2024 REGULAR SESSION

EIGHTEENTH DAY

AFTERNOON SESSION

Senate Chamber, Olympia Thursday, January 25, 2024

The Senate was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by the President Pro Tempore, Senator Keiser presiding. No roll call was taken.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was approved.

There being no objection, the Senate advanced to the first order of business.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

January 24, 2024

<u>SB 5118</u> Prime Sponsor, Senator Kuderer: Concerning modifying the multifamily property tax exemption to promote development of long-term affordable housing. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5118 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Kuderer, Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Cleveland; Saldaña; Shewmake and Trudeau.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Braun.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Fortunato, Ranking Member; Gildon; Rivers and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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<u>SB 5967</u> Prime Sponsor, Senator Frame: Concerning an exemption to the leasehold excise tax for leases on public lands. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kuderer, Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Fortunato, Ranking Member; Cleveland; Gildon; Saldaña; Shewmake; Trudeau and Wilson, J.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Braun and Rivers.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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<u>SB 6013</u> Prime Sponsor, Senator Shewmake: Expanding the homeownership development property tax exemption to include real property sold to low-income households for building residences using mutual self-help housing construction. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kuderer, Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Cleveland;

Rivers; Saldaña; Shewmake and Trudeau.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Fortunato, Ranking Member; Braun; Gildon and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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<u>SB 6059</u> Prime Sponsor, Senator Frame: Concerning the sale or lease of manufactured/mobile home communities and the property on which they sit. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6059 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Kuderer, Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Cleveland; Rivers; Saldaña; Shewmake and Trudeau.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Fortunato, Ranking Member; Braun; Gildon and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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<u>SB 6136</u> Prime Sponsor, Senator Kuderer: Reestablishing a business and occupation tax on the privilege of providing property for rent and supporting access to affordable rental property by exempting from tax landlords participating in a rent stabilization program. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6136 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Kuderer, Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Cleveland; Saldaña; Shewmake and Trudeau.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Fortunato, Ranking Member; Braun; Gildon; Rivers and Wilson, J.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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<u>SB 6173</u> Prime Sponsor, Senator Nobles: Encouraging investments in affordable homeownership unit development. Reported by Committee on Housing

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kuderer, Chair; Frame, Vice Chair; Fortunato, Ranking Member; Cleveland; Gildon; Rivers; Saldaña; Shewmake; Trudeau and Wilson, J.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Braun.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SGA 9017 ED ZUCKERMAN, appointed on March 22, 2019, for the term ending September 30, 2024, as Member of the The Evergreen State College Board of Trustees. Reported by

Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9037 EBEN POBEE, appointed on October 8, 2019, for the term ending September 30, 2024, as Member of the Shoreline Community College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9052 MIGUEL PEREZ-GIBSON, appointed on December 12, 2019, for the term ending September 30, 2025, as Member of the The Evergreen State College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9166 CLEMENCIA CASTRO-WOOLERY, appointed on October 1, 2021, for the term ending September 30, 2026, as Member of the Pierce College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9168 JEANNE K. BENNETT, reappointed on October 1, 2021, for the term ending September 30, 2026, as Member of the Clark College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9178 OFELIA P. BREDT, appointed on October 1, 2021, for the term ending September 30, 2026, as Member of the Columbia Basin College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice

Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9187 TRAVIS A. EXSTROM, appointed on November 1, 2021, for the term ending September 30, 2026, as Member of the Highline College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SGA 9193 CHRISTINA BLOCKER, reappointed on November 19, 2021, for the term ending September 30, 2026, as Member of the Bates Technical College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9213 NORMAN SEABROOKS, appointed on January 25, 2022, for the term ending September 30, 2026, as Member of the Cascadia College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9218 ALLYSON L. BROOKS, appointed on February 7, 2022, for the term ending September 30, 2026, as Member of The Evergreen State College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9299 JANE HOPKINS, appointed on July 1, 2022, for the term ending June 30, 2026, as Member of the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SGA 9309 REBECCA S. RINGER, appointed on October 1, 2022, for the term ending September 30, 2026, as Member of the Shoreline Community College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce

Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SGA 9323 BOGYEONG KIM, appointed on January 12, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2027, as Member of the Lower Columbia College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9334 JESUS A. VILLEGAS RIVERA, appointed on February 24, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2027, as Member of the Clover Park Technical College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9348 PAMELA A. MACEWAN, appointed on April 17, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the The Evergreen State College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9358 KRISTOPHER K. PETERS, appointed on October 26, 2021, for the term ending September 30, 2027, as Member of the The Evergreen State College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9360 MARILEE SCARBROUGH, appointed on May 22, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2027, as Member of the Clark College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9375 ALEXANDER K. LEE, reappointed on October 2, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Cascadia College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9385 CLAIRE S. RONEY, reappointed on October 2, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Peninsula College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9386 DAVID ZEECK, reappointed on October 2, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2029, as Member of the University of Washington Board of Regents. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9395 ROBERT H. MALTE, reappointed on October 2, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Lake Washington Institute of Technology Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9396 JESSICA J. NOROUZI, reappointed on October 2, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Renton Technical College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce

Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9398 JEFFERY S. VINCENT, appointed on September 15, 2023, for the term ending June 30, 2027, as Member of the Washington Student Achievement Council. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9399 ADRIANNE N. WAGNER, reappointed on October 2, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Edmonds Community College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9400 ASTRID E. AVELEDO, reappointed on October 2, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Grays Harbor College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Hawkins and Randall.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Holy, Ranking Member.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SGA 9401 ROBERT DECOTEAU, reappointed on October 2, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Bellingham Technical College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9402 MARTY J. DICKINSON, reappointed on

October 2, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2029, as Member of the Washington State University Board of Regents. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9404 HEATHER MOSS RICH, appointed on October 2, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Bates Technical College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9406 ELAINE CHU, appointed on October 3, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Green River College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9407 RAYMOND CONNER, appointed on October 3, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2029, as Member of the Central Washington University Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9409 ALICE E. DIETZ, appointed on October 3, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Lower Columbia College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9411 ANNA M. FRANKLIN, appointed on October 3, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Community Colleges of Spokane Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education &

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MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9412 JESSE E. JOHNSON, appointed on October 3, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Highline College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9414 DOUGLAS T. PICHA, appointed on October 3, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2029, as Member of the Washington State University Board of Regents. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9415 TERESA N. TAYLOR, appointed on October 3, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Whatcom Community College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9416 CHRISTOPHER T. THOMAS, appointed on October 3, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2027, as Member of the Centralia College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9417 STEVEN A. ZIMMERMAN, appointed on October 3, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Wenatchee Valley College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be

confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9418 JAMES D. STARK, appointed on October 10, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Shoreline Community College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9419 MACK L. HOGANS, reappointed on October 13, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2027, as Member of the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9420 ANNALEE K. TOBEY, reappointed on October 13, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Centralia College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9421 MARTIN VALADEZ, reappointed on October 13, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2027, as Member of the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9427 SUZANNE DONALDSON, appointed on October 31, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Clark College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9429 AMY E. PARRIS, reappointed on November 15, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Big Bend Community College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9435 TAMRA L. JACKSON, reappointed on December 6, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2027, as Member of the Wenatchee Valley College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9440 JEFFERY S. VINCENT, appointed on December 19, 2023, for the term ending June 30, 2025, as Member of the Workforce Education Investment Accountability and Oversight Board. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 24, 2024

SGA 9441 WILLIAM W. WARREN, reappointed on December 19, 2023, for the term ending September 30, 2028, as Member of the Walla Walla Community College Board of Trustees. Reported by Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Nobles, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Hawkins and Randall.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Pedersen, all measures listed on the Standing Committee report were referred to the committees as designated.

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate advanced to the fourth order of business.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

January 24, 2024

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House has passed:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1226, ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1272,

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1637, and the same are herewith transmitted.

