

SIXTIETH DAY

MORNING SESSION

Senate Chamber, Olympia, Thursday, March 12, 2015

The Senate was called to order at 7:50 a.m. by President Owen. No roll call was taken.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was approved.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the Senate advanced to the fourth order of business.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

March 11, 2015

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House has passed:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1124,
 ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1211,
 SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1469,
 ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO.

1472,

HOUSE BILL NO. 1554,
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1585,
 ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1695,
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1819,
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1839,
 SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1919,
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 HOUSE BILL NO. 1977,
 HOUSE BILL NO. 1990,
 HOUSE BILL NO. 2046,
 HOUSE BILL NO. 2055,
 ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2190

and the same are herewith transmitted.

BERNARD DEAN, Deputy Chief Clerk

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the Senate advanced to the fifth order of business.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 6081 by Senators Baumgartner, Hasegawa, Conway and Braun

AN ACT Relating to creating a labor and industries ombuds within the department of commerce; adding new sections to chapter 43.330 RCW; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 1022 by Representatives Appleton and Goodman

AN ACT Relating to prohibiting general power of attorney provisions in bail bond agreements; and adding a new section to chapter 18.185 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

2SHB 1118 by House Committee on General Government & Information Technology (originally sponsored by Representative Blake)

AN ACT Relating to creating cost savings by providing administrative flexibility to the department of fish and wildlife in its implementation of Title 77 RCW while not directing any changes to resource management outcomes; amending RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.120, 77.04.150, 77.04.160, 77.12.068, 77.12.184, 77.12.360, 77.12.451, 77.12.670, 77.12.702, 77.12.755, 77.12.820, 77.12.880, 77.15.110, 77.15.245, 77.15.260, 77.15.620, 77.55.141, 77.55.241, 77.57.040, 77.57.060, 77.60.170, 77.65.560, 77.70.010, 77.70.210, 77.70.280, 77.70.360, 77.70.390, 77.85.020, 77.85.040, 77.85.130, 77.85.160, 77.85.220, 77.85.230, 77.95.020, 77.95.090, 77.95.190, 77.95.200, 77.95.230, 77.100.050, 77.100.060, and 77.115.010; reenacting and amending RCW 77.08.045, 77.85.140, and 77.08.010; and repealing RCW 77.12.605, 77.12.690, 77.12.710, and 77.65.900.

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources & Parks.

EHB 1187 by Representatives Chandler, Blake, Buys, Stanford, Hayes and Parker

AN ACT Relating to best practices for water banks; reenacting and amending RCW 90.42.020; adding new sections to chapter 90.42 RCW; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development.

HB 1232 by Representatives Chandler, Blake and McCabe

AN ACT Relating to employer-purchased fishing guide licenses; amending RCW 77.65.370 and 77.65.480; and adding a new section to chapter 77.65 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources & Parks.

SHB 1283 by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Parker, Kirby and Vick)

AN ACT Relating to nonprofit organizations engaged in debt adjusting; amending RCW 18.28.080 and 18.28.120; reenacting and amending RCW 18.28.010; and adding a new section to chapter 18.28 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

E2SHB 1320 by House Committee on General Government & Information Technology (originally sponsored by Representatives Goodman and Moscoso)

AN ACT Relating to creating an identicard program for certain incarcerated offenders; amending RCW 46.20.117 and 46.20.117; adding a new section to chapter 72.09 RCW; creating a new section; providing effective dates; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SHB 1337 by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Takko, Nealey, Springer, Zeiger, Tarleton and Chandler)

AN ACT Relating to increasing the flexibility for industrial development district levies for public port districts; amending RCW 53.25.040; adding a new section to chapter 53.36 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 84.55 RCW; creating new sections; repealing RCW 53.36.100 and 53.36.110; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

E2SHB 1368 by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Reykdal, Stokesbary, Van De Wege and Springer)

AN ACT Relating to removing disincentives to the voluntary formation of regional fire protection service authorities by equalizing certain provisions with existing laws governing fire protection districts and by clarifying the formation process; amending RCW 52.26.030, 52.26.220, 52.26.230, 84.52.043, 84.52.043, 84.52.125, and 84.55.092; reenacting and amending RCW 52.26.020; adding a new section to chapter 52.26 RCW; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

HB 1389 by Representatives Goodman, Griffey, Klippert, Van De Wege, Tarleton, Chandler, Morris, Lytton, Hayes and Moscoso

