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The 2015 session of the Washington State Legislature has reached its halfway point. Wednesday of this week marked the date that all bills need to be passed out of their House of origin. Next week committee action begins on the bills passed over from the opposite House. Committee hearings on non-fiscal bills will continue until March 31.

This week's report reflects those bills still in consideration by the legislature. Those bills not moving are now at the end of the report and reflected as "dead bills". The status of these bills can always change, and they could later show up as amendments to other bills that are still moving. We will keep them on the report in order to continue to follow these measures as well.

In addition, any bills related to the budget remain active as well.

SB 5501-Animal Cruelty has passed the Senate and will be considered in the House Judiciary Committee soon.

The House Democrats have passed bills to increase the minimum wage to \$12.00 over four years and to require employers of over 4 full time employees to provide paid sick leave. It is unclear if the Senate will act on these proposals. The minimum wage advocates are threatening an initiative if the issue is not addressed by the legislature.

Upcoming Events

3/13/2015	Finance (House)	HHR A @ 8:00am	HB 2150 - Public Hearing - Reforming the business and occupation tax to provide fairness and administrative simplicity.
3/16/2015	Health Care (Senate)	SHR 4 @ 10:00am	HB 1339 - Public Hearing - Allowing the secretary of health to intercede and stay any decision of a disciplining authority that expands scope of practice.
3/16/2015	Health Care (Senate)	SHR 4 @ 10:00am	SHB 1002 - Public Hearing - Prohibiting unfair and deceptive dental insurance practices.
3/17/2015	Law & Justice (Senate)	SHR 4 @ 8:00am	SHB 1503 - Public Hearing - Concerning medical liens.
3/17/2015	Health Care (Senate)	SHR 4 @ 10:00am	SHB 1135 - Public Hearing - Concerning remediation plans for licensed health and health-related professions to resolve eligible complaints of unprofessional conduct.
3/17/2015	Judiciary (House)	HHR A @ 10:00am	SSB 5501 - Public Hearing - Preventing animal cruelty.
3/17/2015	Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (Senate)	SHR 4 @ 1:30pm	ESHB 1845 - Public Hearing - Concerning pharmaceutical waste.
3/18/2015	Health Care & Wellness	HHR A @ 1:30pm	ESSB 5557 - Public Hearing - Addressing services

	(House)		provided by pharmacists.
3/20/2015	Commerce & Labor (Senate)	SHR 1 @ 8:00am	HB 1014 - Public Hearing - Concerning antifreeze products.
3/20/2015	Health Care & Wellness (House)	HHR A @ 10:00am	SB 5606 - Public Hearing - Modifying provisions related to licensing and scope of practice for dental professionals.

Bill Tracking Overview

Bill #	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position
SHB 1002	Prohibiting unfair and deceptive dental insurance practices.	S Health Care	DeBolt	
HB 1014	Concerning antifreeze products.	S Commerce and La	Appleton	
SHB 1135 (SB 5754)	Concerning remediation plans for licensed health and health-related professions to resolve eligible complaints of unprofessional conduct.	S Health Care	Cody	
HB 1339	Allowing the secretary of health to intercede and stay any decision of a disciplining authority that expands scope of practice.	S Health Care	Cody	
SHB 1353 (SB 5726)	Requiring free infectious disease testing for good samaritans.	H Rules R	Robinson	
SHB 1354 (SB 5569)	Concerning the employee antiretaliation act.	H 2nd Reading	Ryu	
HB 1355 (SB 5285)	Increasing the minimum hourly wage to twelve dollars over four years.	S Commerce and La	Farrell	
HB 1356 (SB 5306)	Establishing minimum standards for sick and safe leave from employment.	S Commerce and La	Jinkins	
HB 1484 (SB 5699)	Enacting an excise tax on capital gains to improve the fairness of Washington's tax system and provide funding for the education legacy trust account.	H Finance	Jinkins	
SHB 1503	Concerning medical liens.	S Law & Justice	Jinkins	
SHB 1559 (SSB 5487)	Concerning higher education programs at Washington State University and the University of Washington.	S Higher Ed	Riccelli	
HB 1637 (SB 5290)	Authorizing law enforcement and prosecutorial officials of federally recognized Indian tribes access to prescription monitoring data.	S Health Care	Stokesbary	
SHB 1755 (SSB 5733)	Concerning livestock movement reporting.	H Rules R	Pettigrew	
ESHB 1845 (ESB 5577)	Concerning pharmaceutical waste.	S Energy, Environ	DeBolt	
HB 2150	Reforming the business and occupation tax to provide fairness and administrative simplicity.	H Finance	MacEwen	
HB 2168	Relating to fiscal matters.	H Approps	Hunter	
HB 2169	Relating to fiscal matters.	H Approps	Hunter	
HB 2179	Relating to revenue.	H Finance	Hunter	
HB 2180	Relating to revenue.	H Finance	Hunter	
SSB 5027 (ESHB 1103)	Providing access to the prescription drug monitoring database for clinical laboratories.	H HC/Wellness	Angel	
SB 5421	Creating a teen summer employment wage.	S Rules 2	Baumgartner	
SB 5422	Establishing a temporary teen training wage.	S Rules 2	Baumgartner	

