



**2007
EMC
Legislative Session
Update**

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Session Cutoff Dates

Date	
Jan 8	1 st Day of Session
Feb 28	Last day to Read Committee Reports in House of Origin Except House Fiscal & Senate Trans & Ways and Means Committees (Policy Committees)
March 5	Last day to read Committee Reports from House Fiscal & Senate Trans & Ways and Means Committees in House of Origin
March 14	Last Day to Consider Bills in House of Origin
March 30	Last day to Read Committee Reports in <u>Opposing House</u> Except House Fiscal & Senate Trans & Ways and Means Committees (Policy Committees)
April 2	Last day to read Committee Reports from House Fiscal & Senate Trans & Ways and Means Committees in <u>Opposing House</u>
April 13	Last day to consider <u>opposite House Bills</u> except initiatives & budgets
April 22	Last Day of Regular Session under State Constitution

Pending Legislation

Bill	Title	Provisions	Status
<p>HB 1073 SB 5054</p>	<p>Emergency Worker Volunteers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ Clarifies emergency worker definition and adds “covered activity” and “covered volunteer definitions ▣ Provides the same expanded immunity provisions from HB 1850 for retired medical workers to all volunteer emergency workers who are registered with local EM or the department, and engaged in covered activities that have mission #s issued by the department. 	<p>House (1073)– Rep Shay Schual-Berke (Voted do pass in House & now in Senate Gov Ops Awaiting Hearing)</p> <p>Senate (5054) – (Kastama) Rules 2nd Reading</p>

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Bill	Title	Provisions	Status
<p>HB 1223 SB 5505</p>	<p>CBRNE Response Program</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ Creation & maintenance of hazmat teams in the HLS regions ▣ Establishes State Fire Marshall's office as the director of the program ▣ Creates CBRNE response account in Treasury & Director to collect response fees ▣ Account floor of \$17M and ceiling of \$23M & appropriates \$23M from GF-S 	<p>House – 2/12 Appropriations Committee & No Hearing Date</p> <p>Senate – 2/22 Gov Ops Hearing 2/26 Exec Bill</p>
<p>HB 1289 SSB 5366</p>	<p>Canadian Border</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ DOL can create MOUs with federal agencies to develop an enhanced driver's license option that meets WHTI security requirements. ▣ Includes one-to-many biometric matching system. ▣ Applicants shall submit biometric identifier information ▣ Sub expands on security requirements and requires current license as well. 	<p>House – 2/15 Hearing Transportation Committee</p> <p>Senate – 2/7 Rules 2nd Reading 2/20 2nd Reading Calendar</p>

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Bill	Title	Provisions	Status
HB 1347	Long-Term Care Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ Adds emergency response plans for all long-term care facilities licensed under RCWs 18.51, 18.29, 70.128 ▣ Must coordinate plan with local EM agency 	<p>2/16 Rules 2nd Reading</p> <p>2/27 2nd Reading Calendar</p>
HB 1675	Public Notices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ State agencies required by law or rule to provide public notices to a community or area to advise them about imminent or emergent PH, safety or welfare risk shall provide bilingual or multilingual notices when a significant segment of the pop speak a language other than English 	<p>2/5 Hearing Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee</p> <p>2/26 Executive Action</p> <p>2/28 Referred to Approps</p>
HB 1759	Shared Leave	<p>Agency heads may authorize an employee to receive <u>shared leave for state or federally declared emergencies anywhere in the United States</u> when the emergency volunteer service would cause the employee to take leave without pay or to terminate state employment, and the employee has depleted, or will shortly deplete, his or her annual and sick leave reserves.</p>	<p>2/20 State Gov & Tribal Affairs Exec Action</p> <p>2/23 2nd Reading Calendar</p>

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HB 1830	Emergency Transportation Grant Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Establishes a grant program within CTED to improve the ability of public and private ambulance services to respond in the event of a disaster.CTED must submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature describing the projects funded by the program.	2/14 Hearing 2/22 Exec to Appropriations
HB 1839	Collective Bargaining	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Provides that in the event of a disaster, any collective bargaining agreement entered into on or after the effective date of this act shall be suspended to the extent necessary to restore public utilities as quickly as possible and provide emergency services to persons affected	Commerce & Labor Committee – No hearing date.

