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## STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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## SUMMARY LEGISLATIVE COMMITEE MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: Department of Enterprise Services, Room 2331 1500 Jefferson Street Olympia, Washington 98501

MEETING DATE: February 12, 2016

Agenda Items	Committee Actions/Discussion
	Committee Members in Attendance: Leanne Guier, Committee Chair; Steve Simpson, Council Chair; Rod Bault; Doug Orth
	Committee Members Absent: David DeWitte, Duane Jonlin
	Staff in Attendance: Tim Nogler, Managing Director; Krista Braaksma; Joanne McCaughan
	Visitors Present: William Parmer, Dave Kokot
1. Welcome and Introductions	The meeting was called to order at 11:02 a.m. by Committee Chair Leanne Guier. Introductions were made.
2. Review and Approve Agenda	The agenda was approved as written.
3. Review and Approve Minutes	The minutes of the January 29, 2016, meeting were approved as written.
4. Legislative Update	Leanne asked Tim Nogler to review the bills being tracked this session.
HB 2303 Adopting the WUIC	The Wildland-Urban Interface Code bill is eligible for a House floor vote at any time. It must pass out of the House by February 17, which is the next cutoff date.
HB 2430 Water conservation standards	The same holds true for the water conservation standards bill. This bill would require rulemaking, but the rule would just adopt the values set by the bill, and be effective with the adoption of the 2018 code. Tim noted both this and the previous bill had substitutes that changed the effective date.
HB <u>2841</u> SB <u>6525</u> SBCC Bills	Both of these bills are eligible for floor action. The Senate substitute version of the bill removes the temporary fee increase; both substitutes retain the task force. They direct legislative staff to host the task force, so it would not have any fiscal impact on the Council. Tim noted there has been a lot of support for the bills and no stated opposition. He also noted he and Steve Simpson met with Representative Senn, Representative Buys and Senator Liias on Wednesday.
	Leanne asked what effect the lack of funding in the Senate version would have.

	Tim noted the House version still retained the fee increase, and it remained to be seen what the final product would look like. If the Council did not receive any increase, they would need to begin looking at reductions in staffing. Doug Orth disagreed that there was no opposition. He felt the removal of the funding showed clear opposition. Tim felt the removal was more in keeping with the general philosophy of no tax or fee increases; it was felt that funding the Council was necessary but there was a disagreement on how to do that in keeping with the general political position. Doug also noted that with putting the Council under DES, it would then be DES making any reduction decisions rather than the Council.
HB <u>2929</u> Temporary homeless housing	This bill has now passed out of the House, but has not yet been assigned to a Senate committee. There has been a lot of discussion around this bill. The fire service has voiced concerns. Dave Kokot said fire services' intent was to work with legislators in the Senate to modify the bill to address the fire safety issues and ambiguities in the bill.
SB <u>6396</u> Rulemaking requirements	Tim stated he hasn't been following this bill very closely. It would set a yearly expiration on all agency rulemaking. It is also eligible for floor vote.
SB <u>5185</u> Building code amendments	This is a bill from last session that would change the code adoption to a six- year cycle. Staff will continue to keep an eye on it. This topic is also being discussed under the task force; it is specifically highlighted in the Senate version, but will most likely be a discussion point in any review of the Council procedures.
HB <u>1123</u> SF residential buildings	This is the tiny house bill from last session. It would prohibit the code from establishing any minimum size requirements. It's currently on third reading in the House. Tim noted the 2015 IRC went from a minimum room size of 120 square feet to 70 square feet.
HB <u>2503</u> / SB <u>6284</u> Multipurpose sprinkler systems	Both of these bills are moving. They don't have any direct impact on the Council. There has been testimony from water purveyors on the bill expressing concerns about protection of the water supply.
Other bills	The remaining bills did not pass the cutoff dates over the past week.
Hearing schedule	Leanne asked if there was anything on the schedule for next week to be addressed. Tim said the next week will focus on floor action in preparation for Wednesday's cutoff.
	Steve asked if there was a need for a Legislative Committee meeting next week. Leanne suggested waiting until next Wednesday to see what bills were still in action. She asked members to plan on meeting next Friday, although it may not be a long call.
5. Other Business	Tim said the Energy Code Legislative Report has been submitted via Ann Larson, the DES Government Relations manager, and OFM. It will also be added as an agenda item for the March 11 Council meeting and be posted along with the rest of the meeting documents for that meeting.
6. Adjourn	There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.