

CHAMBER POLICY COMMITTEE CUT-OFF TODAY – GUN BILLS DIE
FISCAL COMMITTEE CUT-OFF NEXT TUESDAY
ONE NEW GUN BILL INTRODUCED
ACTION ON BILLS
PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED

Today, 2 February, is the first chamber policy committee cut-off date. All bills that have not passed out of their original policy committee this session (for most gun bills Senate Law & Justice, House Judiciary and Public Safety) are considered dead for the remainder of the session. Theoretically – exceptions can be made -- but those exceptions are rare.

Next Tuesday, 6 February, is the cut-off for bills that require major appropriations for the year. At this point, SB 5444 (a/w regulation) was sent to Senate Ways & Means because the original version of the bill had significant fiscal impact. The current version does not. I expect it will move right out of W&M to Senate Rules. The chamber cut-off – House bills out of the House, Senate bills out of the Senate – occurs on Wednesday, 14 February. “Normal procedures” aside, nothing is safe until the legislature adjourns in March.

SB 6476, by Sen. Wagoner (R-39), a bill that would exempt background checks for transfers between two CPL holders was introduced and sent to Senate Law & Justice. Too late for consideration in this session, unfortunately.

The version of SB 5444 that passed out of committee this week is significantly different from the original. Essentially, the amended version treats “assault weapons” like handguns, limiting sale to those 21 and over, and requiring the same dealer paperwork as handguns. The requirement for an “assault weapon license” is deleted, as are fees associated with the license. As watered down as it is, it is still unacceptable, as it adds so-called “assault weapons” to the state pistol registry.

Now that the policy committee deadline has passed, only a few of the 40+ gun bills introduced this year and last remain under consideration. I’ll change the status of the “dead” bills at chamber cut-off.. The bills that are in their chamber Rules Committee are awaiting a floor vote. The following bills are still officially in play:

HB 1122 Safe storage (Kagi), in House Rules awaiting a House floor vote
HB 1270 Encouraging use of trigger locks (Harmsworth), likely frozen in House Fiscal
HB 1483 Destruction of forfeited firearms (Lovick), awaiting a House floor vote
HB 2363 Drone delivery of firearms (Pellicotti), in Senate Law & Justice
HB 2519 Return of seized CPLs (Lovick), in House Rules awaiting a floor vote
SB 5073 Use of force (McCoy), in Senate Ways & Means, likely stalled

- SB 5441 Involuntary freeze on firearm possession (Kuderer), in Senate Rules
- SB 5444 B/g check on "assault weapons" (Frockt), in Senate Ways & Means
- SB 5553 Potential suicide, waiver of rights (Pedersen), in House Judiciary
- SB 5992 Trigger device ban (Van de Wege), in House Judiciary
- SB 6297 Firearm possession/history of violence (Dhingra), in Senate Rules
- SB 6298 DV harassment firearm ban (Dhingra), in Senate Rules

On Wednesday, Senate Law & Justice will hold a public hearing on HB 2363 (delivery of contraband by drone). The hearing is scheduled for 10:00 a.m.. On Friday, 9 February, the House Judiciary Committee will hold public hearings on two gun bills that passed out of the Senate already. The bills are Substitute Senate Bill 5553 (suicide prevention/voluntary waiver of firearm rights) and Engrossed Senate Bill 5992 (bump stock ban). "Substitute" means a bill was amended in committee, Engrossed means it was amended on the chamber floor.

BILL STATUS/GOAL POSITION:

