

**2021 Session—Week 2 List of Hearings & “Executive Sessions” —  
Recommendations on Testify/Sign-In/Monitor for Public Hearings are in *Italics***

**Monday, January 18, 2021**

**Senate Labor, Commerce & Tribal Affairs, 9 a.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5115**, establishing health emergency labor standards, and **SB 5097**, expanding coverage of the paid family & medical leave program. *MONITOR for now – numerous employer groups will oppose.*

**House Appropriations, 3:30 p.m.** – Work Session – Overview of the state’s Operating Budget. *MONITOR.*

**House Transportation, 3:30 p.m. & Senate Transportation, 4 p.m.** – Work Session to hear from various Transportation agencies. *MONITOR.*

**Tuesday, January 19, 2021**

**Senate Housing & Local Government, 8 a.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5006**, concerning local parks funding options. *Doug Levy, Mary McCluskey (Poulsbo) TESTIFY in SUPPORT of 5006.*

**House Environment & Energy, 8 a.m.** – Hearing on **HB 1099**, establishes climate change as a 14<sup>th</sup> Growth Management Act (GMA) planning goal. *MONITOR.*

**House Local Government, 10 a.m.** – Hearing on **HB 1128**, concerning the formation of “Housing Benefit Districts.” *MONITOR.*

**Senate Environment, Energy & Technology, 10:30 a.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5126**, establishing a ‘cap and invest’ program through the “Washington Climate Commitment Act.” *MONITOR – I would note that this bill will be inter-related with the Senate’s proposed Transportation Revenue package expected to be released in Week 3.*

**Wednesday, January 20, 2021**

**House Community & Economic Development, 10 a.m.** – Hearing on **HB 1018**, concerning boater education. *MONITOR (FYI that Doug Levy will testify ‘other’ with another hat on).*

**House Labor & Workplace Standards, 10 a.m.** – Hearing on **HB 1087**, clarifying the continuity of employee family and medical leave rights. *MONITOR.*

**Senate Housing & Local Government, 10:30 a.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5160**, addressing landlord-tenant relations by providing certain tenant protections during and after public health emergencies. *MONITOR.*

**Senate Labor, Commerce, & Tribal Affairs, 10:30 a.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5064**, concerning qualifications for unemployment insurance when an individual voluntarily leaves work. *MONITOR.*

**Thursday, January 21, 2021**

**Senate Business, Financial Services & Trade, 8 a.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5211**, authorizing Tax Increment Financing (TIF) for local governments. *MONITOR – bill a major priority for economic development organizations, cities, and industrial and office property developers.*

**Senate Housing & Local Government, 8 a.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5139**, limiting rent increases after expiration of the Governor’s eviction moratorium. *MONITOR for now.*

**Senate Labor, Commerce & Tribal Affairs, 8 a.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5046**, concerning Workers’ Compensation claim resolution settlement agreements; **SB 5102**, concerning medical examinations under Workers’ Comp; and **SB 5137**, concerning Workers’ Comp cost-of-living adjustments for Fiscal Year 2022. *MONITOR -- 5046 is a bill public/private employers may well support and 5102 may be one that causes concerns.*

**House Finance, 8 a.m.** – Hearing on **HB 1025**, local parks funding options; **HB 1034**, concerning parks and recreation district levy “suppression”; and **HB 1058**, modifying the sales and use tax for cultural access programs. *Doug Levy, Mike Farrell (Monroe), Mary McCluskey (Poulsbo) TESTIFY in SUPPORT of 1025; sign in SUPPORT of 1034 – and Elaine Ott of Vashon Parks testifying. MONITOR 1058 for now.*

**House Children, Youth & Families, 10 a.m.** – Hearing on **HB 1213**, expanding accessible, affordable childcare and early childhood development programs. *MONITOR for now – my understanding is that the revenue component of this bill may be a statewide payroll tax proposal.*

**House Health Care & Wellness, 10 a.m.** – Hearing on **HB 1152**, supporting measures to create and restructure foundational public health services. *MONITOR.*

**Senate Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks, 1:30 p.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5159**, concerning payments in lieu of property taxes (“PILT”) by the Department of Fish & Wildlife. *MONITOR.*

**Senate Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation, 1:30 p.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5129**, concerning the possession of vapor, vapor products, tobacco and tobacco products by minors. *MONITOR.*

**House Environment & Energy, 1:30 p.m.** – Hearing on **HB 1117**, promoting salmon recovery through revisions to the state’s comprehensive growth management planning framework; and **HB 1125**, incentivizing investment in energy conservation and efficiency measures. *MONITOR both for now – 1117 has a “null and void” clause to help ensure that new actions called for in the bill must be funded.*

**Senate Transportation, 4 p.m.** – Hearing on **SB 5016**, tracked and wheeled all-terrain vehicles. *MONITOR (WRPA).*

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**Friday, January 22, 2021**

**House Labor & Workplace Standards, 8 a.m.** – Hearing on **HB 1076**, allowing whistleblowers to bring actions on behalf of the state for violations of workplace protections. *MONITOR now though I will seek further review of this bill, which could be a cause for concern.*