



WCOG Bill Status Report February 6, 2017

This report shows bills in the Washington State Legislature being tracked by Washington Coalition for Open Government because they have some impact on Washington's open government laws. Members of the Coalition are encouraged to contact their legislators regarding bills of concern to them. If you have any comments on the format or contents of this report, including the indicated WCOG positions or comments, please contact the Coalition president at president@washingtoncog.org.

Upcoming Hearings and Floor Action on Tracked Bills

Financial Institutions & Insurance (Senate) - SHR 2, JACB - 2/7 @ 8:00am

- SB 5464 - Public Hearing - Establishing the Washington investment trust.

Higher Education (Senate) - SHR 3, JACB - 2/7 @ 8:00am

- SB 5584 - Public Hearing - Concerning college and university presidents.

State Government, Elections & Information Technology (House) - HHR E, JLOB - 2/7 @ 8:00am

- HB 1807 - Public Hearing - Increasing transparency of contributions by creating the Washington state DISCLOSE act of 2017.
- HB 1516 - Public Hearing - Creating a data storage system for holding and making public records available to the public.
- HB 1829 - Public Hearing - Concerning the exemption from public disclosure of information regarding public and private computer and telecommunications networks.
- HB 1465 - Exec Session - Exempting from public disclosure certain information regarding reports on wolf depredations.
- HB 1513 - Exec Session - Concerning the collection of youth voter registration sign up information.

Technology & Economic Development (House) - HHR C, JLOB - 2/7 @ 10:00am

- HB 1717 - Public Hearing - Concerning state agency collection, use, and retention of biometric identifiers.

Education (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/7 @ 1:30pm

- HB 1732 - Public Hearing - Concerning the confidentiality of educator professional growth plans.

Agriculture & Natural Resources (House) - HHR B, JLOB - 2/8 @ 8:00am

- HB 1460 - Public Hearing - Redesigning the transfer of water rights, including the statutory process of relinquishment.

Judiciary (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/8 @ 8:00am

- HB 1501 - Public Hearing - Protecting law enforcement and the public from persons who illegally attempt to obtain firearms.

Law & Justice (Senate) - SHR 4, JACB - 2/8 @ 8:00am

- SB 5578 - Public Hearing - Concerning the release of sex offender information.

State Government, Elections & Information Technology (House) - HHR E, JLOB - 2/8 @ 1:30pm

- HB 1833 - Public Hearing - Concerning financial reporting by elected and appointed officials, candidates, and appointees.
- HB 1834 - Public Hearing - Concerning campaign finance reporting.
- HB 1835 - Public Hearing - Updating inflationary amounts in campaign finance laws.
- HB 1465 - Exec Session - Exempting from public disclosure certain information regarding reports on wolf depredations.
- HB 1513 - Exec Session - Concerning the collection of youth voter registration sign up information.
- HB 1807 - Exec Session - Increasing transparency of contributions by creating the Washington state DISCLOSE act of 2017.
- HB 1829 - Exec Session - Concerning the exemption from public disclosure of information regarding public and private computer and telecommunications networks.

Transportation (Senate) - SHR 1, JACB - 2/8 @ 3:30pm

- SB 5620 - Public Hearing - Concerning transportation network companies.

Financial Institutions & Insurance (Senate) - SHR 2, JACB - 2/9 @ 8:00am

- SB 5464 - Public Hearing - Establishing the Washington investment trust.

Public Safety (House) - HHR D, JLOB - 2/9 @ 8:00am

- HB 1102 - Exec Session - Concerning technology-enhanced government surveillance.

Health Care (Senate) - SHR 2, JACB - 2/9 @ 10:00am

- SB 5687 - Public Hearing - Concerning the public disclosure of guardianship training curriculum and materials.

State Government (Senate) - SHR 2, JACB - 2/10 @ 8:00am

- SB 5418 - Public Hearing - Enacting recommendations of the sunshine committee.

State Government, Elections & Information Technology (House) - HHR E, JLOB - 2/10 @ 10:00am

- HB 1594 - Public Hearing - Improving public records administration.

- HB 1595 - Public Hearing - Concerning costs associated with responding to public records requests.

