WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
2009 LEGISLATIVE
FINAL STATUS REPORT
WSBA SPONSORED LEGISLATION & BOG LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ACTION
(DOES NOT INCLUDE LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY OF SECTIONS)

May 22, 2009

Links to copies of legislation are provided here and bill reports are available on the Legislature's web page, http://apps.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/

HB 1058 **AN ACT Relating to editorial standards for the publication of the Revised Code of Washington**
Sponsored by Representatives Goodman and Rodne; by request of Statute Law Committee.
BAR POSITION: Support
STATUS: Chapter 186, Laws of 2009
Effective date: July 26, 2009

SHB 1067 **AN ACT Relating to the uniform limited partnership act**
Sponsored by Representatives Pedersen and Rodne.
BAR POSITION: Sponsor, from the WSBA Business Law Section, Partnership/LCC Law Committee
STATUS: Chapter 188, Laws of 2009
Effective date: January 1, 2010, except sections 1305 and 1401 through 1416, which become effective July 1, 2010

HB 1068 **AN ACT Relating to the Washington business corporation act**
Sponsored by Representatives Pedersen and Rodne.
BAR POSITION: Sponsor, from the WSBA Business Law Section, Corporate Act Revision Committee
STATUS: Chapter 189, Laws of 2009
Effective date: July 26, 2009

SHB 1170 **AN ACT Relating to the modification of parenting plans based on the military service of a parent**
House bill sponsored by Representatives McCoy, Rodne, Kelley, Warnick, Seaquist, Angel, Green, Shea, Sells, McCune, Kagi

Ormsby, and Smith.
Senate bill sponsored by Senators Kline, McCaslin, Hewitt, Haugen, Shin, and Becker
BAR POSITION: Sponsor, from the WSBA Legal Assistance to Military Personnel Section
STATUS: Chapter 502, Laws of 2009
Effective date: July 26, 2009

SHB 1517 **AN ACT Relating to the restoration of the right to vote for people who were convicted of felonies**
Sponsored by Representatives Darneille, Green, Dickerson, Goodman, Ormsby, Roberts, Flannigan, Pedersen, Appleton, Upthegrove, Simpson, Hasegawa, Chase, Liias, Miloscia, Kagi, Hudgins, Hunt, Santos, Wood, Moeller, Williams, Kenney, Carlyle, Nelson, and Quall.
BAR POSITION: Support
STATUS: Chapter 325, Laws of 2009
Effective date: July 26, 2009

E2SSB 5688 **AN ACT Relating to further expanding the rights and responsibilities of state registered domestic partners**
Sponsored by Senators Murray, McDermott, Kohl-Welles, Fairley, Hobbs, Ranker, Pridemore, Kauffman, Kline, Keiser, Regala, Fraser, Prentice, Oemig, Franklin, McAuliffe, Jarrett, Brown, Kilmer, and Tom.
BAR POSITION: Support
STATUS: Chapter 521, Laws of 2009
Effective date: July 26, 2009 - Except for sections 5 through 8, 79, 87 through 103, 107, 151, 173 through 175, and 190 through 192, which become effective 01/01/14; and sections 165 and 166, which become effective 08/01/09
Signature gathering for a referendum is underway.

HB 1738 **AN ACT Relating to public funding for supreme court campaigns**
Sponsored by Representatives Representatives Liias, Goodman, Appleton, Carlyle, Probst, Nelson, Hasegawa, Orwall, Rolfes, Dickerson, Hunt, Pettigrew, Cody, Darneille, White, Chase, Kenney, Dunshee, Ormsby, Miloscia, Moeller, Roberts, Simpson, Sells, Flannigan, Eddy, McCoy, Wood, Kagi, Wallace, Williams, and Green.
BAR POSITION: Support in concept
STATUS: Failed to pass

HB 1902
ESSB 5073 **AN ACT Relating to consolidating accounts into the state general fund**
House bill sponsored by Representatives Dammeier, Walsh, Rodne, Warnick, Alexander, Schmick, Herrera, Orcutt, Smith, Johnson, Bailey, McCune, Kristiansen, Shea, Kretz, and Hinkle.

