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Agriculture	SSB 6521	<p>Requiring state agencies to use an agriculture impact statement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Conservation Commission must develop a form and process for an agricultural impact statement (AIS) that is to be completed by state agencies before it acquires an interest in property that included agricultural land. Acquisition of a water right separate from real property is not required to be reported. Smaller scale acquisitions and activities may be exempted by the commission. • The commission is to report to the Legislature and the Governor by December 1 of each year, the results of the information submitted to the commission over the previous year. Additionally, the first report by the commission is to contain recommendations on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the potential applicability of the AIS to agency rule-making actions; • the potential applicability to acquisition and land use activities by federal and local governments; • whether the AIS should be applied to the state acquisition of an interest in a water right; • whether existing processes adequately provide for the evaluation of impacts to agricultural lands from other project activities; and after consultation with local governments and others, whether the AIS could be used to track conversions of agricultural lands through private transactions. 		H Ag & Nat Res
Annexation	HB 2611	<p>Concerning annexation of a city, partial city, or town to a fire protection district.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorizes a fire protection district annexing a city or partial city to use its taxing authority to impose differing levy amounts in areas within the district and such levies must be related to the preexisting indebtedness of such areas at the time of annexation. • Requires that the proposed allocation of debt-related tax burdens related to a fire district's annexation of a city or partial city be made public through the municipality's passage of an annexation ordinance containing such tax levy information. 	ESB 6287(HLG & Housing) "Alive"	S GovtOp & Elect

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Annexation	SB 6418	<p>Regarding cities and towns annexed to fire protection districts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The requirement that fire protection districts be authorized in areas outside of cities and town, except where the cities and towns have been annexed into a fire protection district or where the district is continuing service, is removed. A city or town adjacent to a district may be annexed into such a district provided the population of the city or town does not exceed 300,000. 	HB 2843(HRules R) "Dead"	H LG & Housing
Climate Change/Energy	EHB 2561	<p>Funding construction of energy cost saving improvements to public facilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorizes the State Finance Committee to issue \$861 million in general obligation bonds, to be known as Jobs Act Bonds (Act), for the purpose of creating jobs by constructing capital improvements that lead to energy-related cost savings in public schools, state colleges and universities, and other public facilities. Appropriates funds for grants to public school districts, public higher education institutions, state and locally-owned facilities, and facilities owned by subdivisions of the state. 	SB 6547(SWays & Means) "Dead"	S Env/Water/ Ener
Climate Change/Energy	SSB 6373	<p>Directing the department of ecology to adopt rules requiring entities to report the emissions of greenhouse gases.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires the Department of Ecology to modify its greenhouse gas emissions reporting rules. Requires persons who emit 10,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent annually from a single facility, source, or site, or from fossil fuels sold in Washington by a single supplier, to report their greenhouse gas emissions to the Department of Ecology. Requires persons who are required to file tax reports of motor vehicle fuel sales, persons required to report periodic tax reports for special fuel sales, and distributors of aircraft fuel to report their annual greenhouse gas emissions to the Department of Ecology. Requires the Department of Ecology's rules to be consistent with the greenhouse gas reporting regulations adopted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. 	HB 2545(HRules R) "Dead"	H Ecology & Park

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Dept of Commerce	E2SHB 2658	<p>Refocusing the department of commerce, including transferring programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directs the transfer of the Department of Commerce (Department) powers, duties, and functions pertaining to five programs and activities to other state agencies. • Requires the Department, with guidance of an advisory committee, to develop and present to the Legislature an updated state energy strategy and implementation report beginning December 1, 2010, and every five years thereafter. • Subjects the Department's authority to implement the state energy strategy to legislative consideration and approval by concurrent resolution and to availability of amounts appropriated for this purpose. • Directs the Department to create a central point of access for small business and entrepreneurial assistance and to establish a separate division for community services and housing programs. • Requires the Legislature's economic development committees, in consultation with others, to develop a plan for 2011 legislative consideration to create a separate state agency focused on community services and housing. 	SB 6515(Ssubst for) "Alive"	S EDev/Trd/I nnov
Dept of Commerce	2SSB 6515	<p>Refocusing the department of commerce, including transferring programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EFFECT OF CHANGES MADE BY WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE (Recommended Second Substitute): Restores current law where the Department may not intervene in regulatory proceedings before the UTC or proceedings of utilities not regulated by the Commission. • EFFECT OF CHANGES MADE BY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TRADE & INNOVATION COMMITTEE (Recommended First Substitute): The mission of the Department is to grow and improve jobs in Washington and facilitate innovation. The Department is to provide business assistance and economic development services through sector-based, cluster-based, and regional partners. The Department is to examine agricultural commodity commissions as a model for self-financing systems for addressing industry identified needs. <p>For programs identified by the Department as not fitting its mission, but which have not been transferred, the Department is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prioritize their placement in a separate division; • examine mechanisms by which the separate division can operate with a semiautonomous director and policy-making oversight board; and Senate Bill 	HB 2658(Hsubst for) "Alive"	H ComEcDev Tr