Summary of Bills Tracked

High Priority Bills

| Bill # | Short Description | Status | Sponsor | Position |
|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------|----------|
| SHB 1160 (SB 5418) | Sunshine Committee recommendations | H SEITDPS | Springer | Support |
| HB 1287 | Collective bargaining | H Labor & Workpla | Chandler | Support |
| HB 1594 | PRA Training, Consultation, Grants, Portal Study, Recording Fees | H State Governme | McBride | Concerns |
| HB 1595 | Concerning costs associated with responding to public records requests | H State Governme | Nealey | Concerns |
| HB 1948 | Concerning open meetings of subgroups of a public agency governing body | H State Govt, Ele | Harmsworth | Support |
| HB 1951 (SB 5545) | Requiring public employee collective bargaining sessions to be open meetings | H Labor & Workpl | Manweller | Support |
| HB 1989 | Applying the open public meetings act to advisory boards and committees that provide formal advice or recommendations to their governing bodies. | H State Govt, El | Pollet | Support |
| SB 5326 | Disclosure and use of personal information of employees and volunteers of law enforcement and employees and volunteers of the department of corrections | S Law & Justice | Pearson | Oppose |
| SB 5418 (SHB 1160) | Enacting recommendations of the sunshine committee. | S State Governmen | Chase | Support |
| SB 5545 (HB 1951) | Requiring public employee collective bargaining sessions to be open meetings | S Com/Labor/Spor | Wilson | Support |
| SB 5584 | Concerning college and university presidents | S Higher Ed | Baumgartner | Oppose |
| SB 5710 | Concerning penalties awarded for violations of the public records act | S State Governmen | Kuderer | Oppose |

Medium Priority Bills

| Bill # | Short Description | Status | Sponsor | Position |
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| SHB 1043 (SB 5124) | Nonpublic personal health information held by the Insurance Commissioner | H Rules R | Robinson | Concerns |
| SHB 1097 | Tribal consultation with the Governor and the Fish and Wildlife Commission regarding hunting rights and activities | H Rules R | Sawyer | Concerns |
| HB 1102 | Technology-enhanced government surveillance | H Public Safety | Taylor | Concerns |
| HB 1317 (SB 5207) | Public disclosure of global positioning system data corresponding to residential addresses of public employees and volunteers | H State Governme | McBride | Concerns |
| HB 1337 (SB 5221) | Interstate medical licensure compact | H HCWDP | Riccelli | Concerns |
| HB 1376 | Paint stewardship | H Environment | Peterson | Concerns |
| HB 1465 | Exempting from public disclosure certain information regarding reports on wolf depredations | H State Governme | Short | Concerns |
| HB 1471 (SB 5335) | Collecting voter registration sign up information for persons seventeen years of age during the period one year | H State Governme | Bergquist | Concerns |

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| | prior to attaining eighteen years of age | | | |
| HB 1501 | Protecting law enforcement and the public from persons who illegally attempt to obtain firearms | H Judiciary | Hansen | Concerns |
| HB 1516 | Creating a data storage system for holding and making public records available to the public. | H State Governme | MacEwen | Concerns |
| HB 1646 (SB 5509) | Carbon tax | H Environment | Fitzgibbon | Concerns |
| HB 1717 | State agency collection, use, and retention of biometric identifiers | H Tech & Econ D | Smith | Concerns |
| HB 1807 (SB 5219) | Transparency of contributions | H State Govt, El | Pellicciotti | Support |
| HB 1833 | Financial reporting by officials, candidates, and appointees. | H State Govt, El | Dolan | Support |
| HB 1834 | Campaign finance reporting | H State Govt, El | Dolan | Neutral |
| SB 5124 (SHB 1043) | Nonpublic personal health information held by the Insurance Commissioner | S Health Care | Rivers | Concerns |
| SB 5207 (HB 1317) | Public disclosure of global positioning system data corresponding to residential addresses of public employees and volunteers | S State Governme | Kuderer | Concerns |
| SB 5219 (HB 1807) | Transparency of contributions | S State Governme | Billig | Support |
| SB 5221 (HB 1337) | Interstate medical licensure compact | S Health Care | Fain | Concerns |
| SB 5335 (HB 1471) | Collecting voter registration sign up information for persons seventeen years of age during the period one year prior to attaining eighteen years of age | S State Governme | Fain | Concerns |
| SB 5419 | Paint stewardship | S Energy, Enviro | Chase | Concerns |
| SB 5464 | Establishing the Washington investment trust | S Fin Inst/Ins | Hasegawa | Concerns |
| SB 5509 (HB 1646) | Carbon tax | S Energy, Enviro | Carlyle | Concerns |
| SB 5687 | Concerning the public disclosure of guardianship training curriculum and materials | S Health Care | Rivers | Concerns |
| SB 5737 | Enhancing oversight and transparency of lobbying activity | S State Governmen | Rivers | Support |

