

Growth Management Services Bill Tracking List

Topic	Bill	Title	Companion Bills	Status (2/15/2011)
Agriculture	HB 1777	Development/ag activities This bill would extend the moratorium deadline for GMA update responsibilities related to critical areas that involve agricultural activities, for an additional year, as a means of providing regulatory relief to the agricultural industry.		H Local Govt
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Agriculture	SB 5611	Designated agricultural land The bill language states: "Any city, county, or state agency owning land designated as agricultural land of long-term commercial significance by a comprehensive plan or development regulations adopted under this chapter (GMA) must protect and maintain that land for future agricultural use. The intent of the bill is to clarify that if land is designated as ag resource land and is under public ownership, it must remain under this designation with relevant protective measures to keep it so.		S Ag&RuralEc Dev
Annexation	HB 1336	Federal census data Current requirement for a city, town or code city to use actual enumeration to determine population of an annexed area is modified to allow for use of federal decennial census data to account for population of complete census blocks located within the annexed area, IF the date of annexation occurs within 18 months of the release of such data. Annexing cities are still required to use actual enumeration to account for population of all partial census blocks located within the territory to be annexed.	SB 5505 (SGovtOp & Elect)	H Local Govt
Annexation	HB 1856	Annexation ordinances This bill modifies provisions regarding annexations by cities, towns or code cities, of territory served by one or more fire protection districts, and it subjects certain annexation ordinances to referendum.		H Local Govt
Annexation	SB 5143	Annexation/fire protection Districts It appears, the intent of the bill is to clarify that if land is designated as ag resource land and is under public ownership, it must remain under this designation with relevant protective measures to keep it so.	HB 1799 (HLocal Govt)	S Rules 2
Annexation	SB 5491	Boundary review boards Makes changes to provisions governing the authority of Boundary Review Boards to	HB 1627 (HLocal Govt)	S GovtOp & Elect

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		modify proposals before them. Prohibits Boards from adding an amount of territory to proposed city or town annexations that exceeds 100 percent of the area within the proposal before a Board. Establishes new public hearing and notice requirements for Boards that increase the area of city or town annexations		
Critical Areas	HB 1390	Ditches/irrigation, drainage Amends GMA definition of critical areas to not include irrigation and drainage ditches, grass-lined swales, canals, detention facilities, wastewater treatment facilities, or farm ponds.	SB 5292 (SGovtOp & Elect)	H Local Govt
Economic Development	HB 1196	State agencies/land mgmt Requires the board of natural resources to give consideration to economic development opportunities for any public lands under its control that provide benefits to the state land trust beneficiaries, the department of natural resources, or the state, or for the local community where the property is situated when deciding how to most advantageously manage property.		H Ag & Nat Res
Economic Development	HB 1428	Land use planning for jobs Establishes a land use planning for jobs task force and specifies its membership. Meetings must be open to the public. Staffing is by legislative staff. Decisions shall be made by consensus of voting membership. The task force shall identify duplicative, conflicting and unduly burdensome aspects of land use and development regulations required by laws adopted pursuant to the GMA, SMA and SEPA.		H Local Govt
Eminent Domain	HB 1035	Eminent domain/economic dev. Private property may be taken only for public use and the taking of private property by any public entity for economic development does not constitute a public use.	SB 5077 (S2Reading)	H Judiciary
Eminent Domain	HB 1036	Condemning real property The bill amends the community renewal law to limit a municipality's ability to condemn land unless the property will have a public purpose or the property poses an identifiable threat to public health, safety, or welfare by reason of unsanitary, unsafe, or substandard condition of the premises, or unlawful use. Property owners may file an appeal of the condemnation to determine whether there is a threat or to be given a reasonable opportunity to remove the threat.	SB 5078(SRules G)	H Judiciary
Energy	HB 1141	Alternative fuel vehicles Changes existing RCW's to remove local governments from having to use electricity or biofuels for 100% of fuel usage. Removes local governments from requirements to fuel vehicles by biofuels and electricity (40% by 2013, 100% by 2015, to extent practicable).		H Tech/En/Com
Energy	HB 1781	Alternative fuel vehicles		H

