

**Whatcom County Bills of Interest 02/6/2026**

Bill #	Short Description	Sponsor	Activity	Position	Companion
SHB 1592	Concerning public defense services.	Peterson	Feb 07 Scheduled for Public Hearing in the House Appropriations at 9:00 AM (2026)Feb 09 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Appropriations at 10:30 AM (2026)	Support	SB 5404
SHB 2442	Providing local governments tax resources and fund flexibility.	Berg	Feb 07 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Appropriations at 9:00 AM (2026)	Support	SB 6294
HB 2720	Increasing access and resources for behavioral health emergency services providers by imposing a covered lives assessment on specific health plans.	Macri	Feb 09 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Appropriations at 10:30 AM (2026)	Support	
HB 2588	Concerning county ferry district authority.	Timmons	Feb 09 Scheduled for Exec Session in the House Transportation at 1:30 PM (2026)	Support	
SB 6346	Establishing a tax on millionaires.	Pedersen			HB 2724
HB 1042	Authorizing cost recovery for county treasurers.	Wylie		Support	
HB 2724	Establishing a tax on millionaires.	Fitzgibbon			SB 6346
SB 6294	Providing local governments tax resources and fund flexibility.	Frame		Support	SHB 2442
SSB 6239	Requiring arbitration for tort claims against the state of Washington and its subdivisions.	Dhingra		Support	HB 2700
HB 2566	Concerning local government procurement.	Zahn		Support	
HB 2520	Concerning emergency meetings of public agencies.	Lekanoff		Support	
SHB 2351	Protecting emergency responders and emergency response operations in Washington.	Parshley		Support	
SHB 2199	Reducing impacts from derelict vessels.	Richards		Support	
SSB 5839	Concerning county ferry district authority.	Shewmake		Support	
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	
HB 1428	Concerning the county criminal justice assistance account and municipal criminal justice assistance account.	Rule		Support	
HB 1044	Concerning county fees for administration of the real estate excise tax.	Wylie		Support	