Senate bill sponsored by Senators Zarelli, Swecker, Benton, and Parlette.
BAR POSITION: Neutral as amended
STATUS: ESSB 5072 passed
Chapter 479, Laws of 2009
Effective date: July 1, 2009

HB 1937 **AN ACT Relating to reimbursement by the state for juror expenses**
Sponsored by Representatives Appleton, Flannigan, and Ormsby; by request of Board For Judicial Administration.
BAR POSITION: Support
STATUS: Failed to pass

ESB 5013 **AN ACT Relating to fees collected by county clerks**
Sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Brandland, Fraser, Hatfield, and Parlette.
BAR POSITION: Support as amended
STATUS: Chapter 417, Laws of 2009
Effective date: July 26, 2009

SB 5240 **AN ACT Relating to addressing the enforceability of court rules that create new nonconstitutionally mandated programs, or increase levels of service under existing programs, on any political subdivision of the state**
Sponsored by Senators Hargrove and McCaslin.
BAR POSITION: Oppose
STATUS: Failed to pass

SB 5277 **AN ACT Relating to district court clerk fees**
Sponsored by Senators Hatfield, Kline, and Delvin.
BAR POSITION: Neutral as amended
STATUS: Chapter 372, Laws of 2009
Effective date: July 26, 2009

SB 5297 **AN ACT Relating to the procedure for filing a declaration of completion of probate**
Sponsored by Senators Kline and Delvin.
BAR POSITION: Sponsor. From the WSBA Real Property, Probate & Trust Section
STATUS: Tabled until 2010 due to drafting problems that arose too close to cutoff to be amended.

SB 5386 **AN ACT Relating to electronic recording of court proceedings**
Sponsored by Senators Carrell, Roach, Kastama, McCaslin, and Regala.
BAR POSITION: Oppose
STATUS: Failed to pass

SSB 5588
ESB 5995

AN ACT Relating to administering, suspending, and eliminating boards and commissions

SSB 5588 sponsored by Senators Pridemore, Tom, and Murray.
ESB 5995 sponsored by Senators Pridemore, Schoesler, and Honeyford; by request of Governor Gregoire.

BAR POSITION: WSBA opposes elimination of OCLA and OPD Boards.

STATUS: SSB 5588 which eliminated OCLA and OPD Boards failed to pass.
ESB 5995 which didn't eliminate OCLA and OPD Boards passed.
Chapter 560, Laws of 2009
Effective date: June 30, 2009

ESB 6033

AN ACT Relating to creating the prevent or reduce owner-occupied foreclosure program

Sponsored by Senators Berkey, Fairley, Kauffman, McAuliffe, Tom, Marr, Prentice, Shin, Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Eide, McDermott, Jarrett, Regala, Hobbs, Kline, Jacobsen, Murray, Franklin, Hatfield, Kilmer, Haugen, Hargrove, and Sheldon.

BAR POSITION: Support

STATUS: Chapter 386, Laws of 2009
Effective date: July 26, 2009
Partial Veto

SB 5093

AN ACT Relating to creating nonpartisan commissions for judicial nominees

Sponsored by Senator Jacobsen.

BAR POSITION: Oppose

STATUS: Failed to pass

SB 5082

AN ACT Relating to creating a nonpartisan judicial commission

Sponsored by Senator Jacobsen.

BAR POSITION: Oppose

STATUS: Failed to pass

SJR 8203

Requiring that supreme court vacancies be filled according to statute

Sponsored by Senator Jacobsen.

BAR POSITION: Oppose

STATUS: Failed to pass

SJR 8204

Requiring that supreme court vacancies be filled according to statute

Sponsored by Senator Jacobsen.

BAR POSITION: Oppose

STATUS: Failed to pass