



# Session Watch

Monday, March 4, 2019 (day 50 of the 105-day session)

## Second Round Cut-Offs Done

March 1<sup>st</sup> marked the end of the second round of cut-offs for the 2019 legislative session. Any bill that has not yet passed their house of origin or any needed fiscal committee, is now considered dead for this session (with a few exceptions). For the most part, this is good news. Many of the most onerous bills affecting Small Business' died last week as well.

## Fair Funding Bill

With this round of cut-offs, many good bills also died. The House version of the Fair Funding bill died in Appropriations without a hearing this past week. The Senate version, SB 5277, is still alive, but was amended in the Ways & Means Committee by Senator Andy Billig (D), 3<sup>rd</sup> legislative district. Senator Billig purposed the following language to the bill, "The transfer under this section to the fair fund may only occur if the legislature authorizes the transfer in the omnibus operating appropriations act." The language was adopted, and SB 5277 as amended, appears to pave the way in the elimination of the Fair Fund. However, if the bill dies, the status quo of \$2 million per year will continue to remain in statute.

## Selected bills of interest:

SB 5434 would prohibit firearms on the premises of any licensed child care center. This bill would allow

local governments to enact an ordinance prohibiting firearms in parks as well.

HB 2097 would require the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife to immediately review the population status of the gray wolf. Depending on the results of the review, the department must consider whether a change in statewide or regional listing status is warranted. It would also require WDFW to increase staff in Ferry and Stevens counties for ongoing wolf-livestock conflict management.

All bills that relate to new taxes will remain alive until the end of session.

## Quote of the Week

*Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do.*

– Pele

## Trivia Question of the Week

In what year did the Washington State Grange led, Initiative 59, the Family Farm Water Act, become law?

## Last Week's Trivia Answer

A. Lars Nelson

## Agriculture

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Position</u>
<a href="#"><u>HB 1167</u></a> (SB 5476) <b>Composting/nuisance lawsuits</b> Confirms that composting activities are recognized as agricultural activities and protected from nuisance lawsuits.	H 2nd Reading	Walen	Medium	Support
<a href="#"><u>HB 1187</u></a> <b>Fish habitat projects</b> Allows a fish habitat enhancement project to be approved by conservation districts as conservation district-sponsored fish habitat enhancement or restoration projects in order to receive a permit review and approval process.	S Ag/Water/Natura	Dent	Low	Support

<a href="#">2SHB 1401</a> (SB 5719)	<b>Hemp production</b> Concerning hemp production.	H 2nd Reading	Shea	Low	Support
<a href="#">HB 1429</a> (SB 5447)	<b>Dairy milk assessment fee</b> Delays, until June 30, 2025, the expiration date for the dairy milk assessment fee.	H 2nd Reading	Shewmake	Low	
<a href="#">SHB 1622</a> (SB 5675)	<b>Drought preparedness</b> Concerning drought preparedness and response.	H Rules R	Blake	Medium	Concerns
<a href="#">2SHB 1725</a> (SSB 5550)	<b>Pesticide application safety</b> Implementing the recommendations of the pesticide application safety work group.	H Rules R	Dent	High	Support
<a href="#">SHB 1966</a> (SSB 5723)	<b>Pedestrian, etc. safety</b> Increasing safety on roadways for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other roadway users.	H Rules R	Kilduff	Low	
<a href="#">HB 2074</a> (SB 5956)	<b>Livestock inspection</b> Concerning livestock inspection.	H Rules R	Blake	Medium	Support
<a href="#">HB 2075</a> (SB 5967)	<b>Livestock brand inspections</b> Removing the authority of the department of agriculture to conduct livestock brand inspections.	H Rules R	Chandler	Medium	Support
<a href="#">2SSB 5438</a> (HB 1398)	<b>Ag &amp; seasonal workforce srv</b> Establishing the office of agricultural and seasonal workforce services within the employment security department.	S Rules 2	McCoy	Medium	Oppose
<a href="#">SB 5447</a> (HB 1429)	<b>Dairy milk assessment fee</b> Extending the dairy milk assessment fee to June 30, 2025.	H RDev, Ag&NR	Van De Wege	Low	
<a href="#">SSB 5550</a> (2SHB 1725)	<b>Pesticide application safety</b> Implementing the recommendations of the pesticide application safety work group.	S Rules 2	Saldaña	High	Support
<a href="#">SSB 5552</a>	<b>Pollinators</b> Concerning the protection of native pollinators, including bees.	S Rules 2	Lias	High	
<a href="#">SSB 5693</a>	<b>Agricultural supply chains</b> Creating transparency in agricultural supply chains. Refers to slavery and human trafficking.	S Rules 2	Saldaña	High	Oppose
<a href="#">SSB 5723</a> (SHB 1966)	<b>Pedestrian, etc. safety</b> Increasing safety on roadways for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other roadway users.	S Rules 2	Saldaña	Low	
<a href="#">SSB 5883</a>	<b>Farm products/vehicle weight</b> Authorizing vehicles or combinations of vehicles carrying farm products to exceed total gross weight limits.	S Rules 2	King	Medium	Support

