2023 Annual Report



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Report Narrative:

This year was the long session for the Legislation Committee and wrapped up on time. At this time

there are a total of 89 final bills of interest to Courts of Limited Jurisdiction that have been forwarded to Governor Inslee of which 35 have been signed at this time.



HB 1493 – Concerning impaired driving – adds language for probation clerk or probation officer employed by court may also provide a copy of the ADR to a treatment agency & and added language for copy fees "unless the person is indigent as defined in RCW 10.101.010.

SB 5003 – Increasing the number of district court judges in Snohomish County

SB 5028 – Revising the process for individuals to request name changes

SB5033 – Reclassifying the sentence for the crime of custodial sexual misconduct

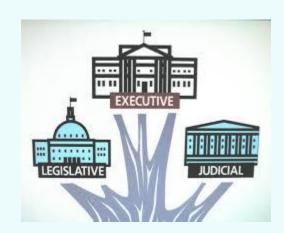
SB 5272 – Concerning speed safety camera systems on state highways

SB 5392 – Concerning overpayments for certain matters

SB5453 – Concerning female genital mutilation

SB 5604 – Concerning county sales and use taxes for mental health and housing

Approximately 264 bills were initially added to list for the committee to monitor and as the legislation moved forward 177 of those were moved to the dead folder for now. All bills not signed or did not pass the house or senate will be added to the 2024 short term Legislative Session.



Attachments:

- \rightarrow 2023 Legislative Bills
- → AWC Blake Debrief
- → AWC Blake Debrief Poll Results

		2023 Legislation	Governor Signed	Effective Date
Civil				
	ESHB1051	Concerning robocalling and telephone scams	4/20/2023	7/23/2023
	<u>HB1165</u>	Concerning civil remedies for unathorized disclosure of intimate images.	4/13/2023	7/23/2023
	HB1234	Concerning the civil forfeiture of animals seized for abuse or neglect.		
	HB1335	Unauthorized publication of personal identifying information.		
	HB1394	Relating to creating a developmentally appropriate response to youth who commit sexual offenses.	4/20/2023	7/23/2023
	HB1424	Consumer protection with respect to the sale and adoption of dogs and cats.		
	HB1457	Motor carrier's ability to access restroom facilities required by rules authorized under chapter 49.17 RCW.		
	HB1469	Protecting access to reproductive health care services and gender-affirming treatment in WA State.	4/27/2023	4/27/2023
	<u>HB1474</u>	Creating the covenant homeownership account and program to address history of housing discrimination due to racially restrictive real estate covenants in WA State.		
	<u>HB1766</u>	Creation of a hope card program.		
	<u>SB5005</u>	Concerning real property.	3/30/2023	7/23/2023
	SSB5006	Clarifying waiver of firearm rights.		
	SB5028	Revising the process for individuals to request name changes.	4/6/2023	7/23/2023
	<u>SB5077</u>	Concerning the uniform commercial code.		
	SB5197	Addressing landlord-tenant relations by providing technical changes to eviction notice forms and modifying certain eviction processes.		
	SB5263	Relating to access to psilocybin services by individuals 21 years or age and older.		
	SSB5317	Concerning the removal of vehicles by a regional transit authority when obstructing the operation of high capacity transportation vehicles or jeopardizing public safety.		
	<u>SB5336</u>	Relating to population criteria for the main street trust fund tax credit.	4/14/2023	7/23/2023
Criminal				
	<u>HB1002</u>	Increasing the penalty for hazing.		
	<u>HB1143</u>	Concerning requirements for the purchase or transfer of firearms.	4/25/2023	1/1/2024
	<u>HB1169</u>	Concerning legal financial obligations.		
	<u>HB1240</u>	Establishing firearms-related safety measures to increase public safety	4/25/2023	4/25/2023
	<u>HB1493</u>	Concerning impaired driving.	1	
	<u>HB1562</u>	Reducing the risks of lethality and other harm asssociated with gun violence, gender-based violence, and other types of violence.		
	HB1563	Concerning arrest protections for the medical use of cannabis.		

