



## 2026 Legislative Session Weekly Report

### CleanTech Alliance

### February 1, 2026

#### Week 3

Week three in Olympia was marked by a full slate of committee hearings, executive sessions, and floor action. The first major cutoff is next Wednesday, February 4, when bills must be passed out of their policy committees in their house of origin to remain alive this session. Bills deemed necessary to implement the budget (NTIB), including all revenue proposals, are exempt from cutoff deadlines.

This session there has been increased attention on data centers. In addition to the Governor's budget proposal released in late December which included the removal of certain tax preferences related to data centers, we've seen a suite of bills aimed at data centers in our state. The proposals include provisions that would make data centers pay more of their energy costs and disclose their resource use. Read more about this [here](#).

The majority party continues to consider different revenue tools in order to address current and future budget shortfalls. In the short term we've seen proposals for a range of revenue options, including eliminating certain tax exemptions, increasing nicotine taxes, and raising beer and wine taxes. However, the proposal receiving the most attention remains the so-called "millionaires tax," which has not yet been formally introduced. As currently discussed, the proposal would impose a 9.9% income tax on income over \$1 million. The next revenue forecast is scheduled for mid-February, after which both the House and Senate are expected to release their respective supplemental budget proposals.

Following the February 4 policy committee cutoff, legislative focus will shift to fiscal committees. Bills with a fiscal impact must pass out of their fiscal committee in their house of origin by Monday, February 9. After that deadline, attention will turn to floor action.

#### Key Insights:

- **Caucus Newsrooms:**
  - [This Week In The Senate - Week 3: Holding ICE accountable, reproductive rights and housing - Washington Senate Democrats](#)
  - [The House Hot Sheet for Week 3 of the 2026 Legislative Session – Washington State House Democrats](#)
  - [House Republicans Caucus Newsroom](#)
  - [Senate Republicans Caucus Newsroom](#)
- **Press Conferences**
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- [Legislative Republican Leaders Media Availability - TVW](#)

### Helpful Links for Session:

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### Important Session Dates:

- **February 4th, 2026:** House of Origin Policy Cutoff
- **February 9th, 2026:** House of Origin Fiscal Cutoff
- **February 17th, 2026:** House of Origin Floor Cutoff
- **February 25th, 2026:** Opposite House Policy Cutoff
- **March 2, 2026:** Opposite House Fiscal Cutoff
- **March 6, 2026:** Opposite House Floor Cutoff
- **March 12, 2026:** Last Day of Session

## CleanTech Alliance Specifics

Thank you to all those who participated in Thursday's CleanTech Alliance Day on the Hill.

We met with Representative Shavers on Monday in an effort to support funding for the nuclear cluster effort. We need to get him the draft budget note language. He did note that the budget situation is difficult this year. Senator Boehnke has also indicated he is willing to work on this.

[Senate Bill 6004](#), sponsored by Senator Boehnke (R), and [House Bill 2103](#), sponsored by Representative Stearns (D), both broaden existing authority for cities, towns, code cities, operating agencies, and certain public and private utilities and districts to contract with public or private parties for renewable or nonemitting electric generation, including paying for project capability regardless of operational status, and align legacy statutes with Washington's clean energy transformation framework and modern financing practices. Executive session was scheduled for January 23rd in the Senate but no action was taken. The House version has yet to move as well.

## Upcoming Events Report

### Environment & Energy (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 2/2 @ 1:30pm

- HB 2515 - Exec Session - Addressing emerging large energy use facilities.
- HB 2496 - Exec Session - Concerning tribal consultation conducted by the energy facility site evaluation council.

## Environment, Energy & Technology (Senate) - SHR 1 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 2/3 @ 1:30pm

- SB 6171 - Exec Session - Addressing emerging large energy use facilities.
- SB 6284 - Exec Session - Providing consumer protections for artificial intelligence systems.
- ESSB 5466 - Exec Session - Improving reliability and capacity of the electric transmission system in Washington state.

## Environment & Energy (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 2/3 @ 4:00pm

- HB 2416 - Exec Session - Concerning fair treatment of waste to energy facilities under the climate commitment act.

## Business, Trade & Economic Development (Senate) - SHR 2 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 2/4 @ 8:00am

- SB 6289 - Exec Session - Creating a statewide economic development and competitiveness strategic plan.

