



2006 Legislative Session Review

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Short Quiz

Salmon Runs

10,177

233,517

57,634

Year

1934

2004

1996





Short Quiz

Hydropower

National

7 %

Washington

70 %

New Mexico

1 %





Short Quiz

Public Power Customers

National 14 %

Washington 50 %

New Mexico 8 %





State Legislature

Senate

Democrats	26
Republicans	23

House

Democrats	56*
Republicans	42

*Representative Rodney Tom switched parties from Republican to Democrat after session ended. The count last session was 55/43.





2006 Total Legislation

2640 – Bills Introduced

391 (14.8%) – Bills Passed





Some that made it through the process . . .

Energy

- *HB 1010 – Integrated Resource Plans (IRP) Signed by Governor.*
- *HB 1020 – Transmission Siting Signed by Governor.*
- *HB 2402 – Expedited Transmission Siting Signed by Governor.*
- *HB 2352 – Net Metering Signed by Governor.*
- *HB 2348 – Aluminum Smelters Signed by Governor.*





Some that made it through the process . . .

Water

- *HB 2860 – Columbia River Signed by Governor, C 6 L 06.*
- *HB 3316 – Columbia River Bond Bill Signed by Governor.*
- *SB 6581 – Hanford Reach study Delivered to Governor.*
- *SB 6369 – Small Water System Tax Exemption Delivered to Governor.*

Authority

- *HB 2713 – Special Districts' Positions on Ballot Measures Signed by Governor.*

Human Resources

- *SB 6185 – Modifying the family and medical leave act C 59 L 06*





And a few that didn't make it . . .

- **HB 2679/SB 6445** – Rule of 90
- **HB 2609** – Public utility tax
- **SB 6763** – Recognizing hydropower as a renewable resource
- **Raid** on the Public Works Trust Fund





Interim Outlook

- Ballot measure
- Elections
- Implementation of Columbia River Water Bill
- Eminent Domain
- Tours/Education





Thank you.

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