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		Delays the 100 percent biodiesel or electricity usage requirement for state and local governments by three years. Exempts from the requirements of the bill any first response or emergency related vehicles operated by fire departments, police departments, ambulance districts, or any emergency response organization.		Tech/En/Com
Energy	SB 5228	Small alt energy facilities Ensuring that small alternative energy resource facilities are sited timely. EFSEC shall provide suitable rules, regulations, permits, site hearings, etc.	HB 1081 (HRules R)	S Env/Water/ Ener
Energy	SHB 1081	Regarding the siting of small alternative energy resource facilities Authorizes the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) to permit small alternative energy resource facilities. Permits the EFSEC and local governments to enter into inter-local agreements to permit small alternative energy resource facilities within the geographic jurisdiction of the local government. Authorizes the EFSEC to delegate authority for ensuring compliance with the terms of any certificate or permit issued by the EFSEC to other state or local agencies.	SB 5228 (SEnv/Water/Ener)	H Rules R
Environment	HB 1885	Natural environment programs Makes multiple changes to reduce or eliminate reporting and coordination requirements or otherwise streamline operations. Other sections eliminate the requirement that agencies form certain task forces or advisory groups. Eliminates the requirement for Puget Sound Partnership to produce the action agenda and update it every 2 years. Eliminates the requirement for Puget Sound Partnership to develop the process designating Puget Sound Partners.		H Environment
GMHB	HB 1197	Growth mgmt hearings board Modifies the membership of the Growth Management Hearings Board, which would be appointed by county commissioners. Adds language to allow petitions for review to be filed by any person owning property impacted directly by the local action, while removing a person's standing to file a petition based on participation (oral or written) in the local process.		H Local Govt
GMHB	SB 5012	Growth mgmt hearings board GMHB must defer to a local decision unless the board determines that the local government has erroneously construed the law or concludes, after reviewing the evidence, that the weight of the evidence does not support the local decision. Additionally, reviewing courts must accord appropriate deference to GMHB expertise		S GovtOp & Elect
Growth Management	HB 1335	Growth mgmt/local progress Finds that the GMA has helped local jurisdictions better coordinate, plan and shape growth, but that implementation has varied. Finds that state infrastructure funding has not kept pace with growth, and is unlikely to in the future. States intention to	SB 5243 (SGovtOp & Elect)	H Local Govt

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		establish a process to support communities that have demonstrated outstanding progress in achieving GMA goals, but not to in any way penalize other jurisdictions that may not be as far along in attaining those goals.		
Growth Management	HB 1592	Suspending growth mgmt act Suspends provisions of the growth management act in counties and cities if the average rate of total unemployment in the county, seasonally adjusted, as determined by the employment security department, exceeds seven percent for three consecutive months.		H Local Govt
Growth Management	SHB 1094	Voluntary planning/counties Until July 2013, authorizes a county under 20,000 population that has elected to fully plan under the GMA to adopt a resolution removing the county from most GMA requirements, if provisions for its cities' concurrence are met. Bars a county that has adopted a removal resolution from re-electing to plan under the GMA for at least 10 years from the date of adoption of the removal resolution.		H LGDPS
Growth Management	SHB 1478	Cities & towns fiscal relief Omnibus bill designed to lower costs of local governments. Extends the deadline for compliance with land use and environmental requirements and allows local governments to substitute posting on their web site for publication in the official paper of record. Also makes Ecology approval of SMPs automatic if not acted on within 180 days.	SB 5360 (SGovtOp & Elect)	H LGDPS
Housing	HB 1232	Community transition facilities Modifies provisions relating to secure community transition facilities.		H Pub Safety
Housing	HB 1398	Low-income housing/fee exemp This bill would exempt low-income housing and development activities with broad public purposes from impact fees. It adds that local governments granting the exemption are not obligated to pay the exempted fees from qualifying public funds and specifies that exemptions may only be granted if the developer records a covenant prohibiting conversion of the property unless applicable impact fees are paid.	SB 5524 (SWays & Means)	H Rules R
Housing	HB 1624	Urban growth areas Bill amends RCW 43.330 to create residential infrastructure program in the Department of Commerce to provide loans to eligible jurisdictions and grants to nonprofit organizations for public infrastructure that supports increased capacity for high density, affordable residential developments in transit-proximate areas. Eligible jurisdictions are those planning under the Growth Management Act and Federally recognized Indian tribe in the state.		H CommDev & Hous