AN ACT Relating to the scope of state fire service mobilization and ensuring compliance with existing state and federal disaster response policies; amending RCW 43.43.960 and 43.43.961; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

ESHB 1420 by House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Wilcox, Springer, Magendanz, G. Hunt, Muri, Kirby, Takko, Kilduff and Hargrove)

AN ACT Relating to school siting and aiding school districts in reducing overall school construction costs; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SHB 1430 by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Walkinshaw, Holy, Clibborn and McBride)

AN ACT Relating to Washington state tree special license plates; amending RCW 46.68.420; reenacting and amending RCW 46.18.200, 46.17.220, and 46.18.060; adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

HB 1465 by Representatives MacEwen, Hudgins and Ormsby
AN ACT Relating to creating a dedicated account for elevators, lifting devices, moving walks, manufactured and mobile homes, recreational and commercial vehicles, factory built housing and commercial structures, and contractor

registration and compliance activities; amending RCW 70.87.210; adding a new section to chapter 18.27 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.22 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 51.44 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

EHB 1513 by Representatives Springer, Fitzgibbon, Gregerson and McBride

AN ACT Relating to local infrastructure project areas; and amending RCW 39.108.010, 39.108.070, 39.108.120, 39.108.130, 39.108.140, and 39.108.150.

Referred to Committee on Trade & Economic Development.

E2SHB 1546 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Reykdal, Pollet, Springer, Bergquist, S. Hunt, Lytton, Tarleton, Wylie and McBride)

AN ACT Relating to dual credit opportunities provided by Washington state's public institutions of higher education; amending RCW 28A.600.290, 28A.600.310, 28A.600.320, and 28A.300.118; and reenacting and amending RCW 28B.95.020 and 28B.95.030.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SHB 1551 by House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Ryu, Haler, Kagi, Gregerson and Wylie)

AN ACT Relating to improving the administration of unclaimed property laws; amending RCW 63.29.020, 63.29.140, 63.29.170, 63.29.180, 63.29.290, 63.29.300, and 63.29.340; reenacting and amending RCW 63.29.190; adding new sections to chapter 63.29 RCW; creating a new section; and providing a contingent effective date.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

SHB 1564 by House Committee on Commerce & Gaming (originally sponsored by Representatives Kilduff and Muri)

AN ACT Relating to the local option prohibition on the sale of liquor; and amending RCW 66.40.010 and 66.40.030.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

HB 1605 by Representatives Peterson, Van De Wege, Griffey, Riccelli and Fitzgibbon

AN ACT Relating to benefit charges of fire protection districts and regional fire protection service authorities; and amending RCW 52.26.220, 52.26.230, 84.55.092, and 52.18.050.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

HB 1620 by Representatives Tharinger, Fey, Lytton, Van De Wege, Stanford, Fitzgibbon, Walkinshaw, Cody, Pollet and Jinkins

AN ACT Relating to increasing the surcharge to fund biotoxin testing and monitoring; and amending RCW 77.32.555.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

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HB 1647 by Representatives Cody, Takko, Tharinger, Robinson, Blake, Appleton, Hunter, Kilduff, Kagi, Fitzgibbon, Ormsby, Wylie, S. Hunt, Reykdal, Goodman, Moscoso, Riccelli, Pollet, Walkinshaw, McBride and Jinkins

AN ACT Relating to improving access to reproductive health; adding new sections to chapter 48.43 RCW; and creating new sections.

Referred to Committee on Health Care.

SHB 1651 by House Committee on Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Ryu, Goodman, Rodne, Griffey, Van Werven, Wylie, Moscoso, Ormsby and Santos)

AN ACT Relating to human trafficking definitions; and amending RCW 19.320.010.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

SHB 1676 by House Committee on General Government & Information Technology (originally sponsored by Representatives Short, Lytton, Kretz and Blake)

AN ACT Relating to understanding the effects of predation on wild ungulate populations; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

HB 1704 by Representatives Pettigrew, Haler, Reykdal, Zeiger, Tarleton, Sells, Pollet, Klippert, Appleton, Goodman, Santos, Fey and Hudgins

AN ACT Relating to enhancing public safety and reducing recidivism through postsecondary education; amending RCW 72.09.460 and 72.09.465; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

HB 1720 by Representatives Robinson, Peterson, Stanford, Riccelli, Gregerson, Senn, Appleton, Ortiz-Self, Tarleton, Jinkins and Santos

AN ACT Relating to healthy housing; and amending RCW 70.164.010, 70.164.020, and 70.164.040.