SSB 5487 (SHB 1559)	Concerning higher education programs at Washington State University and the University of Washington.	H Hi Ed	Baumgartner	
SSB 5501	Preventing animal cruelty.	H Judiciary	Fain	
ESSB 5557	Addressing services provided by pharmacists.	H HC/Wellness	Parlette	
ESB 5577 (ESHB 1845)	Concerning pharmaceutical waste.	H Environment	Braun	
SB 5606 (HB 1384)	Modifying provisions related to licensing and scope of practice for dental professionals.	H HC/Wellness	Jayapal	
SB 5699 (HB 1484)	Enacting an excise tax on capital gains to improve the fairness of Washington's tax system and provide funding for the education legacy trust account.	S Ways & Means	Nelson	
SSB 5733 (SHB 1755)	Concerning livestock transaction reporting.	H Ag & Nat Res	Warnick	
ESSB 5915	Addressing fiscal notes and fiscal impact statements.	S Passed 3rd	Brown	
ESB 5935	Concerning biological products.	H HC/Wellness	Parlette	
SB 6049	Relating to fiscal matters.	S Ways & Means	Hill	
SB 6050	Relating to fiscal matters.	S Ways & Means	Hill	
SB 6057	Relating to revenue.	S Ways & Means	Hill	
SB 6061	Relating to revenue.	S Ways & Means	Hargrove	
SB 6063	Relating to revenue.	S Ways & Means	Ranker	
SB 6064	Relating to revenue.	S Ways & Means	Ranker	

Dead Bills

Bill #	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position
HB 1018	Preventing breed-based dog regulations.	H Judiciary	Appleton	
HB 1104	Creating the crime of interference with agricultural production.	H Public Safety	Schmick	
SHB 1131	Concerning ivory and rhinoceros horn trafficking.	H Gen Govt & Info	Pettigrew	
HB 1163	Concerning paid vacation leave.	H Labor	Tarleton	
SHB 1273	Implementing family and medical leave insurance.	H Approps	Robinson	
SHB 1340	Developing a process to allow pilot programs for health care professionals to learn new skills or roles, use existing skills in new circumstances, and accelerate training.	H Approps	Cody	
HB 1384	Modifying provisions related to licensing and scope of practice for dental professionals.	H HC/Wellness	Harris	
HB 1510	Requiring employers to reimburse employees for work-related expenses.	H Labor	Sells	
HB 1522	Establishing an intrastate meat inspection program.	H Approps	Taylor	
HB 1675	Concerning the prescription of biological products and interchangeable biological products.	H HC/Wellness	Sullivan	
HB 1679	Concerning biological products.	H HC/Wellness	Moeller	
HB 2080	Concerning fingerprint-based background checks for health professionals.	H Public Safety	Stanford	
HB 2119	Concerning consumer data privacy protection and the work of a task force to consider creating a consumer data privacy protection office.	H Finance	Smith	
HB 2134	Concerning the creation, extension, expansion, accountability, and transparency of state tax preferences.	H Finance	Carlyle	

SSB 5010	Restoring funding to the health professional loan repayment and scholarship program fund.	S Ways & Means	Frocket	
SB 5151	Concerning cultural competency education for health care professionals.	S Health Care	Keiser	
SB 5241	Concerning ivory and rhinoceros horn trafficking.	S Natural Resour	Litzow	
SB 5285	Increasing the minimum hourly wage to twelve dollars over four years.	S Commerce and L	Jayapal	
SB 5306	Establishing minimum standards for sick and safe leave from employment.	S Commerce and L	Habib	
SSB 5339	Creating a business and occupation tax deferral program for small businesses.	S Ways & Means	Padden	
SB 5459	Implementing family and medical leave insurance.	S Commerce and L	Keiser	
SB 5621	Concerning the definition of the practice of dentistry.	S Health Care	King	
SB 5666	Concerning cetacean captivity.	S Natural Resour	Ranker	
SB 5720	Concerning fingerprint-based background checks for health professionals.	S Health Care	Kohl-Welles	
SB 5754	Concerning remediation plans for licensed health and health-related professions to resolve eligible complaints of unprofessional conduct.	S Health Care	Keiser	
SB 5812	Creating the unlawful dog tethering act.	S Law & Justice	Chase	
SB 5821	Updating pharmacy provisions.	S Health Care	Rivers	
SB 5822	Updating pharmacy provisions.	S Health Care	Rivers	
SB 6036	Requiring certain health professionals to provide information on primary place of practice at the time of license renewal.	S Health Care	Hill	