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<a href="#">SJM 8011</a>	<b>Agricultural tariffs</b>	S Ways & Means	Takko	Low
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Requesting the federal government to address tariffs on agricultural commodities.

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## Broadband

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Position</u>	
<a href="#">3SHB 1498</a> (2SSB 5511)	<b>Broadband service</b>	H Rules R	Hudgins/Wellman	High	Support

Expanding affordable, resilient broadband service to enable economic development, public safety, health care, and education in Washington's communities.

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## Elections

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Position</u>	
<a href="#">SHB 1063</a>	<b>Primary elections/age 17</b>	H Rules R	Bergquist	Low	Concerns

Permits a person to vote in a primary election or presidential primary election if the person is registered to vote and is not at least eighteen years old at the time of the election, but is or will be at least eighteen years old by the next general election.

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<a href="#">SSB 5063</a> (HB 1209)	<b>Ballots, prepaid postage</b>	S Rules 2	Nguyen	Low
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Requires the state to reimburse counties for the cost of return postage on mail and absentee ballots for elections. Requires return envelopes for election ballots to include prepaid postage.

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<a href="#">ESB 5273</a> (HB 1310)	<b>Presidential primary</b>	H 2nd Reading	Hunt	Medium	Neutral
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Changes the dates for the presidential primary; and for the secretary of state to propose an alternative date for the primary, including to coordinate a regional primary with Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, or Utah. Prohibits the proposed date from being before the earliest date permitted by the national rules of the major political parties. Requires each party to determine which candidates are to be placed on the presidential primary ballot for that party. Requires a ballot, if requested by a party chair, to contain a place for a voter to indicate a preference for having delegates to the party's national convention remain uncommitted.

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<a href="#">SSJR 8201</a> (HJR 4203)	<b>School district bonds</b>	S Rules 2	Wellman	Medium
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Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to allow a simple majority of voters voting to authorize school district bonds.

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## Energy / Carbon

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Position</u>	
<a href="#">2SHB 1110</a> (SB 5412)	<b>Greenhouse gas/transp. fuels</b>	H Rules R	Fitzgibbon	Medium	Oppose

Reducing the greenhouse gas emissions associated with transportation fuels. Creates low carbon fuel standard.

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<a href="#">E2SSB 5116</a> (2SHB 1211)	<b>Clean energy</b>	S Passed 3rd	Carlyle	Medium	Concerns
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Supporting Washington's clean energy economy and transitioning to a clean, affordable, and reliable energy future.

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<a href="#">2SSB 5947</a> (HB 2095)	<b>Sustainable farms and fields</b>	S Rules 2	McCoy	Medium	Oppose
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Establishing the sustainable farms and fields grant program.

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<a href="#">SB 5971</a>	<b>Transportation funding</b> Concerning transportation funding.	S Transportation	Hobbs	Medium	Concerns
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## Guns

