

Washington Recreation & Park Association

End of Week 5 Report – Sunday, February 16, 2025

Sunday, February 16 marks day 35 of the 2025 Legislative Session. Committees are still holding hearings on bills as well as scheduling bills for executive action, which is the action of voting bills out of committees to move them along in the process. Bills are continuously being amended and revised as they move through the process, which requires ongoing monitoring and review. Less than one week remains until the first legislative deadline – February 21 – where all policy bills must be voted out of their policy committee to remain *alive* this session. Bills in fiscal committees face a similar deadline a week later, on February 28.

Feb. 21 - Day 40	Policy cutoff in house of origin - last day to pass bills out of the policy committees in the chamber they were introduced
Feb. 28 - Day 47	Fiscal cutoff in house of origin - last day to pass bills out of fiscal committees in the chamber they were introduced
Mar. 12 - Day 59	House of origin cutoff - last day to pass bills out of the chamber they were introduced (House bills out of House, Senate bills out of Senate). 5pm deadline
Apr. 2 - Day 80	Opposite house policy cutoff – all bills from the other chamber must pass out of the policy committees
Apr. 8 - Day 86	Opposite house fiscal cutoff – all bills from other chamber must pass out of the fiscal committees
Apr. 16 - Day 94	Last day to pass opposite chamber bills. 5pm deadline
Apr. 27 - Day 105	Last day of the regular session - Sine Die!

Please see below for a list of bills that are being tracked for you, as well as when those bills are scheduled for official action.

Upcoming Events

Finance (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/18 @ 8:00am

- [HB 1882](#) - Public Hearing - Imposing an additional temporary state tax on lodging. (Remote Testimony Available).
- [HB 1261](#) - Exec Session - Providing tax relief for certain incidental uses on open space land.

Local Government (House) - HHR E and Virtual JLOB - 2/18 @ 10:30am

- [HB 1684](#) - Exec Session - Concerning water recreation facilities.

Transportation (Senate) - SHR 1 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 2/18 @ 4:00pm

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- [SB 5726](#) - Public Hearing - Establishing new sources of transportation revenue based on motor vehicle use of public roadways. (Remote Testimony Available).

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 2/18 @ 4:00pm

- [SSB 5203](#) - Public Hearing - Ensuring connectivity for Washington wildlife through safe passages. (Remote Testimony Available).

Local Government (House) - HHR E and Virtual JLOB - 2/19 @ 8:00am

- [HB 1684](#) - Exec Session - Concerning water recreation facilities.

Transportation (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 2/19 @ 4:00pm

- [HB 1774](#) - Exec Session - Modifying allowable terms for the lease of unused highway land. (Support)
- [HB 1923](#) - Public Hearing - Increasing the availability of passenger-only ferries by establishing the mosquito fleet act. (Remote Testimony Available).

Capital Budget (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 2/20 @ 1:30pm

- [HB 1024](#) - Exec Session - Concerning the leasing authority of the state parks and recreation commission at St. Edward State Park.

Finance (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/20 @ 1:30pm

Agriculture & Natural Resources (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 2/21 @ 10:30am

- [HB 1955](#) - Public Hearing - Encouraging youth participation in fishing and shellfishing. (Remote Testimony Available).

Local Government (House) - HHR E and Virtual JLOB - 2/21 @ 10:30am

- [HB 1684](#) - Exec Session - Concerning water recreation facilities.

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SHB 1024 (SSB 5300)	St. Edward state park	Concerning the leasing authority of the state parks and recreation commission at St. Edward State Park.	H Cap Budget	Kloba		