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Housing	SB 5425	Rural residential development Provides for Snohomish County to designate one "rural conservation development demonstration project" in the rural area that would allow a more dense development of up to 1,600 residential units using transferable development rights.	HB 1622(HLocal Govt)	S Ag&RuralEc Dev
Housing	SB 5496	Manufactured/mobile home park siting Bill creates a new section in the GMA to authorize siting manufactured home parks (MHP) outside of urban growth boundaries. It also states that siting MHP does not constitute an amendment to comprehensive plans. It also would exempt manufactured home parks from paying impact fees and would make manufactured home parks a statutory exemption in SEPA.		S FI/Hous/Ins
Housing	SSB 5214	Affordable housing inventory The Department of Commerce is not required to maintain an inventory of an agency's surplus housing but rather is directed to work with the agencies, including the Department of Public Lands, the counties, cities, and towns, and regional transit agencies. Each public entity is to maintain an inventory of surplus or underutilized property determined by the entity to be appropriate for the development of affordable housing. The inventory must include descriptive information about each property that includes, if known, the contact information for the property, and the location, approximate size, sale or lease price and terms, and current zoning classification of the property.	HB 1462(HCDHDPS)	S Ways & Means
Impact Fees	HB 1240	Impact fees moratorium Recognizes the great degree to which the state and its local governments depend on the revenues and jobs generated from the construction and sale of new homes, and that impact fees add to the cost of new homes. Declares intent to help jumpstart the state economy by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of impact fees. The moratorium expires June 30, 2013.		H Local Govt
Impact Fees	HB 1702	Payment of impact fees Jurisdictions that impose impact fees for building permits may record a covenant against title to the property in lieu of paying impact fees at the time of application or apply for a deferral of the impact fee payment until final inspection or the issuance of a certificate of occupancy or equivalent certification. Delays the starting of the six-year timeframe for satisfying concurrency provisions of the Growth Management Act until after the county or city receives full payment of all deferred impact fees.	SB 5607 (SFI/Hous/Ins)	H Local Govt
Impact Fees	SSB 5131	Public facilities/impact fee Includes certain transit, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities as eligible to be credited against the imposition of impact fees. Requires public streets, roads, and transit,		S Rules 2

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		bicycle, and pedestrian facilities to be included in the capital facilities plan element under the growth management act.		
Infrastructure	SHB 1071	Complete streets grant prog. Requires WSDOT to establish a complete streets grant program for cities and to design highway projects for all modes (peds, cyclists, transit, and drivers) for projects in cities and towns.		H Rules R
Infrastructure	SSB 5320	Infrastructure projects Section 1: Directs the department to work with county and associate development organizations (ADO) to identify areas meriting prioritization in receipt of infrastructure funding awards. Section 2: Allows the Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) to make direct loans to rural counties for carrying out an analysis of industrial sites to identify where high priority infrastructure developments are warranted.		S Rules R
Land Use	SB 5267	Govt. regulation of property This bill would expand duties and costs to all levels of government in the course of amending and adopting existing and new regulations, laws and rules pertaining to real property, especially land use and environmental protections, and change the sequence and chain of events for just compensation.		S GovtOp & Elect
Land Use	SSB 5359	Contiguous land/property tax Defines the terms "same ownership" and "immediate family" for purposes of chapter 84.34 RCW (open space, agricultural, timber lands--current use--conservation futures). Defines the term "contiguous" for purposes of chapter 84.33 RCW (timber and forest lands).		S Ways & Means
Landuse	HB 1111	Federal, state & local govts Authorizes a local government to demand that the federal or state government coordinate with the local government or special purpose district before the federal or state government implements, enforces, expands, or extends the federal or state law or requirement within the jurisdictional boundary of the local government or special purpose district.		H Local Govt
Moratoria	HB 1088	County/city moratoria authority		H Local Govt
Natural Resource Lands	HB 1199	Working lands ownership HB 1199 would require DNR to implement a plan and the Forest Board to implement such plan, to sell all state land not currently used for forestry by December 31, 2021 to the private forestry sector. Funds from sales would be accounted for and managed by the State Investment Board. The Attorney General would be authorized		H Cap Budget

