

FAN's Bill Tracker 2025

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PROMOTE ECONOMIC JUSTICE

Bill Title/Description	Bill Number	Prime Sponsor	Bill Status (BOLD indicates passed by one or both chambers)
Wealth Tax would establish a 1% tax on financial assets above \$250 million to reduce wealth inequality and fund vital public services and infrastructure.			
High Earners Payroll Tax on Employers would close the loophole on payroll taxes by expanding the employer tax on earnings over \$168,600 to ensure social programs are funded fairly.			
Affordable Homes Act (Real Estate Excise Tax Reform) would adjust the real estate excise tax to provide permanent funding for affordable housing while lowering rates for homes under \$3 million.			
Unemployment Insurance Benefits would allow individuals unemployed due to a labor strike or lockout receive unemployment insurance benefits.	SB 5041	Sen. Ricelli	Passed by the Senate on 3/7. In the House, scheduled for a public hearing in the House Committee on Labor & Workplace Standards on 3/18 at 10:30am.

ENSURE A STRONG SOCIAL SAFETY NET

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Universal Free School Meals would ensure that every student in Washington State has access to free school meals.	HB 1404	Rep. Berg	Public hearing held in the House Committee on Appropriations on 2/3.
	SB 5352	Sen. Ricelli	Public hearing held in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education on 2/4.
Extend Funding for Food Banks and Senior Nutrition Programs would fully fund senior nutrition programs at \$38 million and maintain support for food banks and pantries.	Budget		
Working Families Tax Credit (WFTC) Expansion would broaden eligibility and access for the WFTC program.	HB 1214	Rep. Thai	Public hearing held in the House Committee on Finance on 2/4.
	SB 5768	Sen. Saldaña	Referred to Senate Rules Committee for second reading on 2/28.
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Time Limit Exemptions would reinstate TANF hardship time limit exemptions to ensure help for all families who need it and to increase equitable access.	HB 1463	Rep. Cortes	Public hearing held in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services on 2/11.

STRENGTHEN CLIMATE JUSTICE & ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

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Cumulative Risk Burden (CURB) Pollution Act would prioritize environmental justice by considering cumulative pollution impacts in permitting processes.	HB 1303	Rep. Mena	Referred to Rules 2 Review on 2/28.
	SB 5380	Sen. Lovelett	Public hearing held in the Senate Committee on Environment, Energy, & Technology on 2/21.
Recycling Reform Act would hold packaging and paper product companies accountable for funding recycling programs, ensuring consistent, accessible recycling for all residents while reducing plastic pollution and waste.	HB 1150	Rep. Berry	Referred to Rules 2 Review on 2/28.
	SB 5284	Sen. Lovelett	Passed by the Senate on 3/7. In the House, scheduled for a public hearing in the House Committee on Environment & Energy at on 3/17 at 1:30pm.
Concerning the Clean Fuels Program would strengthen the current Clean Fuels program by significantly reducing the carbon intensity of fuels and increasing reinvestments in clean transportation.	HB 1409	Rep. Fitzgibbon	Passed by the House on 3/10. In the Senate, scheduled for a public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment, Energy, & Technology on 3/19 at 8:00am.
Protect Climate Progress would ensure that Washington State maintains and enforces state clean energy policies to counter federal deregulation efforts and support programs that lower costs through energy efficiency for homes and businesses.	Budget		

ADVANCE IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE RIGHTS

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Wage Replacement for Excluded Undocumented Workers would expand unemployment benefits to include undocumented workers.	HB 1773	Rep. Cortes	Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations on 2/20.
	SB 5626	Sen. Saldaña	Public hearing held in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means on 2/26.
Preserve Immigrant Health Equity would codify Apple Health Expansion and maintain funding for enhanced Cascade Care subsidies.	HB 1482	Rep. Thai	First reading, referred to the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness on 1/21.
Private Detention Facilities Accountability and Transparency would expand the definition of a private detention facility to include certain non-profit detention facilities, modify regulations to improve conditions, and authorize the Department of Health to inspect private detention facilities, including the NW Detention Center, at any time for compliance and enforcement.	HB 1232	Sen. Ortiz-Self	Passed by the House on 3/7. In the Senate, scheduled for a public hearing in the Senate Committee on Human Services on 3/19 at 8:00am.
Strengthening Professional Standards for Bail Agents & “Bounty Hunters” would prohibit agents from enforcing civil immigration warrants and sharing a defendant’s immigration status without authorization, classifying such actions as unprofessional conduct.	SB 5714	Sen. Trudeau	Passed by the Senate on 3/3. In the House, scheduled for a public hearing in the House Committee on Consumer Protection & Business on 3/18 at 1:30pm.
Washington Migrant and Asylum-Seeker Support would fund services promoting economic stability and long-term integration for immigrants and refugees.	Budget		

