



# Legislative Report

Today is day 26 of the 60-day legislative session

Feb. 3, 2012-3

The Legislative Report is a weekly report that is distributed each Friday throughout the legislative session. Each edition includes an update of legislative activities as well as a list of specific legislative meetings of interest to ports. Copies of bills can be found on the Legislature's web site at [www.leg.wa.gov](http://www.leg.wa.gov).

## 2012 Legislature at A Glance

**Length:** 60 days; Session began on January 9 and ends on March 8.

**Next Cutoff:** Note: passed by House only.

- **February 3:** Last day to move bills out of committee of origin, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
- **February 7:** Last day to move bills out of House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees in house of origin

### Information:

- For up-to-date legislative information, visit [www.leg.wa.gov](http://www.leg.wa.gov).
- To listen to a legislative hearing, visit [www.tvw.org](http://www.tvw.org).
- For both current and previous copies of the Legislative Report, visit [www.washingtonports.org](http://www.washingtonports.org)

### Next Week's Hearings

If you would like to testify at any of these, please call WPPA.

Next week's hearings do not contain legislation pertinent to ports.

## Introduction

The first cutoff week of the legislative session was again dominated by committee hearings with packed agendas, as well as bills being negotiated and re-written. Politically, the week was dominated by the same-sex marriage bill being debated and passed by the Senate. This bill has never passed the Senate before, and this action on Wednesday took up a great deal of that chamber's time and attention.

For ports it was as busy a week as we typically see. There were hearings on truck chassis safety, public records act improvements, port public works contract streamlining, improvements to MTCA cleanup policies, and more.

Today marks the all-important cutoff for bills to move out of their initial policy committee, and this is traditionally a point where most measures are weeded out. The Ways & Means and Transportation Committees have a little longer -- until next Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup>. The House Ways & Means Committee will be working this Saturday, as well. Later next week an updated revenue forecast is released, and this occasion will mark the beginning of serious budget discussions. The House has already been circulating some budget documents. They are rumored to contain deep cuts to many state agencies, as well as the sweeping of some dedicated accounts.

## LEGISLATION PERTINENT TO PORTS

### Aviation

**Airstrip Operations.** HB 2244, which limits the liability of landowners who own airstrips for any unintentional injuries related to recreational activities that take place on the airstrip when the landowner does not charge a fee for such use, passed out of the House Judiciary Committee on Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>. It is currently on its second reading in the Rules Committee. The companion bill in the Senate, SB 6090, did not

A complete list of hearings can be found online at <http://www.leg.wa.gov/legislature/pages/calendar.aspx>

## Session Cut-Off Dates

(tentative – subject to change)

The cut-off dates are designed to keep legislation moving. Any bill that fails to move past a cut-off deadline is usually considered “dead.”

- **Feb. 3** Last day to move bills out of committee of origin, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
- **Feb. 7** Last day to move bills out of House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees in house of origin.
- **Feb. 14** Last day to consider bills in house of origin (5 p.m.).
- **Feb. 24** Last day to move bills out of committee in opposite house, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
- **Feb. 27** Last day to move bills out of House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees in opposite house.
- **March 2** Last day to consider opposite house bills (5 p.m.).
- **March 8** Last day allowed for regular session under state constitution.

## Advocacy

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receive a public hearing before cutoff.

## Economic Development

**IDD Flexibility.** SHB 1308, allowing ports more flexibility to use their Industrial Development District levies, remains in the House Ways & Means Committee while the chair decides whether to hear it. Ports are encouraged to contact their legislators to ask for support for SHB 1308.

## Environment

**Hydraulic Project Approvals.** The Senate Marine Waters Committee voted out a new version of **SB 6406** which now addresses hydraulic permits, forestry permits, and makes changes to SEPA. The portion dealing with hydraulic projects entails a new and complicated scheme which would divert jurisdictional questions above the ordinary high water mark to local governments, but only for a limited time as part of a pilot project.

**Marine Spatial Planning.** House (**HB 2618**) and Senate (**SB 6263**) versions of bills to advance marine zoning by extending the timeline for marine management planning and funding planning through the state aquatics account remain alive. The House version is in Rules. The Senate version is in Ways & Means.

**MTCA 3.0.** The Senate Environment Committee passed **SB 6211** out of committee this morning. The bill would give Ecology new tools to accelerate cleanup projects. Committee amendments redrafted grant funded trust language to more closely resemble trusts created federally under Superfund. Clarifying language also made it easier to establish redevelopment zones in Superfund areas, such as the Duwamish. The bill now goes to the Ways & Means Committee.