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Position</u>	
<a href="#">SHB 1010</a>	<b>Forfeited firearms/WSP</b> Revises firearms and dangerous weapon provisions regarding the Washington state patrol having the option to destroy a forfeited firearm. Requires the Washington state patrol to develop and have in place policies addressing the criteria for determining when forfeited firearms should be destroyed.	H 2nd Reading	Senn	Medium	Concerns
<a href="#">SHB 1068</a> ( <a href="#">SSB 5062</a> )	<b>High capacity magazines</b> Concerning high capacity magazines.	H Rules R	Valdez	Low	Oppose
<a href="#">SHB 1225</a>	<b>Domestic violence/law enf.</b> Establishing policies and requirements regarding law enforcement response to domestic violence incidents to enhance the safety of domestic violence victims, families, and officers.	H 2nd Reading	Jinkins	Medium	
<a href="#">HB 1465</a>	<b>Pistol sales or transfers</b> Modifies the requirements of a firearms dealer regarding the delivery of a pistol to a purchaser.	H Rules R	Goodman	Medium	
<a href="#">SSB 5062</a> ( <a href="#">SHB 1068</a> )	<b>High capacity magazines</b> Prohibits a person from manufacturing, possessing, distributing, importing, transferring, selling, offering to sell, or purchasing a large capacity magazine. Defines "large capacity magazine" as an ammunition feeding device with the capacity to accept more than ten rounds of ammunition.	S Rules 2	Kuderer	Low	Oppose
<a href="#">SSB 5143</a>	<b>Domestic violence/firearms</b> Requires a peace officer, who responds to a domestic violence call and has probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed, to seize all firearms and ammunition that he or she believes were used or threatened to be used in the commission of the offense and may seize all firearms and ammunition in plain sight or discovered under a consensual or other lawful search. Requires a law enforcement agency to: (1) Comply with certain domestic violence requirements before returning a seized firearm or ammunition to the owner or individual from whom the firearm or ammunition was obtained; and (2) Forward the offense report regarding any incident of domestic violence to the appropriate prosecutor within ten days of making the report. Requires the criminal justice training commission to implement a course of instruction for training law enforcement officers in the handling of domestic violence complaints. Provides immunity from liability to appointed or elected public officials, public employees, public agencies, or units of local government and its employees, for damages arising out of the seizure or failure to seize a firearm.	S Rules 2	Dhingra	Medium	
<a href="#">ESSB 5148</a>	<b>Hunting/visible clothing</b> Requires the fish and wildlife commission to adopt rules determining the times and manner when a person who is hunting must wear fluorescent orange or fluorescent pink clothing.	H RDev, Ag&NR	Wilson	Low	
<a href="#">SSB 5174</a> ( <a href="#">HB 1315</a> )	<b>Concealed pistol training</b> Requires an issuing authority to issue a concealed pistol license or a denial: (1) Within thirty days of the date the application was filed; or (2) Within sixty days if the applicant does not have a valid permanent state driver's license or state identification card or has not been a resident of the state for the previous consecutive ninety days. Prohibits an application for a concealed pistol license from being denied unless the	S Rules 2G	Palumbo	Medium	

person has not provided evidence of handgun proficiency, in the form and manner required by the Washington state patrol. Provides the requirements for when an applicant for a concealed pistol license must submit to a licensing authority. Requires the Washington state patrol to, by rule, establish minimum standards for handgun proficiency and develop a course to teach handgun proficiency and examinations to measure handgun proficiency. Authorizes the chief of the Washington state patrol to certify, as a qualified handgun instructor, a person who: (1) Is certified by the criminal justice training commission to instruct others in the use of handguns; (2) Regularly instructs others in the use of handguns and has graduated from a handgun instructor school; or (3) Is certified by the national rifle association as a handgun instructor.

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<a href="#">SSB 5434</a> (HB 1530)	<b>Weapons in certain locations</b>	S Rules 2	Wilson	Medium	
	Restricting possession of weapons in certain locations.				

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## Taxes

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Position</u>	
<a href="#">HB 1172</a> (SB 5314)	<b>Capital gains tax/prop. tax</b>	H Finance	Santos/ Wellman	High	Oppose
	Capital gains tax.				
<a href="#">HB 1343</a> (SB 5129)	<b>Revenue</b>	H Finance	Tarleton/Rolfes	High	Oppose
	Capital gains tax.				
<a href="#">SSB 5066</a>	<b>School district elections</b>	S Rules 2	Wellman	Medium	Concerns
	Allows a simple majority of voters voting to authorize school district bonds. Takes effect if the proposed amendment to Article VII, section 2 and Article VIII, section 6 of the state Constitution, providing for a simple majority of voters voting to authorize school district bonds, is approved by the voters at the next general election.				
<a href="#">SB 5130</a> (HB 1228)	<b>Fish barrier removal funding</b>	S Transportation	Rolfes	High	Oppose
	Creates a progressive real estate excise tax.				
<a href="#">SB 5972</a>	<b>Additive trans funding</b>	S Transportation	Hobbs	Medium	Oppose
	Concerning additive transportation funding and appropriations.				