	HB1696	Concerning stalking-related offenses.		
	SB5033	Reclassifying the sentence for the crime of custodial sexual misconduct.	3/30/2023	7/23/2023
	SB5130	Concerning assisted outpatient treatment.	0,00,2020	172072020
	ESSB5231	Concerning the issuance of emergency domestic violence no contact orders.		
	SB5371	Protecting southern resident orcas from vessels.		
	SB5453	Concerning female genital mutilation	4/20/2023	7/23/2023
	SB5536	Concerning controlled substances, counterfeit substances, and legend drug possession and treatment.		
	SB5623	Modifying an element of the offense of hate crime and classifying a hate crime as crimes against persons.	4/6/2023	7/22/2023
DOL/Traffic				
	<u>HB1058</u>	Streamlining the licensing process for a commercial driver's license by allowing the department to waive requirements for applicants that previously surrendered the license, allowing the license to be renewed online, and modifying the license test fees.	4/13/2023	1/1/2023
	<u>HB1112</u>	Imposing criminal penalties for negligent driving involving the death of a vulnerable user victim.		
	HB1319	Addressing collision reporting criteria triggering driver's license reexamination	4/6/2023	7/23/2023
	SB5023	Concerning roadside safety measures.	4/6/2023	7/23/2023
	SB5041	Concerning compliance with federal motor carrier safety administration requirements for the drug and alcohol clearinghouse.	4/6/2023	11/18/2024
	<u>SB5272</u>	Concerning speed safety camera systems on state highways.	4/4/2023	7/23/2023
	SB5347	Concerning access to abstract of driving records.	4/20/2023	7/23/2023
	<u>SB5606</u>	Deterring illegal racing.		
Elections				
	HB1048	Enhancing the Washington voting rights act.	4/13/2023	1/1/2024
	ESSB5082	Encouraging electoral participation and making ballots more meaningful by abolishing advisory votes.	4/20/2023	7/23/2023
	E2SSB5112	Updating processes related to voter registration.		
	ESSB5152	Defining synthetic media in campaigns for elective office, and providing relief for candidates and campaigns.		
	SB5182	Concerning procedures and deadlines for candidate filing.		
	<u>SB5208</u>	Updating the process for online voter registration by allowing voter applicants to provide the last four digits of social security number for authentication.		
	ESSB5284	Concerning campaign finance disclosure.		
	<u>SB5459</u>	Concerning requests for records containing election information.		
Judicial				

	<u>HB1023</u>	Eliminating wire tap authorization reporting to the administrative office of the courts.	4/20/2023	7/23/2023
	<u>SB5003</u>	Increasing the number of district court judges in Snohomish County.	3/30/2023	7/23/2023
Jury/Law Library				
	HB1312	Concerning jury service.		
	<u>SB5128</u>	Concerning jury diversity.		
Juvenile				
	HB1600	Providing access to sealed juvenile records for firearm purposes	4/25/2023	7/23/2023
	<u>HB1701</u>	Concerning basic education services to youth who are served through institutional education programs.		
Miscellaneous				
	<u>HB1066</u>	Making technical corrections and removing obsolete language from the Revised Code of Washington pursuant to RCW 1.08.025.		
	HB1077	Concerning courthouse facility dogs.	4/13/2023	7/23/2023
	<u>HB1102</u>	Concerning judge pro tempore compensation.	4/6/2023	7/23/2023
	<u>HB1114</u>	Concerning the membership of the sentencing guidelines commission.		
	<u>HB1169</u>	Concerning legal financial obligations.		
	HB1179	Authorizing the state auditor to receive nonconviction data.	4/6/2023	7/23/2023
	HB1515	Concerning contracting and procurement requirements for behavioral health services in medical assistance programs.		
	HB1599	Concerning court files and records exemptions for firearm background checks.		
	HB1715	Enacting comprehensive protections for victims of domestic violence and other violence involving family members or intimate partners.		
	SB5087	Removing language from the Revised Code of Washington that has been identified by the justices of the supreme court or judges of the superior courts as defects and omissions in the laws pursuant to Article IV, section 25 of the Washington state Constitution.	4/20/2023	7/23/2023
	SB5155	Concerning the court of appeals	4/25/2023	7/23/2023
	SB5191	Reforming the real estate agency law.		
	SB5365	Preventing use of vapor and tobacco products by minors.		
	SB5392	Concerning overpayments for certain matters.		
	SB5415	Relating to public defense services for persons committed as not guilty by reason of insanity.	4/20/2023	7/23/2023
	SB5440	Providing timely competency evaluations and restoration services to persons suffering from behavioral		
	SB5502	Ensuring access to substance use disorder treatment.		