**Community Service Habitat Projects.** **HB 2305**, which allows ports to contract with community service organizations to provide maintenance services at environmental stewardship sites, passed unanimously out of the House this week.

**Waterfront Redevelopment.** Permit streamlining bill **SB 6170** passed out of the Senate Marine Waters Committee this week. The bill creates an alternative permitting process for waterfront development projects and would eliminate the need for certain projects to procure a hydraulic permit or a shoreline substantial development permit.

access, the bills are directly linked to their posting on the Legislature's website.

WPPA representatives Eric Johnson, Ginger Eagle and Johan Hellman are following a wide-variety of issues throughout the session. If you have questions concerning legislative activities, please contact them at 360-943-0760 regarding any specific issues.

## **Governance**

***Harassing Public Record Requests.*** The local government coalition bill to address harassing and over burdensome requesters of public records was replaced by a substitute bill and voted out of the Senate Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections Committee on Thursday morning. **SSB 6351** has removed the language that would allow an entity to request an injunction against a requestor based on a request being over burdensome. However, the ability to enjoin a request based on a finding by the court that it was "harassing" remains in the bill, along with the language that would allow an entity to adopt a policy outlining how much time the agency will spend responding to requests on a monthly basis.

***Port District Employee Salaries.*** The measure that would create an expensive and burdensome process for compensating port employees at a salary greater than the state's governor, did not receive a hearing prior to the first cut-off date of session. Consequently, **HB 2237** is not likely to receive any further consideration this year.

***Exempting Executive Session Recordings from the Public Records Act.*** The Attorney General's proposal to exempt audio or video recordings of executive sessions has moved out of committee this week. If **SB 6109** is enacted, pressure on public entities to record those session would likely increase dramatically.

***Commercial Use of Public Records.*** **SB 6146** was amended by the Senate Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections Committee prior to moving out of committee this week. The bill as amended allows an agency to charge a fee for requests for batches of certain types of records. For permits, licenses, and approvals, and applications for permits, licenses, and approvals, \$1 per record in excess of ten records; for cash and cash convertible sureties, work deposits, performance bonds, payment guarantees, or similar securities, escrow accounts, checks, warrants, and vouchers, \$15 per record in excess of ten records; and for building plans, \$5 per record in excess of ten records.

***Taxing District Study.*** **HB 2602** creates a "Joint Select Committee on Junior Taxing Districts", whose purpose will be to study which, if any, taxing districts should be consolidated into a city or county. The term "junior taxing district" is defined in the bill as every taxing district other than the state, counties, cities, towns and school districts. This definition obviously includes port districts, although ports have not been defined as junior districts traditionally. The bill proponents have strenuously refused to entertain an amendment to remove ports from the bill, and at the bill hearing one of the few specific questions related to whether the Port of Seattle was included. (The answer was yes.) WPPA has not received very clear answers about whether ports are actually a target of

this effort, and is increasingly concerned about the direction of this bill.

## **Marinas**

***Boatyard Permit Streamlining.*** **HB 2469** would create an expedited permitting process for shoreline substantial development permits. The bill moved out of Rules this week and awaits a vote by the full House.

## **Public Works**

***Certified Payroll Records.*** The bill requiring public agencies to receive certified payroll records from contractors and subcontractors prior to making any payment due on a contract was heard in the Senate Labor and Commerce & Consumer Protection Committee this week. However, **SB 6416** did not receive executive action by the committee prior to the cut off, so further action is unlikely.

***Streamlining Port Small Public Works Projects.*** **SSB 6365** passed out of the Senate Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections Committee on Thursday, February 2nd. Some technical changes were needed to perfect the bill, so a substitute bill was adopted and sent to the Senate Rules Committee. WPPA will be requesting it be pulled from the Rules Committee, and we would encourage any port with a Senator that serves on the Rules committee to ask for **SSB 6365** to be moved to the Senate Floor 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Calendar.

## **Taxes**

***Leasehold Excise Tax.*** **SB 6250**, codifying a thirty-year practice of the Department of Revenue to not collect leasehold taxes on preferential uses of marine terminals, was voted out of its initial policy committee this week, and is now before the Senate Ways & Means Committee awaiting a hearing. There is a House companion measure (**HB 2667**), but the Senate bill is the one that will be the vehicle for discussion. The Ports of Seattle, Tacoma and Everett strongly support his bill, as does WPPA.

