependent child must be given the opportunity to provide input at dependency hearings. All permanency planning hearings must occur within 12 months. Additional grounds for termination of parental rights are created. A person named as a perpetrator of child abuse or neglect in a founded report may request an administrative review of the finding. An unfounded report of abuse or neglect may not be used to deny a license or employment.</p> <p>The Family Policy Council's legislative membership is expanded. Network members must sign a declaration indicating whether they have a fiduciary interest in any agency. The council may recommend limits for planning and administrative spending by each network.</p> <p>The Washington State Institute for Public Policy will study the creation of citizen review panels to oversee the department's prevention and treatment of child abuse or neglect.</p> <p>Funds received from the adoption support program shall not be considered in determining a family's eligibility for the basic health plan.</p> <p>A process is established to test, report, and provide care for drug-affected or alcohol-affected infants. Mothers of these infants are given the choice of chemical dependency treatment or having a dependency petition filed for removal of their child. Model projects are established to provide services to the mothers of drug or alcohol affected children. The Department of Health must develop a plan for increasing services to pregnant women at risk of giving birth to a drug or alcohol affected infants.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes the expanded membership of the Family Policy Council. Also vetoes the sections of the bill creating a process for the testing, reporting and providing legal protection for drug-affected or alcohol-affected infants. These sections include the provisions creating a mechanism for subjecting the mother to a dependency proceeding if she does not enter chemical dependency treatment.</p>	C 314 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
HB 2557	Tokuda, Cooke, O'Brien	Concerning Judicial Review for Certain Out-of-home Child Placements - Requires the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) to give parents written notice of their right to obtain out-of-home placement of their disabled child through a civil action DSHS does not accept a voluntary placement agreement. In cases of out-of-home placement terminating within 180 days, a court does not need to review the placement.	C 229 L 98
HB 2558	Tokuda, Cooke	Correcting Statutory References - Corrects two internal references to the definition of a dependent child and clarifies language.	C 141 L 98
SHB 2634	Sommers, H., Cooke, Dickerson	Denying Public Assistance to Fugitives from Justice - Provides that general assistance is not available for anyone who is fleeing to avoid prosecution for a felony or attempted felony, or who is violating a condition of probation, community supervision, or parole imposed for a felony or gross misdemeanor conviction.	C 80 L 98
HB 2692	Clements, Sommers, H., Tokuda	Clarifying References to Food Stamps or Food Stamp Benefits Transferred Electronically - Amends statutory references to "food stamps" to include references to "food stamp benefits transferred electronically."	C 79 L 98
ESHB 2900	Cooke, Ballasiotes, McDonald	Providing for Pro Rata Calculation of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grants - Requires a feasibility study by the Department of Social and Health Services on the concept of pro rata grant reduction, its benefits, difficulties, fiscal impact and "good cause" exceptions. The study will also examine alternative calculation methods. The report is due November 30, 1998.	C 88 L 98
ESHB 2901	Cooke, Tokuda, Ballasiotes	Requiring a Workfirst Job Search Component - Requires nonexempt recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy families (TANF) to participate in up to 12 weeks of initial job search. Their employability is reviewed in the first four weeks of job search, and occasionally thereafter. The Department of Social and Health Services may assess the needs of those for whom job search is unproductive, and refer them to other work activities or more job searching.	C 89 L 98
HB 2905	Carrell, Talcott, Cooke	Prohibiting Placement of Sexually Violent Predators in State Mental Facilities - Restricts the Department of Social and Health Services from placing a sexual predator on the grounds of a state mental facility or regional habilitation center.	C 146 L 98
HB 3103	Dickerson, Cooke, Tokuda	Requiring Newborn Screening for Exposure to Harmful Drugs - Directs the Department of Health to consult with medical professionals to develop a screening criteria to use in identifying pregnant women who are at risk of conceiving a drug-affected baby. Similarly, the department will develop training for using the screening protocols. The department shall also investigate the feasibility of protocols for testing or screening newborns for drug or alcohol exposure.	C 93 L 98
SSB 6136	Oke, Long	Including Drug Offenses in Background Checks - Adds manufacturing, delivering, or possessing a controlled substance to the list of convictions that the State Patrol discloses in background checks. Employers are permitted to consider convictions of these crimes before hiring an individual.	C 10 L 98
SSB 6208	Hargrove, Long, Franklin	Revising Procedures for At-Risk Youth - Allows parents to admit their children to mental health and chemical dependency treatment, without a child's consent, if an admissions professional determines the treatment is medically necessary. The evaluation must be completed within 24 hours, or within 72	C 296 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>

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		<p>hours if the professional determines additional time is necessary. During the evaluation period, the professional may only provide such treatment as necessary to stabilize the child's condition. Between seven and 14 days after admission, the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) must review the professional's decision. If the department determines that the treatment is no longer medically necessary, and the parents and the treating professional disagree, the facility may hold the child for up to two judicial days to allow the parents to file an At-Risk Youth Petition. Five days after DSHS' review, the child may file a petition requesting judicial review. Thirty days after either DSHS' review or judicial review, whichever is later, a petition must be filed for involuntary treatment, or the child must be released. The child must also be released upon written request of the parent. Minors who admit themselves to treatment must be discharged once they have requested release.</p> <p>DSHS' duty to provide staff-secure treatment facilities and services may be delegated to the counties. The department or a county may locate a secure crisis residential center (CRC) on the grounds of a detention center. The staffing ratio at secure CRCs is changed from no more than three to eight, to no less than one to 10.</p> <p>The current contempt sanctions for truancy, dependency, and at-risk youth actions are declared civil (remedial) contempt sanctions. The court will use the civil contempt procedure for processing contempt actions.</p> <p>The crime of unlawful harboring is expanded to include providing shelter to a runaway with the intent to engage the child in a crime or contribute to the child's delinquency. Failing to report the location of a runaway for the same reason is made a misdemeanor crime.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes provisions allowing the counties to apply for the authority to establish staff-secure treatment facilities. Expansion of the crime of unlawful harboring was also vetoed as was the section of the bill making failing to report the location of a runaway in certain circumstances a crime.</p>	
ESSB 6238	Stevens, Swecker	<p>Changing Provisions Relating to Dependent Children - Provides that any petition to a court to take custody of a child must be accompanied by an affidavit setting forth facts that the child's health, safety and welfare would be seriously endangered if not taken into custody. At least one of the grounds set forth by the petitioner must demonstrate a risk of imminent harm to the child. The petition, affidavit, and order must be served upon the guardian or parents at the time the child is removed from the home. If the affidavit is not filed, the court must hold a hearing on the petition with the parents present. The Department of Social and Health Services must produce within 15 days any records it intends to rely upon at the shelter care hearing. When a court considers whether the parents have met the conditions for release of a child to the parents, the courts must consider whether nonconformance by the parents was due to circumstances beyond their control. As part of the social study submitted to a dependency court, parents may submit a counselor's or health care provider's evaluation of the parents. Abuse of drugs is made a risk factor for determining the severity of a report of child abuse or neglect.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes the reporting requirement regarding the use of the substance abuse risk factor and how frequently the department recommends substance abuse treatment.</p>	C 328 L 98 Partial Veto

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SSB 6751	Deccio, Wojahn, Wood	<p>Ensuring a Choice of Service and Residential Options for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities - Affirms the commitment to provide to the developmentally disabled the opportunity to choose either community services or residential habilitation center (RHC) services. Until 2003, persons with needs which require the resources provided by a RHC must be offered admittance to an RHC as long as they are also offered community support services as well. However, once funds designated for community support services are exhausted, the Department of Social and Health Services may not offer community support or RHC services. Until 2003, all applicants and current recipients of developmental disabilities services must be given notice of the availability of RHC and community residential support services. Available options must be clearly explained, with services customized to fit the needs of the clients. Until 2003, the capacity of community residential support services and RHC services must not be reduced below the capacity budgeted in the 1997-99 state budget. Any vacancies that may occur in community residential support services or RHC's must be used to expand services to eligible persons not receiving services, but only if community support service funds remain unexhausted. If RHC capacity is not needed for permanent residents, vacancies may be used for respite care or other alternative services. The department will increase vocational and community service access to residents of RHC's. The department, with the stakeholders work group, will conduct an assessment of all persons with developmental disabilities who are eligible for services. The analysis will result in a long-term strategic plan for the department. The provisions of the bill do not create an entitlement.</p>	C 216 L 98

COMMERCE & LABOR COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
HB 1308	Mielke, McMorris, Mulliken	Exemptions for the Handling of Hazardous Devices - Exempts certain activities of a hazardous devices technician from the state's explosives act.	C 40 L 98
2ESHB 1746	Sherstad, Morris, Radcliff	Minor Possession of Tobacco - Establishes the class 3 civil infraction of possession of tobacco by a minor; authorizes the Liquor Control Board to reduce penalties or waive license revocations or suspensions if there are mitigating circumstances including the exercise of due diligence by a tobacco retailer or if the elements of proof are inadequate. The Board may exceed penalties if there are aggravating circumstances.	C 133 L 98
SHB 1829	Van Luven	Trade-in or Exchange of Computer Hardware - Requires the registration of traded-in or exchanged computer hardware, and establishes record keeping requirements under the Uniform Commercial Code. Exempts an exchange or trade-in from the Uniform Commercial Code when the exchange or trade-in is between a consumer and a retailer from whom the computer hardware was originally purchased. Establishes gross misdemeanor penalties.	C 134 L 98
SHB 1992	McMorris, Honeyford, Clements	Workplace Safety Rules - Revises the significant legislative rule-making responsibility of the Department of Labor and Industries.	C 224 L 98
SHB 2312	Doumit, Pennington, Hatfield	Workers' Compensation Coverage by Out-of-State Contractors - Requires out-of-state contractors to insure their workers compensation obligations under Washington law, unless the employer is permitted by a reciprocal agreement with the employer's state of domicile to file a certificate of coverage issued under the employer's own state law.	C 279 L 98
ESHB 2313	Wood, Boldt, Conway	Elevators, Escalators, and Other Conveyances - Changes inspection responsibility for certain elevators and conveyances from the Industrial Safety and Health program to the elevator inspection program; clarifies provisions of the law governing operating permits; clarifies the definition of "conveyance;" and requires the Department of Labor and Industries to obtain legislative approval for fee increases. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the section of the bill that prohibited the Department of Labor and Industries from imposing new fees or increasing fees without legislative approval.	C 137 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
ESHB 2477	Schoesler, McMorris, Chandler	Theatrical Agencies - Excludes the term "theatrical agency" which includes a modeling agency from the definition of an employment agency and from the licensing and regulatory requirements and penalty provisions applied to employment agencies. However, theatrical agencies that engage in certain business practices will be treated as employment agencies.	C 228 L 98
SHB 2576	Honeyford, Hatfield, Mulliken	Land Transfers Involving Manufactured Homes - Allows a licensed real estate broker to participate in the sale of a new manufactured home in conjunction with the sale of real property and to share a commission with a licensed manufactured home retailer involved with the transaction.	C 46 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
2SHB 2782	McMorris, Wood	<p>Special Event Endorsements to Full Service Private Club Licenses - Allows a full service private club licensee to obtain an endorsement for up to 40 non-club events using club liquor. The annual fee for the endorsement is \$900.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes section 2 of the bill that requires the Liquor Control Board to report to the Legislature on whether compliance with restrictions on service to non-club members improves by authorizing a limited number of non-club events.</p>	C 114 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SHB 2822	McMorris	<p>Medical Coverage Decisions of the Department of Labor and Industries - Provides that the Department of Labor and Industries' medical coverage decisions under the industrial insurance law are not "rules" subject to the state Administrative Procedure Act. However, the criteria for establishing medical coverage decisions must be adopted by rule after consulting with the Workers' Compensation Advisory Committee.</p>	C 230 L 98
SHB 2931	McMorris, Conway, Thomas, B.	<p>Electronic Signature Law - Modifies licensing requirements for certification authorities under the Washington Electronic Authentication Act and protects information regarding trade secrets and the design, security or programming of computer systems from public disclosure.</p>	C 33 L 98
ESHB 2947	McMorris, Conway	<p>Revising Unemployment Compensation for Part-Time Faculty - Applies the definition of "academic year" to all educational employees when determining eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits; deletes language that defines "reasonable assurance" as not including agreements that are contingent on funding, enrollment or program changes; and declares legislative intent that the Employment Security Department continue to handle determinations of eligibility for unemployment compensation in cases involving a finding of reasonable assurance on a case by case basis consistent with federal guidelines, giving consideration to contingencies that exist in each individual case; and further declares that removing reference to contingent agreements is not intended to change the practice of the Employment Security Department when determining reasonable assurance.</p>	C 233 L 98
SHB 2973	McMorris	<p>Appeals Related to the Seizure and Forfeiture of Cigarettes - Authorizes the Liquor Control Board, along with the Department of Revenue, to process forfeiture actions involving seized property. Such action includes conducting hearings that arise over claims involving seized property.</p>	C 53 L 98
SHB 3001	Honeyford, Delvin, Lisk	<p>Furnishing Wine to Nonprofit Charitable Organizations - Allows a domestic winery and domestic brewery to furnish wine without charge to nonprofit charitable organizations for use consistent with the purpose of the organization.</p>	C 256 L 98
EHB 3003	Honeyford, Crouse, Mielke	<p>Computer Wires and Fiber Optic Cables - Exempts (1) noncomposite fiber optic cables from the electricians and electrical installations statute, and (2) persons or business entities that repair, install, or maintain structured communication cabling from electrical contractor licensing, and electrician certification requirements.</p>	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SB 6220	Horn, Heavey, Schow	<p>Allowing Airline Employees to Trade Shifts Without Overtime Pay - Exempts employees of air carriers from the overtime provisions of the state Minimum Wage Act if the employees work according to a shift trading practice under which they have the opportunity to voluntarily offer a shift for trade or reassignment.</p>	C 239 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SSB 6253	Schow, Horn, Swecker	Credit and Debit Sales of Liquor - Requires the Liquor Control Board to pay the cost of transaction fees for debit as well as credit card purchases for both state liquor stores and agency liquor stores operated by liquor vendors; requires the board to pay the cost of installation and maintenance of equipment necessary to implement the use of credit and debit cards in agency stores operated by liquor vendors; and requires the board to implement this program with no negative impact to the state general fund.	C 265 L 98
SB 6301	Schow, Horn, Franklin	Motor Vehicle Manufacturers and Dealers Franchise Agreements and Warranties - Adds and clarifies the obligations and responsibilities of manufacturers and new vehicle owners regarding service or warranty work on the manufacturers' products. Revises, clarifies, and updates the Lemon Law to cover warranty work on motor homes acquired after June 30, 1998.	C 298 L 98
SSB 6420	Schow, Heavey, Winsley	Application for Initial Determination of Unemployment Benefits - Authorizes the Commissioner of Employment Security to allow an initial application for unemployment insurance benefits to be made in a form other than in writing; requires the Employment Security Department to ensure that claimants register with a job bank to which employers have access; requires the department to implement a job search monitoring program; and directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee to conduct an evaluation using a private entity of the new call center system.	C 161 L 98
ESSB 6421	Schow, Heavey, Winsley	Unemployment Compensation for Persons with Individual Employment Contracts - Extends the requirement for assigning settlement proceeds (for purposes of deductions from unemployment compensation) to private sector, as well as public, employment contracts. This requirement applies to settlements involving the termination of an individual written employment contract before its expiration date.	C 162 L 98
SB 6483	West	Transfer of Enforcement of Cigarette and Tobacco Taxes to the Liquor Control Board - Authorizes the Liquor Control Board and its enforcement agents to enforce the cigarette and tobacco tax laws.	C 18 L 98
SB 6536	Horn, Heavey, Schow	Employer Obligations to Furnish Required Wearing Apparel - Requires an employer to furnish or compensate an employee for uniforms but not clothing that is a common color and conforms to a general dress code or style; requires an employer to compensate employees affected when the employer changes the color of clothing within a two year period; gives limited rule making authority to the Department of Labor and Industries; includes public as well as private employers; and excludes personal protective clothing from these provisions.	C 334 L 98
SB 6539	Schow, Heavey	Designations for Liquor Licenses - Changes the license designation "full service" to "spirits, beer and wine" and changes the license designation "limited service" to "beer and/or wine."	C 126 L 98
SB 6604	Schow, Heavey, Horn	Premanufactured Electric Power Generation Equipment Exemption - Allows the Department of Labor and Industries to issue rules which exempt testing, repairing, modifying, maintaining, or component installation work on premanufactured electric power generation equipment assemblies and control gear.	C 98 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESSB 6648	Schow, Newhouse, Horn	Providing an Exemption to the "Tied-House" Law - Provides an exception to the tied-house law for a corporation that has an ownership interest in a licensed retail liquor business and a financial interest in a liquor manufacturer or importer if certain conditions are met; modifies the conditions of the current tied-house exception for a corporation that has an interest in property on which a retail licensee does business; and allows a corporation that meets the conditions for an exception to the tied-house law to use debt instruments issued in connection with financing construction or operation of its facilities.	C 127 L 98

CRIMINAL JUSTICE & CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
HB 1172	D. Sommers, Sterk, O'Brien	<p>Concerning the Failure to Register as a Sex Offender — In compliance with the federal Wetterling Act requires:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sex offenders who are residents of another state but who are students, employed, or carrying on a vocation in Washington to register in Washington as a sex offender; • Sex offenders, upon release from custody, to register with an official designated by the agency having jurisdiction over the offender; • Sex offenders changing residence address within the same county to send written notice of the change of address to the county sheriff within seventy-two hours of moving; • County sheriffs, upon receiving notification that an offender is moving to a new county or state, to forward promptly the change of address information to the sheriff of the new county or the new state law enforcement agency; • Sex offenders subject to registration requirements, wishing to change their name, to submit a copy of the name change application to the county sheriff and the State Patrol at least five days prior to the entry of a name change order and must submit a copy of the court's name change order within five days after the order. Violation of this law is a class C felony; • County sheriffs to forward all sex and kidnaping registration information to the State Patrol with three days. County sheriffs must also annually verify all sex and kidnaping offenders' registered addresses; • Sex or kidnaping offenders with a prior registration eligible offenses to register for life; • Agencies with jurisdiction over a developmentally disabled sex or kidnaping offender to notify the Division of Developmental Disabilities within thirty days prior to the release of the offender; and • Juvenile courts to share information with local law enforcement agencies when a juvenile sex or kidnaping offender is allowed to remain in the community. 	C 220 L 98
SHB 1781	Lambert, Ballasiotes, Clements	<p>Expands the Supervision Offender Monitoring and Recidivist Tracking Program — Authorizes the Office of the Attorney General to contract with police departments, the Department of Corrections, or any other state, local, or private agency necessary for expansion of the supervision management and recidivist tracking program. Expansion of the program must include the development of a state-wide computer linkage between the Attorney General's homicide investigative tracking system, local police departments, and the state Department of Corrections. Funding shall be spent for computer hardware and software, initial start-up costs, and other costs fundamental to the supervision management and recidivist tracking program partnerships in local communities.</p>	C 223 L 98
EHB 2350	McDonald, Mulliken, Thompson	<p>Sex Offender Central Registry Information — Requires the Washington State Patrol to include information relating to sex offenders in its Washington State Crime Information Center (WASIC) system. Allows all law enforcement agencies throughout the state to have access to the Sex Offender Central Registry. Merging of the WASIC system and the Sex Offender Central Registry must take place by June 30, 1999.</p>	C 67 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2368	Carlson, Kenney, Radcliff	Registration of Sex Offenders and Kidnappers on College Campuses - Provides that any person convicted of a sex or kidnapping offense must, within 10 days of enrollment or the next business day after arrival for attendance at an institution of higher education, whichever is earlier, notify the sheriff of the county in which the institution is located of such enrollment or attendance.	C 139 L 98
HB 2628	Schoesler, Quall, Costa	Increasing the Penalty for Manufacture of Methamphetamine - Elevates the crime of manufacture of methamphetamine to seriousness level X within the Sentencing Guidelines, which is punishable by between 51 and 198 months imprisonment.	C 78 L 98
EHB 2707	Backlund, Quall, Dickerson	Prohibiting Sex Offenders in Inmate Work Programs - Requires administrators of work programs described in RCW 72.09.100 to ensure that no inmate convicted of a sex offense as defined in Chapter 9A.44 RCW obtains access to names, addresses, or telephone numbers of private individuals while performing his or her duties in an inmate work program.	C 83 L 98
EHB 2791	Schoesler, Doumit, Sheahan	Fighting Methamphetamine - Manufacturing or possessing ephedrine or pseudoephedrine with intent to manufacture methamphetamine in or near a residence in which a minor resides in the list of "most serious offenses." Funding in the local toxics control account may be used by local governments for the assessment and cleanup of sites of methamphetamine production. Funds from this account may not be used for the initial containment of such sites. Local governments may submit claims to the state for state reimbursement for any increased level of service require by this act. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the provision that included the offense of manufacturing or possessing ephedrine or pseudoephedrine with intent to manufacture methamphetamine in or near a residence in which a minor or pregnant woman resides in the list of "most serious offenses". This provision would have made the offense count as a strike under the three strikes law.	C 81 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
HB 2965	Ballasiotes, Costa, Hatfield	Revising Provisions for Crime Victims' Compensation - Authorizes the Crime Victims' Compensation Program to designate private attorneys as special assistant attorneys general to pursue civil legal actions against criminal offenders and third parties for costs incurred by injured crime victims and the Crime Victims' Compensation Program.	C 91 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESSB 5305	Fairley, Wojahn, Goings	<p>Drugs Used to Facilitate Rape - Increases penalties for use of <i>flunitrazepam</i>, commercially known as Rohypnol. Provides that penalties for controlled substances violations involving <i>flunitrazepam</i> are treated as Schedule II violations.</p> <p>Redefines crime of second degree rape to include helplessness or incapacity when the perpetrator has knowledge of victim's physical helplessness or mental incapacity.</p> <p>Redefines crime of indecent liberties to include incapacity or helplessness induced by controlled substance when perpetrator has knowledge of victim's mental defect, mental incapacity, or physical helplessness.</p> <p>Provides for training on recognition of sedating substances in sex crime investigations and evidence handling procedure.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes the provisions that added repetitive language to the sex offense statute to convict offenders of rape in the second degree or indecent liberties when he or she uses drugs to make their victims helpless.</p> <p>Vetoes the provision that requires rape crisis centers, law enforcement, and hospital emergency rooms to train personnel who investigate sexual assault cases on how to recognize and test for sedatives like flunitrazepam, and how to preserve evidence for use in court.</p>	C 290 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
ESB 5695	Roach, Long, Oke	<p>Increasing Sentences for Crimes Involving Firearms - Requires firearm or deadly weapon enhancement to be added to the total period of confinement for all offenses when an offender is convicted of more than one offense, and there is a weapon enhancement for at least one of those offenses, regardless of which underlying offense is subject to the enhancement.</p> <p>Weapon enhancements are mandatory, must be served in total confinement, and must be served consecutively to all other sentencing provisions, including other weapon enhancements.</p> <p>Prohibits reduction of weapon enhancement if the enhancement, when added to the sentence for the underlying crime, would exceed the statutory maximum allowed for the offense.</p> <p>Requires an offender to serve consecutive sentences for each conviction and for each firearm unlawfully possessed if convicted of unlawful possession of a firearm in the first or second degree and for either theft of a firearm or possession of a stolen firearm, or both.</p>	C 235 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESSB 5760	Long, Hargrove, Franklin	<p>Evaluation and Treatment of Mentally Ill Offenders - Authorizes the courts to request pre-sentence reports from the Department of Corrections when a relationship between mental illness and criminal behavior is suspected, and to order psychiatric evaluation or treatment for offenders whose criminal behavior is influenced by a mental illness. An order of mental status evaluation or treatment must be based on a pre-sentence report and, if applicable, mental status evaluations that have been filed with the court to determine the offender's competency or eligibility for a defense of insanity.</p> <p>Authorizes community corrections officers to work with community mental health providers to support participation in treatment by mentally ill offenders on community placement or community supervision.</p> <p>Authorizes community corrections officers to intervene and require compliance if the judgement and sentence requires outpatient psychiatric treatment as one of the offender's community supervision or community placement conditions.</p> <p>Requires that in collaboration with the Department of Social and Health Services, the Department of Corrections must track outcomes and submit to the Legislature a report of services and outcomes by December 31, 1999.</p>	C 260 L 98
ESSB 5769	Johnson, Goings	<p>Concerning the Theft of Beverage Crates and Merchandise Pallets - Defines the terms "merchandise pallets" and "beverage crates."</p> <p>Declares that a person is guilty of theft or of possessing stolen property in the third degree (both which are a gross misdemeanor) if he or she possesses more than ten merchandise pallets, or beverage crates, or both.</p> <p>A person found in possession of 10 or more stolen merchandise pallets, 10 or more stolen beverage crates, or a combination of 10 or more stolen merchandise pallets and stolen beverage crates is presumed to know that the property is stolen. This presumption is rebuttable by evidence raising a reasonable inference that the possession was without knowledge that the property was stolen.</p>	C 236 L 98
ESSB 5936	Kohl, Long, Hargrove	<p>Fee-based Offender Education - Requires the Department of Corrections, in consultation with representatives from the community colleges and other educational service providers, to prepare a report to the Legislature by December 1, 1998, on alternatives for increasing offender access to post-secondary academic and vocational programs. Alternatives for increasing access within existing resources, as well as alternatives that may require additional funding must be included in the report.</p> <p>Funds received by the Department of Corrections on behalf of offenders for payment of one fee-based education or vocational program that is associated with an inmate's work program or a placement decision made by the department to prepare an inmate for work upon release are exempt.</p>	C 261 L 98
ESB 6139	Oke, Swecker, T. Sheldon	<p>Penalties for Manufacture, Delivery, and Possession of Amphetamine - Establishes crime of manufacture, delivery, or possession with intent to deliver amphetamine at seriousness level VIII within the Sentencing Guidelines, and punishable by between 21 and 144 months imprisonment.</p>	C 82 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
2SSB 6214	Long, Hargrove, McDonald	<p>Provisions Relating to Commitment of Mentally Ill Persons - Clarifies that a person’s current conduct, mental condition, history, and likelihood of committing future acts, rather than the simple categorization of offense committed, are relevant to determining whether the person poses a threat to public safety. Improves the sharing of information between the mental health and criminal justice systems. Provides additional opportunities for mental health treatment for persons whose conduct threatens him/herself or the public safety and has led to contact with the criminal justice system. Limits a mentally ill offender’s ability to refuse anti-psychotic medication. Makes it easier for a mentally ill offender, who cannot be committed under criminal involuntary commitment procedures, to be referred for investigation under civil involuntary commitment procedures.</p> <p>Requires the Washington State Institute for Public Policy and the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee to make reports under the act.</p> <p>The act expires June 30, 2001.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes the provision that requires the Department of Corrections to report annually to legislative fiscal committees on the efficacy of the regional support networks in implementing this legislation, including information on their administrative costs.</p> <p>Vetoes the “sunset” provision that causes the entire act to expire on June 30, 2001.</p>	C 297 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
E2SSB 6445	Long, Hargrove, Haugen	<p>Provisions Relating to Children Placed in Group Homes - Requires the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) to establish a process for community involvement in the siting of Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration (JRA) group homes through public hearings. Authorizes local governments to establish community placement oversight committees to review and make recommendations on placement of juveniles in group homes. Provides immunity from liability for committees, their members, and the agencies represented by them for their good faith actions in placement recommendations.</p> <p>Requires DSHS to adopt a policy for the common use of group homes for JRA juveniles and non-JRA children.</p> <p>Requires DSHS to establish a violation policy that includes returning juveniles who commit serious infractions or serious violations of their placement conditions to an institution. Requires DSHS and each service provider to maintain records of juveniles' infractions and violations.</p> <p>Requires DSHS to publish and maintain a staffed 24-hour toll-free phone line for reporting a juvenile's violations of community placement conditions.</p> <p>Requires juveniles placed in school, work, or volunteer situations to be subject to monitoring agreements.</p> <p>Requires juveniles to spend at least 10 percent of their sentences, but not less than 30 days, in a secure institution, to be eligible for placement in a group home. Permits eligible juveniles to be placed in a group home only if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) a risk assessment and security classification is complete; (2) the risk assessment indicates that the juvenile will not pose more than a minimum risk to public safety; (3) the community placement oversight committee has reviewed and acted on the placement; and (4) local law enforcement has been properly notified. <p>Requires DSHS, after conviction, to request education records for first-time offenders, and prosecutors or local probation departments, prior to trial, to request records for all juveniles with one or more previous convictions.</p> <p>Subjects employees and volunteers to background checks, and disqualifies applicants who have committed sex offenses or violent offenses from JRA positions with children.</p> <p>Requires the Washington State Institute for Public Policy to conduct a study on group homes.</p>	C 269 L 98

