

Washington Recreation & Park Association

End of Week 7 Report – Sunday, March 2, 2025

Friday, February 28 marked the 47th day and second cut-off of the 2025 Legislative Session. Cut-off dates play a critical role in the legislative process by shrinking the universe of total bills under consideration. Any bill that has not made it out of a policy and/or fiscal committee is considered *dead* and no longer eligible to move forward this year, unless the bill has fiscal implications or is considered *Necessary to Implement the Budget*.

After a bill moves out of a policy or fiscal committee, its final stop prior to a vote of the full Senate or House is the Rules Committee. In Washington, this is a two-step process to determine which bills will be placed on the floor calendar and eligible for a vote of the full chamber. Unlike other standing committees, when a Rules meeting is called, each member of the committee is given a predetermined number of bills to “move” through the Rules Committee. There are also “package pulls” to move bills along that are determined by leadership. If a bill does not move out of the Rules Committee, that bill will “die” in Rules.

The next ten days, the Legislature will be focused on passing bills out of their house of origin and will spend their time on the House and Senate floor. At this time, any legislator may introduce amendments to bills being considered. The deadline to pass bills out of the house of origin is 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 12.

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. Bills that are in Rules or on the floor calendar may be brought for a vote on the floor of the House or Senate chamber over the next ten days.

Upcoming Events

Agriculture & Natural Resources (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 3/6 @ 8:00am

- [HB 1508](#) - Public Hearing - Expanding revenue generation and economic opportunities from natural climate solutions and ecosystem services. (Remote Testimony Available).

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
2SHB 1024 (SSB 5300)	St. Edward state park	Concerning the leasing authority of the state parks and recreation commission at St. Edward State Park.	H 2nd Reading	Kloba		
2SHB 1037 (SSB 5053)	PFD formation	Concerning public facilities district formation.	H Rules R	Dent		
HB 1042 (Dead)	County treasurer costs	Authorizing cost recovery for county treasurers.	H Finance	Wylie		
SHB 1057 (Dead)	Access to federal funds	Promoting economic development by increasing support for local communities to access federal funds.	H Approps	Barnard		
HB 1148 (Dead)	Youth athletics/sales tax	Exempting goods and services provided by youth athletic facilities from sales and use tax.	H Finance	Schmidt		
SHB 1182 (Dead)	Parks & rec./interest arb.	Granting interest arbitration to certain parks and recreation commission employees.	H Approps	Paul		
HB 1197 (Dead) (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		
SHB 1261 (SB 5479)	Open space incidental use	Providing tax relief for certain incidental uses on open space land.	H Rules R	Low		
HB 1288 (Dead)	Climate funding/outdoor rec.	Concerning environmental leadership through outdoor recreation and climate adaptation investments.	H Env & Energy	Dye		

HB 1334 (Dead)	Property tax revenue growth	Modifying the annual regular property tax revenue growth limit.	H Finance	Pollet	Support	
SHB 1380	Public property regulations	Allowing objectively reasonable regulation of the utilization of public property.	H Rules R	Gregerson		Monitoring
SHB 1437 (Dead) (SSB 5492)	Tourism promotion	Concerning sustainable state tourism promotion.	H Approps	Walen		
HB 1508 (Dead)	Ecosystem services	Expanding revenue generation and economic opportunities from natural climate solutions and ecosystem services.	H Ag&Nr	Reeves		
2SHB 1515	Alcohol service in public	Modernizing the regulation of alcohol service in public spaces.	H Rules R	Reed		
HB 1526	Snack bar liquor licenses	Modifying the snack bar liquor license.	H Rules R	Schmick		
SHB 1684 (SB 5597)	Water recreation facilities	Concerning water recreation facilities.	H Rules R	Thai	Concerns	
HB 1734 (Dead)	Outdoor learning grants	Concerning outdoor learning grants to expand and improve the delivery of outdoor learning opportunities.	H Cap Budget	Rule		
SHB 1774	Lease of unused highway land	Modifying allowable terms for the lease of unused highway land.	H 2nd Reading	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 Rules R	Fitzgibbon		
HB 1882 (Dead)	State tax on lodging	Imposing an additional temporary state tax on lodging.	H Finance	Cortes		
HB 1921 (Dead) (SB 5726)	Transportation revenue	Establishing new sources of transportation revenue based on motor vehicle use of public roadways.	H Transportation	Fey		
SHB 1923	Passenger-only ferries	Increasing the availability of passenger-only ferries by establishing the mosquito fleet act.	H TRDPS	Nance		
HB 1932 (Dead)	Cannabis consumption	Authorizing cannabis consumption in regulated environments.	H ConsPro&Bus	Morgan		

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HB 1955 (Dead)	Fishing & shellfishing/youth	Encouraging youth participation in fishing and shellfishing.	H Ag&Nr	Rule		
SSB 5053 (Dead) (2SHB 1037)	PFD formation	Concerning public facilities district formation.	S Ways & Means	Warnick		
2SSB 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 Rules 2	Valdez		Monitoring
SB 5161 (HB 1227)	Transportation budget	Making transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.	S Transportation	Liias		
SB 5166 (Dead) (HB 1197)	Operating budget, supp.	Making 2023-2025 fiscal biennium second supplemental operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Robinson		
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 (Dead)	Wildlife safe passages	Ensuring connectivity for Washington wildlife through safe passages.	S Ways & Means	Salomon		
SSB 5300 (2SHB 1024)	St. Edward state park	Concerning the leasing authority of the state parks and recreation commission at St. Edward State Park.	S Passed 3rd	Stanford		
SSB 5390 (HB 1914)	Discover pass, day-use cost	Updating the cost of the discover pass and day-use permits.	S Rules 2	Stanford		
SB 5479 (Dead) (SHB 1261)	Open space incidental use	Providing tax relief for certain incidental uses on open space land.	S Ways & Means	Liias		
SSB 5492 (SHB 1437)	Tourism promotion	Concerning sustainable state tourism promotion.	S Passed 3rd	Riccelli		
SB 5597 (Dead) (SHB 1684)	Water recreation facilities	Concerning water recreation facilities.	S Health & Long-T	Harris		
SB 5726 (Dead) (HB 1921)	Transportation revenue	Establishing new sources of transportation revenue based on motor vehicle use of public roadways.	S Transportation	Ramos		

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