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We have now reached the 82 day of the 2015 session. The major news this week was the unveiling of the House and Senate approach to their two year budgets.

The House Democrats released their proposal for the 2015-17 operating budget last Friday, and the Senate MCC, released their proposal on Tuesday.

Both proposals provide significant funding for basic education and appear to meet the requirements of the *McCleary* decision of the Washington Supreme Court.

In summary, the House budget spends about \$39.1B and relies on tax increases of \$1.5 billion. The Senate budget spends about \$38B and does not increase taxes.

The House Democrat proposal includes:

- \$1.5 billion in new and increased taxes. This includes:
 - An increase in B&O tax rates for service businesses including child care centers, dry cleaners, janitorial services, home nursing services and residential care facilities.
 - A 5% tax on capital gains.
 - Repealing several tax preferences including bottled water, extracted fuel, travel services etc.
 - Increasing the B&O service rate by 20% from 1.5% to 1.8%
- Increases state spending by \$5.1 billion from the 2013-15 budgets to the 2015-17 budget.
- Freezes tuition in at Washington's higher education institutions.
- Provides state employees with a 3 percent raise in 2016 and a 1.8 percent raise in 2017.

Though Senate MCC proposal includes:

- No tax increases
- Increases state spending by \$4 billion, based on \$3 billion in current revenue growth, marijuana revenues and fund transfers.
- Reduces tuition at Washington Higher education institutions by an average of 25 percent.
- Provides a flat \$1,000 pay raise per year (2016 and 2017) for all state employees.

The House passed the budget late on Thursday by a party line 51-47 vote.

The Senate went to caucus at 10:00 on Thursday Morning and was still on the floor debating the budget at 3:00 this morning. The final budget vote will likely be on Monday.

Bill Tracking Overview

Bill #	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position
SHB 1002	Prohibiting unfair and deceptive dental insurance practices.	S Rules 2	DeBolt	
HB 1014	Concerning antifreeze products.	S Rules 2	Appleton	
SHB 1135 (SB 5754)	Concerning remediation plans for licensed health and health-related professions to resolve eligible complaints of unprofessional conduct.	S Health Care	Cody	
HB 1268	Regarding hemp as a component of commercial animal feed.	S Ways & Means	Buys	
HB 1339	Allowing the secretary of health to intercede and stay any decision of a disciplining authority that expands scope of practice.	S Rules 2	Cody	
HB 1353 (SB 5726)	Requiring free infectious disease testing for good samaritans.	H Rules R	Robinson	
HB 1354 (SB 5569)	Concerning the employee antiretaliation act.	H Rules C	Ryu	
HB 1355 (SB 5285)	Increasing the minimum hourly wage to twelve dollars over four years.	S Commerce and La	Farrell	
HB 1356 (SB 5306)	Establishing minimum standards for sick and safe leave from employment.	S Commerce and La	Jinkins	
HB 1484 (SB 5699)	Enacting an excise tax on capital gains to improve the fairness of Washington's tax system and provide funding for the education legacy trust account.	H Finance	Jinkins	
SHB 1503	Concerning medical liens.	S Rules 2	Jinkins	
SHB 1559 (SSB 5487)	Concerning higher education programs at Washington State University and the University of Washington.	C 6 L 15	Riccelli	
HB 1637 (SB 5290)	Authorizing law enforcement and prosecutorial officials of federally recognized Indian tribes access to prescription monitoring data.	S Rules 2	Stokesbary	
HB 1755 (SSB 5733)	Authorizing a livestock movement reporting system.	H Rules R	Pettigrew	
ESHB 1845 (ESB 5577)	Concerning pharmaceutical waste.	S Rules 2	DeBolt	
HB 2150	Reforming the business and occupation tax to provide fairness and administrative simplicity.	H Finance	MacEwen	
HB 2168	Relating to fiscal matters.	H Approps	Hunter	
HB 2169	Relating to fiscal matters.	H Approps	Hunter	
HB 2179	Relating to revenue.	H Finance	Hunter	
HB 2180	Relating to revenue.	H Finance	Hunter	
HB 2222	Implementing the state's basic education obligation by revising state funding allocations, including for staffing and for class size reduction, and by providing cost-of-living adjustments and benefits as part of state basic education allocations.	H Approps	Hunter	
HB 2223	Directing the treasurer to transfer into the general fund in the 2017-2019 fiscal biennium the entire budget stabilization account deposit attributable to extraordinary revenue growth.	H Approps	Hunter	
HB 2224	Investing in education and essential public services by modifying and improving the fairness of Washington's	H Finance	Carlyle	