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		to condemn federal forest land and make available such land to be for sale to the private forestry sector.		
Natural Resource Lands	HB 1871	Ruckelshaus Center process This bill includes an intent section only. It declares intent to establish agriculture and critical areas voluntary stewardship program as recommended by the Ruckelshaus Center. The new program would provide an alternative to the requirements of the Growth Management Act for protecting critical areas, but would not change those requirements for counties not electing to use the new program.		H Local Govt
Natural Resource Lands	HB 1886	Ruckelshaus Center process Amends the Growth Management Act to create the agriculture and critical areas voluntary stewardship program, as recommended in the report submitted by the Ruckelshaus Center resulting from the negotiated process directed by the Legislature in 2007.	SB 5713(SAg&RuralEc Dev)	H Local Govt
Natural Resource Lands	SB 5211	Forest practice applications Makes additional changes to Forest Practices law at RCW 76.09 regarding forest practices that may lead to land use conversions. Removes language added in last couple years and replaces with more specific language that also cites RCW 58.17.	HB 1582 (HAg & Nat Res)	S NR/Marine
Natural Resource Lands	SHB 1421	Community forest trust Authorizes WDNR to create a community forest land trust in partnership with a local community, which must contribute at least 50% of the parcel's highest and best use development value through bonding, TDRs or PDRs, or conservation easements. Criteria to be used by WDNR in selecting forest lands for inclusion are listed in Sec 5. Selected lands are to be managed as working forests, with revenue generated to be used to repay the local community investment share.	SB 5272 (Ways & Means)	HAGNRDPS
Natural Resource Lands, Permitting	SB 5158	Forest practices permitting Changes period of time to act on a FP Permit from 2 to 5 years. Adds option of a 5 year renewal also. Permits for more than one FP can be for more than 5 years - instead of 2 years.	HB 1157 (HAg & Nat Res)	S NR/Marine
Permitting	HB 1233	Hydraulics project approval Removes the Hydraulic Project Approval permit process from statute, based on it being duplicative and expensive.		H Ag & Nat Res
Permitting	SB 5013	Land use permit process NEW SECTION. Sec. 1 in order to create a more timely, fair, and predictable permit process pursuant to RCW 36.70A.020(7), local legislative bodies should divest themselves of responsibility for administrative, quasi-judicial, and appellate decision		S GovtOp & Elect

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		making, and assign those responsibilities to hearing examiners or professional staff.		
Permitting	SB 5266	State agency permitting This bill proposes to create a permitting work group to prepare a coordinated, multiagency permit strategy to be used by the departments of Ecology, Fish and Wildlife, and Natural Resources to improve permitting processes. It acknowledges the importance of natural resource protections accomplished by permitting with an estimate of thousands of permits processed annually, thereby accounting for a substantial commitment of government resources.		S NR/Marine
Planning commission	HB 1012	Planning commissioners term length Allows cities and counties to appoint planning commissioners to four-year or six-year terms. Current law allows only six-year terms.		S GovtOp & Elect
Public Notice	HB 1818	Legal and official notices Requires the department of information services to establish and maintain an online database for the purpose of publishing county legal or official notices required by law, or by an order of a judge or court.		H Local Govt
Puget Sound Partnership	SB 5712	Puget Sound Partnership Abolishes the Puget Sound Partnership and transfers its duties and authorities to the Washington state conservation commission, effective July 1, 2012. The conservation commission must prepare a transition plan and present it to the legislature by November 1, 2011.		S NR/Marine
Regional fire protection service authority	HB 1854	Fire protection authorities Addresses effective dates for the transfer of powers, duties, and functions of certain fire protection jurisdictions to regional fire protection service authorities.		H Local Govt
Regulatory assistance office	SB 5200	Regulatory assistance office Repeals the sunset date of the Office of Regulatory Assistance, which would have taken effect June 2011	HB 1350 (HSGTribalAff)	S EDev/Trd /Innov
Regulatory assistance office	SB 5318	Regulatory assistance office Agency request bill by the Office of Regulatory Assistance. Makes ORA, rather than OFM, responsible for reporting on agency rulemaking activities as required by RCW 34.05.328, and repeals the sunset date of ORA, currently scheduled for June, 2011	HB 1178 (HWays & Means)	S EDev/Trd /Innov
Scientific Peer Review	SB 5644	Science & public policy Changes RCW 34.05 to require that agencies use standards for scientific peer review prior to taking action of any kind, including technical assistance. Must maintain a public record of science relied upon. Limited exception for critical public health and safety with 4 qualifiers.	HB 1307 (HENVIDPS)	S Env/Water /Ener