FOSTER COMMUNITY SAFETY, DEMOCRACY, & CIVIL RIGHTS

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AG Investigations and Reform Bill would authorize the Attorney General to investigate systemic misconduct in law enforcement and corrections agencies.	HB 1056	Rep. Farivar	Public hearing held in the House Committee on Civil Rights & Judiciary on 2/11.
	SB 5066	Sen. Hansen	Executive session scheduled but no action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means on 2/28.
Protections for Students would expand protections for K-12 students in public schools related to gender expression and identity, housing status, ethnicity, neurodivergence, and immigration status.	HB 1855	Rep. Zahn	First reading, referred to the House Committee on Education on 2/5.
	SB 5123	Sen. Nobles	Passed by the Senate on 3/6. In the House, scheduled for a public hearing in the House Committee on Education on 3/17 at 1:30pm.
Permit to Purchase Firearms would implement a comprehensive permit system for firearm purchases to reduce firearm-related deaths and curb illegal gun trafficking.	HB 1163	Rep. Berry	Passed by the House on 3/8. In the Senate, first reading, referred to the Senate Committee on Law & Justice on 3/11.
	SB 5140	Sen. Liias	First reading, referred to the Senate Committee on Law & Justice on 1/13.
State Matching Grant to Support American Indian and Alaska Native Students would establish a grant program around cultural identity and academic progress.	HB 1479	Rep. Lekanoff	First reading, referred to the House Committee on Education on 1/21.
State Recognition of Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha would establish these religious days as state-recognized unpaid holidays.	HB 1434	Rep. Salahuddin	Referred to Rules 2 Review on 2/6.
	SB 5106	Sen. Trudeau	Passed by the Senate on 2/26. In the House, scheduled for executive session in the House Committee on State Government & Tribal Relations on 3/14 at 8:15am.
Prohibit Interference with Access to a Place of Worship would bar harassment or intimidation near a house of worship.	SB 5436	Sen. Solomon	Passed by the Senate on 3/3. In the House, first reading, referred to the House Committee on Community Safety on 3/5.
Fully fund Bias Incidents Hotline and the Non-Profit Security Grants program.	Budget		

REFORM OUR INCARCERATION SYSTEM

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Support Civic Engagement for Incarcerated Individuals would protect their rights to participate in political and community activities.	HB 1147	Rep. Farivar	Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations on 2/4.
Judicial Discretion Act would allow judges greater flexibility in sentencing when the original sentence no longer serves the interests of justice.	HB 1125	Rep. Simmons	House Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading on 3/10.
	SB 5269	Sen. Frame	First reading, referred to the Senate Committee on Law & Justice on 1/14.
Accommodating Religious Celebrations in Correctional Facilities would require the state Department of Corrections to accommodate religious celebrations, including meals, in state correctional facilities.	SB 5131	Sen. C. Wilson	Referred to the Senate Rules Committee for second reading on 1/23.

INCREASE SAFE AFFORDABLE HOUSING & PREVENT HOMELESSNESS

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<p>Rent Stabilization would protect tenants from excessive rent increases by implementing a 7% limit on annual rent increases for existing tenants and manufactured homeowners.</p>	HB 1217	Rep. Alvarado	Passed by the House on 3/10. In the Senate, scheduled for a public hearing in the Senate Committee on Housing on 3/19 at 1:30pm.
	SB 5222	Sens. Trudeau & Chapman	Referred to the Senate Committee on Ways & Means on 2/20.
<p>Safe Spaces, Strong Communities Act would require that any municipality or county laws that regulate the acts of sitting, sleeping, or keeping warm and dry outdoors on public property be objectively reasonable as to time, place, and manner.</p>	HB 1380	Rep. Gregerson	Referred to Rules 2 Review on 2/28.
<p>Expand Opportunities for Affordable Housing Developments would allow an increased density bonus for any affordable single- or multi-family housing development (with at least 20% for low-income households) located on property owned or controlled by a religious organization.</p>	HB 1859	Rep. Salahuddin	Referred to the House Committee on Finance on 2/21.
<p>Housing Trust Fund would allocate \$536 million in the capital budget to support and preserve affordable housing.</p>	<p>Budget</p>		
<p>Prevent Cuts to Homeless Services would allocate \$253 million in the operating budget to prevent cuts to homeless and housing services.</p>	<p>Budget</p>		
<p>Housing Assistance for Youth would create a housing assistance program for youth enrolled in extended foster care.</p>	HB 1429	Rep. Taylor	Public hearing held in the House Committee on Early Learning & Human Services on 1/28.
	SB 5082	Sen. C. Wilson	Referred to the Senate Committee on Ways & Means on 2/6.

EXPAND ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE

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<p>Improving Access to Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services would help enforce insurance coverage parity for mental and behavioral health.</p>	HB 1432	Rep. Simmons	Passed by the House on 3/11. In the Senate, first reading, referred to the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care on 3/14.
	SB 5477	Sen. Bateman	First reading, referred to the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care on 1/24.
<p>Keep Our Care Act would prohibit transactions that would detrimentally affect accessible affordable health care in Washington for at least five years, including primary care, behavioral health care, reproductive health care, gender-affirming care, and end-of-life care.</p>	HB 1881	Rep. Taylor	Executive session scheduled but no action taken in the House Committee on Civil Rights & Judiciary on 2/19.
	SB 5704	Sen. Dhingra	First reading, referred to the Senate Committee on Law & Justice on 2/7.
<p>Support Universal Health Care would advance legislative efforts for universal health care, including the Washington Health Trust.</p>	HB 1445	Rep. Parshley	First reading, referred to the House Committee on Health Care & Wellness on 1/21.
	SB 5233	Sen. Hasegawa	First reading, referred to the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care 1/14.
<p>Enhancing Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing would authorize placing licensed social workers in schools in coordination with local mental health agencies and universities.</p>	HB 1663	Rep. Rule	First reading, referred to the House Committee on Education on 1/28.
	SB 5369	Sen. Orwall	Referred to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means on 2/14.