Low Priority Bills

| Bill # | Short Description | Status | Sponsor | Position |
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| HB 1047 | Drug Take-Back Program | H HC/Wellness | Peterson | Neutral |
| HB 1104 | Concerning unlawful entry onto private property. | H Judiciary | Taylor | Concerns |
| HB 1152 (SB 5101) | Licensing agreements and consulting contracts for licensed marijuana businesses | H Commerce & Gam | Blake | Neutral |
| SHB 1232 (SB 5395) | Timing and content of disclosures by continuing care retirement communities | H Rules R | Clibborn | Neutral |
| SHB 1417 | OPMA information technology security matters | H Rules R | Hudgins | Neutral |
| HB 1460 | Redesigning the transfer of water rights, including the statutory process of relinquishment | H Ag & Nat Res | Buys | Concerns |
| HB 1491 (SB 5152) | Concerning pediatric transitional care centers | H Erly Lrn/H Svc | Orwall | Neutral |
| HB 1513 | Youth voter registration sign up information | H State Governme | Bergquist | Neutral |
| HB 1656 | Establishing a community aviation revitalization loan program | H Trans | Dent | Neutral |

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| HB 1732 (SB 5547) | Confidentiality of educator professional growth plans | H Education | Springer | Neutral |
| HB 1829 | Exemption from public disclosure of information regarding public and private computer and telecommunications networks | H State Govt, El | Hudgins | Neutral |
| HB 1835 | Updating inflationary amounts in campaign finance laws. | H State Govt, Ele | Dolan | Neutral |
| HB 1956 (SB 5308) | Limiting disclosure of information about the religious affiliation of individuals | H Judiciary | Stanford | Concerns |
| SB 5039 | Adopting the uniform electronic legal material act. | S Rules 2 | Pedersen | Support |
| SB 5101 (HB 1152) | Licensing agreements and consulting contracts for licensed marijuana businesses. | S Com/Labor/Spor | Rivers | Neutral |
| SB 5110 | Youth voter preregistration | S State Governme | Billig | Neutral |
| SB 5152 (HB 1491) | Pediatric transitional care centers | S Health Care | Fain | Neutral |
| SB 5308 (HB 1956) | Limiting disclosure of information about the religious affiliation of individuals | S Law & Justice | Palumbo | Concerns |
| SB 5316 | Removal of provisions that are no longer necessary | S State Governme | Fortunato | Support |
| SB 5547 (HB 1732) | Confidentiality of educator professional growth plans | S EL/K-12 | Rolfes | Neutral |
| SB 5578 | Release of sex offender information | S Law & Justice | Pearson | Support |
| SB 5620 | Transportation network companies | S Transportation | King | Neutral |

Detailed Information on Bills Tracked

High Priority Bills

| Bill Details | Status | Sponsor | Position |
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| SHB 1160 (SB 5418) | Sunshine committee <i>Comments:</i> Implements the unanimously-supported recommendations of the Sunshine Committee for 2016. (WCOG PRIORITY) | H SEITDPS | Springer Support |
| HB 1287 | Collective bargaining <i>Comments:</i> Makes contract negotiations under collective bargaining open to the public. Eliminates the exemption under the OPMA RCW 42.30.140. (WCOG PRIORITY) | H Labor & Workpla | Chandler Support |
| HB 1594 | Public records admin. <i>Comments:</i> Expands training for public records officers on electronic documents. Requires AGO to identify PRA best practices. Restores archives grant program for local agencies. Studies implementing a statewide open records portal. Requires a surcharge of one dollar per document recorded to fund grant program. Concerns include the extent to which the portal study is needed, using the AG for consultation when they represent agencies, and the lack of model ordinances for agencies. | H State Governme | McBride Concerns |
| HB 1595 | Public records request costs <i>Comments:</i> Establishes default copying charges for electronic records. Allows agencies to charge a flat \$5 fee per records request instead of other fees. Requires PRA requests to be for "an identifiable record". Disallows requests for all or substantially all of an agency's records. Allows agencies to deny | H State Governme | Nealey Concerns |