HB 1000	Use of deadly force	Doglio (D-22)	H.PubSaf	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 1122	Safe storage of firearms	Kagi (D-32)	H. Rules	OPPOSE
HB 1134	Assault weapon ban	Peterson (D-21)	H. Jud.	OPPOSE
HB 1174	Firearm safety education in schools	Muri (R-28)	H. Edu	SUPPORT
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 1270	Encouraging voluntary use of locking devices	Harmsworth (R-44)	H. Fin.	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 1483	Allows destruction of forfeited firearms	Lovick (D-44)	H. Rules	OPPOSE
HB 1529	Use of force	Ryu (D-32)	H.Pub.Saf.	OPPOSE
HB 1592	Delivery of firearms to LEOs	Klippert (R-	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 1725	I-594 check exemption for CPL holders	Koster (R-44)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 1731	Certain exemptions to I-594	Jenkins (D27)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 1900	Hunter ed funding/NRA license plates	Griffey (R-35)	H. Trans.	NEUTRAL
HB 1933	Transfer of firearms at non-profit events	Walsh (R-19)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 2136	Profits from seized firearms go to education fund	Taylor (R-15)	H. Jud	SUPPORT
HB 2293	Bans firearms in daycare facilities (exception)	Kagi (D-32)	H. Jud	OPPOSE
HB 2306	Allows licensed veterans to carry at Comm Coll	Van Werven (R-)	H. Jud.	SUPPORT
HB 2329	Strengthens law making CPL data private	Walsh (R-19)	H. Jud	SUPPORT
HB 2363	Drone delivery of firearms to offenders	Pellicciotti (D-30)	S. L&J	SUPPORT
HB 2422	Bans "high capacity" magazines	Peterson (D-21)	H., Jud.	OPPOSE
HB 2519	Return of seized CPLs	Lovick (D-44)	H. Rules	NEUTRAL

HB 2666	Repeals state preemption of gun laws	Macri (D-43)	H. Jud.	OPPOSE
HB 2738	Permission to carry in a residence	Doglio (D-22)	H. Jud	OPPOSE
SB 5000	Use of deadly force	McCoy (D-38)	S. L&J	OPPOSE
SB 5050	Assault weapon ban	Froct (D-3)	S. L&J	OPPOSE
SB 5073	Use of force	McCoy (D-38)	S. W&M	OPPOSE
SB 5216	Firearm safety education in schools	O'Ban (R-28)	S. K-12	SUPPORT
SB 5441	Involuntary freeze on firearm possession	Kuderer (D-)	S. Rules	OPPOSE
SB 5444	Background check for "assault weapons"	Froct (D-46)	S. W&M	OPPOSE
SB 5463	Mandatory safe storage of firearms	Palumbo (D-)	S. L&J	OPPOSE
SB 5506	Transfer of firearms at non-profit events	Zeiger (R-25)	S. Rules	SUPPORT
SB 5553	Suicidal, waiver of rights	Pedersen (D-43)	H. Jud.	NEUTRAL
SB 5795	Mandatory firearm liability insurance	Chase (D-32)	S. L&J	OPPOSE
SB 5992	Bans certain "trigger devices"	Van De Wege (D-24)	H. Jud.	OPPOSE
SB 6049	Bans "high capacity" magazines	Froct (D-3)	S. L&J	OPPOSE
SB 6146	Repeals state preemption of gun laws	Saldana (D-37)	S. L&J	OPPOSE
SB 6173	Strengthens law making CPL data private	Takko (R-19)	S. L&J	SUPPORT
SB 6297	Firearm possession with history of violence	Dhingra (D-45)	S. Rules	NEUTRAL
SB 6298	DV harassment firearm ban	Dhingra (D-45)	S. Rules	OPPOSE
SB 6415	Permission to carry in a residence	Hunt (D-22)	S. L&J	OPPOSE
SB 6476	Exempts background checks between CPL	Wagoner (R-39)	S. L&J	SUPPORT

HB = House bill, SB = Senate bill. L&J = Law & Justice, Jud = Judiciary, PubSaf = Public Safety, HC = Health Care, H. K-12 = House Early education, Apropr = Appropriations, Fin = Finance, W&M = Ways & Means "S" before a bill number indicates Substitute, "E" means Engrossed (both mean amended).

HEARINGS SCHEDULED:

7 Feb	Senate Law & Justice	Senate hearing Room 4, John A. Cherberg Bldg
10:00 a.m.	HB 2362	
9 Feb	House Judiciary	Hearing Room A, John L. O'Brien Bldg
08:00 a.m.	SBs 5554, 5992	

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Upcoming WAC gun show(s):

Monroe	10-11 February
Puyallup	24-25 February

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Article 1, Section 24
Constitution of the State of Washington

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