	excise tax system by enacting an excise tax on capital gains, narrowing or eliminating tax preferences, reinstating a previously expired business and occupation surtax while increasing the small business tax credit, and implementing marketplace fairness in Washington.			
SSB 5027 (ESHB 1103)	Providing access to the prescription drug monitoring database for clinical laboratories.	H Rules R	Angel	
SB 5421	Creating a teen summer employment wage.	S Rules X	Baumgartner	
SB 5422	Establishing a temporary teen training wage.	S Rules X	Baumgartner	
SSB 5487 (SHB 1559)	Concerning higher education programs at Washington State University and the University of Washington.	H Hi Ed	Baumgartner	
SSB 5501	Preventing animal cruelty.	H Rules R	Fain	
ESSB 5557	Addressing services provided by pharmacists.	H Rules R	Parlette	
ESB 5577 (ESHB 1845)	Concerning pharmaceutical waste.	H Rules R	Braun	
SB 5606 (HB 1384)	Modifying provisions related to licensing and scope of practice for dental professionals.	H Rules R	Jayapal	
SB 5699 (HB 1484)	Enacting an excise tax on capital gains to improve the fairness of Washington's tax system and provide funding for the education legacy trust account.	S Ways & Means	Nelson	
SSB 5733 (HB 1755)	Concerning livestock transaction reporting.	H Rules R	Warnick	
ESSB 5915	Addressing fiscal notes and fiscal impact statements.	H Approps	Brown	
ESB 5935	Concerning biological products.	H Approps	Parlette	
ESSB 5954	Reducing tuition.	H Hi Ed	Braun	
SB 6049	Relating to fiscal matters.	S Ways & Means	Hill	
SB 6050	Relating to fiscal matters.	S Ways & Means	Hill	
SB 6057	Relating to revenue.	S Ways & Means	Hill	
SB 6061	Relating to revenue.	S Ways & Means	Hargrove	
SB 6063	Relating to revenue.	S Ways & Means	Ranker	
SB 6064	Relating to revenue.	S Ways & Means	Ranker	
SB 6087	Increasing the minimum hourly wage.	S Commerce and L	Hobbs	
SB 6093	Restoring the taxation of intangible property to provide additional funding for public schools.	S Ways & Means	Chase	

Dead Bills

Bill #	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position
HB 1018	Preventing breed-based dog regulations.	H Judiciary	Appleton	
HB 1104	Creating the crime of interference with agricultural production.	H Public Safety	Schmick	
HB 1131	Concerning ivory and rhinoceros horn trafficking.	H Gen Govt & Info	Pettigrew	
HB 1163	Concerning paid vacation leave.	H Labor	Tarleton	
HB 1273	Implementing family and medical leave insurance.	H Approps	Robinson	
HB 1340	Developing a process to allow pilot programs for health care professionals to learn new skills or roles, use existing	H Approps	Cody	

	skills in new circumstances, and accelerate training.			
HB 1384	Modifying provisions related to licensing and scope of practice for dental professionals.	H HC/Wellness	Harris	
HB 1510	Requiring employers to reimburse employees for work-related expenses.	H Labor	Sells	
HB 1522	Establishing an intrastate meat inspection program.	H Approps	Taylor	
HB 1675	Concerning the prescription of biological products and interchangeable biological products.	H HC/Wellness	Sullivan	
HB 1679	Concerning biological products.	H HC/Wellness	Moeller	
HB 2080	Concerning fingerprint-based background checks for health professionals.	H Public Safety	Stanford	
HB 2119	Concerning consumer data privacy protection and the work of a task force to consider creating a consumer data privacy protection office.	H Finance	Smith	
HB 2134	Concerning the creation, extension, expansion, accountability, and transparency of state tax preferences.	H Finance	Carlyle	
SB 5010	Restoring funding to the health professional loan repayment and scholarship program fund.	S Ways & Means	Frockett	
SB 5151	Concerning cultural competency education for health care professionals.	S Health Care	Keiser	
SB 5241	Concerning ivory and rhinoceros horn trafficking.	S Natural Resour	Litzow	
SB 5285	Increasing the minimum hourly wage to twelve dollars over four years.	S Commerce and L	Jayapal	
SB 5306	Establishing minimum standards for sick and safe leave from employment.	S Commerce and L	Habib	
SB 5339	Creating a business and occupation tax credit for new businesses.	S Ways & Means	Padden	
SB 5459	Implementing family and medical leave insurance.	S Commerce and L	Keiser	
SB 5621	Concerning the definition of the practice of dentistry.	S Health Care	King	
SB 5666	Concerning cetacean captivity.	S Natural Resour	Ranker	
SB 5720	Concerning fingerprint-based background checks for health professionals.	S Health Care	Kohl-Welles	
SB 5754	Concerning remediation plans for licensed health and health-related professions to resolve eligible complaints of unprofessional conduct.	S Health Care	Keiser	
SB 5812	Creating the unlawful dog tethering act.	S Law & Justice	Chase	
SB 5821	Updating pharmacy provisions.	S Health Care	Rivers	
SB 5822	Updating pharmacy provisions.	S Health Care	Rivers	
SB 6036	Requiring certain health professionals to provide information on primary place of practice at the time of license renewal.	S Health Care	Hill	