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Bill	Sponsor	Description	Committee	Programs	Hearing
E2SHB 1605	Peterson+	- Modifying certain provisions governing benefit charges of fire protection districts and regional fire protection service authorities.[] - Regional Fire Protection Authority (RFA) renewal benefit assessment charges only require majority voter approval v. 60%. RFA & fire district's renewed charge must be for a period of 6 years instead of 6 years or less. More properties are identified as being exempt from the benefit charge.	S Govt Ops & Security	Levies	*S Govt Ops & Security 02/25 10:00 AM
HB 1941	Gregerson +	- Providing for a simple majority of voters voting to authorize school district bonds at general elections.[] - School district can request voter approval of a bond levy during a general election. A general election bond levy requires majority voter approval, while a bond levy request during a special election requires three-fifths voter approval.	H Education	Levies	*H Education 02/19 01:30 PM
HB 2321	Stokesbary +	- Removing disincentives to the voluntary formation of regional fire protection service authorities by equalizing certain provisions with existing laws governing fire protection districts and by clarifying the formation process.[] - A planning committee for an authority must hold hearings prior to an election when the initial formation of the authority includes a benefit assessment charge. RFA can protect up to \$0.25 of their levy from the \$5.90 limitation similar to a fire district.	S Rules 2	Levies	
SHB 2359	Goodman +	- Updating obsolete provisions and making technical corrections.[] - Requested by Statute Law Committee[] - Amends various statutes affecting agencies statewide, making technical corrections to form year designations - from "19__" to "year." Affects several property taxing districts formation declarations and RCW 84.40.320 - Assessor's BOE certificate..	S Rules 2	Administration	
2SHB 2519	McCaslin +	- Allowing nuisance abatement cost recovery for cities.[] - Provides authority for city/town to levy spec assess or obtain a lien to reimburse for exp of nuisance abatement. Up to \$2K of spec assess constitutes a lien of equal rank with state, county, and municipal taxes. City or town may contract with county treasurer to collect under RCW 84.56.035.	S Govt Ops & Security	Collection	*Exec Action 02/25 10:00 AM

ESHB 2647	Jinkins +	- Disposing tax foreclosed property to cities for affordable housing purposes.[] - When county acquires tax-foreclosed property suitable for affordable housing, co must notify city where property is located. Notice must be given within 60 days of acquiring property and offer opportunity for city to purchase for amount of original minimum bid. ** Companion SSB 6337	S Human Svcs, M-Hlth &Hsg	Collection	
EHB 2698	Lytton +	- Delaying implementation of revisions to the school levy lid and local effort assistance.[] - Extends the method of determining school district's maximum M&O levies from calendar year 2017 to 2018.This limitation is calculated by OSPI.	S Early Learning/K-12 Ed	Levies	*Exec Action 02/25 08:00 AM
ESHB 2708	Appleton +	- Providing for fire protection district formation by the legislative authority of a city or town subject to voter approval.- [] - A city or town may request their voters approve the creation of a fire district with the same boundaries as the city or town. The new district may levy property taxes and or a benefit assessment charge. The city or town legislative authority will serve ex officio as the fire commissioners. ** Companion SSB 6387	S Govt Ops & Security	Levies	*S Govt Ops & Security 02/25 10:00 AM
HB 2842	Schmick +	- Financing of improvements for state-owned lands to be transferred for private development.[] - Tax Increment Financing.[] - Bill creates a finance tool for limited cities to fund private development with the state land financing area. All taxing districts that offer services area will finance the improvements, with the exception of the state school levy and excess levies. ** Companion SB 6580	S Ways & Means	TIF/LIFT Levy	
HJR 4210	Gregerson +	- Amending the Constitution to provide for a simple majority of voters voting to authorize school district bonds at general elections.[] - Constitutional provision for HB 1941.	H Education	Levies	*H Education 02/19 01:30 PM
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Bill	Sponsor	Description	Committee	Programs	Hearing
ESSB 5694	Padden+	- Allowing assessments for nuisance abatement in cities and towns.[] - Provides authority for city/town to levy spec assess or obtain a lien to reimburse for exp of nuisance abatement. Up to \$2K of spec assess constitutes a lien of equal rank with state, county, and municipal taxes. City or town may contract with county treasurer to collect under RCW 84.56.035.	H Local Government	Assessme nt	*Exec Session 02/26 08:00 AM

SSB 5767	Cleveland+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Revising local government treasury practices and procedures.[] - Clarifies treas may accept electronic payments for any type pmt; treas to determine transaction costs; payer to pay that cost. Treas may absorb costs associated with PT pmts. Provides form/content for duplicate/lost/stolen warrants or affidavits. Similarities to 2014, SSB 6114 ** Companion SHB 1815 	H Local Government	Collection	*Exec Action 02/24 08:00 AM
SB 6169	Angel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concerning easements in property tax foreclosures.[] - Provides that any tax deed issued pursuant to a foreclosure action shall be subject to easement(s) of record. 	H Judiciary	Collection	
SSB 6211	Dammeier +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concerning the exemption of property taxes for nonprofit homeownership development.[] - Provides a property tax exemption for real property owned by a nonprofit entity for the purpose of building one or more residences to be sold to low-income households, if the nonprofit entity that is the owner of the property sold at least one residence on the property to a low-income household. 	H Finance	Exemption	*H Finance 02/26 01:30 PM
2SHB 6239	Fain +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Authorizing local governments to adopt a property tax exemption program for the preservation of certain affordable housing ---- Revised for 1st Substitute: Providing local governments with options to preserve affordable housing in their communities.[] - City of Seattle bill.[] - Authorizes a city county governing authority to adopt a property tax exemption program to preserve affordable housing that meets health and quality standards for very low-income households at risk of displacement or that cannot afford market-rate housing. ** Companion SHB 2544 	H Com Dev, Hsg,&Trbl Afrs	Exemption	*Exec Session 02/25 09:30 AM
SSB 6337	Darneille +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Disposing tax foreclosed property to cities for affordable housing purposes.[] - When county acquires tax-foreclosed property suitable for affordable housing, co must notify city where property is located. Notice must be given within 60 days of acquiring property and offer opportunity for city to purchase for amount of original minimum bid. ** Companion ESHB 2647 	H Com Dev, Hsg,&Trbl Afrs	Collection	*Exec Session 02/23 01:30 PM