MELISSA PALMER, Deputy Chief Clerk

MOTION

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate advanced to the fifth order of business.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SI 2111 by People of the State of Washington
Clarifying requirements for subsidized child care.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 6304 by Senators Liias and Nguyen

AN ACT Relating to implementing certain recommendations of the transportation electrification strategy; amending RCW 43.31.970, 47.01.520, 35.92.450, 54.16.430, 80.28.360, and 46.96.185; reenacting and amending RCW 43.84.092, 43.84.092, and 43.84.092; adding a new section to chapter 46.37 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.01 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 19 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 70A RCW; creating a new section; prescribing penalties; providing effective dates; and providing expiration dates.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6305 by Senators Randall, Boehnke, Lovick, Torres and Hansen

AN ACT Relating to the Washington state law enforcement memorial; and adding a new section to chapter 79.24 RCW.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

MOTIONS

On motion of Senator Pedersen, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated.

On motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate advanced to the eighth order of business.

Senator Kuderer moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION 8657

By Senators Kuderer, Wellman, Dhingra, Nobles, and Short

WHEREAS, Women in Cloud is a global network of Women Tech Founders, Executives, Tech Professionals, and Allies who are committed to inspiring the tech ecosystem to be an inclusive force for change and take collective action by providing a powerful platform to collaborate, build community engagement, and unlock \$1,000,000,000 in new net economic access by 2030;

WHEREAS, Women In Cloud promotes conversations around its focus areas of Cloud Workforce Development, Civic Engagement via Policy Advocacy, Entrepreneurship and Cloud/AI Innovation, and Global partnerships with corporations,

community leaders, and policymakers through events and initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Examples such as these are all united by the ESG and UN Sustainable Development Goals that are driven by job creation, diversity and inclusion, technology innovation, and sustainability, giving women a powerful platform to accelerate as industry leaders; and

WHEREAS, Women in Cloud has set initiatives that include distributing over 3,000 cloud certifications scholarships, delivering more than 50 executive leadership sessions, and recognizing over 2,578 women and allies in tech as role models; and

WHEREAS, Women in Cloud has made extraordinary efforts to achieve over 80 companies becoming Cosell ready which secures over \$20,000,000 in funding and created over 1,000 jobs in 5 years; and

WHEREAS, More than 3,500 companies benefited from influenced DEI attestations and discovery within Microsoft Marketplaces; and

WHEREAS, Women in Cloud boasts a membership of 100,000 individuals from 67 countries, with active participation from the United States, Canada, India, Africa, the United Kingdom, and Australia; and

WHEREAS, The empowHERaccess Campaign, launched by Women in Cloud, has achieved a digital reach of 3 million within 2 years, exemplifying their commitment to fostering a global community; and

WHEREAS, A total of 45,000 members actively participated in both online and in-person community events, showcasing the organization's dedication to fostering engagement and collaboration; and

WHEREAS, Women in Cloud has awarded 3,000 Cloud, Cyber, and AI certification scholarships over two years, contributing to the professional development of individuals in these critical fields; and

WHEREAS, 2,547 individuals were recognized as role models and 1,890 speakers were facilitated access through the efforts of Women in Cloud, promoting diversity and representation; and

WHEREAS, Women in Cloud has been honored with 4 industry awards, ranging from Forbes to Microsoft Supplier,

attesting to their excellence and impact within the technology sector; and

WHEREAS, Women in Cloud is an industry-leading platform for women and allies to gain access to the knowledge, leaders, and networks necessary to build successful and responsible businesses in a new era of technological advancement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize and commend the extraordinary accomplishments of Women in Cloud, the powerful community of women luminaires this resolution is creating, and the strides being made in the pursuit of increased representation of women leaders in professional and technological fields; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Women in Cloud.

Senators Kuderer and Wellman spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8657.

The motion by Senator Kuderer carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President Pro Tempore welcomed and introduced Ms. Chaitra Vedullapalli, Co-founder and President of Women in Cloud and members and supporters of the Women in Cloud economic development organization who were seated in the gallery.

MOTION

At 12:45 p.m., on motion of Senator Pedersen, the Senate adjourned until 12:30 p.m. Friday, January 26, 2024.

KAREN KEISER, President Pro Tempore of the Senate

SARAH BANNISTER, Secretary of the Senate

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