***Tax Increment Financing.*** **HB 2746** was introduced on Monday, and heard that afternoon in the House Community, Economic Development and Housing Committee. The bill establishes another LRF process whereby a city establishes project and a district, and increased tax revenues are pledged to repay debt. In a surprise to WPPA staff, the bill included port taxes, requiring ports to affirmatively opt-out of a project, rather than our traditional preference of opting-in if the project makes sense to the port. WPPA testified with these concerns, and the bill did not move out of Committee.

## Transportation

**Chassis safety.** **HB 2527**, which mandated that container chassis owners – rather than the truck driver – are responsible for paying fines, was heard Monday afternoon in a hearing packed with truck drivers supporting the bill. A substitute bill was unveiled at the hearing, which mandates that the Ports of Seattle and Tacoma provide safety inspection stations, and also making changes regarding trucker wage arrangements. The bill is strenuously opposed by the ocean carriers and stevedores. The bill is in the House Transportation Committee, and is scheduled to be voted out this coming Monday.

**Drayage.** **HB 2395**, mandating that truck drivers at ports and intermodal rail yards be considered employees of the entity who hires them, was voted out of Committee this week in a modified form. The bill was narrowed to only apply at the ports of Seattle and Tacoma, and at intermodal rail yards within fifty miles of them. It also state's that only a motor carrier will be considered the employee. The bill is strongly opposed by the Trucking Association.

## BILL TRACKING REPORT

Bill	Title	Status	Date	Sponsor
<b>Aviation</b>				
<a href="#">HB 2244</a>	Airstrips	H 2nd Reading	02/02/2012	<a href="#">Hargrove</a>
<a href="#">SHB 2422</a>	Aviation biofuels production	H CBDPS	02/01/2012	<a href="#">Billig</a>
<a href="#">SB 6090</a>	Airstrips	S Energy/NatRes/M	01/11/2012	<a href="#">Fain</a>
<a href="#">SSB 6238</a>	Aviation biofuels production	S Rules 2	02/01/2012	<a href="#">Brown</a>
<b>Boating</b>				
<a href="#">SB 6248</a>	Nonresident vessels	S Ways & Means	01/16/2012	<a href="#">Harper</a>
<b>Budget</b>				
<a href="#">SB 6074</a>	Capital sup budget 2011-13	S Ways & Means	01/11/2012	<a href="#">Kilmer</a>
<b>Economic Development</b>				
<a href="#">SHB 2374</a>	Associate development orgs	H Gen Gov Apps	01/24/2012	<a href="#">Kenney</a>
<a href="#">HB 2434</a>	Washington investment trust	H Bus & Fin Svcs	01/13/2012	<a href="#">Hasegawa</a>
<a href="#">HB 2482</a>	Innovation partnership zones	H Rules R	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Kenney</a>
<a href="#">SHB 2613</a>	Innovative industries	H Ways & Means	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Kenney</a>
<a href="#">HB 2662</a>	Comm econ revitalization brd	H CBDP	02/02/2012	<a href="#">Ryu</a>
<a href="#">HB 2663</a>	Facilities/sales and use tax	H Ways & Means	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Ryu</a>
<a href="#">HB 2746</a>	Community redevl. financing	H Comm & EconDev	01/30/2012	<a href="#">Springer</a>
<a href="#">SHJM 4017</a>	US and Canada action plans	H Rules R	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Kenney</a>
<a href="#">SSB 6140</a>	Local econ devel. financing	S Ways & Means	02/01/2012	<a href="#">Kilmer</a>
<a href="#">SSB 6142</a>	Agency regulatory practices	S Rules 2	02/01/2012	<a href="#">Kilmer</a>
<a href="#">SB 6264</a>	Center for marine innovation	S Energy/NatRes/	01/16/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SSB 6355</a>	Associate development orgs	S Rules 2	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Rolfes</a>
<a href="#">SB 6368</a>	Manufacturing innovation	S Ways & Means	01/30/2012	<a href="#">Chase</a>
<a href="#">SB 6371</a>	Customized employmnt training	S Ways & Means	01/27/2012	<a href="#">Shin</a>
<a href="#">SB 6402</a>	Workforce training & ed brd	S HighEd&WorkDev	01/20/2012	<a href="#">Tom</a>
<a href="#">SB 6497</a>	Sales & use exemp/machinery	S Ways & Means	01/26/2012	<a href="#">Chase</a>
<a href="#">SB 6557</a>	Real estate excise taxes	S Ways & Means	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Zarelli</a>