multiple "bot" requests that arrive on the same day. Allows "customized service charges" for requests that require extraordinary work to be done to extract the desired records. Concerns include whether the proposed default charges are reasonably calculated to reimburse agencies for actual costs associated with copying records.

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| HB 1948 | OPMA/subgroups | H State Govt, Ele | Harmsworth | Support | <i>Comments:</i> Requires a subcommittee, task force, advisory group, or other work group, created by an action of a governing body, to: (1) Make a meeting open to the public if it relates to a decision to make a policy or fiscal recommendation to a governing body; and (2) Provide notice of the purpose of the meeting online at least twenty-four hours in advance of the start time of the meeting. |
| HB 1951 (SB 5545) | Public emp. bargaining/OPMA | H Labor & Workpl | Manweller | Support | <i>Comments:</i> Requires public employee collective bargaining sessions involving contract negotiations to be open to the public. Agencies may choose to videotape sessions instead of opening them to in-person observation if the recordings are made available online within 24 hours. |
| HB 1989 | OPMA/advisory boards | H State Govt, El | Pollet | Support | <i>Comments:</i> Subjects the following to the requirements of the open public meetings act: An advisory board, committee, or other entity established by a public agency to provide formal advice or recommendations to the agency. |
| SB 5326 | Law enf. & corr. information | S Law & Justice | Pearson | Oppose | <i>Comments:</i> Requires the requester of records on employees and volunteers of law enforcement and the department of corrections to swear under oath that the records will not be used to "harass, stalk, threaten, or intimidate any person". Requesters should not have to take any oath to obtain public records, |
| SB 5418 (SHB 1160) | Sunshine committee | S State Governmen | Chase | Support | <i>Comments:</i> Addresses the recommendations of the sunshine committee with regard to the public records act. |
| SB 5545 (HB 1951) | Public emp. bargaining/OPMA | S Com/Labor/Spor | Wilson | Support | <i>Comments:</i> Requires public employee collective bargaining sessions involving contract negotiations to be open to the public. Agencies may choose to videotape sessions instead of opening them to in-person observation if the recordings are made available online within 24 hours. |
| SB 5584 | College & univ. presidents | S Higher Ed | Baumgartner | Oppose | <i>Comments:</i> Exempts from the OPMA and disclosure under the PRA all meetings and records regarding selection of state colleges and universities. Requires such presidents to be confirmed by the senate. |
| SB 5710 | Public records act penalties | S State Governmen | Kuderer | Oppose | <i>Comments:</i> Allows a maximum penalty of five thousand dollars if the court determines that an agency acted in good faith in denying a person the right to inspect or copy a record or the right to receive a response to a public record request within a reasonable amount of time. |

