

**Ecology Water Resources - Bills of Interest, 2023 Legislative Session - April 26, 2023**

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*SHB 1138, 2SHB 1322, and HB 1792 passed*

**Active House Bills**

Bill No.	Bill Title	Prime Sponsor	Bill Description	Hearings	Progress
<a href="#">SHB 1138</a>	Concerning drought preparedness.	Chapman	<p><b>Agency-Request Legislation.</b> Appropriates \$2.5 million per biennium to fund drought planning and preparedness projects. Creates a new emergency drought response account and directs the state treasurer to allocate \$3 million for emergency drought response activities when a drought emergency is declared. Authorizes the Joint Legislative Committee on Water Supply During Drought to convene when a drought advisory has been declared.</p> <p><i>SHB</i> : Removes transfer of of \$2.5 million to the drought planning and preparedness account at the beginning of each biennium. Removes the transfer of \$3 million to the drought emergency response accounts upon issuance of a drought emergency declaration.</p> <p><i>Senate AWNP Amendment</i> : Restores \$3 million emergency drought response funding provision removed by the substitute house bill.</p>	<p><b>HOUSE</b>  <b>Agriculture and Natural Resources:</b>                      1/13: Public Hearing                      1/17: Executive Session</p> <p><b>Appropriations:</b>                      2/6: Public Hearing                      2/9: Executive Session</p> <p><b>SENATE</b>  <b>Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources &amp; Parks</b>                      3/16: Public Hearing                      3/23: Executive Session</p> <p><b>Ways &amp; Means:</b>                      3/31: Public Hearing                      4/3: Executive Session</p>	<p><b>HOUSE</b>                      1/9: First reading, referred to ANR  <b>1/17: Do Pass</b>                      1/19: Referred to Appropriations  <b>2/9: Do Pass 1st Substitute</b>                      2/14: Referred to Rules                      2/22: Placed on second reading  <b>2/28: 1st substitute bill substituted.</b>  <b>Third reading, passed 96-1</b>                      4/17: House concurred in Senate amendments  <b>Final passage, 96-0</b>                      Speaker signed</p> <p><b>SENATE</b>                      3/2: First Reading, referred to AWNP  <b>3/23: Amended; Do Pass as amended</b>                      3/24: Referred to Ways &amp; Means  <b>4/3: Do Pass with AWNP amendment</b></p>
<a href="#">2SHB 1322</a>	Concerning the Walla Walla water 2050 plan.	Rude	<p><b>Agency-Request Legislation. 5384 Companion.</b> Authorizes Ecology to implement the Walla Walla 2050 plan. Directs Ecology to develop intergovernmental agreements with Oregon and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation to manage new water supplies developed under the plan. Authorizes Ecology to fund new water supply projects located outside of Washington within the Walla Walla River basin.</p> <p><i>SHB</i> : Minor clarifying edits to reflect bill language approved by stakeholder and tribal groups.</p> <p><i>2SHB</i> : Clarifies that funding for Walla Walla 2050 Plan water supply projects is subject to legislative appropriation</p>	<p><b>HOUSE</b>  <b>Agriculture and Natural Resources:</b>                      1/24: Public Hearing                      1/31: Executive Session</p> <p><b>Capital Budget</b>                      2/16: Public Hearing                      2/20: Executive Session</p> <p><b>SENATE</b>  <b>Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources &amp; Parks</b>                      3/16: Public Hearing                      3/23: Executive Session</p>	<p><b>HOUSE</b>                      1/13: First reading, referred to ANR  <b>1/31: Do Pass</b>                      2/1: Referred to Capital Budget  <b>2/20: Do pass 2nd Substitute</b>                      2/22: Referred to Rules                      3/1: Placed on second reading  <b>3/2: 2nd substitute bill substituted.</b>  <b>Third reading, passed 96-0</b>                      4/14: Speaker signed</p> <p><b>SENATE</b>                      3/6: First reading, referred to AWNP  <b>3/23: Do Pass</b></p>
<a href="#">HB 1792</a>	Modifying timelines and other initial procedural actions in a water rights adjudication.	Timmons	<p>Makes procedural changes to the process for water right adjudications filed in WRIA 1 (Nooksack Basin) after June 1, 2023. Directs Ecology to publish the draft adjudication claim form for a 60-day public comment period and defines minimum periods for claimants to file adjudication claims in court.</p>	<p><b>HOUSE</b>  <b>Agriculture and Natural Resources:</b>                      2/14: Public Hearing                      2/17: Executive Session</p> <p><b>SENATE</b>  <b>Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources &amp; Parks</b>                      3/16: Public Hearing                      3/23: Executive Session</p>	<p><b>HOUSE</b>                      2/8: First reading, referred to ANR  <b>2/17: Do Pass, referred to Rules</b>                      2/22: Placed on second reading  <b>2/28: Third reading, passed 97-0</b>                      4/7: Speaker signed</p> <p><b>SENATE</b>                      3/2: First reading, referred to AWNP  <b>3/23: Do Pass</b>                      3/24: Referred to Rules                      3/30: Placed on second reading  <b>4/6: Third reading, passed 46-0</b>                      4/8: President signed</p> <p><b>GOVERNOR</b>                      4/14: Delivered to Governor  <b>4/20: Governor Signed</b></p>

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