### Bill Status

Bill #	Companion	Abbrev. Title	Title	Status	Sponsor	Priority
<a href="#">SHB 1071</a>	<a href="#">SB 5058</a>	Recycling rates	Implementing strategies to achieve higher recycling rates within Washington's existing solid waste management system.	H Approps	Fey	
<a href="#">HB 1117</a>		Motor vehicle emissions	Removing the delegation of authority related to California motor vehicle emissions standards to generate new transportation revenue for the state by reducing administration burdens on the government	H Env & Energy	Barkis	

			and the people.			
<a href="#">2SHB 1150</a>	<a href="#">E2SSB 5284</a>	Solid waste management	Improving Washington's solid waste management outcomes.	H Rules X	Berry	
<a href="#">SHB 1155</a>	<a href="#">SSB 5437</a>	Noncompetiti on agreements	Prohibiting noncompetitio n agreements and clarifying nonsolicitatio n agreements.	H 2nd Reading	Berry	
<a href="#">HB 1237</a>	<a href="#">SB 5246</a>	Energy facility site eval.	Facilitating predictable and timely application decisions by the energy facility site evaluation council.	H Env & Energy	Fitzgibbon	High
<a href="#">HB 1249</a>		Advanced nuclear commission	Creating the commercial liftoff for energy from advanced nuclear advisory commission.	H Env & Energy	Barnard	
<a href="#">2SHB 1303</a>	<a href="#">SB 5380</a>	Environmenta l justice	Increasing environmental justice by improving government decisions.	H Approps	Mena	
<a href="#">HB 1328</a>	<a href="#">SSB 5359</a>	Clean energy development	Accelerating the development of clean energy and transmission.	H Env & Energy	Doglio	High
<a href="#">SHB 1360</a>	<a href="#">SB 5451</a>	Quantum economic development	Concerning advancement of quantum economic development.	H Approps	Ryu	
<a href="#">HB 1481</a>		Nuclear energy study	Concerning the commercial liftoff for energy from	H Env & Energy	Barnard	

			advanced nuclear study.			
<a href="#">SHB 1550</a>	<a href="#">SB 5586</a>	Electric vehicle batteries	Improving the end-of-life management of electric vehicle batteries.	H Rules C	Street	
<a href="#">3SHB 1607</a>	<a href="#">2SSB 5502</a>	Recycling & waste reduction	Concerning recycling and waste reduction.	H Rules R	Stonier	
<a href="#">SHB 1673</a>	<a href="#">ESSB 5466</a>	Electric transmission system	Improving reliability and capacity of the electric transmission system in Washington state.	H Approps	Ramel	
<a href="#">HB 1679</a>		Nuclear reactor projects	Encouraging electric utility investments in advanced nuclear reactor projects for clean energy transformation act compliance.	H Env & Energy	Barnard	
<a href="#">HB 1712</a>		Qualified biomass facilities	Allowing the use of electricity generated by qualified biomass facilities in the Pacific Northwest to meet renewable resource requirements.	H Env & Energy	Waters	
<a href="#">ESHB 1819</a>		Transmission capacity	Increasing transmission capacity.	H Rules 3C	Barnard	
<a href="#">HB 1844</a>	<a href="#">SSB 5601</a>	Alternative jet fuels	Advancing the production and use of alternative jet	H Env & Energy	Gregerson	

			fuels in Washington.			
<a href="#">2SHB 1847</a>		Distributed alt. energy dev.	Prioritizing the development of distributed alternative energy resources in targeted circumstances.	H Approps	Doglio	
<a href="#">HB 1860</a>	<a href="#">ESB 5649</a>	Supply chain competitiveness	Creating a Washington state supply chain competitiveness infrastructure program.	H Transportation	Reed	
<a href="#">2SHB 1871</a>	<a href="#">SB 5727</a>	Residential energy storage	Incentivizing grid-connected residential battery energy storage systems.	H Approps	Hunt	
<a href="#">2SHB 1960</a>		Renewable energy	Encouraging renewable energy in Washington through tax policy and investment in local communities.	H Exec Action	Ramel	
<a href="#">HB 1994</a>		Renewable energy hosts/tax	Encouraging local support of communities that host renewable energy through changes in tax policy.	H Finance	Klicker	
<a href="#">HB 2045</a>		Business and occupation tax	Investing in Washington families by restructuring the business and occupation tax on high	H Finance	Fitzgibbon	

