

Whatcom County 1-23-26 Bills of Interest

Bill #	Short Description	Sponsor	Activity	Position	Companion
2SHB 1960	Encouraging renewable energy in Washington through tax policy and investment in local communities.	Ramel	Jan 23 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the House Finance at 1:30 PM (2026)		
SB 6062	Modifying provisions related to individuals found to have committed criminal offenses when under the age of 18.	Wilson, C.	Jan 26 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the Senate Human Services at 1:30 PM (2026)		HB 2389
SB 6239	Requiring arbitration for tort claims against the state of Washington and its subdivisions.	Dhingra	Jan 27 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the Senate Law & Justice at 8:00 AM (2026)Jan 29 Scheduled for Exec Session in the Senate Law & Justice at 10:30 AM (2026)	Support	
HB 2566	Concerning local government procurement.	Zahn	Jan 27 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the House Local Government at 10:30 AM (2026)Jan 30 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Local Government at 10:30 AM (2026)	Support	
HB 2199	Reducing impacts from derelict vessels.	Richards	Jan 27 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the House Agriculture & Natural Resources at 10:30 AM (2026)	Support	
HB 2117	Adding a tribal member to the board of natural resources.	Stearns	Jan 27 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the House Agriculture & Natural Resources at 10:30 AM (2026)		SB 5838
HB 2520	Concerning emergency meetings of public agencies.	Lekanoff	Jan 27 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the House State Government & Tribal Relations at 1:30 PM (2026)Jan 30 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House State Government & Tribal Relations at 8:00 AM (2026)		
SB 6080	Concerning contracts between the United States and county and municipal jails for committing or confining individuals in federal custody.	Cleveland	Jan 27 Scheduled for Exec Session in the Senate Human Services at 1:30 PM (2026)		HB 2547
HB 2489	Establishing statewide standards for when local governments may enforce laws regulating the use of public space for life-sustaining activities.	Gregerson	Jan 27 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Housing at 4:00 PM (2026)		
HB 2266	Encouraging permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, indoor emergency housing, and indoor emergency shelters.	Peterson	Jan 27 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Housing at 4:00 PM (2026)		SB 6069
HB 2170	Expanding revenue generation and economic opportunities from natural climate solutions and ecosystem services.	Reeves	Jan 28 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the House Agriculture & Natural Resources at 8:00 AM (2026)		SB 5999
SB 6069	Encouraging permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, indoor emergency housing, and indoor emergency shelters.	Alvarado	Jan 28 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the Senate Housing at 10:30 AM (2026)		HB 2266
HB 1809	Professionalizing first responders and co-responders through training and reimbursement for behavioral health emergency response.	Nance	Jan 28 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Health Care & Wellness at 1:30 PM (2026)	Support	
2SHB 1607	Concerning recycling and waste reduction.	Stonier	Jan 28 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Appropriations at 4:00 PM (2026)		2SSB 5502
HB 2217	Concerning rehabilitative pathways for persons charged with certain felony offenses who have no prior felony convictions in adult criminal court.	Farivar	Jan 29 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the House Community Safety at 8:00 AM (2026)		
HB 2421	Concerning 6PPD and regrettable 6PPD substitutes in tires.	Hall	Jan 29 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Environment & Energy at 8:00 AM (2026)		SB 6119

HB 1717	Creating a sales and use tax remittance program for affordable housing.	Leavitt	Jan 29 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Finance at 1:30 PM (2026)		SB 5591
HB 2588	Concerning county ferry district authority.	Timmons	Jan 30 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the House Local Government at 10:30 AM (2026)	Support	
ESB 5729	Encouraging construction of affordable housing by streamlining the permitting process.	Gildon	Jan 30 Scheduled for Exec Session in the Senate Housing at 10:30 AM (2026)		
SSB 5470	Establishing limitations on detached accessory dwelling units outside urban growth areas.	Goehner	Jan 30 Scheduled for Exec Session in the Senate Housing at 10:30 AM (2026)		
SB 6096	Concerning delayed utility connection fees for residential construction.	Goehner	Jan 30 Scheduled for Exec Session in the Senate Housing at 10:30 AM (2026)		
SB 6123	Concerning the protection of voluntary supplied personal information of local government employees.	Conway	Jan 30 Scheduled for Exec Session in the Senate State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections at 10:30 AM (2026)		
HB 2418	Concerning permit review processes.	Duerr			
HB 1044	Concerning county fees for administration of the real estate excise tax.	Wylie		Support	
SHB 1592	Concerning public defense services.	Peterson		Support	SB 5404
HB 2439	Enhancing public health by modifying cigarette, vapor product, and tobacco product policy.	Reeves			
HB 2442	Providing local governments tax resources and fund flexibility.	Berg			SB 6294
SB 6097	Adding federally recognized Indian tribes to the list of entities that may participate in the conservation futures program.	Chapman			
SB 5404	Concerning public defense services.	Trudeau		Support	SHB 1592
SB 6116	Restoring funding for cancer research and public health services.	Braun, J.			
SB 6129	Concerning the taxation of cigarettes and other nicotine products.	Robinson			
HB 2502	Improving local government funding by removing certain sales and use tax exemptions.	Wylie			
SB 6154	Concerning local government permits for replacing existing culverts.	Salomon			
HB 1350	Modernizing reimbursement rates for the working connections child care program.	Alvarado			SSB 5500
HB 2547	Concerning contracts between the United States and county and municipal jails for committing or confining individuals in federal custody.	Stonier			SB 6080
EHB 1345	Establishing limitations on detached accessory dwelling units outside of urban growth areas.	Low			
SB 5838	Adding a tribal member to the board of natural resources.	Kauffman			HB 2117
SSB 5690	Concerning utility relocation.	MacEwen			
SB 5839	Concerning county ferry district authority.	Shewmake			
HB 2102	Concerning legal financial obligations.	Reed			

SSB 5855	Concerning the use of face coverings by law enforcement officers.	Valdez			HB 2173
HB 2134	Concerning regional transportation plans, of regional transportation planning organizations containing certain counties, providing for reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and vehicle miles traveled.	Duerr			
HB 2140	Exempting land classified under current use that is sold or transferred to a governmental entity from additional tax in certain circumstances.	Low			SSB 5983
SSB 5912	Reinstating the indigent defense task force.	Torres			
HB 2173	Concerning the use of face coverings by law enforcement officers.	Cortes			SSB 5855
HB 2183	Requiring counties to develop and implement heat response plans.	Parshley			
SSB 5500	Modernizing reimbursement rates for the working connections child care program.	Alvarado			HB 1350
HB 1042	Authorizing cost recovery for county treasurers.	Wylie		Support	
SSB 5974	Modernizing and strengthening laws concerning sheriffs, police chiefs, town marshals, law enforcement agency volunteers, youth cadets, specially commissioned officers, and police matrons.	Lovick			
SHB 1867	Allowing counties or cities to impose a real estate excise tax for the purpose of developing affordable housing, subject to the will of the voters.	Ramel		Support	
SSB 5983	Exempting land classified under current use that is sold or transferred to a governmental entity from additional tax in certain circumstances.	Lias			HB 2140
SB 5999	Expanding revenue generation and economic opportunities from natural climate solutions and ecosystem services.	Lovelett			HB 2170
HB 2348	Updating timber sale process efficiencies and adopting consistent language for the department's land sales.	Dent			SB 6216
HB 2351	Protecting emergency responders and emergency response operations in Washington.	Parshley		Support	
HB 2389	Modifying provisions related to individuals found to have committed criminal offenses when under the age of 18.	Cortes			SB 6062