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESHB 1230	Backlund, Johnson, Lambert	Protecting Students' Religious Rights - Allows students freely to express and incorporate their religious beliefs and opinions where relevant and appropriate in class work. School personnel may not grade or censure a student's work based on religious content. School personnel may not penalize a student for expressing religious beliefs when relevant and appropriate. This is not intended to limit the exchange of ideas in the common schools. However, no officer, employee, agent, or contractor of a school district may impose his or her religious beliefs on a student. The superintendent of public instruction must distribute to the school districts information about laws governing students' rights of religious expression in schools.	C 131 L 98
E2SHB 1374	Smith, Johnson, Hickel	Establishing Alternate Teacher Certification - Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction, at the request of a school district, to issue an alternative teaching certificate to people who meet certain criteria. The holder of a certificate must: have a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university; have at least five years of work experience in the field in which they plan to teach; meet the lawful age and character requirements demanded of teachers; and have passed certain basic skills and, when available, subject matter tests. Permits holders of the certificate to teach for up to two years in middle school and higher grades under the supervision and guidance of the school district. Permits holders, at the end of the two years, to apply for an initial or residency teaching certificate. Does not permit the two years to count as experience for placement on the state salary schedule.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SHB 1977	Honeyford, Boldt, Dunn	Allowing Arrangements for Running Start Students to Attend Out-of-state Community Colleges - Permits school districts in Washington to enter Running Start agreements with community colleges in Oregon and Idaho. Through the agreements, high school students in border counties may earn high school and college credit concurrently. Requires the agreements to comply with most of the provisions of the Running Start law. Permits agreements in which school districts pay less than the Running Start rate per credit, as long as students are not required to pay tuition. Permits agreements that require students to pay a portion of the resident tuition rate at the college. Requires the agreements to ensure that all classes taken at the college will transfer to a public college in Washington.	C 63 L 98
ESHB 2300	Johnson, Keiser, Huff	Changing Provisions Relating to Educational Pathways - Requires schools that use educational pathways to ensure that students have access to courses needed to meet college entrance requirements. Requires schools to let students enter pathways chosen by the students. Requires schools to provide information about chosen pathways to students and their parents. Requires schools to permit students to change pathways if the students or their families are not satisfied with the opportunities available through a pathway. Prohibits schools from developing pathways that retain students in school beyond the date that the students would normally graduate.	C 225 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESHB 2330	Hickel, Johnson, Backlund	<p>Authorizing Church Schools - Permits parents to comply with the requirement that they send their children to school by sending their children to a religiously affiliated exempt school. A religiously affiliated exempt school is a private school that: (1) offers instruction in grades K-12, in any combination including single grade schools; (2) is operated by a ministry of a local church, group of churches, denomination, religiously-affiliated school, or association of churches on a nonprofit basis; and (3) does not receive any state or federal funding.</p> <p>Exempts religiously affiliated exempt schools from the minimum requirements that private schools must meet with one exception. Requires the schools to have adequate facilities. Exempts the schools from the approval requirements of the State Board of Education and from reporting requirements for attendance and enrollment.</p>	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
2SHB 2849	Talcott, Johnson, Thomas, B.	<p>Enhancing Student Achievement Accountability - Requires school boards to adopt a three-year district-wide goal to decrease by at least 25 percent the number of students who did not meet the reading standard on the state's fourth grade reading assessment. Requires the boards to: specify yearly district-wide improvements toward the goal; approve goals adopted by each elementary school; and report to parents, community members, the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI), and the press on the progress made toward the goal. Requires SPI to report the results of the fourth grade assessment to schools, school districts, and the legislative education committees. Directs SPI to post the results on the internet.</p> <p>Directs school districts to administer the second grade reading test annually each fall beginning with the 1998-99 school year. Directs SPI to prepare and conduct a norm-referenced standardized achievement test in reading and math for third-grade students. Requires districts to provide test results to parents. Directs SPI to report test results annually. The supplemental budget includes \$375,000 for implementation of this legislation.</p>	C 319 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
E2SSB 6509	Hochstatter, Benton, Zarelli	<p>Requiring Training for Reading Instruction - Creates two programs to improve the reading skills of elementary school students. Assigns to the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) the responsibility to administer the programs. Provides stipends to participating teachers in both programs. Describes program timelines and expires the programs on July 30, 2000. The Supplemental Budget includes \$17,000,000 for the programs.</p> <p><u>Reading Instruction Funding Opportunities Program</u> - Provides kindergarten through second grade teachers with professional development and instructional materials in beginning reading strategies. Permits principals and classroom volunteers to attend the classes. Directs SPI to prioritize funding requests using a stair-stepped priority system that provides funds first to schools in which a majority of fourth grade students scored in the bottom quartile on the state's new fourth grade reading test. Describes the components of the funding application and defines terms for certain beginning reading skills.</p> <p><u>Volunteer Tutoring and Mentoring Grant Program</u> - Provides grants to elementary schools for programs that use volunteer tutors and mentors to help struggling readers in kindergarten through sixth grade. Requires the programs to be research based and of proven effectiveness. Permits the programs to be used during the summer, school breaks, and normal school hours. Requires participating schools to test students' reading abilities before the students enter the program and once they finish it. Requires SPI to report on the program to the Legislature.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Removes the null and void clause as moot and the name of the act as inappropriate for a program that is temporary and expires in 2000.</p>	C 271 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SSB 6574	Johnson, Stevens, Wood	<p>Authorizing Learning Materials to Be Loaned to Private School Students - Allows a private school student, through his or her school, to request a loan of learning materials from a local school district. Allows a local school district to loan learning materials to private school students. Requires a local school district to make a good faith effort to accommodate loan requests. Limits learning materials available for loan to textbooks on the local school district's official adoption list and workbooks. Prohibits a local school district from limiting loans because of a student's economic status. Provides that learning materials can neither promote nor deter sectarian or religious activities of the private school. Prohibits a private school from requesting materials designed for religious instruction. Provides that learning materials will at all times be property of the local school district. Provides that the state cannot adopt new laws or rules that directly or indirectly impact the autonomy of a private school in response to a private school student receiving a learning materials loan.</p>	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESSB 6600	Sheldon, T., Hochstatter, Long	<p>Establishing an Education Program for Juveniles Incarcerated in Adult Correctional Facilities - Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) to select an education provider to provide education services to juveniles in Department of Corrections (DOC) adult correctional facilities. SPI solicits proposals from interested and capable entities. The school district where there is a juvenile education site in an adult correctional facility has first priority. The Educational Service District (ESD) where there is a juvenile education site in an adult correctional facility has second priority. If neither the school district nor ESD chooses to operate an education program, other entities, such as community and technical colleges, four-year institutions of higher learning, and private contractors have the opportunity to do so. Only school districts and ESDs may award diplomas. If no one chooses to provide the education service, the local ESD must do so within 90 days.</p> <p>The DOC and SPI must conduct a study to determine the educational needs of inmates incarcerated in local jails and DOC prisons and the impact and ability of providing these services through local school districts, community and technical colleges, private vendors, juvenile detention centers, and DOC facilities. Preliminary reports are due in May and September, with a final report and recommendations due by November 1, 1998.</p>	C 244 L 98

ENERGY & UTILITIES COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESHB 2551	Crouse	<p>Allowing Utilities to Take Actions, Such as Requiring Deposits, to Ensure Payment - Allows a municipal utility, water-sewer district, or irrigation district to provide a duplicate of a tenant's utility service bill to an owner of rental property, or to notify an owner that a tenant's account is delinquent. If an owner or designee has requested to be notified when a tenant has a delinquent account, then the utility or district must provide notice. Whenever a district or utility provides an owner with a duplicate copy or delinquency notice, the utility or district must inform the tenant.</p> <p>Prohibits a utility or district from placing a lien on a property, if a utility or district fails to notify the owner or designee of a tenant's delinquency after receiving a written request to do so.</p> <p>Allows a utility or district to require utility deposits from customers, but failure to do so does not affect the validity of a lien. Also, reduces the length of time from 60 days to 30 days that an account must be delinquent before a water-sewer district may terminate service.</p>	C 285 L 98
HB 2553	Crouse, Morris, DeBolt	<p>Extending the Prohibition on Filing for a Tariff on Mandatory Measured Telecommunications Service - Extends, for three years, the current law prohibiting the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) from approving a telecommunications tariff that includes mandatory local measured service, and makes the prohibition applicable to price list filings as well.</p>	C 110 L 98
HB 2577	Hankins, Delvin	<p>Using and Administering the Hanford Area Economic Investment Fund - Expressly authorizes the Hanford Area Economic Investment Fund Committee to make grants from the Fund, and to establish and administer a revolving fund. Authorizes the expenditure of moneys from the Investment Fund for costs incurred by the assistant attorney general in support of the Committee.</p>	C 76 L 98
HB 2663	Crouse	<p>Requiring Companies that Seek to Contract with an Affiliated Interest to File with the Utilities and Transportation Commission - Eliminates the requirement that a public service company obtain prior approval from the WUTC before a contract or arrangement with an affiliated interest takes effect. The company must file, with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Committee (WUTC), a copy of the contract or a summary before it takes effect, however.</p>	C 47 L 98
ESHB 2752	Bush, Crouse, Gardner	<p>Prohibiting Unsolicited Electronic Mail - Prohibits the sending of commercial electronic mail messages that contain false or misleading information in the subject line or that misrepresent a message's point of origin or transmission path. It is a violation of the Consumer Protection Act to initiate the transmission of commercial electronic mail messages containing such false or misleading information to a Washington resident or to send these messages from a computer located in Washington.</p> <p>Also, creates a select task force to further study issues relating to commercial electronic mail messages over the interim. The task force is required to complete a report identifying policy options and recommendations by November 15, 1998.</p>	C 149 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2773	Poulsen, Crouse, Morris	<p>Requiring Electric Utilities to Provide Net Metering Systems to Their Customer-generators - Requires electrical utilities to make net-metering available to eligible customer-generators on a first-come, first-served basis until the cumulative generating capacity of net metering systems equals 0.1 percent of the utility's peak demand during 1996. A utility must also allow net metering systems to be interconnected using standard bi-directional meters, unless the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission or the governing body of a consumer-owned utility determines that additional metering equipment is necessary and appropriate and resolves how costs for such equipment are to be shared. A utility must charge a customer-generator a minimum monthly fee that is the same as other customers in the same rate class pay. A utility may also charge additional standby, capacity, interconnection, or other fees under certain circumstances. A customer-generator may receive a credit for excess electricity provided to a utility but any credits must be used within a calendar year and cannot be carried forward into the next year. All net metering systems must meet certain safety standards.</p>	C 318 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
E2SHB 2831	Crouse, Mielke	<p>Requiring Electric Utilities to Unbundle the Costs of Their Assets and Operations - Requires every electric utility to unbundle the components of its electrical service, and to identify separately the costs of the individual components. Requires every electric utility to prepare a cost study and service quality and reliability report.</p> <p>Requires by September 30, 1998, that each investor-owned utility must file the study and report, and required documentation, with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC), which the WUTC must review in an open public meeting. By September 1, 1998, each consumer-owned utility must submit the study and report to its governing body in an open public meeting, and by October 1, 1998, submit the study and report to the state auditor. The state auditor must analyze and summarize the studies and reports filed with it, and may consult with other agencies, electric utilities, and others in doing so.</p> <p>Requires by December 1, 1998, the WUTC and state auditor must submit a joint report on the results of the studies and reports to the Energy & Utilities Committees of the House and Senate. The joint report is to include a summary of the studies and reports, and observations regarding the consistency or lack of consistency among utilities in their methods, descriptions, and the amount and kind of information available. In addition, the WUTC is to describe any issues in dispute arising from the studies and reports filed by investor-owned utilities. Finally, the joint report is to include an examination of alternative formats for disclosure of the fuel mix, air emissions, and other environmental impacts of generating resources.</p> <p>Encourages, but does not require small utilities to comply with the act's provisions.</p> <p>Requires Seattle City Light to report the following information to its governing body: (1) the ratio of the utility's customers to its employees and changes in the ratio over the previous 10 years; and (2) the utility's funding and expenditures for conservation, renewable resources, and low-income weatherization and bill-paying programs over the previous 10 years.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the provisions that apply only to Seattle City Light.</p>	C 287 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SSB 6358	Rossi, Finkbeiner, Brown	<p>Providing the Utilities and Transportation Commission Authority to Regulate Certain Pipeline Facilities - Defines "pipeline company" so that, with two exceptions, the safety standards adopted by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) apply to public service companies, common carrier pipelines, and companies with private pipelines that construct, own, or operate a pipeline for transporting hazardous liquid. The standards do not apply to natural gas companies that distribute gas to retail customers, nor to excavation contractors or other contractors that contract with a pipeline company. A person who fails to comply with a regulation, or who procures, aids, or abets someone else in violating or not complying with a regulation, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. The WUTC may also fine a pipeline company or any person, officer, agent, or employee of a pipeline company that violates a regulation.</p>	C 123 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SB 6400	Brown, Finkbeiner, Oke	<p>Extending The Washington Telephone Assistance Program Through 2003 - Extends the Washington Telephone Assistance Program for another five years. The program assists low-income persons in obtaining basic telephone services.</p>	C 159 L 98
ESSB 6560	Brown, Jacobsen, Sheldon, T.	<p>Protecting the Rights of Consumers of Electric Power - Requires an electric utility, upon request and at no charge, to provide a retail customer with specified information concerning credit and deposit requirements; rates and charges; bill payment arrangement options, policies, and procedures; disconnection policies and procedures; policies governing the confidentiality of customer information; and customer inquiry and complaint procedures.</p> <p>Requires an electric utility, again upon request and at no charge, to provide a retail customer with an annual report with general or summary information about the utility's customer classes and rates, an explanation of the utility's investment in conservation, non-hydro renewable resources, and low-income energy assistance programs, and an explanation of the taxes collected and paid by the utility.</p> <p>Requires utilities to notify customers the above information is available, both at the time service is established and yearly thereafter. In addition, requires utilities to inform customers, on bills or at least quarterly via mailings, of the various components of electrical service for which customers are charged.</p> <p>The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) and the Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development (DCTED) must jointly study: (1) variations in retail electricity rates; (2) retail electric customer demographics; (3) the potential for cost-shifting; (4) utility consumer protection policies and procedures; (5) service territory agreements between utilities; (6) matters concerning service quality and reliability; and (7) matters concerning investment in conservation, non-hydro renewable resources, and low-income energy assistance programs. The WUTC and DCTED are to report the results of the study to the Legislature and Governor by December 31, 1998.</p> <p>Small utilities are encouraged, but not required, to comply with the above provisions.</p> <p>Consumer-owned utilities are authorized, but not required, to charge reduced electrical rates to all low-income customers.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes the emergency clause with the effect that the bill takes effect in ninety days rather than immediately. Also vetoes a section that would have nullified the WUTC/DCTED study if the Legislature did not specifically fund the section of this bill that creates the study. In the supplemental budget the Legislature funded the study but referred to this bill generally and did not refer to the specific section of this bill that creates the study. The Governor's veto removes language that conditioned the study on an appropriation that specifically referenced the section of this bill that creates the study.</p>	C 300 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESSB 6622	Finkbeiner	<p>Implementing the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 - Authorizes the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) to take actions, conduct proceedings, and enter orders as permitted under the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, but the WUTC is prohibited from establishing a new universal service program or adopting new universal service rules until the Legislature has approved the new program. In preparing a new universal service program for legislative approval, the WUTC must estimate costs for supporting all lines located in high costs areas and for supporting only one primary line for each residential or business customer located in high-cost areas. The WUTC must also determine the assessments to be imposed on telecommunications carriers to fund the program. The WUTC is to report to the Legislature on these and other steps taken to prepare for a new universal service program.</p> <p>Requires a petition or motion to classify a telecommunications company or service as competitive to take effect automatically, unless the WUTC takes action to suspend and sets the petition or motion for a hearing or formal investigation and fact-finding.</p>	C 337 L 98

FINANCE COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESHB 1042	Dyer, B. Thomas, Dunshee	Dental Appliances, Devices, Restorations, and Substitutes - Defines dental laboratory activities as manufacturing rather than as service activities for purposes of business and occupation taxation. As a result, the business and occupation tax rate lowers from the service rate to the retailing rate for a dental laboratory's manufactured products sold at retail. If a lab sells manufactured products at wholesale, then the wholesaling business and occupation tax rate applies.	C 168 L 98
SHB 1126	Mastin, Sump, Boldt	911 Emergency Communications Funding - Makes 20 cents per switched access line a permanent maximum tax rate for the state enhanced 911 excise tax. Transfers responsibility for tax collection from the Military Department to the Department of Revenue. Allows temporary state salary assistance for 911 staffing costs for counties with populations under 75,000 residents. When two or more counties jointly operate a multicounty enhanced 911 system, state assistance may be provided to the multicounty region. If counties in the multicounty region have fewer than 75,000 residents, then state salary assistance may be provided on an ongoing basis.	C 304 L 98
HB 1184	Van Luven, Mason, Smith	Coin-operated Laundromats in Apartments and Mobile Home Communities - Exempts coin-operated laundries located in apartment complexes, rooming houses, or mobile home parks from sales and use taxes.	C 275 L 98
HB 1447	Robertson, L.Thomas, Clements	Thoroughbred Horses Tax Exemptions - Exempts persons who race, raise, ride, exercise, groom, breed, train, or sell thoroughbred race horses from paying business and occupation taxes on amounts received as compensation for these services or sales transactions. Compensation includes, but is not limited to, amounts received from purse winnings or awards.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
HB 1549	Sommers, H., Reams, Scott	Reducing Property Tax Assessments in Response to Government Restrictions - Allows a property owner to request that the county assessor reconsider the value of real property if a government entity adopts a restriction on the property that limits the use of the property.	C 306 L 98
HB 2278	Honeyford, Lisk	Electric Generating Facilities Powered by Landfill Gas - Extends the machinery and equipment sales and use tax exemption for wind and sun energy facilities to facilities using landfill gas.	C 309 L 98
HB 2309	Thompson, Dunshee	Revising Notification of Denial of Property Tax Exemption - Allows property tax exemption denial notices to be sent by regular mail rather than certified mail.	C 310 L 98
SHB 2315	Thompson, Mulliken, Thomas, B.	Technical Corrections to Excise and Property Tax Statutes - Clarifies that only mortgage brokers are exempt from paying business and occupation taxes on money received from borrowers and held in trust for payment of third party costs. Subjects all nonprofit organizations eligible for property tax exemptions to the same definition of "nonprofit." Also, makes other technical corrections to excise and property tax statutes.	C 311 L 98

²**Note:** This summary includes only bills that were initially referred to the Finance Committee. Bills that were referred to the committee after having been considered by another committee are included in the original committees' summaries. Please see the numerical index. Revenue impacts for all 1997 legislation are listed in a table on page II-4.