Medium Priority Bills

| <u>Bill Details</u> | <u>Status</u> | <u>Sponsor</u> | <u>Position</u> |
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| <p>SHB 1043 (SB 5124)</p> <p>Personal health information</p> <p><i>Comments:</i> Creates a new PRA exemption for all personally-identifying health care information that comes into the possession of the Insurance Commissioner. This is likely reasonable in view of HIPPA. However, the bill does not link to the new exemption from the PRA, which makes it hard to find.</p> | H Rules R | Robinson | Concerns |
| <p>SHB 1097</p> <p>Hunting/tribal consultation</p> <p><i>Comments:</i> Authorizes tribes to request a meeting with the governor and the fish and wildlife commission regarding a specific fish and wildlife department policy, rule, or action that affects tribal hunting rights, and allows such meetings to be closed to the public (exempt from the OPMA). It also does not amend the OPMA to add the exception. The meetings should be open to the public if a quorum of the Commission is involved. If there are legitimate reasons for these to be closed meetings, it should be done by adding the meeting to RCW 42.30.110(1) or RCW 42.30.140.</p> | H Rules R | Sawyer | Concerns |
| <p>HB 1102</p> <p>Govt surveillance technology</p> <p><i>Comments:</i> Agencies may obtain and use "extraordinary sensing devices" under specific circumstances. Prohibits disclosure of information obtained using such devices unless it was collected under a search warrant and there is probable cause that the information is evidence of criminal activity. Information must be destroyed within 30 days or less if it is not evidence of criminal activity. However, early destruction of information also destroys evidence of inappropriate use of devices, making it harder for watchdogs to detect improper behavior by law enforcement agencies.</p> | H Public Safety | Taylor | Concerns |
| <p>HB 1317 (SB 5207)</p> <p>GPS data disclosure</p> <p><i>Comments:</i> Exempts global positioning system data that would indicate the location of the residence of a public employee or volunteer. Will be extremely expensive and cumbersome to implement since it applies to employees and volunteers of ANY agency, not just the agency from which the data is requested.</p> | H State Governme | McBride | Concerns |
| <p>HB 1337 (SB 5221)</p> <p>Medical licensure compact</p> <p><i>Comments:</i> Creates a new PRA exemption for "Information distributed to any Washington health profession board or commission by an interstate health professions licensure compact or member boards". It is unclear that the exemption needs to be this broad.</p> | H HCWDP | Riccelli | Concerns |
| <p>HB 1376</p> <p>Paint stewardship</p> <p><i>Comments:</i> Exempts from disclosure records filed with the department of ecology under this act that a court has determined are confidential valuable commercial information. The new exemption is probably not necessary since there is already a broad exemption for confidential trade secret information. There is also no need to replicate procedural information.</p> | H Environment | Peterson | Concerns |
| <p>HB 1465</p> <p>Wolf depredation/public recs</p> <p><i>Comments:</i> Exempts the following from public disclosure under the public records act: (1) Private information regarding damage prevention cooperative agreements and nonlethal preventative measures deployed to minimize wolf interactions with pets and livestock; and (2) Information regarding a reported depredation by wolves on pets or livestock. Concerns are that it exempts specific information about actions taken by public employees.</p> | H State Governme | Short | Concerns |

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| <u>HB 1471</u> (SB 5335) | 17 year olds/voter reg info | H State Governme | Bergquist | Concerns | <i>Comments:</i> Exempts from disclosure Information contained in voter preregistration records. Concerns are that the exemption is added to 42.56.250 which is on "Employment and Licensing"; would be more appropriate to add to 42.56.230 on "Personal information". |
| <u>HB 1501</u> | Attempts to obtain firearms | H Judiciary | Hansen | Concerns | <i>Comments:</i> Requires a firearms dealer to report information to the Washington state patrol when the dealer denies an application for the purchase or transfer of a firearm as the result of a background check. Requires the Washington state patrol to: (1) Maintain a database that consists of the information received from a firearms dealer; and (2) Investigate denied firearm purchase or transfer applications. Requires the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs to create and operate a statewide automated protected person notification system. Creates two new PRA exemptions for these databases, but does not cross-reference them from 42.56. |
| <u>HB 1516</u> | Public records storage sys. | H State Governme | MacEwen | Concerns | <i>Comments:</i> Requires the director of the consolidated technology services agency to: (1) Establish an internet-based data storage system with the ability to collect and store the electronic records of all local public agencies; and (2) Provide the records for inspection and copying through a searchable central portal on a state web site. Requires each local public agency of the state to transmit all of its public records that are in a digital format to the data storage system. Concerns are that this may duplicate the Digital Archives provided by the state archivist; that it applies to "all" electronic records which may be difficult to implement given the transitory nature of so many records; and it does not clearly indicate which agency is responsible for review and redaction for records exemptions and responsible for wrongly withheld records. |
| <u>HB 1646</u> (SB 5509) | Carbon tax | H Environment | Fitzgibbon | Concerns | <i>Comments:</i> Creates a carbon tax. Section 209 creates a new PRA exemption for confidential proprietary information submitted by energy intensive and trade exposed facilities, which is a reasonable exemption, but it does not cross-reference the new exemption from the PRA (42.56.270). |
| <u>HB 1717</u> | Biometric identifiers | H Tech & Econ D | Smith | Concerns | <i>Comments:</i> Prohibits state agencies from collecting, capturing, purchasing, or otherwise obtaining a biometric identifier unless certain conditions are met. Sec. 2(5) creates a new PRA exemption for biometric identifiers, but does not cross-reference it from the PRA itself. |
| <u>HB 1807</u> (SB 5219) | Campaign finance disclosure | H State Govt, El | Pellicciotti | Support | <i>Comments:</i> Requires the disclosure of contributions and expenditures by nonprofit organizations that participate significantly in elections. |
| <u>HB 1833</u> | Financial reporting | H State Govt, El | Dolan | Support | <i>Comments:</i> Expands and clarifies reporting of personal financial affairs (PDC F-1 statements). Adjusts reporting thresholds. Adds more categories of value. Codifies exemption of reporting residence address for judges, prosecutors, and sheriffs. |
| <u>HB 1834</u> | Campaign finance reporting | H State Govt, El | Dolan | Neutral | <i>Comments:</i> Eliminates special 21-day and 7-day pre-election reports. Increases threshold for last-minute contribution reports from \$1000 (aggregate) to \$10,000 (per contribution). Eliminates PDC |

