2023 State Legislative Session Update



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Why we're here today

- Update on the 2023 session
- Update on bills of interest

For Board information only – no decisions



Overview

- Day 29 of the 105-day session
- 1,423 bills introduced as of Feb. 2
- Feb. 17 Committee of origin policy bill cutoff
- Feb. 24 Policy bills out of fiscal committees
- March 8 Bills out of House of origin
- April 23 Anticipate ending on time



Top 2023 Legislative Priorities

• SB 5039/HB 1032 – Wildfire mitigation planning

- -- Hearings in House and Senate
- -- Utilities submitted proposed changes
- -- New language from Rep. Dent and Sen. Rolfes

• SB 5165/HB 1192 – Transmission planning

- -- Hearings in House and Senate
- -- Utilities engaging with sponsors

• SB 5380/HB 1216 – Clean energy siting

- -- Hearings in House and Senate
- -- Utilities engaging with sponsors

• SB 5366/HB1329 – High heat disconnect moratorium

- -- Hearings in House and Senate
- -- Chelan PUD and other utilities shared concerns
- -- Expecting new language from Rep. Mena before committee votes this week

• HB 1117 – Grid reliability

- -- Hearing in House
- -- No vote scheduled and no Senate companion



Other Issues

- SB 5145 Recreational use
- HB 1427 Net metering
- HB 1542 Automated external defibrillators
- SB 5094 Climate resilience in water system plans
- SB 5577 Broadband funding
- SB 5562 PSE decarbonization



Questions?