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
HB 2335	B. Thomas, Mulliken, Thompson	Consolidation of B&O Tax Rates into Fewer Categories - Reduces the number of business and occupation tax rates from 10 rates to six rates by consolidating and eliminating tax rates. Reduces the tax rate for child care providers from 1.5 percent to 0.484 percent.	C 312 L 98
HB 2476	Schoesler, Sheahan, Honeyford	Sales Tax Exemption for Parts Used for and Repairs to Farm Machinery and Implements Used Outside the State - Exempts nonresidents from sales tax on parts and repair services for farm machinery and implements.	C 167 L 98
HB 2566	Alexander, Linville, DeBolt	Sales of Laundry Service - Removes the sale of laundry services to nonprofit health care facilities from the definition of a retail sale. As a result, these services are not subject to sales tax, and the business and occupation tax rate for providers of these services increases from the 0.471 percent retailing rate to the 1.5 percent service rate.	C 315 L 98
HB 2598	Radcliff, McDonald, Pennington	Property Tax Exemptions for Nonprofit Organizations - Makes permanent the property tax exemption granted for property leased by a nonprofit organization and used as transitional or emergency housing for low-income persons or victims of domestic violence.	C 174 L 98
HB 2698	B. Thomas, Dunshee	Resolution of Conflicts in Lodging Tax Statutes Enacted in 1997 - Amends hotel-motel tax statutes to resolve the conflict between last year's hotel-motel legislation and the football stadium legislation, without the adverse consequences of the Governor's partial veto of the hotel-motel legislation.	C 35 L 98
SHB 2711	Parlette, Chandler, Mulliken	Small Irrigation Districts - Exempts an irrigation district from paying public utility and business and occupation taxes on its gross receipts generated from sales of drinking water, if the irrigation district serves fewer than 1,500 drinking water connections and charges a residential water rate exceeding 125 percent of the average statewide residential water rate. Last session similar tax exemptions, scheduled to expire in 2003, were granted to water-sewer districts and small water systems. This 2003 expiration date is extended another year so that the tax exemptions granted to irrigation districts, water-sewer districts, and small water systems all expire on the same date: July 1, 2004.	C 316 L 98
ESHB 2871	Parlette, Chandler, Wensman	Classification of Land as Agricultural Land with Long-term Commercial Significance for Tax Purposes - Creates a new current use property tax program for land designated as agricultural land of long-term commercial significance by counties and cities planning under the Growth Management Act. To qualify the land must be devoted primarily to agricultural uses and not be used for residential, industrial, or other commercial purposes. Also, the city or county must have adopted development regulations required under GMA to conserve the agricultural land. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the sections which created an additional current use property tax program for land designated as agricultural land of long-term commercial significance. The remaining sections deal only with the change to the ordinary current use program, the elimination of automatic qualification of any land within an agricultural zone located outside an urban growth area.	C 320 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
HB 2933	Radcliff, Cooper, Cooke	Business Warehousing and Selling of Pharmaceutical Drugs - Reduces the tax rate for wholesalers of prescription drugs from 0.484 percent of gross income to 0.138 percent of gross income. Starts July 1, 2001.	C 343 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
HB 2969	Carrell, Sheahan, Thomas, B.	Gun Safes - Exempts gun safes from sales and use taxes. Gun safes are enclosures specifically designed or modified for the purpose of storing firearms and equipped with locks or similar devices which prevent the unauthorized use of the firearms.	C 178 L 98
SHB 3076	Sommers, H., Cooke, Dickerson	Authorization to Share Tax Information for Purposes of Investigating Food Stamp Fraud - Permits the Department of Revenue to disclose tax information to the U.S. Department of Agriculture for the limited purpose of investigating food stamp fraud by retailers.	C 234 L 98
SSB 5309	Morton, Anderson	Excise Tax Exemptions Related to Horses - Exempts feed sold for horses from sales and use taxes. Also exempts any amounts received as compensation for boarding, breeding, or selling horses from business and occupation taxes.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SSB 5355	Benton, Brown, Swecker	Property Donated to Charitable Organizations - Creates new use tax exemptions for persons who donate materials to nonprofit organizations or to state or local governments. Similarly, exempts persons who receive donated items from a nonprofit organization from paying use tax on the items received.	C 182 L 98
SB 5622	Long, Strannigan, Winsley	New Construction of Alternative Housing for Youth in Crisis - Makes permanent the sales and use tax exemptions for items used in constructing new alternative housing for youth in crisis.	C 183 L 98
SB 5631	Wood, Jacobsen, Oke	Education Loan Guarantee Services B&O Tax Exemption - Exempts nonprofit agencies that provide student loan guarantees through programs other than the federal guaranteed student loan program from business and occupation taxes.	C 324 L 98
SSB 6077	McCaslin, Snyder	Nonprofit Hospice Agencies B&O Exemptions - Exempts nonprofit hospice agencies from paying business and occupation taxes on amounts received as compensation for patient services or as proceeds from the sale of prescription drugs furnished to patients.	C 325 L 98
SB 6113	Wood, West, Thibaudeau	Nonprofit Organizations Providing Medical Research or Training of Medical Personnel - Exempts a nonprofit corporation or association from paying property taxes on leased property used for two purposes: (1) leased property that is used for medical research which is made available to the public without cost; and (2) leased property which is made available without charge to medical or hospital personnel for training or research purposes.	C 184 L 98
ESSB 6205	McCaslin, Haugen, Patterson	Waiver of Interest and Penalties on Property Taxes Delinquent Because of Hardship - Requires counties to waive interest and penalties owed on delinquent property taxes owed on a personal residence, if the reason for the delinquency is the death of a spouse, parent, or stepparent. A taxpayer must notify a county within 60 days of the tax due date of these hardship circumstances. A county may also require the taxpayer to furnish a death certificate and to sign an affidavit.	C 327 L 98
SB 6270	Anderson, Spanel, Swecker	Elimination of the B&O Tax on Internal Distributions - Eliminates the business and occupation tax on firms distributing merchandise from their own warehouses to two or more of their own retail stores. This "internal distributions" tax applies at the 0.484 percent rate on the value of the articles distributed.	C 329 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SB 6311	Snyder, Prince, Rasmussen	Assembly Halls or Meeting Places Used for the Promotion of Specific Educational Purposes - Allows a nonprofit assembly hall or meeting place located in a county with fewer than 10,000 residents to be used for private dance, art, or music classes without affecting the tax-exempt status of the property.	C 189 L 98
SB 6449	West, Anderson, Kohl	B&O Tax Rate for Income in the Nature of Royalties for the Use of Intangible Rights - Reduces the business and occupation tax rate on royalty income from 1.5 percent to 0.484 percent.	C 331 L 98
SB 6470	West, Anderson, Kohl	Canned and Custom Software - Taxes the customization of canned software as a service rather than as a sale subject to retail sales tax. Eliminates the business and occupation tax for firms that create, distribute, wholesale or warehouse canned or custom software in distressed counties for the first 36 months of operation. After 36 months, reduces the tax by 90 percent for firms creating or distributing canned or custom software and reduces tax by 70 percent for firms wholesaling or warehousing canned or custom software. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the section which reduced the business and occupation tax for firms that create, distribute, wholesale or warehouse canned or custom software in distressed counties.	C 332 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
ESSB 6533	Strannigan, Anderson, Long	Property Tax Exemptions and Deferrals for Senior Citizens and Persons Retired for Reasons of Physical Disability - Increases the \$15,000 income threshold for the senior citizens and persons retired due to disability property tax relief program to \$18,000. Increases the \$18,000 income threshold to \$24,000. Increases the \$28,000 income threshold to \$30,000. Increases the parcel size eligible for tax relief from 1 acre to 5 acres if the larger parcel size is required under land use regulations. Allows a deduction from income for medical insurance payments and military disability payments. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the sections that increased the parcel size to 5 acres and allowed deductions from income for medical insurance payments and military disability payments.	C 333 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SB 6552	Strannigan, Bauer	Ad Valorem Taxation of Vessels or Ferries - Makes the property taxation of all commercial vessels the same by eliminating the steamboat vessel classification.	C 335 L 98
SB 6588	Winsley, Snyder, Kohl	Movie Theater Snack Counters Exempted from the Stadium Tax Imposed on Restaurants - Clarifies that the special 0.5 percent stadium food and beverage tax does not apply to consumable items sold at snack counters located in movie theaters or in centers or theaters for the performing arts.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SB 6599	Benton, Spanel, Kohl	Fund-raising Activities by Nonprofit Organizations - Creates more general business and occupation and sales tax exemptions for nonprofit organizations' fund-raising activities. Eligible nonprofit organizations are exempt from paying business and occupation taxes on income earned from fund-raising activities involving direct solicitation or the exchange of goods or services for money. Goods and services sold by an eligible nonprofit organization during a fund-raising activity are also exempt from sales tax. Fund-raising activities do not include, however, the operation of a regular place of business such as a thrift store or bookshop.	C 336 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SSB 6602	Anderson, Loveland, Bauer	Crediting Carbonated Beverage Taxes Against B&O Taxes - Allows retailers to claim a credit against the business and occupation tax for one-half the amount of carbonated syrup taxes paid. The business and occupation tax is deposited in the general fund. The carbonated beverage syrup tax is deposited in the Violence Reduction and Drug Enforcement Account (VRDE).	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SB 6662	Strannigan, Sheldon, T., Schow	Property Managers' Compensation - Exempts from business and occupation tax amounts received by property management companies for the payment of wages and benefits to on-site personnel.	C 338 L 98
SB 6668	Heavey, Schow, Anderson	Tax Deferrals for New Thoroughbred Race Tracks - Delays the repayment date of the deferred sales and use taxes on the construction of the new thoroughbred horse racing facility for five years to December 31, 2006.	C 339 L 98
SSB 6731	Newhouse, Deccio	Property Tax Exemption for Larger Airports Belonging to Out-of-state Municipal Corporations - Repeals the property tax exemption for airports larger than 500 acres which belong to municipal corporations in adjoining states.	C 201 L 98
SSB 6737	Deccio, Wojahn, Wood	Property Taxation of Residential Housing Occupied by Low-income Developmentally Disabled Persons - Exempts all real or personal property owned and used by a nonprofit organization to provide housing for low-income persons with developmental disabilities from property taxation.	C 202 L 98

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSOR	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
2SHB 1065	Thomas, L., Wolfe, Mason	Filing Certain Insurance Related Corporate Documents - Changes the requirement that corporate documents of insurance companies be filed in both the Office of the Insurance Commissioner and the Office of the Secretary of State to require filing through the Insurance Commissioner only. For health care service contractors and health maintenance organizations, corporate documents still are filed with the Secretary of State, who then forwards copies to the Insurance Commissioner.	C 23 L 98
HB 2144	Smith, Thomas, L., Wolfe	Designating Depositories - Allows the Insurance Commissioner to designate any solvent trust company or financial institution in Washington as a depository to hold deposits of securities for the commissioner. The financial institution need not be domiciled in Washington but must have trust powers in Washington.	C 25 L 98
SHB 2321	Thomas, L., Smith, Wolfe	Allowing Consumer Loan Companies to Charge Borrowers Fees for Services Provided by Third Parties - Allows a consumer loan company to charge a borrower for any fees the loan company incurs from third parties in connection with preparing the borrower's loan.	C 28 L 98
HB 2357	Thomas, L., Wolfe, Smith	Setting the Rates of Interest and Other Fees Charged by Pawnbrokers - Authorizes pawnbrokers to charge higher interest and loan preparation fees based on the amount of the loan (pawn).	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
HB 2429	Huff, H. Sommers, Carlson	Providing for the Operation of the State Investment Board - Modifies the standard of care for State Investment Board (SIB) investments. The SIB must make investment decisions based on what a prudent <u>investor</u> reasonably would do in a similar situation (rather than a prudent person). The investment decision is looked at in terms of the whole portfolio. The SIB should diversify the investments of its funds unless special circumstances exist which reasonably make the fund better served without diversifying.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
HB 2550	Thomas, L., Wolfe	Regulating the Charitable Gift Annuity Business - Requires a charitable gift annuity business that holds a certificate of exemption to maintain minimum unrestricted net assets of \$500,000. Requires the holder of a certificate of exemption to maintain a separate trust fund. Allows the Insurance Commissioner to revoke, suspend or refuse to grant a certificate or levy fines if allowing the insurer or institution to continue to issue annuities would be hazardous to annuity contract holders and the people of the state.	C 284 L 98
SHB 2560	Thomas, L., Wolfe	Regulating Trust Companies - Requires that the state not allow out-of-state companies to engage in trust business in Washington on more favorable terms than Washington companies enjoy in the home state of the out-of-state company. Requires that Washington trust companies will have the same powers and restrictions as federally chartered trust companies.	C 45 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSOR	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2611	Keiser, Wolfe, Benson	<p>Regulating Mortgage Insurance - Requires lenders, for loans made on or after July 1, 1998, if mortgage insurance is required, to disclose to the borrower whether and under what conditions the mortgage insurance can be canceled. For existing loans with mortgage insurance, and for loans with mortgage insurance entered into on or after July 1, 1998, the lender or loan servicer must annually disclose to the borrower whether and under what circumstances the mortgage insurance can be canceled. For loans with mortgage insurance made on or after July 1, 1998, the lender cannot collect and the borrower does not have to pay mortgage insurance after the loan-to-value (LTV) ratio decreases below 80 percent and other conditions are met.</p> <p>For loan mortgages made on or after July 1, 1998, mortgage insurance cannot be required if the loan-to-value ratio is below 80 percent, except that for large non-standard loans the lender and borrower can agree to mortgage insurance even if the LTV ratio is below 80 percent.</p> <p>Compliance with federal law regarding requiring mortgage insurance and notifications, disclosures, or cancellations of mortgage insurance is deemed in compliance with similar provisions of this act.</p>	C 255 L 98
SHB 2680	Thomas, L., Wolfe	<p>Clarifying the Definition of Capitalized Cost for Purposes of the Consumer Leasing Act - Harmonizes state law with federal law by redefining capitalized cost and changing disclosure requirements on consumer leases of vehicles.</p>	C 113 L 98
HB 3052	Thomas, L., Smith, Mielke	<p>Authorizing Self-audits by Insurers - Directs the House and Senate Financial Institutions Committees to conduct a study on insurance compliance self-audits, and make recommendations on whether a limited privilege should be enacted to encourage such audits.</p>	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SHB 3096	Zellinsky, Thomas, L.	<p>Declaring the State's Preemption of Excise or Privilege Taxes on Health Care Services - Preempts local governments from imposing excise or privilege taxes on premiums or payments for health benefit plans provided by health care service contractors and health maintenance organizations, beginning January 1, 2000. The preemption does not apply to health care services delivered by employees of health maintenance organizations.</p>	C 323 L 98
SB 6169	Winsley, Prentice	<p>Regulating Third-party Appraisals - Allows an unlicensed third party to perform a real estate appraisal or appraisal review for a financial institution or mortgage broker as long as the appropriate federal financial institutions regulatory agency does not require the appraisal or appraisal review be performed by a licensed real estate appraiser.</p>	C 120 L 98
SSB 6175	McCaslin, Strannigan, Haugen	<p>Authorizing Financing Contracts - Expands the authorization allowing the State Treasurer to administer a financing contract program for state agencies to include local governments. With the approval of the local governing body, the State Treasurer can lend money to the local government to purchase equipment or real estate.</p>	C 291 L 98
SB 6192	Sellar, Snyder, Winsley	<p>Providing for the Operation of the State Investment Board - Modifies the standard of care for State Investment Board (SIB) investments. The SIB must make investment decisions based on what a prudent <u>investor</u> reasonably would do in a similar situation (rather than a prudent person). The investment decision is looked at in terms of the whole portfolio. The SIB should diversify the investments of its funds unless special circumstances exist which reasonably make the fund better served without diversifying.</p>	C 14 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSOR	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SB 6202	Winsley, Prentice	Changing the Securities Act to Conform with Federal Statute - Harmonizes state law with the National Securities Markets Improvements Act of 1996 by changing definitions and requirements in the State Securities Act.	C 15 L 98
SSB 6302	Winsley, Prentice	Establishing Risk-Based Capital Standards for Health Carriers - Establishes a risk-based capital (RBC) program for health carriers to help regulate solvency.	C 241 L 98
SB 6355	Winsley, Prentice, Sellar	Regulating Share Insurance for Credit Unions - Makes modifications to the dissolution process for the Washington Credit Union Share Guaranty Association.	C 122 L 98
SSB 6565	Hale, Prentice, Winsley	Regulating Insurance Payments of Insureds who are Victims of Domestic Abuse - Prohibits an insurance company from denying or refusing an application, refusing to issue or renew a policy, charging a higher rate, or canceling a policy on the basis that the person is, was, or may be the victim of domestic abuse. Insurance forms for fire policies that are now filed or will be filed with the Insurance Commissioner after the effective date of this act may exclude coverage for the intentional or fraudulent acts of any insured person, except for an otherwise-covered loss caused by an act of domestic abuse against an innocent co-insured by another insured if the innocent co-insured files a police report and cooperates with the investigation. Payment of benefits under these circumstances may be limited to the person's insurable interest less payments made to a mortgagee.	C 301 L 98
SSB 6746	Winsley	Regulating Purchasing of Insurance Services - Requires a person or business promising to furnish members or subscribers with assistance in matters relating to trip cancellation, bail bond service, or any accident, sickness, or death insurance benefit program to purchase the service or insurance from a company that the Insurance Commissioner has authorized to sell insurance in the state. Allows such a person or business to purchase surplus lines insurance if the person or business is unable to procure insurance from a company authorized by the Insurance Commissioner. Exempts other travel or automobile related products from the insurance code.	C 303 L 98

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 1088	Sheahan, Schoesler	State Fossil - Establishes the woolly mammoth as the state fossil.	C 129 L 98
SHB 1193	Schmidt, D., Dunn, Thomas, L.	Controlling Personal Service Contracts - Changes a variety of requirements for personal service contracts entered into by state agencies.	C 101 L 98
HB 1248	Sump, Costa, Sheahan	Allowing Facsimile Filings with the Secretary of State's Office - Authorizes business documents to be filed by facsimile transmission with the Secretary of State.	C 38 L 98
HB 1250	Wensman, Costa, Sheahan	Regulating Trademarks - Allows a single application for a trademark to specify multiple classes of goods or services for which the trademark may be used.	C 39 L 98
SHB 1253	Parlette, Costa, Sheahan	Regulating Naming of Businesses - Changes a variety of provisions in laws relating to different types of corporations and other artificial entities precluding the use of names that are not distinguishable from other registered names.	C 102 L 98
SHB 1504	McMorris, Boldt, Honeyford	Strategy Discussions/Records - Exempts records of strategies for collective bargaining, professional negotiations, grievances, or mediation proceedings from public disclosure during the pendency of the proceedings.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SHB 1750	Sommers, D., Sterk, Sheldon	Mobile Home Park Septic Systems - Authorizes a county or city to require a mobile home park septic system to hook up to a sewer system if the Department of Health finds the septic system is failing.	C 61 L 98
HB 1835	Skinner, Clements	Requiring Audit Resolution Reports - Requires the director of the Office of Financial Management to make annual reports on the resolution of audit exceptions made by the State Auditor on agency expenditures.	C 135 L 98
SHB 1939	Ogden, Cooper	Reserve Officers - Allows a municipality to extend volunteer fire fighters and disability benefits to reserve officers.	C 307 L 98
SHB 2077	Schmidt, D., Scott, Sommers, D.	Competitive Bidding - Establishes uniform exceptions from general requirement that local governments follow competitive bidding when awarding contracts for public works and purchases, including exceptions for emergencies, single source suppliers, special facilities or market conditions, and insurance bonds.	C 278 L 98
ESHB 2297	Sehlin, Hankins	Recording Documents -Makes technical clarifications to requirements for filing documents with county auditors.	C 27 L 98
EHB 2302	Honeyford, Lisk, Wolfe	Trust for School Purposes - Authorizes any county permitted by territorial law to administer a trust created to benefit school districts and funded by a testamentary bequest to dissolve the trust if the corpus of the trust does not exceed \$50,000, and the county adopts a resolution finding that it is no longer feasible for the county to administer the trust	C 65 L 98
SHB 2351	McDonald, Costa, Thomas, L.	Address Confidentiality Program - Extends the address confidentiality program for victims of domestic violence to victims of sexual abuse.	C 138 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2411	Alexander, Wolfe, Schmidt, D.	County Treasurers - Changes a variety of provisions to laws relating to county treasurers, the electronic transfer of funds, segregating special assessments imposed on a lot that is divided, payment of taxes with money issued by the United States, and creating a single charter of laws relating to county tax title lands.	C 106 L 98
SHB 2431	DeBolt, Alexander, Mielke	Southwest Washington Fair - Revises provisions concerning management and operation of the Southwest Washington Fair.	C 107 L 98
HB 2436	McMorris, Huff, Backlund	Sunset Reviews - Eliminates the sunset review and termination for the Center for International Trade in Forest Products. The sunset review of the Office of Public Defense is postponed to 2007 with termination postponed to 2008.	C 108 L 98
HB 2503	Robertson, Sullivan, Carrell	Storm Water Control Facility Rates - Authorizes county legislative authorities to consider the income level of persons receiving benefits, including senior citizens and disabled persons when setting storm water rates and changes.	C 74 L 98
HB 2568	Smith, Schmidt, D., Gardner	State Vehicle Management - Clarifies laws relating to the management of state motor vehicles.	C 111 L 98
HB 2575	Pennington, Schmidt, D., Lisk	Public Disclosure Commission Members - Clarifies that the statutory restrictions on Public Disclosure Commission members' activities apply both within and outside the state of Washington.	C 30 L 98
HB 2784	Johnson, Schmidt, D., Wensman	Public Utility District Water Service - Clarifies a public utility district may provide water to residents of the county in which the district is located.	C 49 L 98
SSB 5853	Goings, McCaslin, Haugen	Fire Protection District Warrants - Authorizes fire protection districts with annual operating budgets of at least five million dollars per year for the preceding three years to issue their own warrants.	C 5 L 98
SB 6118	Long, Spanel	Definition of Gift - Modifies the definition of "gift" for ethics in public service by (1) including gifts given to a guest in certain circumstances; and (2) including fees and travel expenses to attend a seminar sponsored by a governmental association in the list of gifts that may be accepted in certain circumstances.	C 7 L 98
SSB 6119	Schow, Haugen, Patterson	Water-Sewer District Assumption - Precludes a city from assuming jurisdiction of a water-sewer district until July 1, 1999, unless voters of the entire district approve a ballot proposition authorizing the assumption.	C 326 L 98
ESSB 6174	McCaslin	Special District Commissioners' Compensation - Increases compensation for special district commissioners to \$70 per day.	C 121 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SB 6219	McDonald, McCaslin, Patterson	<p>Reports to the Legislature - Eliminates the requirement for many reports to the Legislature.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Instead of eliminating the requirement for a report to be prepared by the Small Business Improvement Council, the council is allowed to make a report.</p>	C 245 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SB 6223	McCaslin, Winsley, West	Filings with the State Tax Board - Provides that the date of the postmark is the filing date for appeals to the State Tax Board.	C 54 L 98
SB 6278	Horn, McCaslin, Sheldon, T.	Changing the Name of a Port District - Increases the number of signatures on a petition to change the name of a port district.	C 240 L 98
SSB 6285	Goings, McCaslin, Haugen	Fire Protection District Benefit Charges - Changes are made to the authority of fire protection districts to impose benefit charges.	C 16 L 98
SB 6398	McCaslin, Winsley	Voting System Tests - Eliminates specific descriptions of testing and documentation of voting systems. Authorizes the Secretary of State to make rules describing required voting system tests.	C 58 L 98
SSB 6489	McCaslin, Long, Hargrove	District Court Judges - Provides that district court judges are elected using the normal local government nonpartisan election procedures.	C 19 L 98
SSB 6507	Wood, Haugen, Oke	Cosmetology, Barbering, Esthetics, and Manicuring Advisory Board - Eliminates scheduled termination of the Cosmetology, Barbering, Esthetics, and Manicuring Advisory Board.	C 20 L 98
SB 6631	McCaslin, Haugen	Declarations of Candidacy in Joint School Districts - Requires that the declarations of candidacy for school director in a joint school district are filed with the county auditor who is responsible for administering the election, as determined by the state Board of Education.	C 22 L 98
SSB 6667	Sheldon, B., Winsley, Snyder	Washington Gift of Life Medal - Creates the Washington gift of life medal to honor persons who donate organs.	C 59 L 98
SB 6698	Schow, Haugen, Patterson	Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials - Requires the Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials to first propose a new salary schedule and then hold at least four regular meetings to take public testimony on the proposed schedule.	C 164 L 98

GOVERNMENT REFORM & LAND USE COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
E2SHB 2339	Thompson, Mulliken	Wetlands mitigation banking - Allows state agencies and local governments to approve use of credits from a wetlands mitigation bank to compensate for an impact to a wetland. Directs the Department of Ecology to adopt rules for the certification of banks.	C 248 L 98
E2SHB 2345	Reams	<p>Revising Administrative Law - Adopts a number of regulatory reform measures. Deletes language encouraging agencies to use policy and interpretive statements. Directs agencies to provide copies of associated documents when a person requests a copy of a rule. Requires agencies to make a good faith effort to notify businesses affected by new rules and other documents. Encourages agencies to convene a meeting of interested persons affected by significant legislative rules. Requires agencies to prepare local government economic impacts statements for rules imposing costs on local governments. Extends the term of the Joint Administrative Rules Review Committee chair from one year to two years. Requires the Insurance Commissioner to use administrative law judges when conducting hearings unless there is agreement to use an employee of the commissioner.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes provisions requiring agencies to (1) provide copies of associated documents to persons requesting copies of rules; (2) make good faith efforts to notify businesses and people affected by new rules and policies, statements or other documents; (3) convene a meeting of interested persons affected by significant legislative rules; and (4) prepare local government impact statements for any rules imposing costs on local government. Also vetoes the provisions creating statutory rules review requirements and criteria and requiring the Insurance Commissioner to use administrative law judges for hearings, and the null and void provision.</p>	C 280 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
HB 2542	Mulliken, Thompson, Cairnes	Allowing Rural Counties to Remove Themselves and Their Cities from Planning Requirements under the Growth Management Act - Allows specified counties to “opt-out” of the Growth Management Act’s planning requirements. Provides for the “opt-out” to occur upon resolution of the county, concurred in by a majority of the cities or approved by a majority of the voters.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
ESHB 2596	Chandler, Reams, Gardner	Clarifying That Master Planned Resorts May Obtain Facilities, Utilities, and Services from Outside Service Providers - Authorizes master planned resorts to use outside service providers for capital facilities, services and facilities or to share facilities with outside service providers if the master planned resort bears its full costs and limits service of any shared facilities to the master planned resort and urban growth areas. Specifies the authorization to use or share facilities, services and utilities does not affect priority for or issuance of water rights permits or affect or impair existing water rights.	C 112 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESHB 2830	Reams, Romero, Lantz	<p>Implementing Recommendations of the Land Use Study Commission - Growth Management Act. Modifies the Growth Management Act urban growth goal to include concentrated employment centers with adequate buffers. Requires inventory of transportation facilities and services in the transportation element of comprehensive plans to include state-owned facilities and railways. Expands the landowners who must receive notice of adjacent resource lands, and requires more specific notice for mining-related activity. Requires counties to specifically review mineral lands designations and regulations when conducting their five year comprehensive plan review. <u>Annexation.</u> Makes provisions for annexation of "islands" of territory largely consistent for both non-code and code cities. <u>Permit Time Lines.</u> Extends the 120-day permit time line requirement for counties and cities to issue permits (and the related liability waiver for failure to issue permits within 120 days) for an additional two years.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes provisions modifying the GMA urban growth goal and the GMA housing element.</p>	C 286 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SHB 2977	Sheahan, Appelwick	<p>Changing Provisions That Relate to Binding Site Plans - Clarifies subdivision laws apply only to land division, not condominium creation. Adds rezone or other land use approval processes to list of approvals for binding site plan. Eliminates ownership documentation requirement on site plan and prohibits local governments from requiring lot or tract boundaries to be depicted on the site plan. Specifies condominium statute controls over conflicting subdivision requirements. Makes provisions retroactive.</p>	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SHB 3099	DeBolt, Kessler, Johnson	<p>Expanding the Authority for Counties to Adopt Master Planned Locations for Major Industrial Activity - Expands the pilot project authorization for industrial land banks outside the urban growth area to include Clallam, Grant, and Lewis Counties, in addition to Clark and Whatcom Counties.</p>	C 289 L 98
2ESB 5185	Horn, McCaslin, Long	<p>Revising Procedures for Growth Management Hearings Boards - Board Authority. Limits Boards' authority to hear and determine only allegations relating to: (1) compliance of a shoreline master program or amendment with the Growth Management Act (GMA) or with the shoreline master program provisions of the State Environmental Policy Act or Shoreline Management Act; (2) failure to take a GMA-required action; (3) failure to address relevant issues in a comprehensive plan or development regulation; or (4) failure to make a comprehensive plan coordinated or consistent with another plan as required by the GMA. Prohibits Boards from: (1) determining compliance with respect to a GMA plan or regulation; (2) considering whether growth management planning population projections should be adjusted; or (3) issuing invalidity determinations. <u>Board Proceedings.</u> Authorizes Boards to mediate coordination or consistency disputes. Mandates appeal timelines and specifies standing requirements. Authorizes superior court to hear equitable GMA actions, including compliance claims. Requires Board decisions to be appealed to the court of appeals.</p>	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SSB 5532	McCaslin, Haugen, Winsley	<p>Requiring Mediation Before Appeal of Land Use Decisions Involving Conditional Use Permits - Requires mediation before appeal of a hearing examiner's decision on a conditional or special use permit sought by a person licensed or certified by the Department of Social and Health Services or the Department of Corrections. Describes mediation procedures and mandates mediation time periods. Specifies a local government is not a party for purposes of mediation.</p>	C 119 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SB 6172	McCaslin	Clarifying Requirements for Service of Petitions for Review on Agencies - Allows petitions for review of agency actions to be served on the attorneys for the agency and parties.	C 186 L 98
SB 6348	Hale, Haugen	Eliminating Requirements for Filing Certificates or Annual Summaries for Sales and Use Tax Exemptions on Manufacturing Machinery and Equipment - Eliminates a requirement to report certain sales and use tax exemptions for machinery and equipment to the Department of Revenue. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the provision prohibiting denial of exemptions solely on the failure to comply with duplicate certificate or summary filing requirements, and the provision establishing a January 1, 1999, effective date.	C 330 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SSB 6425	McCaslin, Haugen, Fraser	Clarifying Legal Authority of an Agency Head - Requires the presiding official at a rule-making hearing to prepare a summarizing memorandum of the hearing, regardless of whether the agency head has delegated rule-making authority, unless the agency head presides or appears at substantially all of the hearings.	C 125 L 98
ESSB 6497	McCaslin, T. Sheldon, Anderson	Taking of Private Property - Declares legislative purpose of accountability for regulations impacting property rights. Requires state agencies and local governments, for any government action concerning the regulation of private real property that requires a public hearing, to: (1) address the attorney general's guidelines in the public hearing process; and (2) make written findings and conclusions regarding whether government action may result in an unconstitutional taking of private property. Deletes continuing legal education program requirement.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SSB 6575	Hale, T. Sheldon, McCaslin	Extending the Powers of the Joint Administrative Rules Review Committee - Expands the types of documents the Joint Administrative Rules Review Committee (JARRC) may review to determine whether the agency is using the documents as rules. Specifies that JARRC may advise the Governor if an agency refuses to replace a document with a rule.	C 21 L 98

HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
2SHB 1618	Skinner, Dyer, Conway	Modifying Certain Aspects of Programs That Treat Impaired Physicians - Makes technical revisions to provisions relating to treatment programs for impaired physicians. Extends program to physicians assistants and health professions contracting with the program. Imposes a \$25 surcharge on physician assistant licenses. Creates an "Impaired Physician Account" for funding the program.	C 132 L 98
ESHB 1769	Zellinsky, Sheldon, Thomas, L.	Providing for the Electronic Transfer of Prescriptions - Provides that information concerning an original prescription or information concerning a prescription refill for a legend drug may be electronically communicated to a pharmacy of the patient's choice pursuant to the provisions of chapter 69.41 RCW if the electronically communicated prescription information complies with the following: (1) Electronically communicated prescription information must comply with all applicable statutes and rules regarding the form, content, recordkeeping, and processing of a prescription for a legend drug; and (2) The system used for transmitting electronically communicated prescription information and the system used for receiving electronically communicated prescription information must be approved by the board. Requires that, to maintain confidentiality of prescription records, the electronic system shall have adequate security and systems safeguards designed to prevent and detect unauthorized access, modification, or manipulation of these records.	C 222 L 98
SHB 1867	Backlund, Cody, Sullivan	Revising Provisions for Food Sanitation and Safety - Authorizes a five year permit renewal for employees who obtain additional food safety training. Rules must be adopted by the State Board of Health in conjunction with the Department of Health and local health jurisdictions and representatives of the food service industry. Authorizes the local health officer to issue a limited duty permit when necessary to reasonably accommodate a person with a disability. Requires individuals to obtain a food and beverage service workers' permit within fourteen days from commencement of employment. Individuals may work for up to fourteen calendar days without a food and beverage service workers' permit, if they receive information or training regarding safe food handling practices from the employer prior to commencement of employment. Documentation that the information or training has been provided to the individual must be kept on file by the employer.	C 136 L 98
SHB 2364	Dyer, Cody, Backlund	Extending the Time for the Secretary of Health to Establish Administrative Procedures and Requirements for Health Professions - Extends the authority of the secretary of health, from July 1, 1998, to March 1, 1999, to establish by rule uniform administrative procedures and requirements for the regulated health professions.	C 29 L 98
SHB 2452	Backlund, Cody, Parlette	Defining Medication Assistance in Community-based Settings - Declares that "medication assistance" means assistance rendered by a nonpractitioner to an individual residing in a community-based setting to facilitate the individual's self-administration of a legend drug or controlled substance. It includes reminding or coaching the individual, using an enabler, placing the medication in the individual's hand, or helping in the preparation of legend drugs or controlled substances for self-administration, and such other means of medication assistance as defined by rule adopted by the department. Declares that medication assistance shall not include assistance with intravenous medications or injectable medications.	C 70 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
EHB 2465	Dyer, Cody, Backlund	Expanding the Privileged Communication from Physician-patient to the Health Care Provider and Patient Privilege - Expands the privileged communication of confidential information to podiatric physicians.	C 72 L 98
SHB 2688	Skinner, Cody, Backlund	Modifying the Educational Requirements for Licensure as a Hearing Instrument Fitter/dispenser - Modifies the educational requirements for licensure as a hearing instrument fitter/dispenser. After December 31, 2002, requires that applicants for licensing as "hearing instrument fitters/dispensers" complete a two-year degree program approved by the Board of Hearing and Speech.	C 142 L 98
HB 2704	Skinner, Cody, Anderson	Creating Inactive License Status for Physical Therapists - Provides that licensed physical therapists not practicing physical therapy or providing services may place their licenses in an inactive status. Requires the board to prescribe requirements for maintaining an inactive status and converting from an inactive or active status. Authorizes the board to establish fees for alterations in license status.	C 143 L 98
HB 2788	Backlund, Cody, Dyer	Training Nursing Assistants - Provides that the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC) to direct the nursing assistant training programs to accept some or all of the skills and competencies from the curriculum modules towards meeting the requirements for a nursing assistant certificate. Authorizes a process to be developed to test persons completing modules from a caregiver's class to verify that they have the transferable skills and competencies for entry into a nursing assistant training program. Directs the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) and the NCQAC to work together to develop an implementation plan by December 12, 1998.	C 85 L 98
EHB 2920	Skinner, Cody, Dyer	Clarifying Continuing Education Requirements for Counselors - Requires that certified counselors are responsible for obtaining thirty-six clock hours of continuing education during the two-year reporting period immediately preceding renewal of certification, at least six hours of which must be in professional ethics and law.	C 32 L 98
E2SHB 2935	Dyer, Cody, Huff	Adopting a New System for Establishing Nursing Home Payment Rates - Implements a new nursing facility medicaid payment system based on client needs called case mix. Repeals RCW 74.46.105, 74.46.115, 74.46.130, 74.46.150, 74.46.160, 74.46.170, 74.46.180, 74.46.210, 74.46.670, and 74.46.595.	C 322 L 98
HB 2990	Dyer, Backlund, Anderson	Creating a Pilot Project for Third-party Accreditation of Boarding Homes - Recognizes the need to involve the boarding home industry, the consumers of assisted living and retirement services, the long-term care ombudsman, and state regulatory agencies in the collaborative process of developing standards and procedures for private sector accreditation of licensed boarding homes. Finds that it is in the best interests of the boarding home industry, boarding home consumers, and state regulatory agencies to support an industry-funded pilot program prior to changing or developing new standards for boarding home regulation.	C 92 L 98
SB 6329	Deccio, Thibaudeau, Wood	Providing for a Certain Disclosure of Health Care Information Without Patient's Authorization - Revises RCW 70.02.050 to authorize disclosure of health care information without patient's authorization to county coroners and medical examiners for the investigations of deaths.	C 158 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
2SSB 6544	Deccio, Franklin, Wood	<p>Providing for Adult Family Home and Boarding Home Training - Directs that the minimum training standards for licensees serving residents with special needs, such as mental illness, dementia, or a developmental disability, be reviewed, and that licensees receive additional appropriate training, and that the training delivery system be improved. Directs the Department of Health (DOH) to review, in coordination with the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC), adult family home providers, boarding home providers, in-home personal care providers, and long-term care consumers and advocates, training standards for administrators and resident caregiving staff. The departments and the commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate by December 1, 1998, specific recommendations on training standards and the delivery system, including necessary statutory changes and funding requirements. Provides that the facility shall only admit or retain individuals whose needs it can safely and appropriately serve in the facility with appropriate available staff or through the provision of reasonable accommodations required by state or federal law. Requires that each resident and his or her representative must be informed in writing in advance of changes in the availability or the charges for services, items, or activities, or of changes in the facility's rules.</p> <p>Finds that dual oversight of boarding homes by the DOH and by the DSHS has consistently confused residents of those facilities, their family members, and the staff of those facilities. Declares an intent to eliminate the inefficiency caused by dual oversight of boarding homes and to increase the safety and quality of boarding homes by assigning oversight responsibilities for boarding homes solely to the DSHS. Takes effect January 1, 1999.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes sections of the bill specifying when bed-bound residents of an adult family home or boarding home must be seen by a licensed medical practitioner.</p>	C 272 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SSB 6545	Wood, Wojahn, Rasmussen	<p>Providing Full Funding for the Impaired Physician Program - Makes technical revisions to provisions relating to treatment programs for impaired physicians. Extends program to physicians assistants and health professions contracting with the program. Imposes a \$25 surcharge on physician assistant licenses. Creates an "Impaired Physician Account" for funding the program.</p>	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SSB 6550	Deccio, Wojahn, Wood	<p>Certifying Chemical Dependency Professionals - Declares that no person may represent oneself as a certified chemical dependency professional or use any title or description of services of certified chemical dependency professional without applying for certification, meeting the required qualifications, and being certified by the Department of Health, unless otherwise exempted.</p>	C 243 L 98

HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
2SHB 2430	Huff, Carlson, Kenney	<p>Changing Provisions Relating to the Advanced College Tuition Payment Program - In 1997, the Legislature created the Washington Advanced College Tuition Payment Program, allowing families to buy tuition units redeemable for future tuition at no additional cost. This bill addresses several administrative issues for the new program: (1) exempts financial and commercial information supplied from public inspection and copying; (2) authorizes the Committee on Advanced Tuition Payment to maintain offices and employ personnel; and (3) provides immunity for committee members while performing their job duties. The supplemental operating budget includes an appropriation of \$1,160,000 allowing the program to begin selling tuition units by July 1, 1998.</p>	C 69 L 98
HB 2534	Parlette, Carlson, Anderson	<p>Waiving Operating Fees for Pharmacy Students - Allows higher education institutions to exempt the additional operating fee for doctor of pharmacy students enrolled for more than 18 credit hours.</p>	C 75 L 98
SSB 5517	Wood, Kohl, Bauer	<p>Student Member on Institution of Higher Ed's Governing Board - Authorizes full-time students in good standing to serve one year terms on the governing boards of the public four-year higher education institutions. The students will be appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate, from a list of at least three and not more than five names submitted by the student governing body (TESC, the student body). Student members may not participate in personnel matters.</p>	C 95 L 98
SSB 6396	Wood, Kohl, Winsley	<p>Creating the Washington Center for Real Estate Research - Establishes the Washington Center for Real Estate Research in the College of Business and Economics at WSU. The center is financed by a fee of \$10 assessed on each real estate broker, associate broker, and sales person original and renewal license. The center may charge for its publications, receive gifts and grants, and contract work for public and private clients. The fee revenue is deposited in an account in the custody of the State Treasurer. The account is subject to allotment procedures under Chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditure.</p>	<i>Del to Gov</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SSB 6655	West, Brown	<p>Changing the Spokane Intercollegiate Research and Technology Institute (SIRTI) - Provides that Washington State University, through the operation of its Spokane branch campus is responsible for ensuring the expansion of upper-division and graduate higher education programs in Spokane. Eastern Washington University is no longer collocated in Cheney and Spokane. The president of a public four-year institution is provided a housing allowance only when residing in the location where the institution is designated in statute. The Higher Education Coordinating Board is directed to establish rules that avoid duplication and encourage collaboration between WSU and EWU in the delivery of programs in Spokane. The HECB is required to do an economic assessment and a higher education needs assessment for the Spokane area. The supplemental operating budget appropriates \$250,000 to the board for costs associated with the assessments.</p> <p>The Joint Center for Higher Education (JCHE) is eliminated.</p> <p>SIRTI is separated from the administration and oversight of JCHE. The SIRTI building and other assets are transferred from JCHE to SIRTI. The Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development (DCTED) is responsible for contracting state-appropriated funds for operating SIRTI. SIRTI continues to be operated as a multi-institutional education and research center, with WSU as the senior research partner. The HECB must approve the establishment of education programs and any facility acquisition. SIRTI administration is by a seventeen member board of directors. Membership and duties of the board of directors are defined. Assets of the Riverpoint Higher Education Park, with the exception of the property and assets designated as belonging to SIRTI, are transferred to WSU.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes section 6 which makes Washington State University responsible for ensuring the expansion of upper-division and graduate level higher education programs to the citizens of Spokane, under rules or guidelines adopted by the Higher Education Coordination Board. The Governor also vetoed section 19 which establishes an effective date for section 6.</p>	C 344 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>

LAW & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 1043	Schoesler, Dunn, Smith	Requiring the State Landlord/Tenant Act to Preempt All Other Local Landlord/Tenant Acts - Provides for state preemption of local landlord/tenant ordinances not in place as of January 1, 1999. Does not apply to local ordinances dealing with the physical safety of tenants or ordinances designed to protect against discrimination on various grounds.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SHB 1072	Sterk, Sheahan, Hickel	Regulating Interception of Communications - Authorizes the installation and use of pen registers and trap and trace devices if a court order based on probable cause is obtained. Authorizes the installation and use of these devices by law enforcement without a court order under certain circumstances.	C 217 L 98
ESHB 1074	Sheahan, Costa, Hatfield	Protecting Personality Rights - Creates a property right in a person's name, voice, signature, photograph, or likeness. Establishes how the property right may be transferred and how long the right lasts. Allows a person to sue for civil damages if another uses the property right for commercial purposes without the owner's consent. Lists exceptions to the requirement that a person first obtain the owner's consent.	C 274 L 98
SHB 1077	Sterk, Sommers, D., Boldt	Specifying the Official Forms of Establishing Proof of Identity - Requires persons issuing certain types of identification cards to place a statement on the card stating that it is not official proof of identification. Creates a civil infraction. Lists entities and agencies that are exempt from the requirement.	C 24 L 98
HB 1082	McDonald, Sheahan	Extending Authority to Cite for Contempt of Court - Authorizes commissioners of courts of limited jurisdiction to cite for contempt of court.	C 3 L 98
SHB 1083	McDonald, Sheahan, Mielke	Authorizing Use of Department of Licensing Records in Criminal Prosecutions - Allows department of licensing case records of a person's driving history to be admitted into evidence when relevant to the prosecution or defense of a criminal charge.	C 218 L 98
HB 1117	Benson, Sheahan, Costa	Providing Penalties for Supplying Liquor to or Consuming Liquor by Minors - Clarifies and restructures the criminal penalties applicable to the offenses of providing liquor to a minor and possessing liquor by a minor. Makes each offense a gross misdemeanor.	C 4 L 98
ESHB 1130	Thompson, Koster, Mulliken	Reaffirming and Protecting the Institution of Marriage - Amends the marriage statute to specifically prohibit marriages between persons of the same sex. Provides that the state will not recognize a valid out-of-state marriage if it is between persons of the same sex, if either party has another husband or wife, or if the parties are too closely related.	C 1 L 98 <i>Gov vetoed and Legislature overrode veto</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
HB 1165	Backlund, O'Brien, Skinner	Creating the Crimes of Homicide by Watercraft and Assault by Watercraft - Creates the crimes of homicide and assault by watercraft with elements, classifications, rankings, and evaluation and treatment provisions that are the equivalents to those that apply to vehicular homicide or assault. Covers operation of a boat in a reckless manner, or with disregard for the safety or others, or while under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Makes homicide by watercraft a class A felony and assault by watercraft a class B felony. Ranks homicide by watercraft as a level IX offense under the sentencing reform act if committed while under the influence, as a level VIII offense if committed recklessly, and as a level VII offense if committed with disregard. Makes assault by watercraft a level IV offense.	C 219 L 98
ESHB 1221	Ballasiotes, Sheahan, Robertson	Impounding Vehicles Driven by Persons with a Suspended or Revoked License - Authorizes the impoundment of a vehicle driven by a person who is driving while his or her license is suspended or revoked. Establishes various lengths of impoundment dependent on the level of the underlying charge and the number of previous charges within the previous five years. Establishes procedures and requirements for the redemption of impounded vehicles and the protection of a community property interest in the vehicle. Amends provisions relating to the disposition of abandoned vehicles by tow companies. Creates a new mechanism, called a transitional ownership record, for the perfection of a security interest in a motor vehicle, and amends provisions relating to perfection of a security interest in a motor vehicle. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the provision that authorizes an alternative "home impoundment" by means of a boot or other immobilizing device in cases where a person is arrested for drunk driving, or vehicular homicide or vehicular assault where the driver was under the influence. The Governor also vetoed the provision authorizing local governments to submit claims for reimbursement for increased costs mandated by the act.	C 203 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
ESHB 1223	Carrell, Zellinsky, Talcott	Addressing the Public Nuisance Activities of Tenants - Prohibits tenants under the Residential Landlord Tenant Act from engaging in gang-related activity that renders people in at least two or more dwelling units insecure in life or the use of property or that injures or endangers the safety or health of people in at least two or more dwelling units. Authorizes a landlord or a third party to bring an unlawful detainer action against a tenant engaging in such activity.	C 276 L 98
HB 1252	Wensman, Costa, Sheahan	Regulating the Dissolution of Limited Partnerships - Creates a process for the Secretary of State to administratively dissolve limited partnerships that are no longer in business or no longer conduct business in the state. Creates a periodic reporting requirement for all limited partnerships and authorizes the Secretary of State to administratively dissolve a limited partnership that does not comply with the periodic reporting requirements.	C 277 L 98
EHB 1254	Sterk, Sommers, D., Carrell	Prohibiting Destruction of Driving Records for Alcohol or Drug-related Offenses - Requires local courts to keep drunk driving conviction records permanently.	C 204 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
HB 1297	DeBolt, Sheahan, Ballasiotes	Including the Existence of a No Contact Order as an Aggravating Circumstance in First Degree Murder - Adds two aggravating circumstances for purposes of qualifying a premeditated first degree murder conviction for a sentence of death or of life in prison without the possibility of release. Makes it an aggravating circumstance to commit premeditated first degree murder when the offender knows he or she is the subject of a court order prohibiting contact with the victim. Also makes it an aggravating circumstance if the offender and the victim were family or household members and the offender had assaulted or harassed the victim three or more times in a five year period.	C 305 L 98
HB 1309	Mielke, Mulliken, Sterk	Creating the Crime of Disarming a Law Enforcement Officer - Creates the crime of disarming a law enforcement or corrections officer. Makes it a class C felony to remove a weapon from an officer while knowing that the officer is performing official duties and while intending to interfere with those duties. Makes the crime a class B felony if the weapon is a firearm and is discharged. Provides an exception if the officer is engaged in criminal conduct at the time of the removal.	C 252 L 98
EHB 1408	Mielke, Sheahan, Doumit	Authorizing Carrying of Concealed Pistols by Certain Persons from out of State - Allows a person with a valid concealed pistol license from another state, or a law enforcement officer from another state, to carry a concealed pistol in Washington without a Washington license. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the portion of the bill that allows a person with a permit from another state to carry a concealed pistol in Washington. The portion of the bill dealing with law enforcement officers from other states was not vetoed.	C 253 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SHB 1441	McDonald, Pennington, Ballasiotes	Penalizing Voyeurism - Creates the class C felony of "voyeurism." Makes it a crime to view, photograph, or film a person without his or her permission if the viewing, photographing, or filming is done for the purpose of arousing or gratifying sexual desire and the victim is in a place where an expectation of privacy is reasonable. Provides an exception for criminal investigations in jails or correctional facilities.	C 221 L 98
SHB 1541	Sump, McMorris, Sheahan	Protecting Sport Shooting Ranges - Grants shooting ranges immunity from criminal and civil liability for noise if they are in compliance with noise regulations in place on the effective date of this act. Provides that participants in sport shooting assume any obvious and inherent risks associated with the sport. Provides that the immunity and assumption of risk provisions take effect immediately. Requires, as of January 1, 1999, that ranges carry \$250,000 in liability insurance.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
HB 2293	Sherstad, Sheahan, Costa	Authorizing Snohomish County to Create One Additional District Court Position - Increases the number of district court judges in Snohomish County from seven to eight.	C 64 L 98
SHB 2295	Sheahan, Costa	Revising Procedures for Staggering of Terms for New Court of Appeals Positions - Removes obsolete dates relating to Court of Appeals positions created in 1993. Creates new dates for the post-appointment election of judges for the remaining two unfilled positions on the court.	C 26 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2386	Sheahan, Appelwick, Constantine	Creating the Revised Uniform Partnership Act - Repeals the Washington Uniform Partnership Act and replaces it with the Revised Uniform Partnership Act as recommended by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, with modifications. Includes the following significant changes, along with other changes: treatment of partnerships as legal entities; authorization for partnerships to merge with other business entities; ability for a partnership to file "statements of authority" with the Secretary of State; for limited liability partnerships, the extension of the limitation on liability of a partner to include any partnership obligation.	C 103 L 98
HB 2387	Sheahan, Constantine, Costa	Regulating Shareholder Rights under the Washington Business Corporation Act - Amends provisions of the corporation act relating to the preferences, limitations, voting powers, and relative rights of a class of shares or a series within a class, and of share options, rights and warrants, to clarify when these rights or limitations must be identical.	C 104 L 98
HB 2402	Sheahan, Lambert, Hatfield	Authorizing the Use of Electronic Copies for Preservation of Court Records - Allows county clerks to store documents electronically if they are updated electronically to insure continued accessibility or if they are reproduced on microfilm or similar media. Provides that if court records are transferred to the state archives, the archives may provide certified copies of the records only with the written permission of the county clerk.	C 226 L 98
HB 2463	Sheahan, Costa, Mulliken	Prescribing Garnishee's Processing Fees - Authorizes a garnishee receiving a general writ of garnishment to collect a \$20 processing fee.	C 227 L 98
HB 2499	Sheahan, Appelwick, McMorris	Extending the Long Arm Statute to District Court Civil Cases - Extends the territorial jurisdiction of district court for the purposes of issuing civil process to any place, including out of state, as authorized by statute or rule, except in small claims cases or civil infraction cases.	C 73 L 98
HB 2500	Sheahan, Appelwick, McMorris	Amending Uniform Act on Fresh Pursuit - Allows law enforcement officers from other states to pursue drunken or reckless drivers into Washington.	C 205 L 98
HB 2732	Robertson, Ogden, Thomas L.	Regarding Wage Assignment Orders for Child Support or Spousal Maintenance Payments - Allows an employer up to five working days in which to deliver withheld earnings to the Washington state support registry under a wage assignment order.	C 77 L 98
EHB 2772	McDonald, Kastama	Revising Provisions Relating to Drug Paraphernalia - Creates a new civil infraction similar to the existing crime of selling drug paraphernalia, but without the requirement that the seller know that the buyer will use the paraphernalia for drugs. Provides a maximum penalty of a \$250 fine.	C 317 L 98
SHB 2790	Mastin, Sheahan, Costa	Requiring Restitution Hearings for Juvenile Offenders to Occur Within One Hundred Eighty Days of the Disposition Hearing - Limits the time period within which a court may set a hearing to determine juvenile restitution to 180 days from the disposition hearing, except that the court may extend the hearing beyond the 180 days for good cause.	C 86 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2885	Mulliken, Sheahan, Costa	<p>Electronic Home Monitoring in lieu of Jail for First-time DUI - Allows first-time DUI offenders to be sentenced to mandatory minimum periods of electronic home detention in lieu of the current mandatory minimum jail sentences. Provides that the home monitoring may include a prohibition on alcohol use and a requirement for periodic breathalyzer testing.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes a provision that restates the existing authority for local governments to submit claims to the state for reimbursement for the costs of implementing new programs.</p>	C 206 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
HB 2907	Sheahan, Robertson, Dunshee	<p>Clarifying the Process of Appealing Small Claims Cases - Clarifies the procedures for forwarding court records to the superior court and posting a bond for the purposes of appealing a small claims case.</p>	C 52 L 98
SHB 2936	Dyer, Backlund, Skinner	<p>Clarifying Statute of Limitations on Actions for Professional Negligence Against Health Care Providers - Provides that a patient otherwise beyond the statute of limitations for bringing a health care malpractice suit, has one year to bring such a suit from the date of discovering that there has been fraud or concealment on the part of the health care provider or that a foreign object has been left inside the patient's body.</p>	C 147 L 98
SHB 2941	Sheahan, Kessler, Crouse	<p>Limiting Liability for Utilities in Protecting Their Facilities - Provides civil immunity to utility facilities for removing vegetation on another's property when the vegetation has damaged, is about to damage, or is encroaching on utility equipment and the utility facility gives notice and secures an agreement with the landowner.</p>	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
SHB 2998	Sheahan, Costa, Schmidt, K.	<p>Regulating Privately Owned Semiautomatic External Defibrillators - Establishes maintenance and use requirements for entities acquiring semi-automatic external defibrillators. Provides immunity to entities who use semiautomatic external defibrillators in accordance with these guidelines as long the entity's conduct does not constitute gross negligence or willful or wanton conduct.</p>	C 150 L 98
EHB 3041	Cooke, Bush, Kastama	<p>Exempting the Office of the Family and Children's Ombudsman from Certain Proceedings - Establishes a testimonial privilege for communications made to the office and for the office's memoranda, work product, and case files. Provides certain exceptions to the privilege. Requires the senate to confirm who the governor appoints as ombudsman, and requires the ombudsman to report to the legislative oversight committee as well as the governor.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes the requirement that the ombudsman report to the legislative oversight committee.</p>	C 288 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
2SHB 3070	McCune, Mulliken	<p>Increasing DUI "Washout" Periods to Seven Years; Mandatory Court Appearance; DOL Records; "Minor 0.02" Clarification - Requires counting back seven years (instead of five) to determine how many prior offenses a DUI offender has for purposes of increasing penalties. Requires that DUI offenders appear in court within one day of arrest, or within 14 days of charging, for consideration of conditions of pretrial release. Requires DOL to keep DUI records for 15 years and deferred prosecution records permanently. Clarifies the application of the law prohibiting minors from driving with an alcohol concentration of 0.02 or more.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes a provision, similar to a technically more complete version in E2SSB 6293, that requires offenders to appear in court within specified times after arrest. The Governor also vetoed a provision that restates the existing authority for local governments to submit claims to the state for reimbursement for the costs of implementing new programs.</p>	C 207 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
2SHB 3089	McDonald, Sheahan, Kessler	<p>DUI Deferred Prosecution only Once in a Lifetime - Limits a person to one deferred prosecution in a lifetime, instead of one every five years.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes a provision that restates the existing authority for local governments to submit claims to the state for reimbursement for the costs of implementing new programs.</p>	C 208 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
ESB 5499	Roach, Johnson, Goings	<p>Defining When an Assault on a Bus Driver Constitutes Assault in the Third Degree - Expands the situations in which what would otherwise be a misdemeanor assault on a bus driver becomes a felony. Includes assaults occurring any time the driver is on duty. Removes the requirement that the driver be operating the bus with passengers on board.</p>	C 94 L 98
SSB 5582	Roach, Goings, Schow	<p>Prohibiting the Purchase of Liquor by Intoxicated Persons - Prohibits anyone who is apparently under the influence of liquor from purchasing or consuming liquor on any premises licensed by the Liquor Control Board. Makes a violation an infraction punishable by a fine of up to \$500. Requires, until July 1, 2000, that licensed beer retailers and establishments licensed to sell liquor by the drink must post notice of this prohibition.</p>	C 259 L 98
ESB 6142	Kline, Roach, Patterson	<p>Administrative License Suspension for First-time DUI - Expands the administrative license suspension law to include first-time DUI offenders. Provides for 90 days' administrative loss of driver's license for those offenders. Allows application for an occupational license after the first 30 days of the suspension.</p>	C 209 L 98
SSB 6153	Fairley, Thibaudeau, Kohl	<p>Revising Procedures for Bringing Actions for the Injury or Death of a Child - Provides that an action for the injury or death of a minor child can only be maintained by a mother or father, or both, who has regularly contributed to the support of the child.</p>	C 237 L 98
SB 6155	Roach, Fairley	<p>Revising Supervision of Municipal Court Probation Services - Requires the court administrator, rather than the presiding judge, to supervise the director of probation services of the Seattle Municipal Court.</p>	C 238 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESSB 6165	Rossi, Roach, Rasmussen	<p>Ignition Interlocks for DUI; Arraignment Deadline - Requires the installation of an ignition interlock device on any vehicle to be driven by a person convicted of DUI. Does not apply to a first-time DUI offender with an alcohol concentration below 0.15. Allows the court to waive the requirement upon a finding that the devices are not reasonably available in the local area. Provides for escalating periods of required use of not less than one, five, and ten years on successive convictions that are subject to the requirement. Provides minimum sentences of 30, 60 and 90 days in jail for first, second and third convictions of driving without a required interlock device. Requires impounding of a vehicle upon the arrest of the driver for driving without a required interlock. Requires that DUI charges be filed, and the arraignment held, within 21 days following arrest.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes the provisions relating to: (1) mandatory jail terms for driving without an interlock; (2) mandatory impoundment of the vehicles of drivers arrested for driving without an interlock; and (3) mandatory arraignment within 21 days of arrest. The Governor vetoed a provision that restates the existing authority for local governments to submit claims to the state for reimbursement for the costs of implementing new programs.</p>	C 210 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
ESSB 6166	Rossi, Roach, Fairley	<p>Vehicular Homicide/Assault; "Priors" for DUI; Verifying Criminal History - Adds two years to the presumptive sentence for DUI-related vehicular homicide or assault for each prior DUI. Includes a conviction for reckless endangerment or reckless driving, if originally charged as a DUI, as a prior offense for purposes of increasing the penalties for a subsequent DUI. Requires the court and the prosecutor to verify the defendant's criminal history before sentencing, dismissal, or granting a deferred prosecution on a DUI.</p>	C 211 L 98
SSB 6181	Johnson, Roach	<p>Regulating Probate, Trusts, and Estates - Allows use of a will to designate the beneficiary of a "non-probate" asset such as a joint bank account with the right of survivorship. Provides notice and other procedures in order for financial institutions to deal with testamentary disposition of these assets. Clarifies the ability to make indirect designation of a custodian under the uniform transfers to minors act. Clarifies the effective date of probate code amendments made in 1997. Updates references to the federal tax code. Prohibits a person who is otherwise the beneficiary under a decedent's retirement system account from receiving the retirement benefits if the person willfully and unlawfully participated in killing the decedent.</p>	C 292 L 98
SSB 6182	Johnson, Roach	<p>Allowing for Interstate Professional Services Corporations - Authorizes professional service corporations to have as shareholders professionals who are licensed to practice the same profession in other states. Authorizes a foreign professional service corporation to operate in Washington if it complies with the foreign corporation act and those providing services in Washington are licensed to do so.</p>	C 293 L 98
ESSB 6187*	Stevens, Oke, Schow	<p>DUI License Reissue Fee & Impaired Driving Safety Account - Increases driver's license reinstatement fee for drunk drivers from \$50 to \$150. Creates the Impaired Driving Safety Account to be funded by 63 percent of those fees. Directs that money from this account be appropriated for projects to reduce impaired driving and for assisting local governments in enforcing drunk driving and boating laws.</p>	C 212 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESSB 6191	Johnson, Roach, Fairley	Changing Statutes Affecting Deeds of Trust - Makes a number of substantive and technical changes to the Deed of Trust Act. Includes the following significant changes, along with other changes: changes in the requirements of a notice of trustee's sale; authorization and procedure for a beneficiary to credit bid at the sale; establishment of procedures for dealing with surplus proceeds; and authorization for deficiency judgments against a beneficiary in limited circumstances and against a guarantor if certain requirements are met.	C 295 L 98
ESB 6257	Strannigan, Roach, Goings	Lowering Per Se DUI Limit to 0.08; "Minor 0.02" Clarification - Lowers the "per se" alcohol concentration level for DUI from 0.10 to 0.08. Clarifies the application of the law prohibiting minors from driving with an alcohol concentration of 0.02 or more.	C 213 L 98
SSB 6258	Roach, Kline, Hargrove	Making Technical Corrections to the Revised Code of Washington - Corrects erroneous cross-references and other technical errors throughout sections of the code.	C 55 L 98
E2SSB 6293	Benton, Roach, Sheldon, T.	Establishing Penalties for Drunk Driving - Provides for mandatory electronic home detention in addition to mandatory jail time for second- and third-time DUI offenders. Provides that the home monitoring may include a prohibition on alcohol use and a requirement for periodic breathalyzer testing. Extends from two years to five years the maximum period of court jurisdiction over suspended sentences for DUI. Increases the periods of time which an habitual offender must wait before applying for reinstatement of driving privileges. Requires that DUI offenders appear in court within one day of arrest, or within 14 days of charging, so the court can consider conditions of pretrial release.	C 214 L 98
SB 6299	Johnson, Heavey	Identifying Where Actions for Unlawful Issuance of a Check or Draft May Be Brought - Allows a civil cause of action for the unlawful issuance of a check to be brought in any jurisdiction where the check was issued or presented for payment.	C 56 L 98
ESSB 6323	Roach, Long, Heavey	Clarifying the Law of Adverse Possession Affecting Forest Land - Establishes stricter requirements for the establishment of a claim of adverse possession of forest lands. Provides that the possession of the forest land is not "open and notorious" unless the possessor has erected a structure that is worth at least \$50,000 and the structure has been on the forest lands for ten years.	C 57 L 98
ESSB 6408	McCaslin, Kline, Long	Passengers in Vehicle as DUI Sentencing Factor - Directs the court when sentencing a DUI offender to consider whether or not there were passengers in the vehicle at the time of the offense.	C 215 L 98
ESSB 6418	Deccio, Wojahn, Fairley	Implementing Amendments to the Federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 - Requires the state to request from the federal government a waiver from the requirement that state agencies collect social security numbers from applicants for professional, occupational, recreational, and drivers' licenses in order to have a state plan that complies with federal guidelines. Authorizes agencies to collect social security numbers if a waiver is denied. Provides address confidentiality on child support orders in certain circumstances, adjusts the time period employers must remit withheld earnings, increases penalties for employers who fail to report new hires, and changes how long certain wage withholding orders remain in effect.	C 160 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESSB 6492	Newhouse, Deccio, Johnson	Creating Two New Superior Court Positions for Yakima County - Increases the number of superior court judges in Yakima County from six to eight, in Clark County from seven to eight, and in Lewis County from two to three. Reallocates the five positions in the joint Chelan County - Douglas County Superior Court to create two separate courts with four judges in Chelan County and one judge in Douglas County.	C 270 L 98
SSB 6535	Horn, Patterson, Haugen	Providing for Electronic Transfer of Criminal Justice Information - Requires courts and prosecutors to submit criminal disposition information to the state patrol via electronic transfer if the jurisdiction has available a secure electronic information transfer system.	C 197 L 98
SB 6581	Roach, Fairley	Revising Standards for Determining Child Support Obligations - Creates a rebuttable presumption of \$25 per child per month minimum basic child support obligation for parents whose combined monthly income is less than \$600. Allows the presumption to be overcome by the parent showing that the amount is unjust or inappropriate.	C 163 L 98
SB 6699	Schow, Anderson, Newhouse	Limiting the Liability of a Current or Former Employer Who Provides Information about a Current or Former Employee's Work Record to a Prospective Employer - Establishes a presumption that an employer who discloses certain categories of job reference information about an employee or former employee to a prospective employer is presumed to be acting in good faith and is immune from liability for the disclosure. Allows the presumption of good faith to be overcome only on a showing that the employer provided knowingly false or deliberately misleading information.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>