daily summary of LMC reports. Eliminates the special cap on contributions during the last 21 days of a campaign.

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| SB 5124 (SHB 1043) | Personal health information | S Health Care | Rivers | Concerns |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Creates a new PRA exemption for all personally-identifying health care information that comes into the possession of the Insurance Commissioner. This is likely reasonable in view of HIPPA. However, the bill does not link to the new exemption from the PRA, which makes it hard to find. | | | |
| SB 5207 (HB 1317) | GPS data disclosure | S State Governme | Kuderer | Concerns |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Exempts global positioning system data that would indicate the location of the residence of a public employee or volunteer. Will be extremely expensive and cumbersome to implement since it applies to employees and volunteers of ANY agency, not just the agency from which the data is requested. | | | |
| SB 5219 (HB 1807) | Campaign finance disclosure | S State Governme | Billig | Support |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Requires the disclosure of contributions and expenditures by nonprofit organizations that participate significantly in elections. | | | |
| SB 5221 (HB 1337) | Medical licensure compact | S Health Care | Fain | Concerns |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Creates a new PRA exemption for "Information distributed to any Washington health profession board or commission by an interstate health professions licensure compact or member boards". It is unclear that the exemption needs to be this broad. | | | |
| SB 5335 (HB 1471) | 17 year olds/voter reg info | S State Governme | Fain | Concerns |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Exempts from disclosure Information contained in voter preregistration records. Concerns are that the exemption is added to 42.56.250 which is on "Employment and Licensing"; would be more appropriate to add to 42.56.230 on "Personal information". | | | |
| SB 5419 | Paint stewardship | S Energy, Enviro | Chase | Concerns |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Exempts from disclosure records filed with the department of ecology under this act that a court has determined are confidential valuable commercial information. The new exemption is probably not necessary since there is already a broad exemption for confidential trade secret information. There is also no need to replicate procedural information. | | | |
| SB 5464 | Washington investment trust | S Fin Inst/Ins | Hasegawa | Concerns |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Creates a state "investment trust", which is effectively a state bank. Exempts from disclosure "Examination reports and information obtained by the department of financial institutions". Such reports on the performance of a state-run institution should not be exempt from disclosure. | | | |
| SB 5509 (HB 1646) | Carbon tax | S Energy, Enviro | Carlyle | Concerns |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Creates a carbon tax. Section 209 creates a new PRA exemption for confidential proprietary information submitted by energy intensive and trade exposed facilities, which is a reasonable exemption, but it does not cross-reference the new exemption from the PRA (42.56.270). | | | |

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| <u>SB 5687</u> | Guardianship curriculum | S Health Care | Rivers | Concerns |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Reiterates that training curriculum and materials for a certified professional guardianship course or program of a public agency. CONCERN is that this doesn't need to be a separate PRA section and is redundant, since the material should already be considered disclosable. | | | |