			grossing businesses and financial institutions.			
<a href="#">HB 2046</a>		Intangible assets tax	Creating fairness in Washington's tax by imposing a tax on select financial intangible assets.	H Finance	Berg	
<a href="#">HB 2082</a>	<a href="#">ESSB 5813</a>	Tax rates/cap. gains, estate	Increasing funding to the education legacy trust account by creating a more progressive rate structure for the capital gains tax and estate tax.	H Finance	Street	
<a href="#">HB 2083</a>	<a href="#">ESSB 5814</a>	Excise taxes	Modernizing the excise taxes on select services and nicotine products and requiring certain large businesses to make a one-time prepayment of state sales tax collection.	H Finance	Stonier	
<a href="#">SHB 2084</a>		Tax preferences	Increasing funding for K-12, health care, and public safety by repealing or modifying tax preferences for certain industries and goods.	H Rules X	Ramel	

<a href="#">HB 2103</a>	<a href="#">SB 6004</a>	Electric/public contracts	Authorizing certain public entities to contract for the capability of renewable or nonemitting electric generation projects.	H Local Govt	Stearns	High
<a href="#">SHB 2281</a>		State-tribal relationship	Concerning the state and tribal government-to-government relationship.	H Cap Budget	Stearns	
<a href="#">HB 2416</a>	<a href="#">SB 6092</a>	Waste to energy facilities	Concerning fair treatment of waste to energy facilities under the climate commitment act.	H Env & Energy	Hill	
<a href="#">SHB 2446</a>		Quantum technology industry	Developing the quantum technology industry into the state's economic development and workforce.	H Approps	Barnard	
<a href="#">HB 2496</a>	<a href="#">SSB 6010</a>	EFSEC tribal consultation	Concerning tribal consultation conducted by the energy facility site evaluation council.	H Env & Energy	Stearns	
<a href="#">HB 2509</a>		EFSEC application review	Improving the efficiency of the review of applications by the energy facility site evaluation council.	H Env & Energy	Bernbaum	



<a href="#">HB 2515</a>	<a href="#">SB 6171</a>	Large energy use facilities	Addressing emerging large energy use facilities.	H Env & Energy	Doglio	
<a href="#">HB 2608</a>		Nuclear facilities/tax pref.	Modifying the targeted urban areas tax preference for projects related to nuclear facilities.	H Finance	Barnard	
<a href="#">HB 2682</a>		Env. justice application	Ensuring the consistent application of environmental justice principles.	H Env & Energy	Reeves	
<a href="#">SB 5015</a>		EFSEC governor approval	Increasing efficiency at the energy facility site evaluation council by removing the governor from the project approval process.	S Environment, E	Boehnke	High
<a href="#">SB 5058</a>	<a href="#">SHB 1071</a>	Recycling rates	Implementing strategies to achieve higher recycling rates within Washington's existing solid waste management system.	S Environment, E	Chapman	
<a href="#">SSB 5160</a>	<a href="#">HB 1226</a>	Additive transp. funding	Concerning additive transportation funding and appropriations.	S Rules X	Liias	
<a href="#">SB 5208</a>		Clean energy fund program	Establishing a new clean energy fund program.	S Environment, E	MacEwen	High
<a href="#">SSB 5241</a>	<a href="#">HB 1018</a>	Fusion energy facilities	Adding fusion energy to facilities that	S Rules X	Liias	High

			may obtain site certification for the purposes of chapter 80.50 RCW.			
<a href="#">SB 5246</a>	<a href="#">HB 1237</a>	Energy facility site eval.	Facilitating predictable and timely application decisions by the energy facility site evaluation council.	S Environment, E	Shewmake	High
<a href="#">SB 5283</a>		Energy storage siting/EFSEC	Prohibiting the energy facility site evaluation council from preempting local laws that forbid the siting of certain storage facilities in critical areas.	S Environment, E	Wagoner	
<a href="#">SSB 5359</a>	<a href="#">HB 1328</a>	Clean energy development	Accelerating the development of clean energy.	S Ways & Means	Shewmake	High
<a href="#">SB 5401</a>	<a href="#">EHB 1329</a>	Wholesale power purchases	Concerning wholesale power purchases by electric utilities under the Washington clean energy transformation act.	S Environment, E	Slatter	
<a href="#">SB 5451</a>	<a href="#">SHB 1360</a>	Quantum economic development	Concerning advancement of quantum economic development.	S Ways & Means	Slatter	

