State Legislative Update

Executive Board 2/23/23



Recommendations to the 2023 State Legislature

- Keep the Region Moving
- Increase Housing Choices and Affordability
- Significantly Reduce
 Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Sustain a Strong Economy

Link to Recommendations





Budget



Governor's Budget
 Introduced in December

- Revenue Forecast by March 20
- Legislature in late March



Keep the Region Moving: Transportation

HB 1832 (Fey) Road Usage Charge

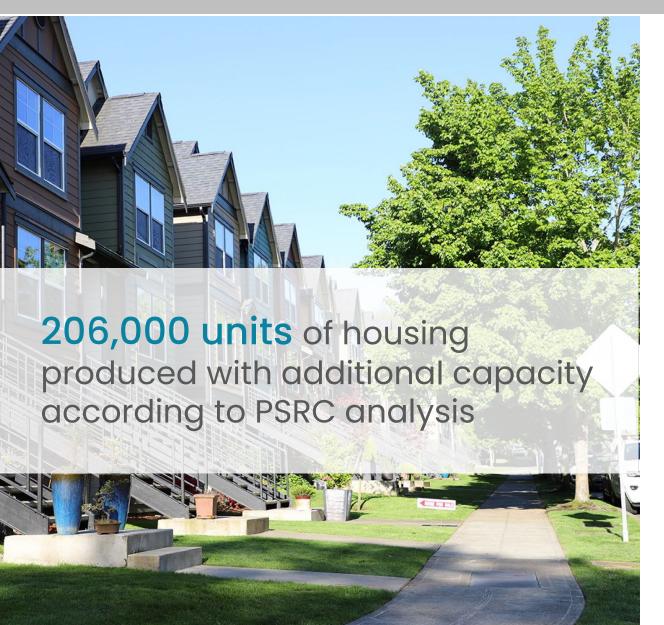
Creates voluntary road usage charge program at 2.5 cents per mile

SB 5002 (Lovick) Blood Alcohol Limit

Lower blood alcohol limit to .05 when driving



Housing: Supply



HB 1110 (Bateman) /
SB 5190 DEAD (Trudeau) Middle
Housing

- Cities of 25K-75K must allow:
 - 2 units per lot on all residential lots, or 4 if one unit is affordable,
 - 4 units per lot if ½ mile walking distance of transit
- Cities 75k and above must allow:
 - 4 units per lot on all residential lots, or 6 if 2 unit is affordable,
 - 6 units per lot if ½ mile walking distance of transit

Housing: Supply

HB 1517 Reed DEAD/ SB 5466 Liias Promoting Transit Oriented Development

Creates flexible standards for cities to allow mid-sized apartment buildings within three-quarters of a mile of transit stops with frequent service, larger buildings within a ¼ mile of light rail stations

HB 1245 (Barkis) / SB 5364 (Frame) Lot Splitting

Allows lots zoned single family of 1,500 sq ft or more to be split



Housing: Stability

Limiting Rent Increases

HB 1124 (Petersen)

Rent increase greater than 5% requires 6 month notice

HB 1388 DEAD (Macri)

Defines excessive rent increases, allows the Attorney General to take action on excessive rents, regulates fees, puts landlord tenant act under enforcement of consumer protection act

HB 1389 (Ramel) / SB 5435 DEAD (Trudeau)

Allows rent increase of 3% or inflation, but never more than 7%



Housing: Subsidy

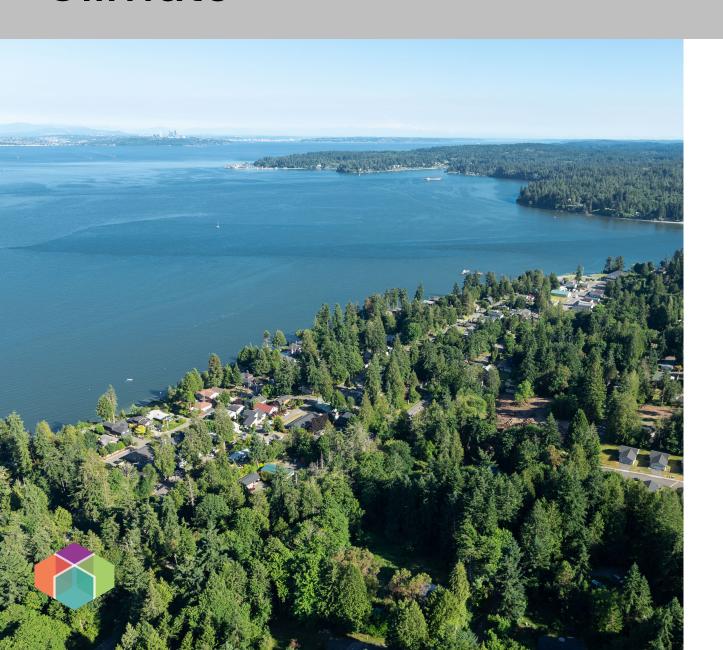


HB 1628 (Chopp)

- Increase REET from 4% to 5% on portion of the selling price greater than \$5 million, dedicates revenue to HTF
- Local option for a .25% REET for affordable housing



Climate



HB 1181 (Duerr) /
SB 5203 DEAD (Lovelett)
Improving the state's response to climate change by updating the state's planning framework

Compels jurisdictions to put climate change provisions in their Comprehensive Plans.