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| <u>SB 5737</u> | Lobbying activity | S State Government | Rivers | Support |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Requires lobbyists reports to be filed electronically. Requires government agency lobbyists to register and file reports the same as other lobbyists. Prohibits certain former state officers and state employees from receiving compensation from certain sources within one year after leaving state office or employment. | | | |

Low Priority Bills

| <u>Bill Details</u> | <u>Status</u> | <u>Sponsor</u> | <u>Position</u> | |
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| <u>HB 1047</u> | Medication disposal system | H HC/Wellness | Peterson | Neutral |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Establishes a drug take-back program for secure collection and disposal of unwanted medications. Exempts from disclosure proprietary information submitted to the Department of Health under the act. This is a reasonable exemption consistent with similar exemptions for proprietary business information. | | | |
| <u>HB 1104</u> | Unlawful entry/private prop. | H Judiciary | Taylor | Concerns |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Establishes the following crimes: Trespassing to unlawfully collect resource data from private land; unlawfully collecting resource data if he or she enters onto private land and collects resource data from private land; and trespassing to access adjacent or proximate land. Requires that resource data illegally collected must be destroyed. WCOG generally does not support destruction of evidence of government misconduct. | | | |
| <u>HB 1152</u> <u>(SB 5101)</u> | Marijuana business contracts | H Commerce & Gam | Blake | Neutral |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Authorizes a licensed marijuana business to enter into a licensing agreement or consulting contract. Exempts from disclosure trade secrets, technology, proprietary information, and financial considerations contained in such agreements or contracts, entered into by a licensed marijuana business, that may be submitted to or obtained by the state liquor and cannabis board. This is a reasonable exemption consistent with other exemptions for confidential proprietary business information. | | | |
| <u>SHB 1232</u> <u>(SB 5395)</u> | Retirement comm. disclosures | H Rules R | Clibborn | Neutral |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Addresses continuing care retirement communities with regard to the timing and content of disclosures. Eliminates the existing PRA exemption for registration information submitted for such communities. | | | |
| <u>SHB 1417</u> | OPMA/IT security matters | H Rules R | Hudgins | Neutral |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Allows a governing body to hold an executive session during a regular or special meeting to consider information regarding: (1) Infrastructure and security of computer and telecommunications networks; (2) Security and service recovery plans; and (3) Security risk assessments and security test results. | | | |

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| <u>HB 1460</u> | Transfer of water rights <i>Comments:</i> Creates a new PRA exemption for "annual consumptive water use data". The new exemption is placed in a new section of 42.56, which is unnecessary; the new exemption could be added to 42.56.380, 42.56.270, or some other existing section. | H Ag & Nat Res | Buys | Concerns |
| <u>HB 1491</u> <u>(SB 5152)</u> | Pediatric transitional care <i>Comments:</i> Creates a pediatric transitional care center license. Creates a new exemption in 42.56.360 for quality of care data submitted to the department of health | H Erly Lrn/H Svc | Orwall | Neutral |
| <u>HB 1513</u> | Youth voter reg. info. <i>Comments:</i> Permits a person to sign up to vote at the department of licensing if he or she is sixteen or seventeen years of age. Exempts Information provided for voter sign up from disclosure. The new exemption is properly placed in 42.56.230. | H State Governme | Bergquist | Neutral |
| <u>HB 1656</u> | Aviation revival. loan prg <i>Comments:</i> Creates an airport infrastructure loan program for local and small airports to acquire loans to fund capital projects. Exempts from PRA disclosure any confidential financial or commercial information submitted by loan applicants. | H Trans | Dent | Neutral |
| <u>HB 1732</u> <u>(SB 5547)</u> | Educator professional growth <i>Comments:</i> Exempts from PRA disclosure professional growth plans in educator license renewals submitted through the eCert system in the office of the superintendent of public instruction. | H Education | Springer | Neutral |
| <u>HB 1829</u> | Disclosure/computer networks <i>Comments:</i> Expands the existing PRA exemption from disclosure for network security information (RCW 42.56.420(4)) to also include information on private networks that is in the possession of agencies. | H State Govt, El | Hudgins | Neutral |
| <u>HB 1835</u> | Campaign finance/inflation <i>Comments:</i> Updates several limits and thresholds for inflation. | H State Govt, Ele | Dolan | Neutral |
| <u>HB 1956</u> <u>(SB 5308)</u> | Religious affiliation discl. <i>Comments:</i> Prohibits an agency from providing or disclosing to federal authorities personal information regarding the religious affiliation of an individual that is requested for the purpose of compiling a database of individuals based solely on religious affiliation. This could be considered a PRA exemption, since it would be impossible to implement as worded because any individual could request the same records. | H Judiciary | Stanford | Concerns |
| <u>SB 5039</u> | Electronic legal material <i>Comments:</i> Establishes the uniform electronic legal material act, which requires that when an electronic copy of a legal record is the official copy, there must be a way to authenticate it, and it must be available permanently. | S Rules 2 | Pedersen | Support |
| <u>SB 5101</u> <u>(HB 1152)</u> | Marijuana business contracts <i>Comments:</i> Authorizes a licensed marijuana business to enter into a licensing agreement or consulting contract. Exempts from disclosure trade secrets, technology, proprietary information, and financial considerations contained in such agreements or contracts, entered into by a licensed marijuana business, that may be submitted to or obtained by the state liquor and cannabis board. This is a | S Com/Labor/Spor | Rivers | Neutral |