*This bill was not referred to a House Committee prior to passage.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
*HB 2355	Alexander, Ogden, Lantz	State Parks Management - Places proceeds from the sale of state park lands into a dedicated account to purchase other park lands rather than into the general fund. Removes a restriction on the time period within which the State Parks and Recreation Commission must conduct public hearings on certain land exchanges.	C 42 L 98
SHB 2461	Buck, Sump, Kessler	Revenues to Counties from Forest Board Lands - Provides that revenues to counties from forest board lands must be transmitted from the Department of Natural Resources to the State Treasurer within seven working days of the department's receipt of the monies and to counties from the State Treasurer four times per month, with no more than ten days between each payment date.	C 71 L 98
ESHB 2496	Buck, Doumit, Anderson	Salmon Recovery - Creates a Salmon Recovery Office in the Governor's Office to coordinate and assist in the development of salmon recovery plans for evolutionarily significant units (ESUs), and submitting those plans to tribal governments and federal agencies. The office terminates on June 30, 2006. Requires a biennial state of the salmon report by the Governor beginning in December 2000. Creates an independent science panel to review salmon recovery plans at the request of the Salmon Recovery Office. Allows counties, cities, and tribal governments to designate the area for which habitat restoration project lists will be developed. Critical pathways methodology must be used in the creation of these project lists. The lists are submitted to an interagency review team composed of representatives of the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Department of Transportation, and the Conservation Commission for funding.	C 246 L 98
HB 2537	Butler, Romero, Buck	Shellfish Protection - Makes it illegal for a person whose shellfish operation license or certificate of approval has been revoked, suspended, or denied to participate to any degree in a shellfish operation.	C 44 L 98
HB 2797	Regala, Buck, Ogden	Natural Area Preserves/Natural Heritage Advisory Council - Provides for the appointment of a fifth public member to the Natural Heritage Advisory Council and requires the Department of Natural Resources to hold a local public hearing on any proposed natural area preserve prior to establishing the preserve boundary.	C 50 L 98
ESHB 2819	Buck, Regala, Chandler	Department of Fish and Wildlife Lands Vehicle Use Permit - Removes the requirement for users of Department of Fish and Wildlife lands and access facilities to purchase a conservation license and instead allows the department to require the purchase of a motor vehicle use permit in the form of a decal for using department improved access facilities.	C 87 L 98
SHB 2826	Schoesler, Hatfield, Buck	Nonprofit Off-Road Vehicle Organizations - Allows nonprofit off-road vehicle organizations to compete for certain state funds for projects or activities that benefit off-road vehicle recreation on lands once publicly owned that come into private ownership in a federally-approved land exchange completed between January 1, 1998, and January 1, 2005.	C 144 L 98
ESHB 2836	Pennington, Mielke, Hatfield	Southwest Washington Salmon Recovery Pilot Program - Creates a pilot program in Clark, Cowlitz, Lewis, Skamania, and Wahkiakum Counties to address steelhead recovery. Provides for the creation of a management board to implement the habitat portion of the Lower Columbia Steelhead Conservation Initiative. The pilot program terminates on July 1, 2002.	C 60 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
HB 2837	Clements, Skinner, Buck	Abandoned fish hatcheries/air transportation - Directs the Department of Fish and Wildlife to identify properties in the state where the department no longer uses property it owns for fish hatchery operations and where the location of the property impedes further development of air transportation facilities and to work with local governments where such properties are identified to explore possible land exchanges.	C 51 L 98
2SHB 2879	Buck, Butler, Chandler	Fish Habitat Enhancement Projects -Addresses removal of fish passage barriers and allows certain salmon habitat restoration projects of limited scope to be reviewed and approved in an expedited way. Projects must be screened to ensure they are eligible for expedited review and approval. If a project is eligible for such review and approval, it is no longer subject to review under SEPA, or to local government review or approval, or to fees for such review or approval.	C 249 L 98
HJM 4032	Buck, Butler, Chandler	Salmon and Steelhead Under the Federal Endangered Species Act - Asks the President and the United States Congress to take federal actions to help ensure the success of state recovery planning for salmon and steelhead.	Filed Sec/St
SHJM 4035	Dyer, Butler, Schoesler	U.S. Forest Service/Plum Creek Timber Company Land Exchange - Asks the United States government promptly to complete the proposed land exchange.	Filed Sec/St
SSB 5636	Oke, Swecker, Rossi	Failing Septic Systems/Administrative Search Warrants - Authorizes courts to issue administrative search warrants to certain local health officials to inspect property where there is specific evidence that pollution in shellfish harvesting areas or freshwater is coming from the septic system on the property. A specific administrative plan must be developed in express response to the pollution, and notice of the hearing must be given to the person owning or occupying the property.	C 152 L 98
SSB 6114	Jacobsen, Oke, Spanel	Zebra Mussel and European Green Crab - Requires the state to develop a plan for controlling the introduction of these two species into the state. Creates a task force to deal with this issue and assigns various tasks to the task force, reporting back to the Legislature by December 1, 1998. Requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to create a list identifying water bodies infested with these mussels or crabs and allows the department to create literature and maintain a telephone number to supply information about the problem.	C 153 L 98
SB 6149	Swecker	Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group Overhead - Requires the Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group Advisory Board to develop recommendations for limiting: the amount of overhead that regional fisheries enhancement groups may charge, the number and salaries of paid employees by regional fisheries enhancement groups, and commissions or other reimbursements to regional fisheries enhancement group employees. The recommendations must be reported to the appropriate legislative committees by January 1, 1999.	C 96 L 98
SSB 6150	Swecker	Selective Fishing Strategies - Requires the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife to complete a study of selective salmon fishing capabilities of existing fishing gear and of current fishing techniques.	C 97 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
2SSB 6156	Swecker, Fraser, Spanel	Lease Rates on State-Owned Aquatic Lands - Requires the Department of Natural Resources to study and report to the Legislature on alternative methods for calculating water-dependent lease rates for the lease of state-owned aquatic lands. Creates two stakeholder groups to facilitate stakeholder participation in the study. Establishes a moratorium on increases on rents for marina uses until July 1, 1999.	C 185 L 98
2SSB 6264	Oke, Rasmussen, Morton	Mass Marking of Chinook Salmon - Requires the Department of Fish & Wildlife to begin annually mass mark by June 30, 1999, all appropriate hatchery origin chinook salmon produced by the department. Requires the department to work with treaty Indian tribes in order to reach mutual agreement on implementing mass marking. Directs the department to report to the appropriate legislative committees by January 1, 1999, on progress made with tribes and Pacific coast states and provinces in reaching mutual agreement on achieving the goal of coast-wide marking of chinook and coho salmon.	C 250 L 98
SSB 6324	Morton, Rasmussen, Oke	Remote Site Incubators - Directs the Department of Fish & Wildlife to develop a program to use remote site incubators to re-establish self-sustaining populations of coho, chum, and chinook salmon. A project may only be approved if it is consistent with the conservation of wild salmon and trout. The possibility of producing remote site incubators by prison industry programs must be investigated, as well as the use of remote site incubator technology for production of warm water fish. Reports on the results of the remote site incubator program must be made to the Legislature by December 1, 2000.	C 251 L 98
ESSB 6328	Oke, Jacobsen, Swecker	Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Provisions - Creates a new chapter combining enforcement provisions from the Fisheries Code and the Wildlife Code and makes numerous changes to the enforcement provisions. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Removes a section for consistency with 2SSB 6330 below.	C 190 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
2SSB 6330	Oke, Jacobsen, Swecker	Recreational Hunting and Fishing Licenses - Completely revamps the Department of Fish and Wildlife's recreational hunting and fishing licensing program and statutes. <i>Partial Veto:</i> Removes two sections for consistency with ESSB 6328 above.	C 191 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SSB 6341	Snyder	Charter Boat Alternate Operator's License - Allows operators who do not have alternate operator licenses to operate charter boats. Alternate operators are not required to be identified on a charter boat operator's license.	C 267 L 98
SSB 6669	Rossi, Sheldon, T.	Perpetual Timber Rights - Allows the owner of perpetual timber rights, rather than the landowner, to sign the forest practices permit application and the statement of intent not to convert, provided the applicant supplies the Department of Natural Resources with evidence that the signed application and statement of intent have been served on the landowner.	C 100 L 98

* HB 2355 - a natural resources issue that was referred to Appropriations.

TRADE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
E2SHB 2342	Van Luven, McDonald, Regala	Providing Tax Exemptions for Businesses in Community Empowerment Zones that Provide Selected International Services - Provides a credit against either the business and occupation (B&O) tax or the insurance premiums tax that is equal to \$3,000 per year for a five-year period for each "net new job" created by a business that is: (1) located in a designated community empowerment zone or a contiguous group of census tracts that (a) meet the requirements of a community empowerment zone, and (b) are located in a city or contiguous cities with a population greater than 80,000 that is in a county that does not have a community empowerment zone; and (2) engaged in providing selected services on an international basis. A business may not use the tax credit to relocate existing jobs in a community in the state to the community empowerment zone.	C 313 L 98
SHB 2459	Veloria, Van Luven, Butler	Regulating Public Housing Authorities in Large Jurisdictions - Revises the state's Public Housing Authority law by: (1) increasing the number of commissioners in public housing authorities in cities with a population of 400,000 or more from five to seven and requiring that at least two of the commissioners must be tenants that reside in public housing; (2) reducing the terms of commissioners from five-years to four-years in housing authorities in cities with a population of 400,000 or more; and (3) revising the conflict of interest provisions that govern public housing authority commissioners and employees to include any appointee to a decision-making body of the public housing authority.	C 140 L 98
SHB 2529	Van Luven, Veloria, McDonald	Assisting Small Business Exporters - Reduces the Small Business Export Finance Assistance Center (Center) board of directors from 19 members to seven members. Board member terms are reduced from six-years to four-years. Revises the powers and duties of the Center to include: (1) assistance to businesses with annual sales of \$200 million or less in obtaining loans and loan guarantees from financial institutions to finance the export of goods and services from Washington; (2) export finance and risk mitigation counseling to Washington exporters with annual sales of \$200 million or less, provided the counseling is not available from a Washington for-profit business; (3) assistance in obtaining export credit insurance or other forms of foreign risk mitigation to facilitate the export of goods and services from Washington; (4) use of the Center as a teaching resource to both public and private sponsors of workshops/programs on financing and risk mitigation aspects of exporting from Washington; and (5) developing a comprehensive inventory of public and private export-financing resources, including information on country specific resources and payment terms.	C 109 L 98
HB 2779	Dunn, Morris	Extending the Washington Economic Development Finance Authority - Increases the Washington Economic Development Finance Authority (WEDFA) outstanding bond debt limit from \$250 million to \$500 million. Extends the authority to issue bonds for the WEDFA programs from June 30, 2000 to June 30, 2004.	C 48 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SB 5164	Haugen, Long, Goings	<p>Removing Certain Tenants and Occupants from a Mobile Home Park - Revises the Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act to include the definition of the term "occupant." An occupant is defined as any person, including a live-in care provider, other than a tenant, who occupies a mobile home and mobile home lot. The definition of criminal activity, as a basis for eviction, is expanded to include the requirement that the tenant or occupant is required to register as a sex offender is grounds for eviction from the mobile home park. Inconsistent language regarding the landlord notice of termination of tenancy in a mobile home park without cause is removed to make it consistent with the state's "Just-Cause" eviction provisions.</p>	C 118 L 98
2SSB 6168	Prentice, Rasmussen, Hale	<p>Developing Housing for Temporary Workers - Directs the Department of Health (DOH) to adopt a temporary worker building code, by administrative rule, that conforms to the standards of the Washington Industrial Safety and Health Act (WISHA) and rules adopted by the state Board of Health. The temporary worker building code is designed to govern the construction, alteration, or repair of temporary worker housing and the construction of factory-built housing used as temporary worker housing.</p> <p>Requires the temporary worker building code to provide standards for the use of innovative designs and materials, heating and insulation appropriate to the type of structure and length and season of occupancy, and minor variations provided health and safety standards are not compromised. The DOH is responsible for the enforcement responsibilities of the temporary worker building code.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Labor and Industries to adopt rules by December 1, 1998, requiring electricity in all temporary worker housing and establishing standards to ensure safe storage, handling, and preparation of food.</p> <p>Requires the DOH to be responsible for issuing an annual license for the occupancy of temporary worker housing. Procedures are established to either suspend or revoke the occupancy license for failure to comply with the requirements adopted by the DOH. The DOH may assess civil fines for failure or refusal to obtain a license prior to occupancy. The civil fines may not exceed twice the cost of the license and initial on-site inspection for the first violation and ten times the cost of the license and initial on-site inspection for second and subsequent violations within any five-year period.</p> <p>Authorizes the DOH to establish a building permit fee schedule for the issuance of permits regarding the construction, alteration, or addition to temporary worker housing. The fee covers the costs of necessary plan review and on-site inspection to ensure compliance with the temporary worker housing code.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development (DCTED) to work with an advisory group to review proposals and make prioritized funding recommendations on housing for low-income farm workers. The advisory group consists of growers, farm workers, and other interested parties.</p>	C 37 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
E2SSB 6235	Jacobsen, Kohl	<p>Creating the Community Outdoor Athletic Fields Advisory Committee - Establishes the Community Outdoor Athletic Fields Advisory Council within the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation. The advisory council consists of nine members, from the public at large, appointed as follows: (a) four members appointed by the chairperson of the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation; (b) two members appointed by the House of Representatives, one each appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the minority leader of the House of Representatives; (c) two members appointed by the Senate, one each appointed by the majority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the Senate; and (d) one member appointed by the Governor, who shall serve as chairperson of the advisory council. The members of the advisory council are appointed for three-year terms.</p> <p>Requires the advisory council to provide information to and make recommendations to the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation on funding awards from the youth athletic facility grant account. The funds are awarded to cities, counties, and qualified nonprofit organizations to acquire, develop, equip, maintain, and improve youth or community athletic facilities including but not limited to community outdoor athletic fields.</p> <p>Requires the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation, in consultation with the advisory council, to: (a) prepare and update a strategic plan, using available data, for the development, maintenance, and improvement of community outdoor athletic fields in the state; (b) determine the eligibility requirements for cities, counties, and qualified nonprofit organizations to access funding from the youth athletic facility grant account; (c) encourage and provide opportunities for interagency and regional coordination and cooperative efforts between agencies and between public and private entities involved in community outdoor athletic fields; and (d) create and maintain data, studies, research, and other information on community outdoor athletic fields in the state.</p> <p>Requires the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation is authorized to accept gifts, grants, and endowments from public and private sources to be used to support the development of youth athletic facilities. The advisory committee expires one year after authorization to collect state and local taxes to finance the construction of the stadium and exhibition center expire.</p>	C 264 L 98
SB 6380	Winsley, Prentice, Hale	<p>Providing Mobile Home Relocation Assistance - Increases the amount available to mobile home owners for relocation expenses from a maximum of \$6,500 to a maximum of \$7,000 for a double-wide mobile home. All requests for reimbursement for relocation expenses must be submitted on vouchers and based on actual expenses.</p> <p>Allows a manufactured home set-up and installation contractor or local government building inspector to take educational training courses administered by either the Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development or an approved educational provider as a requirement to take the examination for certification.</p>	C 124 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
E2SSB 6562	Schow, Heavey, Rasmussen, & Anderson	<p>Providing Relief for the Equine Industry - Revises the parimutuel tax rates, the distribution of revenues from parimutuel taxes and license fees, and funding for state trade fair and state fair funds.</p> <p><u>Parimutuel Taxes.</u> Exempts nonprofit licensees that run race meets of 10 days or less from the payment of parimutuel taxes. Nonprofit licensees retain 15 percent as "take out" or gross profits from wagering and an additional 5 percent from exotic wagering.</p> <p>For-profit licensees that run race meets of more than 10 days, the parimutuel tax is either: (1) 1.3 percent of daily gross receipts if gross receipts were more than \$50 million in the previous calendar year, plus the licensee retains 13.7 percent as gross profits from wagering and an additional 5 percent from exotic wagering; or (2) 0.52 percent of daily gross receipts if gross receipts were less than \$50 million in the previous calendar year, plus the licensee retains 14.48 percent as gross profits from wagering and an additional 5 percent from exotic wagering.</p> <p><u>Distribution of Revenues.</u> Modifies the distribution formula from revenues generated from the parimutuel tax and license fees so that the Horse Racing Commission is the sole recipient. The state trade fair and fair funds are now funded through the state general fund.</p> <p>Provides additional funding to nonprofit licensees which is specifically earmarked for racing purses. For-profits licensees pay an additional tax of 0.6 percent on its daily handle when its on-track betting reaches an average of \$886,000. The revenue generated from this additional tax is specifically earmarked for the state fair fund.</p> <p>Schedules the revised parimutuel tax and distribution of revenue to sunset June 30, 2001. After that date, the previous parimutuel tax and distribution of revenues system is re-established.</p> <p>The revisions are null and void if funding is not provided in the supplemental operating budget.</p> <p>Increases the Horse Racing Commission from three to five commissioners.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes the null and void clause relating to funding in the supplemental operating budget.</p>	C 345 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SB 6729	Prentice, Winsley, Finkbeiner	<p>Financing Senior Housing - Recreates the Task Force on Financing Senior Housing and Housing for Persons with Disabilities. The 13-member task force is revised by: (a) removing the executive director of the Washington State Investment Board; (b) removing one representative from organizations involved in management of senior housing development; (c) removing one representative from financial organizations; (d) adding the secretary of the Department of Social and Health Services; and (e) adding two representatives from state-wide organizations that represent persons with disabilities.</p> <p>Directs the Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development, the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, and the Washington State Housing Finance Commission to supply information and administrative assistance to the task force. A progress report must be submitted to the appropriate committees of the Legislature by December 15, 1998. The task force expires February 1, 1999.</p>	C 128 L 98
SJM 8019	Winsley, Prentice	<p>Requesting Federal Funds for Housing Finance - Requests Congress to immediately increase the tax-exempt private activity bond cap volume and the allocation of low-income housing tax credits available to each state, including Washington, to levels that would fully restore purchasing power to January 1, 1988 levels. It is further requested that the tax-exempt private activity bond volume cap and the low-income housing tax credit limits both be indexed to increases in inflation for future years.</p>	Filed Sec/St

TRANSPORTATION POLICY & BUDGET

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 1211	DeBolt, Fisher, K. Schmidt	Accident Report Availability - Adds the Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) to the list of agencies which are to receive accident reports and analyses from the Washington State Patrol (WSP), as well as authorizing other public entities to receive the information at the discretion of the chief of the WSP.	C 169 L 98
HB 1487	K. Schmidt, Fisher, Mitchell	Transportation Planning - Requires local jurisdictions to include state transportation facilities in their comprehensive plans, which was an oversight in the original Growth Management Act (GMA). Clarifies who sets the level of service for state routes and state ferries. Defines what facilities are to be "state significant." Clarifies the planning and siting process by defining state significant facilities as essential public facilities under GMA.	C 171 L 98
2SHB 1501	Robertson, Scott, Mielke	Driver's License Statutes - Makes several technical corrections to driver's license statutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarifies that reinstatement of a juvenile's privilege to drive is subject to consecutive running of statutory revocation periods; • Abolishes requirement to get second probationary license while first one is still in effect; • makes it a crime for a minor with blood alcohol content (BAC) of .02 or more to have physical control of a motor vehicle; • Amends process for driving under the influence (DUI) suspension appeal; • Requires proof to change name on driver's license. 	C 41 L 98
SHB 1786	K. Schmidt, Fisher, Murray	Transportation Improvement Board Report - Requires TIB, starting February 1, 2000, to submit lists of proposed projects to be funded in the agency's budget request for legislative review prior to enactment of an appropriation.	<i>Gov Vetoed</i>
HB 2141	Cairnes, Scott	Terminal Safety Audits - Terminal audit--a truck equipment, safety and records inspection conducted at a carrier's place of business. Increases administrative penalties for violations discovered during a terminal audit from \$100 to \$500 for (1) drug and alcohol use and testing, (2) disqualifications of drivers, and (3) moving a vehicle that has been placed out of service before the repairs are made.	C 172 L 98

³**Note:** This summary was provided by staff of the Legislative Transportation Committee.