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		<p>Report - 3 - SB 6515 examine whether the separate division could operate as a separate agency and the process by which this could best occur.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By December 1, 2010, the Department is to make recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor based on its examinations. • The Office of Crime Victims Advocacy and related grant and assistance programs are transferred to the Department of Labor and Industries. The State Building Code Council is transferred to the Department of General Administration. The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council is to retain its independence in exercising its mandate. 		
Economic Development	2SSB 6790	<p>Concerning cluster and innovation partnership zone grants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In developing industry cluster based strategies, the Department is to promote industry cluster involvement in IPZs and in the application process for designation of IPZs. The competitive cluster grant program is changed. It is to integrate sector-based and cluster-based strategies with the development of IPZs. • Activities of the Department of Commerce are made subject to appropriation. 		H ComEcDev Tr
Flood Control/Taxing Authority	ESSB 6286	<p>Concerning the liability and powers of cities and flood control zone districts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood control zone districts and cities are provided immunity from liability for any noncontractual acts or omissions relating to the improvement, protection, regulation, and control for flood prevention and navigation purposes of any river or its tributaries. • A flood control zone district may use covered volunteer emergency workers during an emergency. • A flood control zone district may provide grant funds to political subdivisions of the state that are located within the boundaries of the zone, so long as the use of the funds are within the flood control zone district's authorized purposes. 	HB 2794(HJudiciary) "Dead"	H Judiciary
GMA Timelines	HB 2916	<p>Comprehensive plans/review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishes a new recurring 10-year review and revision schedule for comprehensive plans and development regulations adopted under the Growth Management Act. • Establishes a new recurring 10-year review and revision schedule for shoreline master programs adopted under the Shoreline Management Act. 		H LG & Housing "Dead"

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GMA Timelines	SSB 6611	<p>Extending the deadlines for the review and evaluation of comprehensive land use plan and development regulations for three years and addressing the timing for adopting certain subarea plans.</p> <p>Following the review of comprehensive plans and development regulations that were to be completed by jurisdictions between December 1, 2004, and December 1, 2007, counties and cities must review and, if needed, revise their comprehensive plans and development regulations to ensure the plan and regulations comply with the requirements of the GMA. The review deadlines are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • on or before December 1, 2014, and every seven years thereafter, for Clallam, Clark, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Pierce, Snohomish, Thurston, and Whatcom counties and the cities within those counties; • on or before December 1, 2015, and every seven years thereafter, for Cowlitz, Island, Lewis, Mason, San Juan, Skagit, and Skamania counties and the cities within those counties; • on or before December 1, 2016, and every seven years thereafter, for Benton, Chelan, Douglas, Grant, Kittitas, Spokane, and Yakima counties and the cities within those counties; and • on or before December 1, 2017, and every seven years thereafter, for Adams, Asotin, Columbia, Ferry, Franklin, Garfield, Grays Harbor, Klickitat, Lincoln, Okanogan, Pacific, Pend Oreille, Stevens, Wahkiakum, Walla Walla, and Whitman counties and the cities within those counties. 	HB 2992(H2nd Reading) "Dead"	H LG & Housing
Growth Management Hearings Boards	SB 6214	<p>Restructuring three growth management hearings boards into one board.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consolidates the powers, duties, and functions of the three regional Growth Management Hearings Boards into a single Growth Management Hearings Board. • Reduces the total number of Growth Management Hearings Board members from nine to seven. • Specifies that petitions for review before the consolidated Growth Management Hearings Board must be heard and decided by a regional panel of three board members. 		H LG & Housing
Housing	SHB 2138	<p>Concerning the use of surplus property for the development of affordable housing. (2009)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishes additional regulations, procedures, and guidelines for the operation of the surplus property inventory program administered by the Department of 		S FI/Hous/Ins