reasonable exemption consistent with other exemptions for confidential proprietary business information.

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| <u>SB 5110</u> | Youth voter registration | S State Governme | Billig | Neutral |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Allows 16 and 18 year-olds to preregister to vote; the preregistration automatically becomes a regular registration when the person will be 18 by the next election. Exempts from voter preregistration records from disclosure in their entirety. This is consistent with processing of adult voter registration forms, which are not subject to disclosure in their entirety; only certain information is available after the voter is officially registered. | | | |
| <u>SB 5152</u> <u>(HB 1491)</u> | Pediatric transitional care | S Health Care | Fain | Neutral |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Creates a pediatric transitional care center licensing program. Requires PTCCs to submit quality of care information to Dept. of Health, and exempts the submitted information from disclosure. This is consistent with exemptions for other health care quality information submitted to the Dept. of Health (intended to encourage full disclosure of potentially damaging information to promote quality improvement), | | | |
| <u>SB 5308</u> <u>(HB 1956)</u> | Religious affiliation discl. | S Law & Justice | Palumbo | Concerns |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Prohibits an agency from providing or disclosing to federal authorities personal information regarding the religious affiliation of an individual that is requested for the purpose of compiling a database of individuals based solely on religious affiliation. This could be considered a PRA exemption, since it would be impossible to implement as worded because any individual could request the same records. | | | |
| <u>SB 5316</u> | RCW provisions not needed | S State Governme | Fortunato | Support |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Repeals, amends, recodifies, and/or decodifies certain provisions that are no longer necessary for continued publication in the Revised Code of Washington. Removes three sections in RCW 42.56 that are no longer needed. | | | |
| <u>SB 5547</u> <u>(HB 1732)</u> | Educator professional growth | S EL/K-12 | Rolfes | Neutral |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Exempts from PRA disclosure professional growth plans in educator license renewals submitted through the eCert system in the office of the superintendent of public instruction. | | | |
| <u>SB 5578</u> | Sex offender information | S Law & Justice | Pearson | Support |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Requires local law enforcement agencies to, for offenders classified as risk level I, share information with an individual who requests the information. Existing language says they "may" release such information; this is changed to a "shall". | | | |
| <u>SB 5620</u> | Transp. network companies | S Transportation | King | Neutral |
| | <i>Comments:</i> Regulates "transportation network companies" such as Uber and Lyft. Declares they are not taxi or for-hire services, and that drivers are independent contractors. Sets minimum requirements for drivers including background checks and insurance, and minimum requirements for vehicles. Establishes several other requirements. Collects a ten cent per trip fee to fund the regulatory program. Preempts all local regulation of such companies. Sec. 18 creates a new PRA exemption for confidential financial and proprietary information provided to DOL or municipalities in conjunction with registrations under the act. | | | |