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2166	Huff, K. Schmidt, Clements	<p>Coordinated Transportation Services - Declares legislative intent to coordinate transportation services and programs to achieve increased efficiencies, resulting in expansion of services to a greater number of persons with special transportation needs.</p> <p>Creates the Agency Council on Coordinated Transportation (ACCT). Consists of nine voting members and eight nonvoting legislative members—the nine voting members being the Secretary of Transportation, who serves as chair; the Secretary of the Department of Social and Health Services; the Superintendent of Public Instruction; and six members, serving two-year terms, appointed by the Governor, and representing consumers of special needs transportation, pupil transportation, the Community Transportation Association of the Northwest, the Community Action Council Association, and the Washington State Transit Association. Four members from the House of Representatives and four members from the Senate, representing each caucus and the Transportation, House Appropriations and Senate Ways and Means Committees, appointed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate respectively. Classifies council as a Class 1 board, which restricts reimbursement of members to expenses only.</p> <p>Responsible for: (1) developing standards and strategies for coordinating special needs transportation; (2) identifying, developing, funding (as resources are available), and monitoring demonstration projects; (3) identifying barriers to coordinated transportation; (4) recommending statutory changes to the Legislature to assist in coordinated transportation; and (5) working with the Office of Financial Management to make necessary changes for identification of transportation costs in executive agency budgets.</p> <p>Directs council to report to the Legislature on December 1, 1998, and every two years thereafter on council activities, including results of demonstration projects and associated benefits. DOT to provide support for the council. Dissolves council on June 30, 2003.</p> <p>Eliminates the Utilities & Transportation Commission (UTC) authority to regulate fares charged by paratransit providers.</p>	C 173 L 98
ESHB 2417	Pennington, Mielke, Hatfield	<p>Local Vehicle License Fees - Allows cities in Cowlitz County to impose a \$15 vehicle registration fee upon city residents. Fee to be approved by the voters, and used to fund a specific transportation project. If the county later decides to impose the fee, city fee reduced by an amount to ensure that no citizen pays more than \$15.</p>	C 281 L 98
ESHB 2439	D. Sommers, Costa, Benson	<p>Traffic Safety Education - Requires WTSC to work with stakeholders to develop a safety education program. Requires drivers responsible for a crash resulting in a fatality to be retested by Department of Licensing (DOL).</p>	C 165 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
EHB 2501	Zellinsky, Robertson, L. Thomas	<p>Wholesale Auto Auctions - Defines wholesale auto auctions in statute. Permits auctions to sell vehicles that do not meet safety standards to licensed motor vehicle dealers.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes all sections of the bill containing the definition of "wholesale motor vehicle auction dealer," which Governor felt was technically flawed. Would have included all firms, wholesale and retail, offering motor vehicles for sale by competitive bidding at a permanent location and with regularly scheduled dates. Would unintentionally have forced such retailers, as well as wholesalers, to sell only to motor vehicle dealers and vehicle wreckers, thus limiting the options available to consumers and likely resulting in some dealers operating illegally.</p>	C 282 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
ESHB 2615	K. Schmidt, Fisher, Robertson	<p>Strategic Freight Investments - Creates the freight mobility strategic investment program. Administered by a board of 12 representatives from the public and private sector. Program to analyze freight mobility projects, identify high-priority projects, and facilitate funding commitments from non-state partners. Board to recommend a portfolio of the highest-rated freight mobility projects to the Legislature for state funding consideration.</p> <p><i>Partial Veto:</i> Vetoes provisions allowing Whatcom County to receive federal funds for transportation planning purposes, along with provisions requiring the Governor to make appointments to the Board prior to the act's July 1, 1998 effective date. Also vetoed the provision for a \$25 million loan from the general fund to the motor vehicle fund, this last provision being unrelated to the purposes of the freight mobility program.</p>	C 175 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SHB 2659	Fisher, K. Schmidt, Radcliff	<p>Special Fuel/Vehicle Fuel - Moves point of taxation for gasoline and special fuel from the distributor level to the terminal rack. Terminal rack--platform from which fuel is delivered from a refiner or terminal into trucks, trains or vessels for distribution.</p> <p>Implements dyed diesel program. Under this program, dyed diesel fuel purchased without payment of fuel tax, but only for off-highway use. Fuel tax paid on nondyed fuel at the time of purchase except: diesel fuel purchased by farmers, loggers and construction companies for nonhighway use at cardlock facilities that elect to sell fuel in this manner, and full truck-trailer loads of diesel fuel delivered directly into storage tanks of interstate trucking companies.</p> <p>Includes special licensing of importers, exporters and blenders; requires DOL to pay interest on refunds that are not issued within 30 business days of the request; gives authority to DOL to enter into cooperative agreements with other states and provinces; and specifies information that must be included in fuel shipment documents.</p>	C 176 L 98
SHB 2858	Zellinsky, Fisher	<p>Rental Car Tax Payment - Requires rental car companies to alter month and year tabs to render the license plate void of any designation of year and month. Requires DOL to study rental car tax and motor vehicle excise tax (MVET) exemption.</p>	C 145 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SHB 2917	K. Schmidt, Fisher	Fuel Tax/Registration Payments - Cleans up DOL's gasoline, diesel and other special fuel statutes: (1) Makes the refund procedure for fuel used for non-highway purposes the same for gasoline and diesel; (2) removes the language referencing an obsolete voluntary fuel tax reporting program in the proportional registration and International Fuel Tax Agreement statutes; (3) allows the department to refuse to issue a special fuel dealer's license to an applicant with unpaid aircraft fuel taxes; and (4) exempts leaded racing fuel from the fuel tax, but remains subject to the sales tax (proceeds deposited in the Advanced Environmental Mitigation Account).	C 115 L 98
HB 2945	McCune, Cairnes	Transportation Funding/Planning - Requires agencies receiving transportation funding to submit requests for allotment amendments to the Legislative Transportation Committee (LTC), in addition to OFM. The Department of Information Services is required to submit copies of their information technology reports to the LTC.	C 177 L 98
SHB 3015	Huff, Fisher, K. Schmidt	SR 16 Corridor Tax Exemptions - Exempts the State Route 16 corridor transportation systems and facilities constructed under the Public-Private Initiatives in Transportation (Chapter 47.46 RCW) from the property tax, the real estate excise tax, the state public utility tax, and city business taxes. Defers state and local sales and use taxes for five years. At the expiration of the deferral period, must pay the accrued tax over 10 years at a rate of 10 percent per year.	C 179 L 98
SHB 3057	Chandler, Linville	Adopt-A-Highway Signs - Allows the use of trademarks and logos on the Department of Transportation's (DOT's) adopt-a-highway facilities (highways, rest areas, park and ride lots, intermodal facilities). Recommended by the 1997 Model Litter Control Task Force in an effort to encourage more adoptions, increase the advertising exposure for the sponsors, and free up more maintenance dollars for preservation and safety.	C 180 L 98
SHB 3110	Mastin, Buck, K. Schmidt	Advanced Environmental Mitigation - Clarifies that the DOT's advanced environmental mitigation account must give consideration to activities related to the integration of fish passage, fish habitat, wetlands and flood management. Recognizes flood management as a key component to addressing advance environmental mitigation. Requires a flood management pilot project which provides an opportunity to put flood management and flood hazard reduction projects into effect under this account.	C 181 L 98
2SSB 5727	J. Wood, Haugen, Jacobsen	Delivery Truck Backup Alerts - Requires small delivery trucks registered or based in Washington to be equipped with a rear crossview mirror or backup device to alert the driver that a person or object is behind the truck. New standards effective September 30, 1998.	C 2 L 98
2SSB 6190	Oke, Goings, Bauer	Disabled Persons' Parking - Adds provisions for volunteer enforcement and increases fines for violations.	C 294 L 98
SB 6220	Horn, Heavey, Schow	Airline Employee Shift Trades - Creates exemption from state overtime law if an airline employee works over 40 hours in a week pursuant to a voluntary trade of shifts with another employee.	C 239 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
SB 6228	Haugen, Morton, Rasmussen	Aircraft Dealer License Fees - Increases the dealer license fee from \$25 to \$75 and deposits the revenue generated from this fee into the Aeronautics Account.	C 187 L 98
SSB 6229	Haugen, Morton, Goings	Aircraft Registration Compliance - Requires local airports to require proof of aircraft registration in order to sell or lease tiedown or hangar space.	C 188 L 98
ESB 6325	Oke, B. Sheldon, T. Sheldon	Ferry Vessels Authorized - Authorizes DOT to construct a maximum of four passenger-only fast ferries and supporting docking and terminal facilities for two new passenger-only ferry routes between Southworth and Seattle and Kingston and Seattle.	C 166 L 98
SSB 6346	Johnson, Heavey	Regional Transportation Authorities - Permits a city formed at the same time as the Regional Transit Authority (RTA), and which is partially within and partly outside the RTA boundaries, to withdraw from the RTA. Requires that city request removal and that two-thirds of RTA board approve removal. Expires December 31, 1998.	C 192 L 98
SB 6352	J. Wood, Haugen	WSP Officers Exam Eligibility - Requires that a WSP officer must have completed the statutorily required years of experience <i>before</i> he or she can begin the testing process to qualify for promotion.	C 193 L 98
SB 6353	Sellar, Goings	WSP Officers Disability - Allows a WSP officer to qualify for temporary disability after being absent from work for 40 work hours. Replaces the old requirement that the officer be absent for five work days.	C 194 L 98
SSB 6439	J. Wood, Haugen, Prince	Design-Build Demonstration Projects - Authorizes DOT to use the design/build method of contracting for two pilot projects.	C 195 L 98
ESSB 6456	Prince, Haugen, J. Wood	<p>Supplemental Transportation Budget - Makes supplemental appropriations to transportation agencies: DOT - \$197 million; WSP - \$2 million; DOL - \$4.7 million; LTC - \$1.2 million; and Department of Agriculture - \$10,000.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Vetoes the following: study for design build contracting; Blue Ribbon Panel directives; no salary increases for positions above WSP Captains; removal of obsolete DOL BTAP project language; DOL technical correction; appropriations for DOL bills not passed; directive for DOT to develop prioritization of highway infrastructure projects; prohibition for DOT to contract out for engineering services; funding for the program evaluation and audit of the Public Private Initiatives program; Transportation Commission to develop a comprehensive policy on tolls; DOT to develop a plan for preservation work on the Hood Canal bridge; funding for the King Street Station; directive for the preparation of a plan to consolidate TIB and CRAB; transportation study on rented buildings in Thurston county to propose facility alternatives instead of renting; increase for bond sale expenses; directing the Legislature to receive agency budget documents when OFM receives the documents; requirement that DOT use appropriations to fund projects identified in the TEIS capital system; and repeal of a section that appropriated \$10 million into reserve status as a contingency if ISTEA is not enacted.</p>	C 348 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>
SSB 6603	Horn, Spanel, Oke	Vessel Registration - Allows international vessels to remain in Washington indefinitely without registering with DOL. Requires international vessels to pay a one-time permit fee of \$25.	C 198 L 98

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	FINAL STATUS
ESB 6628	Benton, Finkbeiner, Anderson	<p>Transportation Planning - Modifies the statewide multimodal plan to place a primary emphasis on congestion relief, the preservation of existing investments, the improvement of traveler safety, and the efficient movement of freight and goods. Requires the state-owned component of the statewide multimodal plan to identify the most cost-effective combination of highway, ferry, passenger rail, and high-capacity transportation improvements that maximizes the efficient movement of people, freight and goods within transportation corridors. As part of addressing congestion relief, expands services that can be provided at public transit centers.</p> <p>Partial Veto: Removes the following requirements: 1) the state-owned facilities component of the statewide multimodal transportation plan to identify the most cost-effective combination of highway, ferry, passenger rail, and high capacity transportation improvements that maximizes the efficient movement of people, freight and goods within transportation corridors; 2) the state-owned component, capacity and operational improvement element to place a primary emphasis on congestion relief; and 3) the intercity passenger rail plan to include a service preservation element and a service improvement element.</p>	C 199 L 98 <i>Partial Veto</i>

VENDOR CONTRACTING & SERVICES COMMITTEE

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	SINE DIE
ESHB 2346	Clements, Scott, Dickerson	Allowing the Department of Social and Health Services to Recover Revenue from Vendors That Have Been Overpaid - Provides a streamlined administrative process for the Department of Social and Health Services to recover vendor overpayments. The administrative procedure allows for determination of the total amount of debt, and broadens available collection measures.	C 66 L 98
E2SHB 2880	Clements, Dickerson, Backlund	Creating a Task Force on Agency Vendor Contracting Practices - Creates a nine member task force headed by the Office of Financial Management (OFM) and charged with reviewing and suggesting legislative and administrative remedies to specific issues regarding fee-for-services and client services contracts held by not-for-profit entities for the provision of social services. The task force is required to report to the legislature and the OFM by November 1, 1999.	C 231 L 98
E2SHB 2881	Clements, Dickerson, Parlette	Auditing State Contractors - Provides that the Office of the State Auditor is given more oversight over annual audits of nongovernmental entities that provide social services through contract with state agencies. The Office of the State Auditor is also given the discretionary authority to audit vendors who provide services to agencies, where there is "reasonable cause to believe that a misuse of state moneys has occurred."	C 232 L 98



Summary
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Budget
(ESSB 6108) &
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SUPPLEMENTAL OPERATING BUDGET AND REVENUE LEGISLATION

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- Unanticipated, unmanageable changes in entitlement program workloads or caseloads.
- Corrections of serious technical errors in the original appropriation.
- Emergencies.
- Opportunities that will not be available next biennium.

1997-99 BALANCE SHEET

1997-99 General Fund-State Balance Sheet 1998 Supplemental Budget

(Dollars in Millions)

	As Passed Legislature	After Governor Action
RESOURCES		
Beginning Balance	\$513	\$513
February Revenue Forecast	19,446	19,446
Revenue Legislation	(35)	(25)
Transportation Finance Package (EHB 2894)	(36)	(36)
Total Available Resources	19,887	19,898
EXPENDITURES		
1998 Supplemental Budget	19,085	19,084
SPENDING LIMIT		
Working I-601 Limit	19,152	19,158
BALANCE AND RESERVES		
Loans (Transportation, Fish and Wildlife)	29	4
Emergency Reserve (After Transfer)	291	291
Unrestricted Ending Balance	483	520
Total Reserves	\$774	\$811

**Adjustments to Initiative 601 Spending Limit
General Fund-State
(Dollars in Millions)**

Baseline Spending Limit for 1997-99 Biennium (11/97)	\$19,270.2
Budget-Related Changes:	
Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP)	(\$22.7)
General Assistance Savings Related to Federal Changes for Legal Immigrant:	(54.1)
Hospital Disproportionate Share	(46.3)
Social Service Block Grant	3.8
Medicare Discharges	1.7
SB 6297 - Local Public Health Financing	(0.42)
SHB 2917 - Fuel tax/registration payment	(0.037)
SB 6228 - Aircraft Dealer License Fees	(0.001)
SB 6429 - Children's Trust Fund	(0.003)
	(\$112.4)
Revised I-601 Spending Limit	\$19,157.8

Finance-Related Bills Enacted in 1998

Bill	Sponsor	Subject	As Passed Legislature \$ in Thousands			After Governor Action \$ in Thousands			Comments
			GF FY 99	GF 99-01	OF 99-01	GF FY 99	GF 99-01	OF 99-01	
1042	DYER	Dental appliance taxation	(1,097)	(3,344)	0	(1,097)	(3,344)	0	DOR revision in final fiscal note
1126	MAST	911 emergency communications funding	0	0	5,577	0	0	5,577	
1184	VANL	Coin-operated laundries in apartments	(2,268)	(5,316)	0	(2,268)	(5,316)	0	
1328	SCHO	Hay, alfalfa, seed/B&O tax	(444)	(996)	0	(444)	(996)	0	DOR revision in final fiscal note
1447	ROBE	Thoroughbred horses/tax exmp	(1,182)	(2,690)	0	0	0	0	Full veto
1549	SOMH	Gov restrictns/property tax	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2051	CHAN	Hazardous waste remediatr/tx	(2,206)	(4,788)	0	(2,206)	(4,788)	0	
2278	HONE	Electric generatng facil/tax landfills	(299)	(659)	0	(299)	(659)	0	
2309	THOM	Property tax exemptn denial notices	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2315	THOM	Technical corrections	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2335	THOB	Consolidating B&O rates	(5,781)	(13,856)	0	(5,781)	(13,856)	0	DOR revision in final fiscal note
2342	VANL	Intern'l services/comm. empowerment zones	(1,411)	(9,123)	0	(1,411)	(9,123)	0	
2476	SCHO	Farm machinery parts used in other states	(3)	(7)	0	(3)	(7)	0	
2566	ALEX	Laundry services for nonprofit health care	(92)	(215)	0	(92)	(215)	0	
2598	RADC	Nonprofit prop tax exmpt, low income/domestic viol	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2698	THOB	Lodging tax statute corrections	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2711	PARL	Small irrigation districts/drinking water exemption	(51)	(114)	0	(51)	(114)	0	
2871	PARL	Agricultural land classification	0	0	0	0	0	0	PV of new current use program. Leaves minor changes to existing program.
2917	SCHK	Fuel tax/registration payment	(37)	(80)	80	(37)	(80)	80	
2933	RADC	Pharmaceutical warehouses B&O rate	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2969	CARR	Gun safes sales tax exemption	(41)	(96)	0	(41)	(96)	0	
3015	HUFF	SR 16 corridor tax exemptions	0	(6,724)	0	0	(6,724)	0	
3076	SOMH	Food stamp fraud investigation	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3096	ZELL	Health care services/tax, preemption local	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5309	MORT	Horses/excise tax exemptions	(1,772)	(3,706)	0	0	0	0	Full veto
5355	BENT	Use tax exemption for donated property	(23)	(56)	0	(23)	(56)	0	
5622	LONG	Youth in crisis housing construction exemption	0	(199)	0	0	(199)	0	
5631	WOOJ	Education loan guarantee B&O exemption	(24)	(50)	0	(24)	(50)	0	
6077	MCCA	Nonprofit hospice agencies B&O exemption	(290)	(621)	0	(290)	(621)	0	
6113	WOOJ	Nonprofit medical research org. property tax exempt	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6129	SWEC	Pollution control equipment modification/tax credit	(50)	(50)	0	(50)	(50)	0	
6205	MCCA	Delinquent property tax penalty hardship waiver	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6223	MCCA	Tax appeals board appeal notices	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6228	HAUG	Aircraft dealer license fees	(1)	(1)	0	(1)	(1)	8	
6229	HAUG	Aircraft registration compliance	5	19	0	5	19	4	
6270	ANDA	Internal distributions B&O tax elimination	(4,301)	(9,923)	0	(4,301)	(9,923)	0	
6297	BENT	Local public health financing	(424)	(849)	0	(424)	(849)	0	
6311	SNYD	Assembly halls property tax exemption educational uses	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6348	HALE	Manufacturing exemption study data filing requirement	0	0	0	0	0	0	PV of extra 6 mo. of reports

Finance-Related Bills Enacted in 1998

Bill	Sponsor	Subject	As Passed Legislature \$ in Thousands			After Governor Action \$ in Thousands			Comments
			GF FY 99	GF 99-01	OF 99-01	GF FY 99	GF 99-01	OF 99-01	
6400	BROW	Telephone assistance program	0	0	10,919	0	0	10,919	
6449	WEST	Royalty income B&O exemption	(1,959)	(4,930)	0	(1,959)	(4,930)	0	
6470	WEST	Custom software tax treatment	(6,389)	(14,831)	0	(2,993)	(7,027)	0	PV B&O credit software business in distressed county. DOR rev. final fiscal note.
6533	STRA	Senior/disabled property tax relief	0	0	0	0	0	0	PV health care insurance and military benefits deduct from income; and 5 acre.
6552	STRA	Commercial vessel/ferry property taxation	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6562	SCHO	Horse racing parimutuel tax	(55)	(86)	(4,196)	(55)	(86)	(4,196)	PV lottery games for fair fund
6588	WINS	Movie snack counters local stadium tax exemption	0	0	0	0	0	0	Full veto
6599	BENT	Nonprofit fund raising tax exemptions	(315)	(743)	0	(315)	(743)	0	
6602	ANDA	Carbonated beverage taxes	(4,125)	(9,000)	0	0	0	0	Full veto. DOR rev. final fiscal nt
6662	STRA	Property manager compensatn, B&O taxation	(620)	(1,411)	0	(620)	(1,411)	0	
6668	HEAV	Horse race track sales tax deferral	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6728	NEWH	Hop commission B&O exemption	(6)	(11)	0	(6)	(11)	0	
6731	NEWH	Airports owned by out-of-state cities/property tax	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6737	DECC	Low-income developmentally disabled housing	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Subtotal			(35,263)	(94,456)		(24,788)	(71,256)		
Transportation funding									
2894	HUFF	Vehicle excise tax/gen fund	(35,700)	(467,400)		(35,700)	(467,400)		
Total revenue legislation			(70,963)	(561,856)		(60,488)	(538,656)		
Total effect of governor's vetos						10,475	23,200		

MAJOR EMERGENT ISSUES

SUCCESSFUL READERS PROGRAM (\$17.0 MILLION)

In 1997, the first results from the new 4th grade assessments indicated that 36 percent of students are significantly below the reading standards. Research has shown that various strategies can be used to increase the number of students meeting the standards. A total of \$17.0 million is provided for these strategies in accordance with Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill 6509 (Successful Readers Program). The components are listed below.

Beginning Reading Instructional Strategies -- \$9.0 million General Fund-State

Funds are provided for elementary schools interested in providing professional development and related instructional materials in beginning reading skills for certificated instructional staff that provide direct instructional services to students in grades kindergarten through 2. The training for teachers in reading instruction will be provided by public or private contractors and must include research-based scientifically proven strategies.

Tutoring and Mentoring Grants -- \$8.0 million General Fund-State

Funds are provided for elementary schools interested in providing programs that use volunteer tutors and mentors to assist struggling readers in kindergarten through sixth grade for programs that are research-based and have proven effectiveness in improving student performance.

The superintendent of public instruction must notify school districts of the availability of the funds for both programs by April 15th and the funds must be available by June 1st of 1998. Districts in which less than half of the students meet the reading standards will have first priority for funds under both programs prior to June 1st. Thereafter, all school districts are eligible for the funds on a first-come first-served basis.

SALMON RECOVERY PLAN (\$26.1 MILLION)

Last year, wild steelhead runs in the upper Columbia basin were listed as endangered under the Federal Endangered Species Act (ESA). This added to the existing ESA listings of Snake River sockeye and chinook. In the next year, further listings in the state are expected as the federal National Marine Fisheries Service completes status reviews for salmonid populations in the Puget Sound, the lower Columbia River, and Pacific Coast.

When a salmonid species is listed under the ESA, the species is included in a federal regulatory framework designed to conserve and rebuild species populations. This regulatory framework may include water use, land use, and natural resource use restrictions, as well as harvest reductions in both commercial and recreational fisheries.

The Salmon Recovery Plan addresses potential ESA listings by taking action now to rebuild threatened salmon populations. The budget provides new funding (\$26.1 million) in three areas: salmon restoration projects; expansion of existing programs; and planning, assessment, and coordination.

Salmon Restoration Funding (Dollars in thousands)

Item	GF-S	Other	Total
Salmon Restoration Projects			
Conservation Reserve Program	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
Fish Passage Barriers and Restoration Projects -- Grants		5,750	5,750
Fish Passage Barriers -- Technical Assistance	450		450
Salmon Restoration Projects	3,500	750	4,250
Remote Site Incubators	393		393
Subtotal:	\$5,343	\$11,500	\$16,843
Expansion of Existing Programs			
License Buy-Back	\$1,170	\$3,500	\$4,670
Mass Marking of Chinook	1,000	625	1,625
Subtotal:	\$2,170	\$4,125	\$6,295
Planning, Coordination, and Assessment			
Watershed Assessment Grants	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500
Governor's Salmon Team	500		500
Volunteer Initiative	1,000		1,000
Subtotal:	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000
Total:	\$10,513	\$15,625	\$26,138

SALMON RESTORATION PROJECTS:

Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program -- \$1.0 million General Fund-State, \$5.0 million Other Funds

Funding is available through the U.S. Department of Agriculture for the protection and restoration of riparian zones to benefit salmon and improve water quality. The supplemental budget includes \$5.0 million in the capital budget for a state match for fencing and restoration of riparian areas; and \$1.0 million in the operating budget for local conservation districts to assist landowners in designing restoration projects that meet the federal requirements.