Referred to Committee on Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SHB 1730 by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Kirby and Vick)

AN ACT Relating to the handling of earnest money; amending RCW 4.28.080; and adding a new section to chapter 64.04 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

ESHB 1761 by House Committee on Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Stanford, Vick, Kirby, Parker, Ryu, G. Hunt, Blake, Santos and Hurst)

AN ACT Relating to insurance producers, insurers, and title insurance agents activities with customers and potential customers; amending RCW 48.30.140 and 48.30.150; and adding new sections to chapter 48.30 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1771 by Representatives Gregory, Magendanz, Lytton, Muri and Pollet

AN ACT Relating to the professional educator standards board as an authorized representative of the state educational agencies; amending RCW 28A.410.210; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SHB 1790 by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Springer, Muri, Ortiz-Self and Reykdal)

AN ACT Relating to clarifying the authority of a nurse working in a school setting; adding a new section to chapter 28A.210 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

HB 1804 by Representatives Springer, Magendanz, Lytton, Muri and Reykdal

AN ACT Relating to confidentiality of educator professional growth plans; and amending RCW 42.56.250.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

E2SHB 1807 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Condotta and Hurst)

AN ACT Relating to assisting small businesses licensed to sell spirits in Washington state; amending RCW 66.24.630; adding a new section to chapter 66.28 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

ESHB 1808 by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Stanford, Manweller, Blake, Orcutt, Ryu, Zeiger, Moscoso, Harris, Appleton, Wilcox, Takko, Haler, Pollet, Kochmar, Ormsby, Holy, Vick, Fey, Sells, Dunshee, Hayes, Farrell, S. Hunt, Reykdal and Van De Wege)

AN ACT Relating to passenger-carrying vehicles for railroad employees; amending RCW 81.61.010, 81.61.020, and 81.61.040; and adding new sections to chapter 81.61 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

HB 1817 by Representatives Shea, Taylor, Holy, Scott, Griffey, Reykdal and Condotta

AN ACT Relating to liability immunity for local jurisdictions when wheeled all-terrain vehicles are operated on public roadways; and amending RCW 46.09.457.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

HB 1821 by Representatives Sullivan, Manweller, Condotta, Orwall, Blake, Fitzgibbon and Gregerson

AN ACT Relating to industrial insurance requirements and options for owners and lessees of for hire vehicles, limousines, and taxicabs; amending RCW 51.12.020, 51.12.185, and 81.72.240; and repealing RCW 46.72.073, 46.72A.053, 51.12.180, 51.12.183, 51.16.240, and 81.72.230.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

SHB 1830 by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representative Muri)

AN ACT Relating to Washington state wrestling special license plates; amending RCW 46.68.420; reenacting and amending RCW 46.18.200, 46.17.220, and 46.18.060; adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

ESHB 1844 by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Moscoso, Kochmar, Clibborn, Fey, Appleton, Ortiz-Self and Tarleton)

AN ACT Relating to work performed by state forces on ferry vessels and terminals; amending RCW 47.28.030; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

E2SHB 1850 by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Hayes, Clibborn, Orcutt, Takko, Harmsworth, Riccelli, Rodne, Bergquist, Wilson, Robinson, Smith, Muri and Magendanz)

AN ACT Relating to improving the efficiency of conducting certain department of transportation actions by exempting these actions from obtaining local reviews or permits under the shoreline management act; amending RCW 90.58.355; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications.

SHB 1851 by House Committee on Environment (originally sponsored by Representatives Hayes, Bergquist, Zeiger, Takko, Harmsworth, Wilson, Griffey, Hargrove, Smith and Magendanz)

AN ACT Relating to expedited permitting and contracting for bridges owned by local governments that are deemed structurally deficient; amending RCW 47.28.170; adding a new section to chapter 43.21C RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 39.04 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

HB 1918 by Representatives Shea, Orcutt, Hayes and Scott

AN ACT Relating to provisions applicable to off-road, nonhighway, and wheeled all-terrain vehicles and their drivers; and amending RCW 38.52.180, 46.09.320, 46.09.442, and 46.09.457.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