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Scientific Peer Review	SHB 1307	Science & public policy Requires the departments of Agriculture, Natural Resources, Ecology, and Fish and Wildlife to demonstrate the use of peer-reviewed science prior to, or simultaneously with, taking a significant agency action.	SB 5644 (SEnv/Water/Ener)	H ENVIDPS
SEPA	HB 1198	SEPA decisions/review Allows a party that successfully defended an appeal brought under SEPA to file for recovery of attorney's fees, court costs, and damages. Can also file for exemplary damages of \$50,000 if shown that the original appeal was filed to delay, increase costs, or increase mitigation requirements for the proposed project.		H Environment
SEPA	HB 1713	SEPA categorical exemptions This bill would expand opportunity for allowed categorical exemptions to SEPA environmental review for new and re-developments, dependent on proposal location in relation to UGA/ whether fully or partially planning under GMA, the adoption of jurisdictional CAO, and requirement to apply least restrictive alternative of SEPA regulations, if multi-jurisdictions are involved, no matter who serves as lead agency.	SB 5657 (SGovtOp & Elect)	H Environment
Shoreline	HB 1082	Shoreline & growth mgmt acts As authorized under RCW 43.05 and RCW 36.70A.190 both Ecology and the Department of Commerce Local Government and Infrastructure provide technical and grant assistance for voluntary compliance as a first course of action with local governments and citizens.		H Local Govt
Shoreline	SB 5451	Shoreline structures Amends the Shoreline Management Act, not GMA. Requires new SMPs to include provisions clarifying that existing legal structures be considered conforming. Redevelopment must include no net loss of functions. Bill doesn't restrict SMPs from limiting redevelopment of structures in hazardous areas.		S NR/Marine
Shoreline	SB 5530	Shoreline management act Modifies shoreline management act provisions regarding appeal and permit procedures.	HB 1662 (HLocal Govt)	S NR/Marine
Shoreline	SSB 5192	Shoreline management act Clarifies that the effective date of a master program or a master program update is 14 days from the date of Ecology's written notice of final action to the local government stating that Ecology has approved or rejected the master program or master program update. Requires any permit decision by a local government that must be filed with Ecology and the Attorney General must be done so by return receipt mail.	HB 1696 (HLocal Govt)	S Rules 2

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State mandates for Reports	HB 1855	State mandates Makes several reports due to the state from local governments optional. Included are: public works bid reports to the state auditor, a report to commerce on municipal bonds, the annual report to commerce on the use of the multifamily tax exemption. Two reports are repealed. They are: RCW 36.32.210 the county inventory of capital assets, and RCW 43.19.691 regarding energy and efficiency audits.		H Local Govt
Transfer of Development Rights	SB 5145	Landscape conservation Replaced by SB 5253.		S GovtOp & Elect
Transfer of Development Rights	SB 5253	Landscape conservation This bill would provide a financing tool for certain cities in King, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties to invest in infrastructure in designated transfer of development rights (TDR) receiving areas. Eligible cities are cities with a population of 22,500 or more in the three counties. Consistent with the regional TDR program in Chapter 43.362 RCW, transfers must be from county sending areas to incorporated city receiving areas.	HB 1469(HLocal Govt)	S GovtOp & Elect
Transportation	HB 1747	Statewide trans. Planning Aims to provide more flexibility in the transportation planning process across modes - repeals requirements for WSDOT modal plans, 16-year long-range transportation plan (instead of 10-year) using mode-neutral performance measures, creates biennial statewide transportation survey.	SB 5128 (STransportation)	H Trans
Urban Growth Areas	HB 1222	Urban growth areas Authorizes limited expansions of urban growth areas into one hundred year floodplains, under certain conditions, in counties with population range of 100,000 - 150,000 and bordering salt waters.		H Rules R
Urban Growth Areas	HB 1265	Urban growth areas Prohibits counties from allowing densities in an unincorporated Urban Growth Area that is higher than the density in the adjacent incorporated area unless there is an interlocal agreement with the adjacent city. Applies only to UGA's that meet certain narrow criteria.	SB 5421 (SGovtOp & Elect)	H Local Govt
Water	SB 5080	Water pollution/sewage Amends water pollution control funding to add on-site sewage system repair & replacement or decommissioning and connection to a sewerage system as eligible water pollution control activities, and adds failing on-sites to definition of non-point water pollution. No need for us to track.		S Ways & Means
Zoning	HB 1013	Rezoning proposal notices		H Local Govt

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		<p>NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. is added to chapter 36.70A RCW as follows: Any county, city, or town that is considering a proposal to rezone private property must ensure that, prior to any hearing at which the rezone will be considered, written notice of the proposal is provided to the owners of the real property for which the rezone would apply.</p>		