SHB 1037 (SB 5053)	PFD formation	Concerning public facilities district formation.	H Finance	Dent		
HB 1042	County treasurer costs	Authorizing cost recovery for county treasurers.	H Finance	Wylie		
SHB 1057	Access to federal funds	Promoting economic development by increasing support for local communities to access federal funds.	H Approps	Barnard		
HB 1148	Youth athletics/sales tax	Exempting goods and services provided by youth athletic facilities from sales and use tax.	H Finance	Schmidt		
SHB 1182	Parks & rec./interest arb.	Granting interest arbitration to certain parks and recreation commission employees.	H Approps	Paul		
HB 1197 (SB 5166)	Operating budget, supp.	Making 2023-2025 fiscal biennium second supplemental operating appropriations.	H Approps	Ormsby		
HB 1198 (SB 5167)	Operating budget	Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium operating appropriations.	H Approps	Ormsby		
HB 1216 (SB 5195)	Capital budget	Concerning the capital budget.	H Cap Budget	Tharinger		
HB 1227 (SB 5161)	Transportation budget	Making transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.	H Transportation	Fey		
HB 1261 (SB 5479)	Open space incidental use	Providing tax relief for certain incidental uses on open space land.	H Finance	Low		
HB 1288	Climate funding/outdoor rec.	Concerning environmental leadership through outdoor recreation and climate adaptation investments.	H Env & Energy	Dye		
HB 1334	Property tax revenue growth	Modifying the annual regular property tax revenue growth limit.	H Finance	Pollet	Support	
HB 1380	Public property regulations	Allowing objectively reasonable regulation of the utilization of public property.	H Approps	Gregerson		Monitoring
SHB 1437 (SSB 5492)	Tourism promotion	Concerning sustainable state tourism promotion.	H Approps	Walen		
HB 1515	Alcohol service in public	Modernizing the regulation of alcohol service in public spaces.	H ConsPro&Bus	Reed		

HB 1526	Snack bar liquor licenses	Modifying the snack bar liquor license.	H Rules R	Schmick		
HB 1684 (SB 5597)	Water recreation facilities	Concerning water recreation facilities.	H Local Govt	Thai		
HB 1734	Outdoor learning grants	Concerning outdoor learning grants to expand and improve the delivery of outdoor learning opportunities.	H Cap Budget	Rule		
HB 1774	Lease of unused highway land	Modifying allowable terms for the lease of unused highway land.	H Transportation	Fey	Support	
HB 1814	SEPA/trails and paths	Streamlining certain decisions pertaining to the development or extension of a trail or path from the state environmental policy act.	H LGDP	Fitzgibbon		
HB 1882	State tax on lodging	Imposing an additional temporary state tax on lodging.	H Finance	Cortes		
HB 1921 (SB 5726)	Transportation revenue	Establishing new sources of transportation revenue based on motor vehicle use of public roadways.	H Transportation	Fey		
HB 1923	Passenger-only ferries	Increasing the availability of passenger-only ferries by establishing the mosquito fleet act.	H Transportation	Nance		
HB 1955	Fishing & shellfishing/youth	Encouraging youth participation in fishing and shellfishing.	H Ag&Nr	Rule		
SB 5053 (SHB 1037)	PFD formation	Concerning public facilities district formation.	S Loc Gov	Warnick		
SSB 5098	Weapons in certain areas	Restricting the possession of weapons on the premises of state or local public buildings, parks or playground facilities where children are likely to be present, and county fairs and county fair facilities.	S Transportation	Valdez		
SB 5161 (HB 1227)	Transportation budget	Making transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.	S Transportation	Lias		
SB 5166 (HB 1197)	Operating budget, supp.	Making 2023-2025 fiscal biennium second supplemental operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Robinson		

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SB 5167 (HB 1198)	Operating budget	Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Robinson		
SB 5195 (HB 1216)	Capital budget	Concerning the capital budget.	S Ways & Means	Trudeau		
SSB 5203	Wildlife safe passages	Ensuring connectivity for Washington wildlife through safe passages.	S Ways & Means	Salomon		
SSB 5300 (SHB 1024)	St. Edward state park	Concerning the leasing authority of the state parks and recreation commission at St. Edward State Park.	S Rules 2	Stanford		
SB 5390 (HB 1914)	Discover pass, day-use cost	Updating the cost of the discover pass and day-use permits.	S Ways & Means	Stanford		
SB 5479 (HB 1261)	Open space incidental use	Providing tax relief for certain incidental uses on open space land.	S Ag & Natural Re	Lias		
SSB 5492 (SHB 1437)	Tourism promotion	Concerning sustainable state tourism promotion.	S 2nd Reading	Riccelli		
SB 5597 (HB 1684)	Water recreation facilities	Concerning water recreation facilities.	S Health & Long-	Harris		
SB 5726 (HB 1921)	Transportation revenue	Establishing new sources of transportation revenue based on motor vehicle use of public roadways.	S Transportation	Ramos		