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Bill	Title	Provisions	Status
SHB 1840	Emergency Communications C2 System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ Finds that implementing a C2 system statewide would (1) provide a visual COP for all decision makers in the event of an emergency. ▣ Reduce the radio frequency bandwidth for voice communications ▣ All Emergency responders to take action based on a COB ▣ Requires study by Dec 1, 2008 ▣ 1st sub specifies pilot be developed in conjunction with 2010 Interoperability project with SIEC. Also specifies web-based reporting not c2 and removes feasibility/cost study requirement. 	Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Committee -- 2/14 Hearing -- 2/22 1 st Sub Exec Action -- 3/1 Appropriations Hearing
HB 1841	Backup Power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ By Jul 1, 2009 motor fuel retailers, water distribution and grocery powers to have backup power source (72-hour) ▣ Provides excise tax exemption & liability protections 	Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness –No Hearing

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HB 1933	Emergency Shelters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ Requires public school be made available as emergency shelters and to have a system in place to alert members of the public of avail facilities. Also requires schools to the best of their ability to provide food, water and shelter & utilities to public. 	Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness – 2/14 Hearing
SHB 1979 SB 5097	Safe School Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ School & school districts implement a safe school plan consistent with school mapping of policies & procedures ▣ Training guidance provided by EMD with OSPI & ICS certified principals ▣ School meet with local EM annually ▣ Report info to WASPC ▣ School emergency supply info provided to all staff ▣ EMD assist with applying for grants ▣ 1st Substitute: a) Transportation Evacuation must in included in annual plan update, b) eliminates annual school supply inventory and adds section to encourage school districts to work with local EM to conduct exercises. 	House Education Committee Exec Action 2/23 Referred to Approps 2/27 Senate Ways and Means Hearing 2/12

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Bill	Title	Provisions	Status
SHB 2053	Motor Vehicle Fuel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ Motor fuel outlets must purchase & install backup power equipment and must ensure operational status – WSP to enforce & retailer subject to \$100/day civil penalties w/tax credit of 50% or \$15K of purchase ▣ 1st sub requires entities that own or franchise 10 or more motor fuel retail outlets to be capable of operating using alternate generated power source and also to maintain at least one portable generator for every 10 facilities and includes credit of 50% or \$20K whichever is less. 	Public Safety & Emer Prep Exec 2/26 Referred to Finance 2/28
HB 2225	Enhanced 911 Radio Network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ Directs the adjutant general to establish a work group to study how to enhance the delivery of emergency information to the general public in the event of an ongoing emergency. Requires that, by December 1, 2007, the adjutant general shall submit a report to the legislature and the governor, indicating recommendations for enhancing the delivery of emergency information to the public. 	Technology, Energy & Commerce Hearing 2/27 -Exec Action 2/27 - 3/1 House Suspension Calendar
SSB 5087	Federal REAL ID Act	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ The director of the OFM shall ensure that agencies and programs do not expend funds to implement the REAL ID Act in Washington unless: (1) all reasonable privacy and data security protections are included; (2) the implementation does not place unreasonable costs or recordkeeping burdens on driver's license or identicaid applicants; and (3) sufficient federal funds are received by Washington to implement the REAL ID Act requirements. 	Rules 2 nd Reading Calendar 2/7

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Bill	Title	Provisions	Status
SSB 5106	Emergency Plans for Animals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ State & local CEMPs shall address the needs of pets & service animals in a disaster or emergency to include: a) humane evacuation, b) transport, c) sheltering, d) identification system, e) tracking numbers, and allow public transport if safely confined to cages. ▣ 1st Sub: a) State Emergency Mgt plan will complete implementing rules and guidelines within 12 month of enactment of this bill to include provisions to support pets & service animals evacuation and transport in a major disaster, b) Counties and municipalities will prepare a written emergency management plan NLT than one-year after state guidelines are published, c) emergency responders may make every practicable attempt without endangering human lives to rescue service animals and household pets. 	<p>Government Ops & Elections 1/16 Hearing</p> <p>2/26 1st Sub Executive Action</p> <p>2/27 – Referred to Rules (should have been Ways and Means)</p>

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Bill	Title	Provisions	Status
SSB 5296 HB 2370	Emergency Assistance Account	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Establishes account in the treasury ❑ Surcharge on property Insurance ❑ Biennial strategic assessment and report on the ability of state, local and tribal EM to provide for all phases of comprehensive EM beg in 2009 ❑ 1st sub adds "mobile home to def," specifies OIC support DOR with information, and requires biennial assessment evaluate coordination between entities that provide basic human safety & health needs including water, food, shelter and medical care. 	<p>Government Ops & Elections – 2/8 Hearing</p> <p>2/22 1st Substitute and Executive Action referred to Ways and Means</p> <p>House bill introduced 2/27 mirrors SB 5296 (orig)</p>

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Bill	Title	Provisions	Status
SSB 5315	Forest Fires/Property Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▣ Declares that residents, landowners & others have the right to access their residences, and land not classified as forest land during a forest fire or wildfire to conduct fire suppression, protect or retrieve property ▣ 1st sub: a) WASPC must convene a model policy workgroup to develop policy regarding residents, landowners, others and control of land during a forest fire; b) Until then sheriffs may maintain a registry of people are authorized access to their property during a fire and have equipment that can be used to fight the fire – these people are allowed access for fire prevention or suppression activities, c) Fed, state local agencies are provided immunity for facilitating these provisions. 	<p>Natural Resources, Oceans & Rec Committee – 2/8 & 12 Hearings</p> <p>2/28 – Executive Action 1st sub</p>