<a href="#">SSJM 8016</a>	US and Canada action plans	S Rules 2	02/02/2012	<a href="#">Kastama</a>
<b>Environment &amp; Natural Resources</b>				
<a href="#">SHB 2238</a>	Environmental mitigation	H Gen Gov Apps	01/26/2012	<a href="#">Wilcox</a>
<a href="#">HB 2241</a>	Lead in aquatic environment	H Environment	01/10/2012	<a href="#">Moscoco</a>
<a href="#">SHB 2253</a>	SEPA	H Gen Gov Apps	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Fitzgibbon</a>
<a href="#">SHB 2277</a>	Puget Sound partnership	H Rules R	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Upthegrove</a>
<a href="#">HB 2282</a>	Growth mgmt hearings board	H Local Govt	01/11/2012	<a href="#">Angel</a>
<a href="#">HB 2388</a>	Hydraulic code requirements	H Ag & Nat Res	01/12/2012	<a href="#">Orcutt</a>
<a href="#">HB 2390</a>	Municipal storm water permit	H Environment	01/13/2012	<a href="#">Hurst</a>
<a href="#">HB 2469</a>	Boatyard stormwater treatmnt	H 2nd Reading	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Upthegrove</a>
<a href="#">HB 2487</a>	Local shoreline master prog.	H Local Govt	01/16/2012	<a href="#">Takko</a>
<a href="#">SHB 2618</a>	Marine management planning	H CBDPS	02/02/2012	<a href="#">Van De Wege</a>
<a href="#">HB 2671</a>	Local shoreline master progs	H Rules R	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Takko</a>
<a href="#">HB 2694</a>	Upfront environmental review	H Local Govt	01/25/2012	<a href="#">Fitzgibbon</a>
<a href="#">HB 2695</a>	Environmental review exemp.	H Environment	01/25/2012	<a href="#">Fitzgibbon</a>
<a href="#">HB 2696</a>	Planned actions under SEPA	H Environment	01/25/2012	<a href="#">Fitzgibbon</a>
<a href="#">HB 2710</a>	SEPA checklist	H Environment	01/26/2012	<a href="#">Pollet</a>
<a href="#">HB 2742</a>	Urban growth area boundaries	H Local Govt	01/30/2012	<a href="#">Klippert</a>
<a href="#">HB 2750</a>	Coal-based electricity	H Environment	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Lias</a>
<a href="#">SSB 5997</a>	Olympic nat. resources ctr	S Rules 2	01/20/2012	<a href="#">Hargrove</a>
<a href="#">SB 5999</a>	Greenhouse gas reporting	S Envi	01/09/2012	<a href="#">Delvin</a>
<a href="#">SB 6011</a>	Hydraulic project permit fee	S Energy/NatRes/	01/09/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6013</a>	Climate change response	S Energy/NatRes/	01/09/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6014</a>	Storm water management	S Envi	01/09/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6015</a>	Oil spills	S Energy/NatRes/	01/09/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6016</a>	Shoreline management	S Energy/NatRes/	01/09/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6018</a>	Small alt energy facilities	S Energy/NatRes/	01/09/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6027</a>	Industrial wastewater facils	S Envi	01/09/2012	<a href="#">Honeyford</a>
<a href="#">SB 6036</a>	Local toxics control account	S Envi	01/09/2012	<a href="#">Delvin</a>
<a href="#">SSB 6078</a>	Natural resources management	S Rules 2	01/20/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6093</a>	Environmental mitigation	S Transportation	01/11/2012	<a href="#">Haugen</a>
<a href="#">SB 6118</a>	Highly capable students	S EL/K-12	01/11/2012	<a href="#">McAuliffe</a>
<a href="#">SSB 6130</a>	SEPA	S Ways & Means	02/02/2012	<a href="#">Rolfes</a>
<a href="#">SB 6169</a>	Ocean policy advisory councl	S Energy/NatRes/	01/13/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6170</a>	Working waterfront redevel	S Energy/NatRes/	01/13/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SSB 6188</a>	Local shoreline master prog.	S Rules 2	02/01/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6190</a>	Urban growth areas	S GovtOp & Elect	01/13/2012	<a href="#">Ericksen</a>
<a href="#">SB 6207</a>	New storm water requirements	S Envi	01/16/2012	<a href="#">Schoesler</a>
<a href="#">SB 6211</a>	Hazardous waste site cleanup	S Envi	01/16/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SSB 6263</a>	Marine management planning	S Ways & Means	02/01/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6271</a>	Mazama pocket gopher	S Energy/NatRes/M	01/16/2012	<a href="#">Becker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6329</a>	Shoreline management act	S Energy/NatRes/M	01/18/2012	<a href="#">Stevens</a>
<a href="#">SSB 6387</a>	Parks, rec, & nat. resources	S Ways & Means	02/02/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6393</a>	Industrial storm water	S Rules 2	02/02/2012	<a href="#">Nelson</a>
<a href="#">SB 6406</a>	State's natural resources	S Energy/NatRes/	01/20/2012	<a href="#">Hargrove</a>

