

2022 State Legislative Session Update

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Why we're here today

- Update on the 2022 session
- Update on bills of interest

For Board information only – no decisions

Overview

- Day 29 of the 60-day session
- Feb. 3 - Committee of origin policy bill cutoff
- Feb. 7 - Policy bills out of fiscal committees
- Feb. 15 - Bills out of House of origin
- Anticipate ending on time - March 10

Budget Issues

- No information on federal funding allocations from coronavirus and infrastructure laws
- \$100 million for customer arrearages associated with the COVID pandemic in Operating budget
- Broadband funding
- Budget discussions to ramp up now that policy cutoff has past
- Considerable effort on a transportation budget

Top 2022 Legislative Priorities

- SB 5803 - Wildfire liability
 - Referred to Ways and Means
- HB 1931 - Water power license fees
 - Awaiting referral to Rules
- Salmon protection and restoration
 - HB 1838/SB 5727 - Salmon habitat (both now dead)
 - HB 1653 - Improving statewide coordination to support salmon recovery (referred to Appropriations)
 - HB 1717 - Tribal participation in local planning (awaiting referral to Rules)
 - HB 1117 - Net ecological gain (referred to Housing and Local Government)
- SB 5744/1988 - Tax deferrals/credits for clean technology, alternative fuels and renewable energy storage
 - 5744 Referred to Ways and Means, 1988 in House Finance

Energy Issues

- HB 1767/SB 5666 - Targeted electrification of buildings
 - 1767 in Rules, 5666 dead
- HB 1774/SB 5722 - Reducing greenhouse gas emissions in buildings
 - 1774 dead, 5722 referred to Ways and Means
- HB 1814 - Community solar for targeted customers
 - Awaiting referred to Appropriations
- SB 5544 - Blockchain workgroup
 - Awaiting floor action

Telecom Issues

- HB 1723 - Telecommunications access (digital equity)
 - Awaiting referral to Rules
- HB 1673/SB 5580 - Public Works Board grants and loans
 - 1673 in Capital Budget, 5580 in Rules
- HB 1740/SB 5586 - CERB authorities for funding for broadband
 - 1740 in Capital Budget, 5586 still in Business, Financial Services and Trade
- SB 5715 - Broadband definition alignment
 - Out of Energy, Environment and Technology, awaiting referral

Human Resources & Safety

- HB 1732 - Long-term care program
 - Signed by governor on Jan. 27
 - Effective immediately
- HB 1733 - Long-term care program amendments on same track
 - Signed by governor on Jan. 27
 - Effective June 8

Other Issues

- HB 1684 - Consideration of fluoridation of public water systems
 - Referred to Appropriations
- SB 5732 - Green roofs and solar requirements
 - Dead
- HB 1753 - Tribal consultation on Climate Commitment Act funding authorizations
 - Referred to Appropriations



Questions?