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## Uncategorized Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Position</u>	
<a href="#">2SHB 1114</a>	<b>Food waste reduction</b>	H Rules R	Doglio	Low	Support
	Reducing the wasting of food in order to fight hunger and reduce environmental impacts.				
<a href="#">HB 1516</a> (SB 5320)	<b>DFW dog training, nonlethal</b>	H 2nd Reading	Blake/Takko	Medium	Support
	Requires the fish and wildlife commission to adopt by rule: (1) A process and criteria to select persons, who may act as agents of the state, for using one or more dogs to hunt or pursue black bear, cougar, or bobcat to protect livestock, domestic animals, private property, or the public safety; and (2) Requirements an applicant must comply with when applying for the program, including a criminal background check. Requires the department of fish and wildlife to administer a training program that provides dog training opportunities, for selected people, using nonlethal pursuit.				
<a href="#">2SHB 1579</a>	<b>Chinook abundance</b>	H Rules R	Fitzgibbon	Medium	Oppose
	Implementing recommendations of the southern resident killer whale task force related to increasing chinook abundance.				
<a href="#">2SHB 1784</a>	<b>Wildfire prevention</b>	H Rules R	Kretz	Medium	Support
	Concerning wildfire prevention.				

<a href="#">HB 1983</a>	<b>Natural resource management</b> Concerning natural resource management activities.	H Rules R	Maycumber	Low	Support
<a href="#">SHB 2097</a>	<b>Statewide wolf recovery</b> Addressing statewide wolf recovery.		Kretz	Medium	Support
<a href="#">SSB 5010</a>	<b>Protected lands/fire levies</b> Addresses parcels of land that do not pay the forest fire protection assessment or a local fire district levy.	H Local Govt	Rolfes	Medium	Support
<a href="#">SSB 5026</a>	<b>Parcel &amp; planning boundaries</b> Concerning the placement of planning boundaries in conjunction with parcel boundaries.	S 2nd Reading	Honeyford	Low	Support
<a href="#">SSB 5139</a>	<b>Daylight saving time</b> Declares an intent to observe daylight saving time year-round, if authorized by the United States congress, and review the potential impact the time zone has on communities along the border between this state and other states to determine whether the state should seek authorization through the United States department of transportation to change the state to mountain standard time year-round if year-round daylight saving time is not authorized by congress. Requires the department of commerce to review impacts the state time zone and daylight-saving time have on commerce in the state.	S Rules 2G	Honeyford	Low	Oppose
<a href="#">SSB 5277</a> <a href="#">(HB 1283)</a>	<b>Agricultural fair funding</b> Ensuring the funding of agricultural fairs.	S Rules 2	Warnick	High	Support
<a href="#">2SSB</a> <a href="#">5489</a>	<b>Environ. health disparities</b> Creates a task force to recommend how best to incorporate environmental justice principles into how state agencies discharge their responsibilities. Declares that the legislature establishes that state agencies will use all practicable means and measures to promote environmental justice and fair treatment, to ensure implementation and adherence to state policies of fostering and promoting the general welfare by assuring the people of this state have a safe and healthful environment and serving as trustee of the environment for succeeding generations. Requires the state agencies that are represented on the task force, after issuance of the task force report, to adopt rules as recommended in the report. Authorizes the state agencies to adopt interim guidelines and practices before the adoption of rules. Requires the department of ecology to adopt rules implementing the task force recommendations to provide uniform rules and guidelines to state agencies serving on the task force.	S Rules 2	Saldaña	High	Oppose
<a href="#">SSB 5696</a> <a href="#">(HB 1662)</a>	<b>Payments in lieu of prop tax</b> Concerning payments in lieu of real property taxes. Requires the state treasurer, on behalf of the department of fish and wildlife, to distribute to counties, a certain amount in lieu of real property taxes, for eligible game lands if requested by an election. Requires a county to provide a list of eligible parcels, assessed value, and local levy rate by parcel to the department for payment the following year.	S Rules 2	Warnick	Low	Support

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