### Governance & Elections

<a href="#">HB 2237</a>	Port district employees	H Local Govt	01/09/2012	<a href="#">Hudgins</a>
<a href="#">HB 2276</a>	Administrative procedures	H SGTribalAff	01/11/2012	<a href="#">Taylor</a>
<a href="#">HB 2340</a>	Public records act	H SGTribalAff	01/11/2012	<a href="#">Moeller</a>
<a href="#">HB 2406</a>	Closed exec. sess. meetings	H SGTribalAff	01/13/2012	<a href="#">Takko</a>
<a href="#">HB 2598</a>	Restructuring state govt	H Gen Gov Apps	01/24/2012	<a href="#">Kelley</a>
<a href="#">HB 2602</a>	Junior taxing districts	H 2nd Reading	02/02/2012	<a href="#">Eddy</a>
<a href="#">HB 2677</a>	Records copying & inspection	H SGTribalAff	01/24/2012	<a href="#">Eddy</a>
<a href="#">HB 2761</a>	Public records disclosure	H SGTribalAff	02/01/2012	<a href="#">Hunt</a>
<a href="#">SSB 5553</a>	Public agency web site info	S Rules 2	01/25/2012	<a href="#">Roach</a>
<a href="#">SSB 6017</a>	Financial audits/local govts	S Rules 2	01/27/2012	<a href="#">Ranker</a>
<a href="#">SB 6109</a>	Closed exec. sess. meetings	S GovtOp & Elect	01/11/2012	<a href="#">Pridemore</a>
<a href="#">SB 6146</a>	Public records act	S GovtOp & Elect	01/12/2012	<a href="#">Prentice</a>
<a href="#">SB 6345</a>	Restructuring state govt	S Ways & Means	01/30/2012	<a href="#">Kastama</a>
<a href="#">SB 6351</a>	Records copying & inspection	S GovtOp & Elect	01/18/2012	<a href="#">Prentice</a>

### Public Works

<a href="#">HB 2327</a>	Alternative public works	H SGTribalAff	01/11/2012	<a href="#">Haigh</a>
<a href="#">HB 2328</a>	Job order contracting	H Rules R	01/30/2012	<a href="#">Dammeier</a>
<a href="#">HB 2635</a>	Port distr small public wrks	H SGTribalAff	01/19/2012	<a href="#">Takko</a>
<a href="#">SHB 2669</a>	Payment of prevailing wages	H Rules R	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Ormsby</a>
<a href="#">SB 6365</a>	Port distr small public wrks	S GovtOp & Elect	01/19/2012	<a href="#">Hatfield</a>

<a href="#">SB 6416</a>	Public works payroll records	S Lab/Comm/CP	01/23/2012	<a href="#">Chase</a>
<a href="#">SB 6421</a>	Prevailing wage/public works	S Lab/Comm/CP	01/23/2012	<a href="#">King</a>
<a href="#">SB 6480</a>	Prevailing wage/public works	S Lab/Comm/CP	01/25/2012	<a href="#">King</a>
<a href="#">SB 6521</a>	Local government revenue	S Ways & Means	02/03/2012	<a href="#">Regala</a>
<a href="#">SB 6573</a>	Construction unemployment	S Lab/Comm/CP	02/01/2012	<a href="#">Chase</a>

