

FORMAT CHANGE
LEGISLATIVE WEB SITE
SESSION CUT-OFF CALENDAR ADOPTED
SEVERAL NEW GUN BILLS FILED
PUBLIC HEARING(S) HELD/SCHEDULED
ACTION ON BILLS

In response to a suggestion from a reader, I am changing the format slightly. Rather than list “Bill Status” and “GOAL Position on Bills” separately, I am placing the GOAL position immediately after the relevant bill status. Let’s see how this works for you. I do appreciate feedback from readers, although I reserve the right to act on suggestions.

The legislative web site offers a comprehensive variety of information about the legislature, bill information, procedures, various administrative details (e.g. visiting the legislature), etc. The GOAL Post is simply a summary of activity. If your interest in the workings of the legislature is deeper than that offered here, I would urge you to visit and explore the entire web site. [“leg.wa.gov”](http://leg.wa.gov)

The following cut-off dates were adopted for bills under consideration in the 2017 regular legislative session. As a general rule, if a bill fails to pass a hurdle, it is considered dead for the session. Exceptions can be made.

17 February Bills must pass out of policy committee
24 February Bills must pass out of chamber fiscal committee (only bills with major fiscal impact)
08 March Bills must pass out of house of origin (House bills out of House, Senate bills out of Senate)
29 March Bills must pass out of policy committee in second chamber
04 April Bills with major fiscal impact must pass out of second chamber fiscal committee
12 April Bills must pass out of second chamber (House bills out of Senate, Senate bills out of House), except for bills in a conference committee to iron out differences in House/Senate versions, budget bills and initiatives.
23 April Sine die – close of regular legislative session.

Several new gun bills were filed this week, as usual good and bad. HB 1380, by Rep. Shea (R-4), repeals I-594. HB 1381, by Rep. Blake (D-19), amends current CPL reciprocity law into one recognizing all licenses issued nationwide to anyone 18 and over. Hb 1397, by Rep. Jinkins (D-27) is AG Ferguson’s “assault weapon & high capacity magazine” registration and licensing bill. HB 1388, by Rep. Cody (D-34), is a major health care rewrite, but adds shops that sell cannabis to those areas prohibited for firearm possession. HB 1483, by Rep. John Lovick (D-44), allows the state to destroy forfeited firearms. HB 1501, by Rep. Hansen (D-23), tracks denials of attempts to purchase firearms via an FFL, creates a data base of denials, and may allow referral for prosecution. SB 5216, by Sen. O’Ban (R-28) mandates availability of an elective firearms safety and/or hunter ed course in secondary schools. SB 5259, by Sen. Rivers (R-18), is the counterpart to HB 1388 that bans possession of firearms in shops that sell cannabis. SB 5268, by Sen. Takko (D-19), is the Senate version of the CPL renewal notice requirement.

A public hearing was conducted on HB 1100, the house version of the CPL renewal notice bill. The only person to testify was the bill's sponsor, Rep. Blake (D-19). A committee vote may be taken in House Judiciary on Jan. 26th.

A public hearing is scheduled in Senate Law & Justice on January 24th at 10:00 a.m. on SB 5268, the Senate version of the bill to mandate a CPL renewal notice be mailed 90 days prior to expiration.

Public hearings on bills are conducted at the discretion of the relevant committee chair, as is scheduling for a vote out of committee. The committee chair is thus one of the most powerful people in the legislature, although there is provision to "relieve a committee of responsibility for a bill" to bring it straight to the House or Senate floor. This provision is rarely used.

I'll be in Jacksonville, FL, next weekend for the annual meeting of the Florida Sport Shooting Association, so GOAL Post may be a little late coming out,... again. (Funny, how when you volunteer for positions without pay, how many people want to hire you. But volunteer work and grassroots lobbying is the lifeblood of the gun rights movement. It's a vocation. Just an observation!)

BILL STATUS/GOAL POSITION:

HB 1000	Use of deadly force	Doglio (D-22)	H. Jud.	OPPOSE
HB 1004	Possession of firearms/state of emergency	Shea (R-4)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 1015	Limiting restrictions on concealed carry	Shea (R-4)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 1100	CPL renewal notice	Blake (D-19)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 1122	Safe storage of firearms	Kagi (D-32)	H. Jud.	OPPOSE
HB 1134	Assault weapon ban	Peterson	H. Jud.	OPPOSE
HB 1181	Prohibiting handgun sales registry	Blake (D-19)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 1190	Prohibiting handgun sales registry	Taylor (R-15)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 1380	Repeals I-594	Shea (R-4)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 1381	Universal recognition of all state CPLs	Blake (D-19)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 1387	Assault weapons background check	Jenkins (D-27)	H. Jud.	OPPOSE
HB 1388	Bans firearm possession in cannabis shops	Cody (D-34)	H.HC	NEUTRAL
HB 1483	Allows destruction of forfeited firearms	Lovick (D-44)	H. Jud.	OPPOSE
HB 1501	Illegal purchase of firearms	Hansen (D-23)	unass.	REVIEW
SB 5000	Use of deadly force	McCoy (D-38)	S. L&J	OPPOSE
SB 5050	Assault weapon ban	Frocht (D-3)	S. L&J	OPPOSE
SB 5073	Use of force	McCoy (D-38)	S. L&J	OPPOSE
SB 5216	Firearm safety education in schools	O'Ban (R-28)	S. K-12	SUPPORT
SB 5259	Bans firearm possession in cannabis shops	Rivers (R-18)	S. HC	NEUTRAL
SB 5268	CPL renewal notice	Takko (D-19)	S. L&J	SUPPORT

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED:

24 Jan Senate Law & Justice Senate Hearing Room "4" John A. Cherberg Bldg
10:00 a.m. SB 5268

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By reading the House and Senate "bill reports" (hbr, sbr) for each bill, you can see how individual committee members voted. By reading the "roll call" for each bill, you can see how the entire House or Senate voted on any bill. The beauty of the web site is that ALL this information is available, on line, to any citizen.

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Upcoming WAC gun show(s):

Monroe	21-22 January
Puyallup	04-05 February

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Article 1, Section 24
Constitution of the State of Washington

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