Fish Passage Barriers -- \$450,000 General Fund-State, \$5.75 million Salmon Restoration Account

The Department of Fish and Wildlife estimates that there are over 2,400 barriers at road crossings in the state, blocking fish access to an estimated 3,000 miles of freshwater spawning and rearing habitat. The

capital budget includes \$5.75 million for a grant program for state, local, and volunteer groups to inventory and correct fish passage barriers. The operating budget includes \$450,000 for the Department of Fish and Wildlife to provide engineering and design review assistance to groups planning fish barrier removal.

Local Restoration Projects -- \$3.9 million General Fund-State, \$750,000 General Fund-Federal

The supplemental budget includes funding for the Department of Fish and Wildlife to develop a remote site incubator program, and funds a grant program for salmon restoration projects as defined in ESHB 2496.

EXPANSION OF EXISTING PROGRAMS:

Mass Marking of Chinook -- \$1.0 million General Fund-State, \$400,000 General Fund-Federal, \$225,000 General Fund-Local

Mass marking of hatchery coho salmon allows fishers to selectively catch hatchery-produced salmon in mixed-stock fisheries. This program allows a continuation of both sport and commercial coho fisheries, while protecting wild salmon runs. The supplemental budget provides funding to expand the existing mass marking program to chinook salmon.

License Buy-Back Program -- \$1.2 million General Fund-State, \$3.5 million General Fund-Federal

The supplemental budget provides funding to match federal funds and continue the existing commercial license buy-back program. The program allows salmon fishermen to sell their licenses back to the state, thus both reducing harvest pressure on stocks and allowing fishermen to recover a portion of their investment.

PLANNING, COORDINATION, AND ASSESSMENT:

Governor's Salmon Team -- \$500,000 General Fund-State

The supplemental includes funding to add four staff to the Governor's Salmon Team. The Salmon Team will coordinate agency activities related to salmon restoration and report on the status of salmon recovery efforts.

Watershed Assessment Grants -- \$1.5 million General Fund-State

The threat of salmon ESA listings highlights the need to increase the capacity of local governments and local volunteer groups to address salmon restoration. The supplemental budget provides funding for a grant program to local lead entities to assess the current habitat conditions in watersheds; identify potential salmon restoration projects; and prioritize projects for immediate implementation.

Volunteer Initiative -- \$1.0 million General Fund-State

Funding is provided to contract with a non-profit group to develop a volunteer habitat initiative. The initiative will include a training program for volunteers; a public outreach and education program; and a program to encourage landowners and land managers to use volunteers in salmon habitat improvement projects.

TRANSPORTATION (\$25.3 MILLION)

As part of a comprehensive financing plan for transportation and local criminal justice (EHB 2894), the supplemental operating budget provides \$25.3 million in additional funding (\$12.7 million ongoing) for the transportation budget. Using General Fund-State moneys for these activities will allow those transportation dollars to be used for road construction and improving the state's transportation infrastructure. The specific activities assumed by the operating budget are detailed on the chart below.

Transportation Items for Transfer to General Fund-State (Dollars in Thousands)

Activity	FY 99
State Patrol	
Communication Division	\$3,644
Electronic Services Division	2,391
Associated Administrative Costs	1,989
ACCESS	1,172
Executive Protection Unit	1,008
Crime Labs	948
Identification Section	850
Other	384
Subtotal State Patrol	\$12,386
Comm. Trade and Econ. Dev.- Tourist Info. Centers	\$126
Office of Financial Mgmt-Trans. Budget and Policy Analysts	\$138
Total Funding of Transferred Programs	\$12,650
One-Time Appropriation	\$12,650
Total New GF-S Transportation Funding	\$25,300

PUBLIC SAFETY (\$25.6 MILLION)

In 1997, several tragic incidents occurred which highlighted a variety of changes needed to enhance public safety. The supplemental budget provides \$20.0 million General Fund-State and \$25.6 million total funds for improvements. Many of the public safety initiatives requiring additional funding are detailed below.

LOCAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

In addition to the funding provided in the supplemental budget detailed below, Engrossed House Bill 2894, provides cities and counties with a significant increase in criminal justice assistance from the state, beginning in fiscal year 2000. In the 1999-01 biennium, this bill will increase local criminal justice funding by approximately \$27.3 million.

Strengthening Driving Under the Influence Laws -- \$720,000 County Criminal Justice Assistance Account, \$480,000 Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance Account

Funding is provided to reimburse local governments for implementing a variety of pieces of legislation that modify the driving under the influence laws. Major changes include:

- Reducing the per se blood alcohol concentration (BAC) from .10 to .08 for a DUI ;
- Adding electronic home monitoring for certain DUI offenders;
- Modifying the 5-year washout period for prior DUI convictions;
- Limiting deferred prosecutions to once in a lifetime;
- Making the use of ignition interlocks mandatory for certain DUI offenders;
- Implementing administrative license suspension for first-time DUI offenders.

Becca Bill Funding for Counties -- \$9.4 million General Fund-State

Provides funding for distribution to local governments for processing of truancy, children in need of services, and at-risk youth petitions, reflecting costs related to the Becca Bills. This increase brings the total amount of funding to counties for Becca-related costs to \$14 million.

Community Juvenile Accountability Grants -- \$2.7 million Violence Reduction and Drug Enforcement Account

In the 1997 legislative session, the Legislature passed E3SHB 3900 which established the Community Juvenile Accountability Act (CJAA) competitive grant process. The grant process creates an incentive for local communities to implement proven, effective juvenile justice programs at reducing recidivism and juvenile crime. For these grants, the supplemental budget provides planning and development funding in fiscal year 1998 and full implementation in fiscal year 1999 at \$2.5 million per year.

Local Criminal Justice Facilities Funding -- \$639,000 General Fund-Federal

The state has earned additional federal Truth in Sentencing grant funding. Funding is provided in the supplemental capital budget to assist local jurisdictions in building or expanding jails or juvenile detention facilities. The Department of Corrections in consultation with Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs will develop the criteria used to allocate these funds.

DSHS--JUVENILE REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION (JRA)

Improvements in JRA Group Homes -- \$2.4 million General Fund-State

Funding is provided for 2SSB 6445, which modifies provisions related to juveniles placed in Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration (JRA) community facilities. The specific modifications include: the establishment of placement oversight committees at each of the facilities; the gathering of additional information during the intake and assessment process; revising the criteria by which offenders are allowed to transfer into community facilities; providing for additional monitoring of juveniles in contracted and state operated facilities; and requiring a study of other possible improvements to JRA's community facilities, juvenile detention facilities and the effectiveness of parole services for certain offenders.

Protection for Vulnerable Youth--\$482,000 General Fund-State

E2SSB 5710 (Chapter 386, Laws of 1997) directed the JRA to develop a policy to protect youth placed in contracted and state operated residential facilities who are vulnerable to sexual victimization by other youth who are sexually aggressive. In implementing the bill, JRA found it was unable, especially on one-person shifts, to supervise offenders in such a way as to avoid the potential for inappropriate sexual contact. The supplemental budget provides funding for additional staff coverage to further minimize the potential for sexual contact.

DSHS--MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION

Mentally Ill Offenders -- \$2.2 million General Fund-State, \$786,000 General Fund-Federal

Funding is provided for 2SSB 6214, which makes a variety of changes to the civil commitment and criminal competency statutes. As a result of these changes, it is anticipated that there will be an increase in civil commitments to state hospitals and community inpatient facilities. In addition, it is projected that workload associated with criminal competency evaluation and treatment will increase.

Relocation of Sex Predators to McNeil Island -- \$3.5 million General Fund-State

The supplemental budget provides funding for the relocation of the Special Commitment Center (SCC) from Monroe to McNeil Island. The relocation is necessary due to higher than projected growth in the number of people being civilly-committed as sex predators. Funding is provided for the costs associated with this larger population, the one-time SCC relocation expenses, and costs associated with the housing and treatment of female residents at a separate facility.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Allowing Community Corrections Officers to Carry Firearms -- \$835,000 General Fund-State

The supplemental budget provides funding in order to allow community corrections officers who choose to carry a firearm in the course of their duties to do so. The specific items funded include: the purchase of firearms and associated equipment; additional screening of employees who desire to carry firearms; and firearm training/certification coordinators.

Other Sentencing & Policy Legislation -- \$159,000 General Fund-State

Funding is provided for the implementation of: HB 1172 (sex offender registration); HB 2628 (increased penalties for manufacturing methamphetamine); SSB 5760 (mentally ill offenders); and SB 6139 (increasing penalties for amphetamine crimes).

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY, TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Citizen Review Panels -- \$191,000 General Fund-State

Funding is provided to implement the provisions of SHB 2556, which creates citizen review panels to examine the policies and procedures of agencies that deal with the prevention of child abuse and neglect. These panels are required under new federal legislation known as the “Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act Amendments of 1996” or “CAPTA.” DCTED must contract with a private non-profit organization to serve as the appointing authority of the panels and to oversee their operation. In addition, DCTED will develop policies, procedures and rules for the program with input from the Legislature.

FUNCTIONAL AREA HIGHLIGHTS

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Workload and Other Adjustments -- \$67.9 million General Fund Savings

Changes in enrollments, staff mix, lower inflation and other factors result in K-12 budget savings of more than \$67 million. The major items are discussed below.

Public school enrollment growth is lower than anticipated by 7,005 full-time equivalent students in the 1997-98 school year (from 943,019 to 936,014) and an estimated 8,625 in the 1998-99 school year (from 959,507 to 950,882). While this is less than a one percent change in the original forecast in both years, the cost reduction totals \$46.6 million for the biennium.

Staff mix, which is a measure of the experience and education of certificated instructional staff, is also not increasing as fast as expected. This produces \$8.2 million in budget savings.

Inflation adjustments are provided in the budget for K-12 basic education programs. The inflation forecast for FY 98 has changed from 2.1 percent to 1.6 percent and for FY 99 from 2.7 percent to 1.8 percent. Basic education budgets cannot be adjusted once school districts have set their budget, so no changes are made for the 1997-98 school year. A budget adjustment is made for the 1998-99 school year taking into account the lower inflation in the previous year and the coming year. These adjustments result in budget savings of \$5.9 million.

Correctional Facilities Education Programs -- \$1.2 million General Fund-State

Funding is provided to implement Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6600 which transfers responsibility for provision of educational services for juveniles under age 18 in adult correctional facilities to the K-12 system beginning in the 1998-99 school year.

Vocational Education Formula Restructure -- No General Fund-State Impact

The 1997-99 biennial budget allocated 1 certificated staff per 18.3 vocational students. That budget stated that, beginning in the 1998-99 school year, districts will receive funding at this ratio if they maintain such a ratio.

School districts will be unable to comply with this budget condition due to expenditure of staffing funds for contracted services, supplies and equipment. Normally, this type of expenditure is budgeted as a Non Employee Related Costs (NERC) allocation. The original budget provides \$15,344 for NERCs per certificated staff in the 1998-99 school year.

This supplemental budget changes the staffing ratio to 1 certificated staff per 19.5 students which is a reduction in the staffing ratio and increases the NERC from \$15,344 to \$19,775 to compensate for the reduction. Districts would still be required to maintain a ratio of 1 to 19.5 in order to receive funding for that ratio. The restructured formula gives districts greater flexibility in how they expend vocational education funds by shifting \$10.1 million from the salary side of the vocational funding formula to the

NERC side. NERC funds may also be expended for staffing costs. The formula change is budget neutral.

K-20 Network -- \$6.9 million Education Savings Account

Funding is provided in the Department of Information Systems budget to complete the phase 2 portion of the K-20 network for school districts.

Leadership Internship Program -- \$799,000 General Fund-State

The superintendent/principal internship program was created beginning in the 1994-95 school year. The purpose of the program was to provide funds for partial release time for district employees participating in internship programs. Funding for the program was discontinued in the 1997-99 budget and the funds placed in the block grant program. The 1998 supplemental budget provides \$799,000 for a leadership internship program that is similar to the 1994 superintendent/principal internship program and the funds for this program are transferred from the block grant program.

Washington School Information Processing Cooperative (WSIPC)- - \$400,000 General Fund-State

Most school districts in this state belong to WSPIC which provides financial and student data processing services. Matching funds are provided to improve the software capabilities of the cooperative in order to maintain its membership base.

EDUCATION STUDIES

K-12 Finance Study -- \$340,000 General Fund-State

A K-12 finance study will be conducted by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee of the revenue and expenditure practices of local school districts and the staffing ratios in selected buildings and classrooms. A final report is due by June 30, 1999.

Skills Centers Definition and Standards – No General Fund-State Impact

The superintendent of public instruction is directed to conduct a study and make recommendations to the 1999 legislature on a definition of and standards for skills centers by November 25, 1998. The budget contains a moratorium on new skills centers pending receipt of the study by the legislature.

Special Education Requirements Study – No General Fund-State Impact

The superintendent is directed to conduct a study which compares the state's administrative and statutory requirements for special education with the requirements of federal law. The study is due by December 15, 1998.

HIGHER EDUCATION

Enrollment Adjustment -- \$2.7 million General Fund-State Savings

Funding is reduced in order to more accurately reflect expected enrollment patterns at the Washington State University Pullman and Tri-Cities campuses for Fiscal Year 1999.

WSU Construction Claims Costs -- \$3.3 million General Fund-State, \$3.0 million State Bonds

Funding is provided for final legal costs and settlements connected to construction claims at Pullman and Vancouver.

Internet2/Gigapop -- \$3.0 million General Fund-State

Funding is provided to the University of Washington to join in the development of the next generation Internet. State funds are provided to establish a gigabit per second network point-of-presence (Gigapop) which will allow the connection to the very high-speed network. The federal government will establish a limited number of hub sites for the new network, and the provision of state funds in this fiscal year is necessary to secure a connection in Washington State.

Prepaid Tuition -- \$1.3 million General Fund-State

Funding is provided for the initial working capital for the pre-paid tuition program established in 1997. This initial funding will allow the program to begin operation by the fall of this year.

Aviation Trades Center (Clover Park Technical College) -- \$5.2 million General Fund-State

Funding is provided to begin implementation of the settlement agreement concerning separation of the Clover Park School District and the Clover Park Technical College. Funding for Clover Park School District was provided in the 1997-99 biennial budget.

Completion of Cooperative Library Project -- \$810,000 General Fund-State

Funds are provided to complete the cooperative library project for the four-year public higher education institutions. Funds will be distributed through the Higher Education Coordinating Board for this system and used by the University of Washington for one-time equipment acquisition, ongoing support of the system and for the acquisition of shared electronic journals for use by all the member institutions.

Emergent Needs -- \$739,000 General Fund-State

Funds are provided for a variety of emergent needs, including community and technical colleges revolving funds charges, increased fire protection costs at Central Washington University, follow-up financial aid study at the Washington State Institute for Public Policy, and space modifications at The Evergreen State College and the University of Washington-Bothell to accommodate increased FY 1998 enrollments.

Community and Technical College Technology Equipment -- \$700,000 General Fund-State

The supplemental budget funds a one-time matching program for technology equipment. The community and technical colleges will match this funding with cash donations from private sources. State general funding for this program is transferred from the Cascadia Community College, where library resources acquisition is delayed by one year.

DO IT -- \$600,000 General Fund-State

The Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking and Technology Program (DO IT) has provided training and skill development to high school students with disabilities. The program will be forced to terminate unless state funds are provided to replace a federal grant which has expired.

Spokane Area Educational Assessment -- \$250,000 General Fund-State

Funds are provided to support the recommendation of the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) to conduct an assessment of the educational and economic needs of Spokane. The study is part of the HECB evaluation and recommendation on the restructuring of governance in the Spokane area.

Aquatic Animal Diagnostic Laboratory -- \$100,000 General Fund-State

Funds are provided for workload increases at the fish disease diagnostic laboratory of Washington State University.

Reorganization of Spokane Riverpoint Campus -- \$85,000 Net General Fund-State

Substitute Senate Bill 6655 transfers the management of the Spokane Riverpoint Higher Education Campus to Washington State University and establishes the Spokane Intercollegiate Research and Technology Institute as a separate entity. Funding for 1999 is removed from the Joint Center for Higher Education (\$1.47 million) and distributed to WSU (\$590,000) and SIRTI (\$944,000). The general fund operating appropriation for SIRTI is distributed through the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development. DCTED is provided \$21,000 for oversight and participation in SIRTI. The net increased cost is \$85,000.

HUMAN SERVICES**Economic Services Savings -- \$49.3 million General Fund-State**

Funding for Economic Services is lower primarily because thousands of legal immigrants will receive federal SSI benefits and won't transfer to the state-only general assistance program as originally anticipated in the 1997-99 biennial budget. If a legal immigrant was receiving SSI benefits on August 22, 1996, or arrived in this country by that date and presents a qualifying disability, federal income support will be available.

Welfare to Work -- \$10.0 million General Fund-State, \$20.2 million General Fund-Federal

The Legislative budget provided funding to help "hard-to-serve" welfare recipients make the transition to work. Targeted recipients would have included those who are long-term recipients, lack a high school diploma, have poor reading or math skills, or have other deficiencies that interfere with a successful transition to work. The federal Welfare to Work grant requires a 50 percent state match. State funds currently appropriated for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program would have been used as the source of cash match. The Governor vetoed the provision of these funds as the appropriation was contingent on Employment Security successfully obtaining a waiver for use of an alternative agency to administer the grant. The Governor is directing Employment Security to pursue the waiver request, but it is the Governor's position that federal funding may be received regardless of the waiver's outcome.

Economic Services WorkFirst Community Grants -- \$5.0 million General Fund-Federal

In 1997, as part of welfare reform, the Legislature directed DSHS to provide grants to community action agencies and other community based organizations to help people on welfare become ready for employment and transition off public assistance. The Legislative budget provided \$5 million for the federal TANF block grant to the Department of Community Trade and Economic Development for WorkFirst grants to community action agencies or other local non-profit organizations. The Governor vetoed the provision of these funds at this time, maintaining that it is too early in the implementation of WorkFirst to designate a set amount for this purpose.

Basic Health Plan Enrollment Increase -- \$11.0 million Health Services Account

The number of people receiving subsidized health coverage through the Basic Health Plan is to be increased to 137,200 by July 1998. This is the enrollment level anticipated in the original biennial appropriation, but was not attained because: (1) the 1998 premium rates negotiated with health plans increased by 12.3 percent over the 1997 level, rather than 8 percent as budgeted; (2) savings from financial sponsors are less than budgeted; and (3) additional benchmark plans were needed in counties without sufficient access to the statewide benchmark plans.

Basic Health Plan Financial Sponsorships

The minimum premiums paid by Basic Health Plan providers who sponsor individuals is decreased from the current \$30 per enrollee per month. The new minimum premiums will be \$15 per month for individuals with family incomes below 100 percent of the federal poverty level and \$20 per month for individuals with family incomes from 100 to 200 percent of the federal poverty level. This will reduce the amount provider sponsors pay for premiums by \$47,000 per month.

Developmental Disabilities Employment Programs -- \$1.8 million General Fund-State

New employment and day training opportunities are to be provided for 360 adults with developmental disabilities who have been unable to participate in such programs because of funding limitations. The Conference budget also bars the department from cutting employment or residential services in order to fund other departmental priorities.

Developmental Disabilities Personal Care -- \$4.7 million General Fund –State, \$5.6 million General Fund - Federal

The number of developmentally disabled children and adults receiving state-funded assistance with daily living tasks is growing faster than originally budgeted, as is the average cost per person served. Funding is provided so that the number of children receiving such assistance can continue to grow by approximately 30% per year, and the number of adults by 11% each year. The Conference budget also provides sufficient funding for the agency to once again authorize exceptional payment rates at the same level as before the blanket prohibition on exceptional payments which went into effect in September 1997.

Out-of-Home Care for Developmentally Disabled Adults with Elderly Parents -- \$600,000 General Fund-State, \$600,000 General Fund-Federal

New community residential placements are to be developed for 24 adults with developmental disabilities whose parents are no longer able to continue caring for them. An additional 74 such adults are expected to enter such care as a result of vacancies in currently-funded programs.

Secure Placements for Developmentally Disabled Persons with Dangerous Behaviors -- \$8.2 million General Fund-State, \$8.5 million General Fund-Federal

Funding is provided to develop intensively-supervised residential placements for 169 persons with developmental disabilities who might otherwise pose a significant threat to other persons with developmental disabilities, or to the community at large .

Case Manager Staffing -- \$1.0 million General Fund-State, \$400,000 General Fund-Federal

Growth in the community services caseload demands the addition of 20.5 FTE staff to assure that individuals requesting services have access to trained professionals in their local communities to properly assess their needs and link them to service providers.

Children Leaving Foster Care --\$1.9 million General Fund-State, \$1.8 million General Fund-Federal

Residential and day services will be provided to 76 young people with developmental disabilities previously served through out-of-home placements by the Children's Administration.

Adult Family Home Payment Increases -- \$1.4 million General Fund-State, \$1.5 million General Fund-Federal

Increases in rates paid by the Aging and Adult Services Administration have had the unintended effect of making it more difficult to secure and maintain residential placements for individuals with developmental disabilities. The Conference budget provides funding for rate increases on behalf of people who could not otherwise be served in an adult family home.

Movement From Institutions to Communities -- \$1.6 million General Fund-State, \$1.6 million General Fund-Federal

A number of groups previously served in institutional settings will require community-based services during the remainder of the biennium. Funding is provided for the increased costs to serve 41 persons who were moved from the Residential Habilitation Centers to the community during the 1995-97 biennium. Funds are provided for residential and day programs for 10 individuals dually diagnosed with developmental disabilities and mental illness who have completed their treatment at state hospitals and are ready to return to the community. Funding is also provided to implement a settlement agreement with Washington Protection and Advocacy on behalf of six individuals wishing to move from Rainier State School. Finally, funds are provided to implement an agreement to avoid legal action by the U.S. Department of Justice at Fircrest State School. Thirty-two individuals will receive residential and day services in the community, allowing one 16-bed living unit at Fircrest to be closed.

Improved Care and Treatment in State Institutions --\$3.1 million General Fund-State, \$3.1 million General Fund-Federal

Funding is provided to increase staff to assure appropriate care and treatment in the Residential Habilitation Centers. The centers have been found out of compliance with federal standards by the Department of Justice and the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) for staff-to-client ratios that are insufficient to permit continuous treatment for residents' health and skill development.

Community Long-Term Care Options -- \$14.6 Million General Fund-State, \$18.2 million General Fund-Federal

Funding is provided to continue the recent rapid expansions in the number of persons receiving publicly-funded long-term care in their own homes and in community residential facilities, and in the average cost of that care. The number of elderly and disabled persons receiving community long-term care is budgeted to increase by an average of 11.5 percent each year in 1997-99, rather than by the 9 percent per year originally budgeted. The total state population aged 75 and older will grow by approximately 3 percent per year during this same period.

Long-Term Care Case Managers -- \$4.6 million General Fund-State, \$4.1 million General Fund-Federal

Funding is provided to employ approximately 60 more state and Area Agency on Aging staff than originally budgeted. This will result in a 10.5 percent increase in the ratio of Area Agency on Aging case managers to persons served, and in an approximately 8 percent increase in the state staffing ratio. These staff will perform functions such as assessment and eligibility determination, care planning, service coordination, and monitoring the delivery of in-home and community residential services.

Nursing Home Payment System Change

Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2935 implements a new “case-mix-based” payment system for nursing homes. Beginning in October 1998, the direct care component of the payment rate will be directly tied to patient resource use and treatment needs. The transition to the new payment system will be eased by allocating facilities the higher of their current direct care rate or the case-mix rate for the next several fiscal years. This adjustment addresses the concerns of many nonprofit and hospital-based nursing facilities that have traditionally had high costs due to greater staffing and higher nursing staff wages. In addition, under the new system, future rate increases will be determined by the Legislature as part of the biennial budgeting process, rather than increasing automatically as a statutory entitlement.

Boarding Homes Quality Assurance -- \$1.4 million General Fund-State, \$500,000 General Fund-Local

House Bill 2410 transfers the responsibility for the regulation of boarding homes from the Department of Health to DSHS Long Term Care Services, which also regulates nursing homes and adult family homes. In addition, the conference budget provides funding to meet higher quality assurance standards for oversight of the care provided to residents of boarding homes. State support is provided for the next three years to phase-in bed license rate increases necessary to meet the full cost of this program by the year 2001.

Cervical and Breast Cancer Screening -- \$1.0 million General Fund-State

Funding is provided to ensure that local public health agencies can continue to provide free cervical and breast cancer checks for low-income women, a program made possible with federal grants from the Centers for Disease Control.

Underfunding for Staff -- \$953,000 General Fund-State, \$952,000 General Fund-Federal

The two state hospitals within the Mental Health Division project a shortfall in staff funding for the 1997-99 biennium. Both hospitals have experienced increased forensic admissions at their respective legal offender units. Funding is provided for the staff that provide essential direct and indirect patient services. This funding will allow the state hospitals to address increased admissions, as well as maintain appropriate patient care and hospital accreditation.

World War II Veterans Memorial -- \$200,000 General Fund-State

The state is contributing one-third of the cost for constructing a memorial on the Capitol grounds to the men and women who served in our nation’s armed forces during the Second World War. The state contribution will act as seed money for additional individual and corporate contributions.

WILDLIFE FUND

Late in the legislative session the Department of Fish and Wildlife revealed that the agency's Wildlife Account could reach a deficit of up to \$16.0 million by the end of the biennium. The Legislature has developed the following plan to assist the agency with the immediate shortfall and to develop a long term plan for balancing the wildlife account revenues and program expenditures.