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		<p>Commerce.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires additional, specified governmental entities to participate in the Department of Commerce's surplus property inventory program. The state agencies and local governments subject to this requirement are the: Department of Natural Resources; Department of Transportation (DOT); Department of Social and Health Services; Department of Corrections; Department of General Administration; counties; and cities, towns, and code cities. Creates uniformity in the regulations and guidelines applicable to all governmental entities participating in the surplus property inventory program. 		
Housing	ESHB 2753	<p>Workforce housing program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires \$1 billion of outstanding debt to be used for implementing the Washington Works Housing Program to increase opportunities for nonprofit organizations and public agencies to purchase, acquire, build, and own real property used for affordable housing if state subsidies are available. Requires federal bond allocations to the state be determined by Internal Revenue Service code or by Department of Commerce rule. Adjusts the dates by which allocations to a state issuer may be made. Removes student loans from the state bond cap allocation, and moves the 15 percent student loan allocation to housing. 	SB 6589(SWays & Means) "Dead"	S Ways & Means
Impact Fees	SHB 2566	<p>Housing impact fees/exemption</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deletes a provision obligating local governments to pay impact fees from qualifying public funds upon exempting low-income housing from impact fee requirements. Specifies that impact fee exemptions for low-income housing may only be granted if the developer records a covenant prohibiting conversion of the property unless applicable impact fees are paid. Prohibits local governments from collecting mitigation fees under the State Environmental Policy Act for low-income housing in place of exempted impact fees. 		S FI/Hous/Ins
Impact Fees	ESHB 3067	<p>Establishing a process for the payment of impact fees through provisions stipulated in recorded covenants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires specified jurisdictions that impose impact fees to provide a process by 		S GovtOp & Elect

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		<p>which an applicant for a property development permit may record a covenant against title to the property in lieu of paying impact fees at the time of application.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limits the application of the act to only those counties with more than 1.5 million residents and the cities and towns within, and counties adjoining these counties that have more than 650,000 but fewer than 800,000 residents, and the cities and towns within. • Requires that a seller of property subject to an impact fee covenant make specified disclosures to a prospective purchaser regarding such covenant. • Entitles a purchaser to nullify any purchase-related agreements and receive reimbursement of moneys expended pertaining to such purchase in the event the seller fails to make the required disclosures. 		
Impact Fees	HB 1080	<p>Allowing impact fees to be used for all fire protection facilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The definition of "public facilities" for which impact fees may be collected and spent is modified to include all fire protection facilities, rather than only fire protection facilities in jurisdictions that are not part of a fire district. 		S GovtOp & Elect
Infrastructure	HB 2850	<p>Local conserv area financing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorizes qualifying cities to designate local conservation finance areas within their boundaries and finance public improvements through a local conservation area financing process. • Authorizes qualifying cities to issue bonds and use certain tax revenues that increase within the local conservation finance areas to finance the public improvements. 	SB 6602(SEDev/Trd/Innov) "Dead"	H LG & Housing "Dead"
Infrastructure	ESSB 6241	<p>Community facilities districts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Facilities Districts (CFD) are designed to provide financing for community facilities and local, subregional, and regional infrastructure. A CFD is created by a petition approved by a county, city, or town in which the district is located. The petition must: describe the boundaries; be executed by 100 percent of all landowners, with the landowners having requested that their property be subject to assessments; explain the object and plan of the district and the specific facilities to be financed; be accompanied by an obligation to pay the costs of formation; and include a list of potential members of the board of supervisors. 	HB 2577(Hsubst for) "Dead"	H ComEcDev Tr

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The county, city, or town in which the CFD is located must hold a public hearing on the petition and must act on the petition within 30 days of the hearing. 		
Natural Resource Lands	SSB 6380	<p>Concerning the purchase of wetland mitigation bank credits by the department of transportation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> When purchasing mitigation bank credits, WSDOT must determine which bank provides the most or multiple benefit to the impacted habitat. Removes the Department of Fish and Wildlife from the review process and removes the words fish habitat and replaces them with impacted habitat. 		H Ecology & Park
Natural Resource Lands	SB 6481	<p>Clarifying which local governments have jurisdiction over conversion-related forest practices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changes the test that determines whether a county is required to adopt local forest practices ordinances so that instead of all counties that plan under the Growth Management Act being required to adopt local forest practices ordinances, all counties with a population greater than 100,000 are required to adopt local ordinances. 		H Exec Action
Natural Resource Lands	SSB 6520	<p>William D. Ruckelshaus Ctr</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If specific funding is not provided for continuation of the work of the Ruckelshaus Center, the extension for the work by the Ruckelshaus Center is null and void. However, the moratorium on counties and cities amending or adopting critical area ordinances affecting agricultural lands is extended whether or not additional funding is provided. 	HB 2891(HRules R) "Dead"	H LG & Housing
Natural Resource Lands	ESB 6776	<p>Creating the joint work group on small forest landowner sustainability.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A joint work group on small forest landowner sustainability (joint work group) is created with members of the House of Representative's Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee and the Senate Natural Resources, Ocean, and Recreation Committee. The joint work group is to utilize research conducted by the University of Washington's School of Forest Resources to look at ways to remove regulatory barriers and disincentives for small forest landowners. 		H Ag & Nat Res