EHB 1943 by Representatives Shea, Goodman, McCaslin and Scott

AN ACT Relating to improving home detention accountability to better protect the public; amending RCW 9.94A.030, 9.94A.734, 10.21.030, 9.94A.505, and 9A.76.130; adding new sections to chapter 9.94A RCW; adding a new section to chapter 10.21 RCW; prescribing penalties; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

ESHB 1980 by House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representative Springer)

AN ACT Relating to implementing recommendations of the sunshine committee; amending RCW 42.56.230, and 70.148.060; reenacting and amending RCW 42.56.240 and 42.56.330; adding new sections to chapter 38.52 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

HB 2010 by Representatives Takko, Reykdal and Buys

AN ACT Relating to appeal procedures for single-family homeowners with failing septic systems required to connect to public sewer systems; adding a new section to chapter 35.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35A.21 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 36.01 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

SHB 2017 by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Klippert, Cody, Blake, Dent, Hayes, Fagan and Kretz)

AN ACT Relating to Washington farmers and ranchers special license plates; amending RCW 46.68.420; reenacting and amending RCW 46.18.200, 46.17.220, and 46.18.060; adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

2SHB 2041 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Hansen and Pollet)

AN ACT Relating to the creation of a pilot project on performance-based scholarships in the state need grant; adding a new section to chapter 28B.92 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

2SHB 2063 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Kilduff, Kagi, Jinkins, Springer, Hunter, Ormsby, Tharinger and Tarleton)

AN ACT Relating to the creation of the Washington achieving a better life experience program; and creating new sections.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

EHB 2084 by Representative Hunter

AN ACT Relating to imposing fines, withholding taxes, and other measures to encourage local jurisdictions to timely file state-required reports; amending RCW 36.96.010, 43.09.230, 57.90.010, 68.52.290, 27.12.050, 84.52.063, and 36.69.145; and adding a new section to chapter 43.09 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

ESHB 2093 by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Kretz, Short, Blake, Buys and Condotta)

AN ACT Relating to wildland fire suppression; amending RCW 76.04.015; reenacting and amending RCW 76.04.005; adding a new section to chapter 43.30 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 76.04 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

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Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SHB 2107 by House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Kretz, Blake, Short, Dent and Schmick)

AN ACT Relating to requiring the department of fish and wildlife to update the 2011 wolf conservation and management plan to ensure the establishment of a self-sustaining population of gray wolves while also ensuring social tolerance of wolf recovery; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of House Bill No. 1022 and House Bill No. 1704 which were referred to the Committee on Law & Justice.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the Senate advanced to the eighth order of business.

MOTION

Senator Fain moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION
8636

By Senators Kohl-Welles, Ericksen, Ranker, Fraser, McCoy, Sheldon, Warnick, Hobbs, Bailey, Chase, Hatfield, Hargrove, Nelson, Fain, and Pearson

WHEREAS, The Washington state commercial fishing fleet begins leaving in March for the Pacific and Alaskan waters, and the Blessing of the Fleet will occur March 15, 2015, at Fisherman's Terminal in Ballard; and

WHEREAS, This is the 87th year that the Ballard First Lutheran Church has held the blessing and the 19th year that Pastor Erik Wilson Weiberg has offered the blessing; and

WHEREAS, The Washington state commercial fishing fleet begins leaving Blaine waters in May, and this is the 32nd year that the Blessing of the Fleet will occur in Blaine Harbor, this year at Blaine Boating Center on May 3, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Washington state commercial fishing fleet begins leaving Bellingham waters in May, and this is the 40th year that the Blessing of the Fleet will occur in Bellingham, this year at Zuanich Point Park in Squalicum Harbor on May 16, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Washington state commercial fishing fleet is one of the world's largest distant water fleets; and

WHEREAS, The commercial fishing industry directly and indirectly employs thousands of people and is one of the largest industries in Washington state; and

WHEREAS, The harvest annually contributes significantly to the Washington state economy; and

WHEREAS, The life of a fisher is fraught with danger and hardship that most people will never face, as a fisher chooses to work on the sea, braving the elements in order to harvest the ocean's resources; and

WHEREAS, The men and women who work on fishing boats, at times in dangerous circumstances, deserve our admiration, thanks, and, when tragedy strikes, our remembrance; and

WHEREAS, Too often fishers lose their lives, devastating not only the close-knit community of fishing families in our region, but also our entire state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate extend its condolences to the families and friends of all our fishers who have lost their lives at sea, wish the entire commercial fishing fleet a safe and prosperous season, and express its hope that all of our fishers will return home safely to their families, friends, and communities.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8636.