#### Tax

<a href="#">HB 2458</a>	Public facilities districts	H Exec Action	02/01/2012	<a href="#">Armstrong</a>
<a href="#">HB 2465</a>	Property tax revenue limit	H Ways & Means	01/16/2012	<a href="#">Moeller</a>
<a href="#">HB 2667</a>	Leasehold interest	H Ways & Means	01/23/2012	<a href="#">Green</a>
<a href="#">HB 2734</a>	Taxation of heavy equipment	H Ways & Means	01/27/2012	<a href="#">Sullivan</a>
<a href="#">SB 6250</a>	Leasehold interest	S Ways & Means	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Regala</a>
<a href="#">SB 6497</a>	Sales & use exemp/machinery	S Ways & Means	01/26/2012	<a href="#">Chase</a>

#### Transportation

<a href="#">SHB 2395</a>	Drayage truck operators	H Rules R	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Sells</a>
<a href="#">HB 2476</a>	Heavy haul corridors	H TRDP	02/01/2012	<a href="#">Jinkins</a>
<a href="#">HB 2660</a>	Transportation revenue	H Trans	01/23/2012	<a href="#">Clibborn</a>
<a href="#">HB 2676</a>	I-5 Columbia river crossing	H Trans	01/24/2012	<a href="#">Moeller</a>
<a href="#">HB 2704</a>	Road user funding task force	H Trans	01/25/2012	<a href="#">Billig</a>
<a href="#">HB 2733</a>	Stormwater cntrl rates & chrgs	H Trans	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Jinkins</a>
<a href="#">HB 2751</a>	Local transportation revenue	H Trans	01/31/2012	<a href="#">Clibborn</a>
<a href="#">SB 6171</a>	Vessel weight limitations	S Rules 2	01/25/2012	<a href="#">Haugen</a>
<a href="#">SB 6350</a>	Trans innovative partnership	S Transportation	01/18/2012	<a href="#">Haugen</a>
<a href="#">SB 6455</a>	Transportation revenue	S Transportation	01/24/2012	<a href="#">Haugen</a>
<a href="#">SB 6461</a>	Drayage truck operators	S Lab/Comm/CP	01/24/2012	<a href="#">Kohl-Welles</a>
<a href="#">SB 6487</a>	Intermodal container chassis	S Transportation	01/25/2012	<a href="#">Froct</a>
<a href="#">SB 6579</a>	Vessel pilots	S Transportation	02/02/2012	<a href="#">Haugen</a>
<a href="#">SB 6582</a>	Local trans revenue options	S Transportation	02/02/2012	<a href="#">Haugen</a>

#### Water

<a href="#">SB 6152</a>	Water right permitting	S Ag/Water/RurEcD	01/12/2012	<a href="#">Hatfield</a>
<a href="#">SB 6163</a>	Department of ecology study	S Ag/Water/RurEcD	01/12/2012	<a href="#">Ericksen</a>

### Office Locations of Statewide Officials

**Governor's Office:** Gov. Christine Gregoire's office is located on the second floor of the Capitol (or Legislative) Building.

**Lieutenant Governor's Office:** Lt. Gov. Brad Owen's office is located on the second floor of the Capitol (or Legislative) Building.

**Auditor's Office:** State Auditor Brian Sonntag's office is located in the Sunset Life Building, 3200 Capitol Blvd. S., Olympia.

**Secretary of State's Office:** Secretary of State Sam Reed's office is located on the second floor of the Capitol (or Legislative) Building.

**State Treasurer:** State Treasurer Jim McIntire's office is located on the second floor of the Capitol or Legislative Building.

**Insurance Commissioner:** Insurance Commissioner Mike Kreidler's office is located in the Insurance 5000 Building, 5000 Capitol Blvd., Olympia.

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### How to Access a Bill:

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Here you can enter the bill number you are looking for or even search for it by entering a subject keyword. You can save the bill, print the bill or just check its status and track it as it progresses through the Legislature.

### **How to Watch or Listen to a Hearing:**

- TVW – cable television <http://www.tvw.org/tvguide>
- TVW - webcast – <http://www.tvw.org/media/liveevents.cfm>
- In Person - Floor Calendar - <http://www.leg.wa.gov/legislature/calendar/>

### **INTERNET**

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### **TELEVISION**

TVW is a cable network the Legislature created to cover activities of both houses with live programming and delayed telecasts of each day's events. The week's programming can be found on their website, [www.tvw.org](http://www.tvw.org).

The Washington Public Ports Association staff in Olympia is also here to assist you in getting information and we're happy to walk you through any of the above. Please feel free to call us 360-943-0760 if you have any questions.