	SB5604	Concerning county sales and use taxes for mental health and housing.	4/14/2023	7/23/2023
	SB5672	Concerning the Washington auto theft prevention authority account.		
Personnel				
	<u>HB1007</u>	Concerning interruptive military service credit for members of the state retirement systems.	4/6/2023	7/23/2023
	<u>HB1068</u>	Concerning injured workers'rights during compelled medical examinations.	4/25/2023	7/23/2023
	<u>HB1187</u>	Concerning privileged communication between employees and the unions that represent them.		
	HB1200	Relating to requiring public employers to provide employee information to exclusive bargaining. representatives		
	<u>HB1804</u>	Concerning eligibility for participation in the public employees' benefits board for retired or disabled emploees of counties, municipalities, and other political subdivisions.		
	SB5123	Concerning the employment of individuals who lawfully consume cannabis.		
	SB5286	Modifying the premium provisions of the paid family and medical leave program.	4/20/2023	7/23/2023
	ESSB5294	Concerning actuarial funding of state retirement systems		
	SB5350	Providing a benefit increase to certain retirees of the public employees' retirement system plan 1 and the teachers' retirement system plan 1		
	SB5421	Exempting benefit enrollment information collected and maintained by the health care authority from public inspection and copying under the public records act.	4/6/2023	7/23/2023
	SB5586	Concerning employees' paid family or medical leave data.		
Probation/Jail				
	<u>HB1470</u>	Concerning private detention facilities.		
	<u>HB1682</u>	Concerning the Washington auto theft prevention authority account.		
	SB5081	Concerning victim notification.		
	<u>SB5101</u>	Concerning extraordinary medical placement for incarcerated individuals at the department of corrections.		
Prosecution				
Public Defender				
Public Disclosure				

Blake Debrief

Candice Bock, Government Relations Director



Who has joined us today?

- Mayor
- City Councilmember
- City Manager/Administrator
- City Attorney
- Police Chief
- Other city staff



AWC's position:

Support a Blake response approach that includes making possession of an illegal drug a gross misdemeanor while focusing on diversion options that encourage individuals to participate in treatment programs in lieu of criminal penalties.

- Accountability for drug possession within the criminal justice system, with an emphasis on incentivizing individuals to obtain substance use disorder (SUD) treatment.
- Criminal penalties for those who refuse treatment, based on judicial discretion.
- A functional, implementable, and workable statute that recognizes the treatment options available today.
- Supporting statewide investments in additional SUD, and behavioral and mental health treatment.



What happened? How did we get here?

Senate passed SB 5536

- Gross misdemeanor
- Emphasis on treatment
- Some technical issues
- 28-21 bipartisan vote



House amended SB 5536

- Misdemeanor
- Possession and "use"
- Rigid treatment requirements
- Significant technical issues
- Paraphernalia preemption
- 54-41 mostly party-line vote

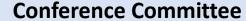


Senate refused to concur,
Conference Committee
appointed





15 House D's joined all House R's in voting "no"



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- Possession and "use"
- Paraphernalia preemption
- Rigid treatment requirements
- Significant technical issues



Issues with conference committee proposal:

- An unclear and potentially unimplementable crime of possession and public use.
- Preemption of local regulation of drug paraphernalia.
- Lack of prosecutorial discretion for simple possession cases with no other charges.



What happens next?

The Legislature does nothing:

- The current law expires July 1.
- There will be no state law, so the preemption is lifted, and local governments can pass their own ordinance.

The Legislature does something:

- The Governor has indicated that he will call a special session if the Legislature can come to an agreement.
- AWC will remain engaged and advocate for cities.



Polling questions:

- Does your city currently have regulations on drug paraphernalia?
- Are there harm reduction programs operating in your city?
- If the state fails to act by July 1, will your city take action to adopt a local drug possession crime?
- Has your city already adopted additional criminal penalties for public use of drugs?



Next steps:

- Keep AWC informed of local ordinance adoption.
- AWC Board Legislative Steering committee meeting next week.



AWC *Blake* Debrief Thursday, April 27, 2023

Poll Results

Responses: 91

1. Does your city currently have regulations on drug paraphernalia?

Yes – 29% No – 46%

Don't know - 25%

2. Are there harm reduction programs operating in your city?

Yes - 34%

No – 46%

Don't know - 20%

3. If the state fails to act by July 1, will your city take action to adopt a local drug possession crime?

Yes - 73%

No - 1%

Don't know - 26%

4. Has your city already adopted additional criminal penalties for public use of drugs?

Yes - 16%

No - 70%

Don't know - 14%