

# Washington REALTORS®

## Government Affairs

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### I. CONSUMER/BUSINESS AFFAIRS

- **Distressed Properties**

**SB 5221** S 48-0, H 89-0, Governor Distressed properties clarification Support

- **Seller's Disclosure**

**HB 1420** H 58-36, S 49-0, Governor Comprehensive seller's disclosure revisions Support

**SB 6000** S 47-0, H 98-0, Governor Homeowner association/seller's disclosure Support

- **Construction**

**HB 1393** ~~H 52-45, S 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading~~ ~~New home warranties~~ Oppose

**SB 5136** S 45-0, H 62-35, Governor Solar energy panel use Support

- **Mortgages/Financing**

**HB 1078** H 96-0, S 45-0, Governor Exchange facilitators Support

**SB 6033** S 48-0, H 98-0, Governor Owner-occupied foreclosures Support

**SB 5810** S 46-2, H 98-0, Governor Foreclosure procedures Monitor

- **Rental housing**

**SB 5561** S 38-10, H 95-3, Governor Requires carbon monoxide alarms Support

### II. LAND USE/WATER

- **Climate Change**

~~**SB 5735** S 29-19, H 59-37, S Concur Cap/trade (VMT) Oppose~~

~~**HB 1747** H 70-25, S Ways/Means Energy efficiency/built environment Oppose~~

~~**SB 5854** S 27-18, H 67-30, Governor Energy efficiency/built environment Oppose~~

~~**SB 5138** S 30-18, H Rules Integrated response strategy Oppose~~

~~**SB 5560** S 28-19, H 60-37, Governor State agency leadership (VMT) Oppose~~

~~**HB 2010** H 59-38, S Rules Infrastructure funding/criteria (VMT) Oppose~~

**SB 5649** S 30-17, H 63-34, Governor Energy efficient buildings Support

**HB 1481** H 65-29, S 35-14, Governor Electric vehicles/building codes Monitor

- **Development**

**HB 1172** H 66-30, S 25-19, Governor Transfer of development rights Support

**HB 1379** H 67-28, S 28-19, Governor Shoreline management/moratoriums Oppose

### III. TAX/FISCAL POLICY

- **Economic Stimulus/Housing**

**SB 5452** S 35-12, H 73-24, Governor Debt limit/housing finance commission Support

- **Real Estate Excise Tax**

**HB 1744** H 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading ~~REET/parks maintenance/harmonization~~ Oppose

**SB 5630** S Rules X ~~REET/parks maintenance/harmonization~~ Oppose

**SB 6164** S Ways/Means ~~REET/maintenance~~ Oppose

**HB 2249** H 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading ~~Utilities/REET~~ Oppose

**HB 1495** H Finance Low/moderate income REET exemption Support

**SB 5587** S 36-9, H 93-5, Governor REET/rail Support

**SB 6062** S Ways/Means ~~REET Clarification/bank foreclosures~~ Support

- **Sales Taxes**

~~Sales tax/services~~ Oppose

- **Business Tax**

**HB 1255** H Finance ~~B&O tax increase~~ Oppose

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- **Infrastructure Funding**

**SB 5045** S 47-0, H 92-5, Governor Community revitalization/tax increment financing Support

**HB 1569** H 97-0, S 45-1, Governor Local public works assistance accounts Support

- **Budget**

**HB 1216** H 61-35, S 31-16, Governor Capital Budget (\$3.2 billion) Monitor

**SB 5352** S 41-8, H 77-19, Governor Transportation Budget (\$4.3 billion) Monitor

**HB 1244** H 54-42, S 29-20, Governor Operating Budget (home tax credit advance loan) Support