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Permitting	SHB 2516	<p>Regarding the siting of small alternative energy facilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorizing EFSEC Site Certification for Alternative Energy Resource Facilities Under 100 kW. EFSEC may delegate to staff the authority to issue site certifications for small alternative energy resource facilities that meet the definition of a net metering system. • Authorizing Full-recovery Fees. EFSEC may charge a fee to recover the full cost of processing applications for small alternative energy resource facilities. • Adopting Site Certification Standards. As part of its duties in certificating small alternative energy resource facilities, EFSEC is directed, among other things, to adopt site certification standards based on a survey of the safest standards for these facilities in the following order of preference: (1) existing local municipal and county codes in Washington adopted in the last ten years; (2) existing state, local, or municipal codes in the Western Electric Coordinating Council geographic area adopted in the last ten years; and (3) existing state, local, or municipal codes adopted in the United States in the last ten years. • Exempting Small Alternative Energy Resource Facilities From EFSEC's Current Hearing and Adjudicatory Process. Site certification for small alternative energy resources is exempted from the following: (1) EFSEC's hearing and adjudicatory process and (2) review and approval by the Governor. • Delegation of Compliance Monitoring. EFSEC is authorized to delegate to a local agency, through an interagency agreement, responsibilities relating to site certification compliance monitoring of the construction and operation of an energy facility. • Authorizing EFSEC to Act as a Local Permitting Authority. EFSEC and any local government in the state are authorized and encouraged to enter into an inter-local agreement for the permitting small alternative energy resource facilities within the geographic jurisdiction of the local government. EFSEC may serve as the local permitting authority if the local government determines that it would be more cost effective to do so. 		S Env/Water/ Ener
SEPA	ESB 6762	<p>Regarding compliance with the state environmental policy act in the consideration of cumulative impacts and the assumption of lead agency status when the same agency is the sponsor of the project.</p>		H Ecology & Park

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The EIS must evaluate, in the same environmental document, closely related proposals that are in effect a single course of action. The EIS must discuss the cumulative impacts of an action when added to past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions. • The agency proposing a project is the lead agency. Agencies must determine by agreement the lead agency when there are more than two agencies responsible for implementation of a proposal. When possible, agency staff conducting the environmental review must be different than the staff developing the proposal. 		
Shoreline	EHB 1653	<p>Clarifying the integration of shoreline management act policies with the growth management act.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The bill amends both the Shoreline Management Act and Growth Management Act to clarify how local governments are to implement regulations that protect shoreline areas. The legislature had amended these Acts in 2003 (through ESHB 1933) with the intent to simplify regulations by giving local shoreline master programs "sole jurisdiction" in shoreline areas, rather than sharing regulatory jurisdiction with critical areas ordinances adopted under GMA. • The bill clarifies that critical areas ordinances adopted under the GMA continue to apply within shoreline areas until Ecology approves an updated master program. The bill also clarifies that Ecology's test for local SMPs is whether or not the SMP achieves "no net loss" of ecological functions, rather than whether or not it provides protection that is equivalent to its critical areas ordinance. 		S Env/Water/ Ener
Subarea Plans	SB 6720	<p>Environmental impact review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cities with a population greater than 5,000 required to plan under the GMA, may adopt optional subarea development elements to their existing comprehensive plan. • The subareas must be located in mixed-use or urban centers in a land-use or transportation plan adopted by a regional transportation organization; or within a half mile of a major transit stop zoned with an average minimum density of 15 dwelling units or more per acre. 		H Ecology & Park

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Water	ESSB 6402	<p>Concerning the consolidation of permit exempt wells.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consolidation may occur between a water right holder and someone using a permit exempt well if the exempt well either taps or is in connection with the same body of groundwater in which the holder has a water right to withdraw groundwater, or is within the service area of an existing publicly owned group A or group B water system. An exempt well does not need to be decommissioned under consolidation if the exempt well is to be used as a groundwater monitoring well. 		H Ag & Nat Res
Zoning	SHB 2408	<p>Requiring notice to property owners when a county, city, or town modifies its zoning requirements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires a local government that is considering a proposal to rezone private property to ensure that, before adoption of any rezone, notice of the initial proposal is provided to the owners of the real property for which the rezone would apply. 		S GovtOp & Elect

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