The motion by Senator Fain carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

Senator Fain moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION
8629

By Senators Chase, Roach, Miloscia, Schoesler, Becker, Parlette, Dandel, Hill, Pearson, Bailey, Braun, Fain, Warnick, Angel, Benton, Litzow, Sheldon, Ericksen, O'Ban, Baumgartner, Darneille, Conway, Hewitt, Honeyford, Hasegawa, Liias, McCoy, Keiser, Mullet, Hobbs, Pedersen, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, Fraser, Nelson, Rolfes, Billig, Cleveland, Jayapal, and Brown

WHEREAS, In 2014, many households in Washington State struggled to provide enough food for their family; and

WHEREAS, According to the United States Department of Agriculture, 14.3 percent of the population of Washington State experiences food insecurity, with 5.6 percent of those experiencing very low food security; and

WHEREAS, Children are more likely to experience hunger than the population as a whole; and

WHEREAS, In 2014, the National Association of Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive collected 72.5 million pounds of donated food nationwide, and distributed it to 10,000 cities and towns across America; and

WHEREAS, According to Food Lifeline, in 2014, 1,697,265 pounds of donated food were collected in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, The National Association of Letter Carriers continues to work to alleviate the challenges of hunger in Washington State through its 23rd annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive; and

WHEREAS, The food drive's 2015 motto is, "If we all work together we can deliver a whole bag full of hope!"; and

WHEREAS, On May 9, 2015, the second Saturday of May, letter carriers will collect donations to the food banks and pantries in their communities, at a time when pantries start running out of donations received during the holiday season;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate support the observation of May 9, 2015, as Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive Day in Washington, and urge all Washingtonians to join in this special observance.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8629.

The motion by Senator Fain carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

Senator Fain moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION
8638

By Senators Bailey, Honeyford, Fain, Baumgartner, Hill, Ericksen, Ranker, Billig, Cleveland, Dansel, Hewitt, Braun, Hargrove, King, Conway, O'Ban, Padden, Hasegawa, Rolfes, and Hatfield

WHEREAS, Every April, stunning tulips welcome the beginning of another beautiful spring in Skagit; and

WHEREAS, The beautiful Skagit Valley is the Northwest's tulip capital and the premier producer of tulip bulbs in North America; and

WHEREAS, The Skagit Valley Tulip Festival kicks off the festival season in Washington; and

WHEREAS, Nearly half a million people visited the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival last year, participating in the great pleasure of the event and significantly contributing to the economy of the Skagit Valley; and

WHEREAS, This year's 32nd annual festival will run from April 1st through 30th, focusing on the communities of Sedro-Woolley, Burlington, Anacortes, La Conner, Mount Vernon, Concrete, and Conway; and

WHEREAS, Visitors will be welcomed by the millions of tulips reflecting all the beauty of the region and its wonderful people; and

WHEREAS, This year's Tulip Festival Ambassadors, Chloe Cunningham and Graham Rawson, will capably perform their duties as representatives of the festival; and

WHEREAS, Highlights of the event include the Mount Vernon Street Fair, PACCAR Open House, the Anacortes Spring

Wine Festival, including many Skagit County wineries and breweries, RoozenGaarde, Tulip Town, the Kiwanis Salmon Barbecue, art shows, bike rides, foot races, and much, much, more;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate salute all the communities of the Skagit Valley, their chambers of commerce, the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival ambassadors, and the Tulip Festival Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate commend the community leaders and corporate sponsors for the immense success of this event and encourage citizens from across Washington to take the time to enjoy this remarkable display; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Cindy Verge, Executive Director of the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival, who has most aptly served the citizens of Skagit since first joining the festival in 1999, and Chloe Cunningham and Graham Rawson, Tulip Festival ambassadors.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8638.

The motion by Senator Fain carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

MOTION

At 7:54 a.m., on motion of Senator Fain, the Senate adjourned until 12:30 p.m. Friday, March 13, 2015.

BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate

HUNTER G. GOODMAN, Secretary of the Senate

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