General Fund-State Loan -- \$3.5 million

To help the Department through the immediate budget shortfall, the Legislative budget proposes to lend \$3.5 million from the State General Fund to the Wildlife Account. The loan is contingent upon the following Departmental actions:

- The Department must submit an expenditure reduction plan to OFM and to the Senate Ways and Means and House Appropriations Committees by April 17, 1998. The plan must specify positions to be eliminated and properties proposed for sale. Reductions must be limited to wildlife account programs.
- The Department must submit quarterly revenue and expenditure reports to OFM, the Senate Ways and Means Committee and the House Appropriations Committee.
- The Department must work with OFM and the Department of Revenue to develop a model for forecasting revenues to the state wildlife account. The forecast must be incorporated into the quarterly economic and revenue forecast.
- By November 1, 1998, the Department must submit a six-year financial plan for the state wildlife account for fiscal years 1999-05 to OFM, the Senate Ways and Means Committee, and the House Appropriations Committee. The plan must include a plan for repayment of the general fund loan.

Program Reductions -- \$7.5 million Wildlife Account

To help balance the projected shortfall in the Wildlife Account, a series of program reductions totaling \$7.5 million must be implemented. A comprehensive reduction plan must be submitted to the Office of Financial Management by April 17, 1998.

Management Consultant Audit -- \$250,000 General Fund-State

The Legislative budget includes an appropriation to the Office of Financial Management to hire an outside management consultant to review the agency's operations and management practices. This information will be used to refine the long-term financial plan for the wildlife funded programs.

Recreational License Database -- \$1.0 million General Fund-State

Funding is provided to the Department of Fish and Wildlife to purchase and develop a recreational license database. The database will include point-of-sale system implementation.

OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES

Aquatic Land Lease Rate Study -- \$71,000 Resource Management Cost Account

The supplemental budget provides funding to the Department of Natural Resources to study methods for calculating water-dependent lease rates on state-owned aquatic lands.

Finfish Net-Pen Aquaculture Study -- \$50,000 General Fund-State

Funding is provided to the Department of Natural Resources for a study of potential sites for Finfish Net-Pen Aquaculture in the Strait of Juan de Fuca and along the Pacific Coast.

Spartina Control -- \$50,000 Resource Management Cost Account

Funding is provided for a field study of the effectiveness of biological control methods for control of spartina in Willapa Bay.

AGRICULTURE AND WATER**Watershed Management -- \$5.0 million General Fund-State**

The supplemental budget provides \$1.1 million to the Department of Ecology to provide technical assistance to local watershed planning groups. The budget also provides \$3.9 million for grants to local watershed planning groups.

Fertilizer Regulation -- \$675,000 Local Toxics Control Account

Funding is provided to the Departments of Agriculture and Ecology to implement Substitute Senate Bill 6474, regulating fertilizers. This includes funding for a study of plant uptake of heavy metals, and a study of the occurrence of dioxins in soils, fertilizers, and soil amendments.

Dairy Nutrients -- \$600,000 General Fund-State

Five inspectors are added in the Department of Ecology to implement Substitute Senate Bill 6161. Staff will conduct dairy inspections, permit dairies, and establish and administer a dairy database. Funding is provided to the conservation commission to assist dairies in developing farm plans.

Water Rights for Beneficial Uses -- \$200,000 General Fund-State

The Legislative budget provided funding to the Department of Ecology to implement Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5703. The bill required the Department to reopen the water right claim filing period for existing beneficial uses. Consistent with the Governor's veto of the bill, he also vetoed the provision of funds in the budget.

Water Reuse -- \$129,000 General Fund-State

Funding is provided to the Department of Health to provide technical assistance and permit review for water reuse projects.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT**Year 2000 Conversion -- \$5.3 million General Fund-State, \$10.0 million other funds.**

Additional funding is provided to address the Year 2000 date conversion computer problem. Last year, the legislature provided almost \$27 million for agencies to convert and test their computer systems. A recent in-depth agency risk and project assessment has shown that a number of agencies face difficulties due to a lack of resources. Increasing labor costs in this arena has also aggravated the situation. The supplemental budget provides \$266,000 General Fund-State and almost \$5.0 million other funds to assist agencies with their conversion efforts. Also, because of the high-risk nature of the problem and potential negative consequences from system failure, the budget also provides another contingency pool of \$10 million, which is comprised of \$5.0 million General Fund-State and \$5.0 million other funds.

Accelerated Disaster Recovery--\$1.5 million General Fund-State, \$15.6 million General Fund-Federal

The budget provides \$1.1 million for an accelerated rate of reimbursement for disaster recovery efforts. The Emergency Management Division has provided reimbursements to individuals, families, small businesses and local governments more quickly than originally anticipated. In addition, \$365,000 is provided for specific emergency management responses to the 1997 Pend Oreille County flood and four fire mobilizations covered under the State Fire Resource Mobilization Plan. The state appropriation of \$1.5 million will be matched by an estimated \$15.4 million in federal disaster assistance.

Public Affairs Television (TVW) -- \$1.9 million General Fund-State

Funding is provided for fiscal year 1999 funding to the Secretary of State for a four-year contract with TVW to provide independent, gavel-to-gavel broadcast coverage of legislative proceedings and other public affairs.

Regulatory Reform -- \$658,000 General Fund-State, \$472,000 Other Funds

Since 1995, the Legislature has adopted several measures to improve state agency regulatory procedures. The Legislative budget provided funding to implement sections 1, 3, 4, 10, 11, and 12 of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 2345, which made several changes to the Administrative Procedures Act relating to rule making, review, notification and local government economic impact statements. Consistent with the Governor's veto of those sections of the bill, he also vetoed the provision of funds in the budget.

Farmworker Housing -- \$1.0 million General Fund-State, \$1.0 million Housing Trust Fund

Funding is provided for the development of housing for low-income temporary or migrant farm workers through grants.

Dept. of Labor & Industries Claims Examiners -- \$1.4 million Accident and Medical Aid Accounts

Additional funding of almost \$1.4 million and 24 new claims manager staff are provided to assist the agency with their goal of reducing the time-loss duration on worker compensation claims. The new staff will reduce the time-loss duration by 7.5 percent by the end of the next biennium.

Coastal Erosion - \$275,000 General Fund-State

In recent years beach erosion has become an increasing concern to coastal communities. Funding is provided for grants to the City of Ocean Shores to complete economic assessments, environmental impact studies, and emergency management planning.

Emergency Food Assistance Program -- \$383,000 General Fund-State

Funding is provided for the Emergency Food Assistance Program to address an increase in the number of food bank clients.

Human Rights Commission -- \$432,000 General Fund-State

Funding is provided for seven additional investigators and one office assistant to eliminate the backlog of approximately 1,170 cases by January 1, 1999. After January 1, 1999, the Human Rights Commission will reduce overall case processing time with the increased staff level so that investigations begin within 60 days of a complaint being filed.

Washington Manufacturing Service -- \$290,000 General Fund-State

Funding is provided for the Washington Manufacturing Service (WMS), a non-profit organization which provides technical assistance to small manufacturers. The additional funding will support new field staff to serve Southwest Washington, Yakima and the Tri-Cities area, east King County, and the food processing sector.

Sexual Assault and Civil Indigent Legal Services Restoration -- \$61,000 General Fund-State

Funding is provided to offset a reduction in the Public Safety and Education Account to maintain the current level of services.

Overnight Youth Shelters -- \$120,000 General Fund-State

Funding is provided to assist the currently licensed overnight youth shelters to continue to meet DSHS licensing requirements. Funds may be used to provide staff, food, beds or facility maintenance.

Electric Power Consumer Rights -- \$92,000 General Fund-State

Funding is provided for technical assistance to consumer-owned utilities, a report on consumer protection policies and procedures adopted by consumer-owned utilities, and a study with the Utilities and Transportation Commission on the state's electricity market, pursuant to ESSB 6560.

Life Insurance -- \$618,000 General Fund-State, \$621,000 Other Funds

Life insurance benefits will be increased from \$5,000 to \$15,000 beginning January 1999 for state and higher education employees, in accordance with the settlement in Burbage v. Washington State.

Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program -- \$1.1 million General Fund-State

Funding is provided for an additional 278 enrollment slots in this program for low-income four-year old children. This results in a total of 7,052 enrollment slots.

Retired State Employees v. State of Washington -- \$3.3 million General Fund-State, \$3.3 million Other Funds

A long-standing disagreement over the calculation of retiree health benefit premiums has been resolved. Up to 19,000 retired state and higher education employees who were Uniform Medical Plan Medicare enrollees at any time from 1988 – 1994 will be eligible to receive a settlement from the Health Care Authority. Settlement claims will be paid from reserves in the Health Care Authority's non-appropriated Public Employees' and Retirees' Insurance Account. Funding is provided to rebuild the reserves in the Public Employees' and Retirees' Insurance Account. Health benefits of current employees and retirees will not be impacted by the use of these funds.

SUMMARY OF THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET VETOES (ESSB 6108)

Travel Sales (Attorney General): Section 115(5), page 16

This section would have directed the Office of the Attorney General to implement ESHB 2027 (regulating travel sales); the bill was not enacted.

Lottery Provisions (Washington State Lottery Commission): Section 120, page 27

This section would have added provisions to implement EHB 3120 (state lottery proceeds); the bill was not enacted.

Bicycle Safety (Insurance Commissioner): Section 124(4), page 32

This subsection would have allocated moneys to implement ESHB 2439 (Cooper Jones act, bicycle safety) from the Insurance Commissioner's Regulatory Account; ESHB 2439 contained authority to implement the bill with moneys from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Account.

Gambling Study (Horse Racing Commission): Section 125, page 32.

This proviso would have directed the Horse Racing Commission, in consultation with the Gambling Commission, to study the impact on major live race tracks of allowing gambling activities at the race tracks.

Special Commitment Center (Department of Social and Health Services, Mental Health): Section 204(3)(b), pages 50 and 51.

This proviso would have required the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) to develop by October 1, 1998 a staffing model for direct and indirect functions at the special commitment center.

Developmentally Disabled Clients Service Level (Department of Social and Health Services, Developmentally Disabilities): Section 205(1)(f), page 54.

This proviso would have required the DSHS to maintain services levels in community residential, employment and day programs, and family support services at levels identified in the Legislative Budget Notes, 1997-99 Biennium.

Autism Pilot Program (Department of Social and Health Services, Developmental Disabilities): Section 205(1)(k), page 55.

This proviso would have required the DSHS to contract for a pilot program to test an alternative service model for person with autism.

Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (Department of Social and Health Services, Economic Services): Section 207(9), page 63.

This subsection would have allocated money from the DSHS to the Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development to implement WorkFirst grants through community action agencies or other local nonprofit organizations.

Job Placement Center Service Levels (Employment Security Department): Section 222(3), page 90.

This subsection would have required that the ESD maintain the current level of service at all 32 colocated job service centers on community and technical college campuses.

Additional Tax Information (Employment Security Department): Section 222(8), page 91

This subsection would have required the ESD to disclose additional unemployment tax information on the 1999 employer tax rate notice.

Federal Waiver Requirement for Welfare-to-Work Grant Program (Employment Security Department): Section 222(9), page 91

This subsection would have made expenditures for the Welfare-to-Work grant program contingent upon receipt of a federal waiver authorizing alternate agencies to administer the grants.

Coastal Erosion Project Grants (Department of Ecology): Section 302(18), page 98

This subsection would have earmarked a portion of an existing appropriation for coastal erosion project grants.

Priority for Rural Economic Development Project Assistance (Department of Ecology): Section 302(19), page 98

This subsection would have required the Department of Ecology, within existing appropriations, to prioritize its resources to expedite its assistance to businesses seeking permitting and technical assistance for rural economic development projects, with particular priority given to projects that are located in rural counties and that have invoked the coordinated permit process.

Lake Steilacoom Scientific Review Contract (Department of Ecology):
Section 302(20), page 99

This subsection would have required the DOE to contract for a scientific review of various permits and studies related to control of aquatic weeds in Lake Steilacoom.

Water Right Beneficial Use (Department of Ecology): Section 303(4), page 101

This subsection would have provided funding to implement ESSB 5703 (water right beneficial use); the bill was vetoed.

Mobile Radio Replacement (Department of Natural Resources): Section 308, Page 112, lines 4 and 5 and section 308(10)

This subsection would have providing funding for replacement of equipment and development of infrastructure necessary to meet new requirements of the Federal Communication Commission.

Livestock Identification (Department of Agriculture): Section 309(7), page 115

This subsection would have provided funding to implement sections 2 and 98 of ESSB 6204 (livestock identification); these sections of ESSB 6204 were vetoed.

Regulatory Reform (various agencies): Section 117(18), page 22, for the Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development; Section 122(6), page 30, for the Department of Revenue; Section 124(3), page 32, Office of the Insurance Commissioner; Section 211(5), page 68, for the Department of Social and Health Services--Administration and Supporting Services Program; Section 215(2), page 73, Human Rights Commission; Section 217(11), page 78, for the Department of Labor and Industries; Section 219(28), page 84, for the Department of Health; Section 303(5), page 101, for the Department of Ecology; Section 307(34), page 111, for the Department of Fish and Wildlife; Section 308(11), page 113, for the Department of Natural Resources; Section 309(6), for the Department of Agriculture

These subsections would have provided funding to implement sections 1, 3, 4, 10, 11, and 12 of E2SHB 2345 (regulatory reform); these sections of E2SHB 2345 were vetoed.

Agricultural Fair-Themed Lottery Games and Distribution to State Fair Fund: Sections 906, 907, and 908, pages 204-206

These subsections would have created new agricultural-themed lottery games to replace pari-mutuel tax revenues that support the State Fair Fund and the State Trade Fair fund.



Summary
of the
1998 Supplemental Capital Budget
(SSB 6455)
& Legislation

1998 Supplemental Capital Budget

The Legislature adopted SSB 6455 as the 1998 supplemental capital budget. SSB 6455 authorizes \$62.4 million in new projects, including \$17.7 million in state bonds. The level of bonds was established in the 1997 bond authorization bill.

\$31.3 million of the total was Department of Natural Resources trust land replacement and management funds. \$12 million of the excess cash balance in the management fund (Forest Development Account) will be returned to the counties. \$6.5 million of that amount will be retained by the counties and \$5.5 million will be returned to the state for the salmon recovery program. The state's share plus other funds brought the total to \$12.2 million for the salmon recovery program. The balance of the budget was for emergency projects and adjusting money among construction projects to recognize new cost information and priorities.

The supplemental budget also approved the 1999 list of local projects for the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program and alternative financing contracts for six projects including the Old Federal Building and the Old Thurston County Courthouse.

	<u>Gov Locke</u>		<u>Legislature</u>	
1998 New Appropriations				
General Government	755,000	2%	4,711,000	8%
Human Services	9,508,558	29%	10,057,304	16%
Natural Resources	15,194,000	47%	40,544,000	65%
Education	-	0%	180,000	0%
Higher Education	6,836,000	21%	6,866,000	11%
Total	32,293,558	100%	62,358,304	100%
Fund Sources				
State Bonds	17,629,558	55%	17,693,000	28%
Other Funds	14,664,000	45%	44,665,304	72%
Total New Appropriations	32,293,558	100%	62,358,304	100%

1998 Supplemental Capital Budget

	Governor Locke		Legislature		Difference	
	State Bonds	Total	State Bonds	Total	State Bonds	Total
Dept of Community, Trade, & Economic Development						
Infrastructure Needs Assessment	-	-	-	750,000	-	750,000
Emergency Flood and Erosion Control	-	-	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
Total	-	-	150,000	900,000	150,000	900,000
Office of Financial Management						
Year 2000 Assessment	-	-	-	3,056,000	-	3,056,000
Total	-	-	-	3,056,000	-	3,056,000
Department of General Administration						
Northern State Fire Safety Sprinkler System	600,000	600,000	600,000	600,000	-	-
Alaska Street Building: Cooling Tower and Chiller	155,000	155,000	155,000	155,000	-	-
Total	755,000	755,000	755,000	755,000	-	-
Total Governmental Operations	755,000	755,000	905,000	4,711,000	150,000	3,956,000
Department of Social and Health Services						
Security Improvements at Western State Hospital	-	-	-	654,000	-	654,000
Green Hill Redevelopment	3,466,558	3,466,558	-	3,466,558	(3,466,558)	-
Total	3,466,558	3,466,558	-	4,120,558	(3,466,558)	654,000
Department of Veterans' Affairs						
Retsil - Minor Works Projects	-	-	-	(103,000)	-	(103,000)
Retsil - Building Feasibility Study	-	-	-	103,000	-	103,000
Orting - Main Kitchen Upgrade	-	-	-	(50,000)	-	(50,000)
Emergency Fund	-	-	-	50,000	-	50,000
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Corrections						
WCC: Replace Razor Ribbon Wire	2,100,000	2,100,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	(900,000)	(900,000)
McNeil Island Corrections Center: Still Harbor Dock	2,700,000	2,700,000	2,700,000	2,700,000	-	-
WSR Farm: Dairy Waste Lagoon	1,242,000	1,242,000	1,242,000	1,242,000	-	-
Grant Administration and Minor Improvements	-	-	-	155,550	-	155,550
Local Government Criminal Justice Facilities	-	-	-	639,196	-	639,196
Total	6,042,000	6,042,000	5,142,000	5,936,746	(900,000)	(105,254)
Total Human Services	9,508,558	9,508,558	5,142,000	10,057,304	(4,366,558)	548,746
Department of Ecology						
Referendum 26 - Waste Disposal Grants	-	829,000	-	829,000	-	-
Referendum 38 - Methow Valley Grant	-	1,500,000	-	1,500,000	-	-
Total	-	2,329,000	-	2,329,000	-	-
State Parks and Recreation Commission						
Storm Disaster Recovery	530,000	530,000	530,000	530,000	-	-
Cama Beach State Park Development	-	1,000,000	-	1,000,000	-	-
Total	530,000	1,530,000	530,000	1,530,000	-	-
State Conservation Commission						
Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program	-	-	4,500,000	5,000,000	4,500,000	5,000,000
Total	-	-	4,500,000	5,000,000	4,500,000	5,000,000
Department of Fish and Wildlife						
Fox Island Pier Settlement	-	135,000	-	135,000	-	-
Salmon Restoration	-	-	750,000	5,750,000	750,000	5,750,000
Total	-	135,000	750,000	5,885,000	750,000	5,750,000
Department of Natural Resources						
Arlington Survey Boundary Dispute	-	-	-	2,600,000	-	2,600,000
Real Property Replacement	-	9,400,000	-	9,400,000	-	-
Land Bank	-	1,800,000	-	1,800,000	-	-
Forest Development Account - Dist. of Fund Balance	-	-	-	12,000,000	-	12,000,000
Total	-	11,200,000	-	25,800,000	-	14,600,000
Total Natural Resources	530,000	15,194,000	5,780,000	40,544,000	5,250,000	25,350,000

1998 Supplemental Capital Budget

	Governor Locke		Legislature		Difference	
	State Bonds	Total	State Bonds	Total	State Bonds	Total
State School for the Deaf						
New Cottages - Relocate Infirmary	-	-	-	180,000	-	180,000
Total	-	-	-	180,000	-	180,000
Total Education	-	-	-	180,000	-	180,000
University of Washington						
Kincaid Hall Fire Damage	1,424,000	1,424,000	1,424,000	1,424,000	-	-
Nuclear Reactor Decommissioning	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	-	-
Health Sciences Center BB Tower Elevators	-	-	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)
Mary Gates Hall	-	-	1,300,000	1,300,000	1,300,000	1,300,000
Hogness/Health Sciences Lobby: ADA Improvements	-	-	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Fisheries Science-Oceanography Science Building	-	-	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Social Work Third Floor Addition	-	-	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
Total	2,624,000	2,624,000	2,624,000	2,624,000	-	-
Washington State University						
Minor Works - Preservation	3,000,000	3,000,000	-	(500,000)	(3,000,000)	(3,500,000)
Veterinary Teaching Hospital	-	-	3,000,000	3,500,000	3,000,000	3,500,000
Total	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	-	-
Eastern Washington University						
Design of President's Residence	-	-	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
Total	-	-	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
Central Washington University						
Lynnwood Extended Degree Center - Design	-	-	(1,000,000)	-	(1,000,000)	-
Total	-	-	(1,000,000)	-	(1,000,000)	-
Community and Technical College System						
Asbestos Mitigation	700,000	700,000	700,000	700,000	-	-
Lower Columbia Library	512,000	512,000	512,000	512,000	-	-
Total	1,212,000	1,212,000	1,212,000	1,212,000	-	-
Total Higher Education	6,836,000	6,836,000	5,866,000	6,866,000	(970,000)	30,000
Total Supplemental Budget	17,629,558	32,293,558	17,693,000	62,358,304	63,442	30,064,746

1998 Supplemental Capital Budget Certificates of Participation

	<u>Gov Locke</u>	<u>Legislature</u>
Department of General Administration		
Buyout Lease Old County Courthouse	6,990,000	6,990,000
Acquire Olympia Federal Building	2,874,100	2,874,100
	9,864,100	9,864,100
 Community & Technical College System		
Highline - Federal Way Center	3,929,000	-
Green River CC Kent Building	6,500,000	-
Green River CC Parking Lot	100,000	100,000
Green River CC Athletic Field/City Park	500,000	-
SPSCC Land and Parking Lot	619,210	619,210
SPSCC Student Union Building	5,500,000	5,500,000
Wenatchee Valley Dormitory and Daycare	500,000	500,000
	17,648,210	6,719,210
Statewide Total	27,512,310	16,583,310



Summary
of the
1997-99
Transportation Budget
(ESSB 6456)
& Legislation

Prepared by the Legislative Transportation Committee

Summary of ESSB 6456 As Enacted
1998 Supplemental Transportation Budget
April 3, 1998

DOT Current Law

- \$91 million is provided for the following projects within current law revenue.
 - \$27 million is provided to fund a list of statewide freight mobility, economic development, and partnership projects (referred to as the \$50 million project list). The total six-year project cost is \$43 million. Funds vetoed by the Governor last session are used.
 - \$60 million of transportation dollars, federal dollars and general fund transfer is provided for mobility projects, including \$13 million for emergent economic development projects, \$2 million for corridor studies, and \$45 million for preliminary engineering and right of way.
 - \$1 million for Ebey Slough Bridge.
 - \$2 million is transferred to the advanced environmental mitigation revolving account to purchase and develop sites to meet environmental requirements on future construction projects.
 - \$0.5 million is provided for fish passage barrier removal.
 - \$0.6 million is provided for Centralia area flood mitigation.
- \$4.2 million is provided for Special Category “C” projects (SR 18 construction).
- \$11.6 million is appropriated for the Year 2000 conversion effort.
- \$4.1 million is provided to fund 13 items in the marine operating program, including: (1) second- year funding for items funded for one year only pending audit results; (2) items not approved in 1997 pending audit results; and (3) new items. In addition, \$0.9 million in savings is taken to reflect lower fuel costs and late delivery of the new Jumbo ferry.
- \$3.5 million is provided for ferry terminal preservation projects.
- \$3 million is provided for preconstruction activities related to construction of four passenger-only ferries and associated docking facilities.
- \$2.7 million is provided for the Commercial Vehicle Information Systems and Networks (CVISN) program transferred from WSP to DOT.

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- \$2.5 million is provided for the commute trip reduction program from the high capacity transportation account.
- \$4 million is provided from the high capacity transportation account for facility improvements to match the federal commitment to improve passenger rail service between Seattle and Vancouver, B.C.
- Funding is reappropriated for highway, ferry and aviation programs.
- \$1 million is provided for increased noxious weed control along state highways.
- \$0.5 million is provided for the rural mobility program.

DOT items contingent on the passage of the referendum EHB 2894 (\$44.2 million)

- \$0.5 million is provided for freight rail branch line rehabilitation;
- \$6 million is provided for passenger rail infrastructure and facilities;
- \$0.4 million is provided for SR 2 safety improvements;
- \$0.4 million is provided for Port of Benton study;
- \$0.8 million is provided for the Spokane Street median barrier (Seattle);
- \$0.2 million is provided for a railroad crossing in Steilacoom;
- \$0.6 million is provided for SR 166, Ross Point slope repair; and
- \$0.3 million is provided for SR 536, Memorial Highway Bridge.
- \$35 million is placed in reserve for preconstruction activities.
- **The total supplemental budget for DOT is \$183.5 million in transportation funds (including items contingent on passage of the referendum).**

WSP Current Law

- \$302,000 is provided for Medicare coverage for commissioned officers hired prior to 1986 if the majority of the officers vote for the coverage.
- \$1,580,000 is provided for transportation's share of the WSP data center shortfall and transition costs to the DIS data center.
- \$289,000 is provided for vehicle license fraud enforcement.
- \$350,000 is provided for the Vancouver commercial vehicle enforcement inspection building.
- \$461,000 funds the WSP portion of the fuel tax enforcement program.

- \$26,000 is provided for fiscal year 1999 vehicle inspection number (VIN) lane costs.
- \$1 million in reversions and savings is realized.
- General fund activities transferred to the transportation fund in 1993-95 are returned to the general fund. The general fund is to assume a portion of the Technical Services Division and the Communication Division of the WSP.
- The general fund is assuming \$12.4 million in general fund activities.
- **The total supplemental budget for WSP is \$2 million in transportation funds, excluding the general fund transfer.**

DOL Current Law

- \$339,000 is provided for the Year 2000 conversion effort.
- \$2.8 million is provided to replace the Wang Imaging System instead of spending \$1.2 million to bring an obsolete system into Year 2000 compliance.
- \$331,000 and 2.2 full time equivalents (FTEs) are provided for additional staffing in Vancouver and Yakima.
- \$2.1 million is provided to implement proposed legislation, including \$1.5 million to implement proposed driving under the influence (DUI) legislation.
- \$4.4 million in reversions and savings is realized.
- **The total supplemental budget for DOL is \$2.6 million in transportation funds.**

General Government Agencies

- \$10,000 is provided for the Department of Agriculture to conduct laboratory analysis of diesel fuel samples to detect illegally-blended diesel fuel.
- The Office of Financial Management and the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development are transferred to the general fund.

Legislative Transportation Committee

- \$1 million is provided for the creation of a special panel to conduct an analysis of existing transportation funding mechanisms and to propose solutions for long-term financing of transportation.
- \$150,000 is provided for a performance and management audit of selected public transportation systems to determine their effectiveness and efficiency.
- **The total supplemental budget for LTC is \$1.2 million in transportation funds.**
- **Total 1998 Supplemental Transportation Budget - \$179.3 million**

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