<a href="#">ESSB 5466</a>	<a href="#">SHB 1673</a>	Electric transmission system	Improving reliability and capacity of the electric transmission system in Washington state.	S Environment, En	Shewmake	High
<a href="#">SSB 5601</a>	<a href="#">HB 1844</a>	Alternative jet fuels	Advancing the production and use of alternative jet fuels in Washington.	S Ways & Means	Liias	
<a href="#">ESB 5649</a>	<a href="#">HB 1860</a>	Supply chain competitiveness	Creating a Washington state supply chain competitiveness infrastructure program.	H Tech, Econ Dev	Liias	
<a href="#">SB 5673</a>	<a href="#">HB 1924</a>	Manufacturing /sales tax	Providing a sales and use tax exemption for manufacturing facilities and green manufacturing facilities.	S Ways & Means	Boehnke	
<a href="#">SB 5674</a>		Manufacturing facilities/tax	Concerning manufacturing facilities.	S Ways & Means	Boehnke	
<a href="#">SB 5675</a>		Manufacturing /B&O tax	Providing a business and occupation tax exemption for manufacturing facilities and green manufacturing facilities.	S Ways & Means	Boehnke	
<a href="#">SB 5795</a>		Sales and use tax rate	Reducing the state sales and use tax rate.	S Ways & Means	Krishnadasan	
<a href="#">ESB 5797</a>		Intangible assets tax	Enacting a tax on stocks, bonds, and other financial intangible assets for the	S Ways & Means	Frame	

			benefit of public schools.			
<a href="#">SSB 5798</a>		Property tax	Concerning property tax reform.	S Ways & Means	Pedersen	
<a href="#">SB 5811</a>	<a href="#">SHB 2077</a>	Zero-emission vehicle prg.	Establishing a tax on certain business activities related to surpluses generated under the zero-emission vehicle program.	S Ways & Means	Lovelett	
<a href="#">SB 5812</a>	<a href="#">ESHB 2049</a>	K-12 education funding	Investing in the state's paramount duty to fund K-12 education and build strong and safe communities.	S Ways & Means	Wellman	
<a href="#">SB 5815</a>	<a href="#">ESHB 2081</a>	Business and occupation tax	Modifying business and occupation tax surcharges, rates, and the advanced computing surcharge cap, clarifying the business and occupation tax deduction for certain investments, and creating a temporary business and occupation tax surcharge on large companies.	S Ways & Means	Saldana	
<a href="#">SB 5821</a>	<a href="#">HB 2090</a>	Advanced nuclear energy	Integrating advanced nuclear energy into the state	S Environment, E	Braun	High

			energy strategy.			
<a href="#">SB 5989</a>		Aircraft fuel tax distrib.	Concerning the distribution of aircraft fuel tax revenue.	S Ways & Means	Boehnke	High
<a href="#">SB 6004</a>	<a href="#">HB 2103</a>	Electric/public contracts	Authorizing certain public entities to contract for the capability of renewable or nonemitting electric generation projects.	S Environment, En	Boehnke	High
<a href="#">SSB 6010</a>	<a href="#">HB 2496</a>	EFSEC tribal consultation	Concerning tribal consultation conducted by the energy facility site evaluation council.	S ENETDPS	Shewmake	
<a href="#">SSB 6076</a>		Utility procurement	Streamlining consumer-owned utility procurement requirements for clean energy generation, energy storage, transmission, and distribution projects.	S ENETDPS	Goehner	
<a href="#">SB 6092</a>	<a href="#">HB 2416</a>	Waste to energy facilities	Concerning fair treatment of waste to energy facilities under the climate commitment act.	S Environment, E	Riccelli	
<a href="#">SB 6121</a>		Large energy use facilities	Providing electricity service to	S Environment, En	Boehnke	High

			large energy use facilities.			
<a href="#">SB 6165</a>		Eminent domain/electrical	Limiting the exercise of eminent domain for the purposes of constructing electrical transmission facilities on agricultural lands.	S Environment, E	Boehnke	
<a href="#">SB 6168</a>		CCA suspensions	Providing cost relief to Washingtonians by suspending certain requirements in the climate commitment act.	S Environment, E	Boehnke	
<a href="#">SB 6171</a>	<a href="#">HB 2515</a>	Large energy use facilities	Addressing emerging large energy use facilities.	S Environment, E	Shewmake	
<a href="#">SB 6284</a>	<a href="#">HB 2667</a>	AI consumer protections	Providing consumer protections for artificial intelligence systems.	S Environment, E	Liias	
<a href="#">SB 6289</a>		Economic dev. strategic plan	Creating a statewide economic development and competitiveness strategic plan.	S Business, Trad	Kauffman	