

THIRD SPECIAL SESSION ENDS
NO ACTION ON GUNS
GRIDLOCK PREVAILS
SPECIAL ELECTION UNDERWAY
GOAL ENDORSEMENTS FOR SENATE

There was no action taken on gun issues throughout the three special sessions.

The third special session of the legislature came to a close last night without passing a capital construction budget. The governor says he will not call them back into session until they have resolution on a capital (state construction) budget.

What is at dispute is control of water in rural areas. A year-old state Supreme Court decision that allows counties to block well water drilling on private property, thus limiting development. Easy access to water is crucial for rural development. But the Seattle gang that controls Olympia wants rural to stay rural, so they can drive out on the weekend and see the pretty greenery.

Primary ballots have already been mailed for a handful of special elections to be held this fall. Control of the state Senate is at stake, and with it control of your wallets. If Democrats take just one (of three) Republican senate seats up for grabs, Governor Inslee will have total Democrat control of the legislature next January, and this year's failed tax proposals (state income tax, capital gains tax, etc) will sail through next January.

Our focus in this special election is on the critical state senate seats, which will; determine who prevails in Olympia next legislative session. GOAL has endorsed the following candidates:

7th Legislative District Senator Shelly Short (R)
31st Legislative District Senator Phil Fortunato (R)
45th Legislative District Jinyoung Englund (R)

The 45th is probably the most competitive race and places both gun owners and taxpayers at greatest risk. If ever there was a time to get involved in politics, it is now. Make a donation (the cost of a box of bullets... or more; some of your time to volunteer – campaigns survive on volunteer support). Or you can sit back and kick taxes in to support whatever cockamamie programs Seattleites come up with next year to buy votes.

Hopefully this is the final GOAL Post for the year – for legislative matters, anyway.

BILL STATUS/GOAL POSITION:

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED:

None

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Upcoming WAC gun show(s):

Puyallup	12-13 August
Monroe	23-24 September

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Article 1, Section 24
Constitution of the State of Washington

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