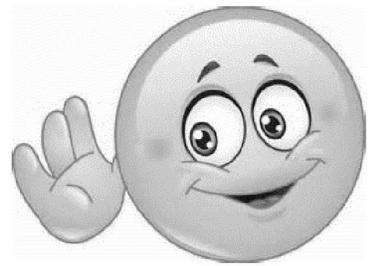


MUTTERINGS...

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Research Assistant?

Want someone else to do your research for you? Consider the following Internet resources.

Washington Policy Center (<http://washingtonpolicy.org/>) sponsors an excellent site analyzing currently considered bills and alerting those concerned over good policy. Go to: www.washingtonvotes.org

Washington Policy Center is an independent, non-partisan think tank promoting sound public policy based on free-market solutions.

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Family Policy Institute supports a legislative action at www.fpiw.org/legislative-center/ centering in on family issues

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The Freedom Foundation's (www.myfreedomfoundation.com) keeps people informed on their lobbying efforts in support of "Right to Work" issues as well as budgeting issues.

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One source of national legislative news from **The Heritage Foundation** is located at heritageaction.com

Capitol Buzz, a part of the Washington State House Republicans web site, is located at <http://houserepublicans.wa.gov/capitol-buzz/> is kept constantly updated with legislative activity

Any of these sites has an option to receive updates via email.

Washington House Republicans
Olympic, Washington

Capitol Buzz
A summary of online stories relating to government, public policy and politics.
Produced by Washington State House Republican Communications

Calendar

Precinct Officers

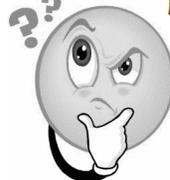
Training January 29

Richland Library Gallery - 6:30 pm to 8:15 pm

Precinct Officers

Central Committee will be meeting on Thursday, February 5

How do I know what's going on?



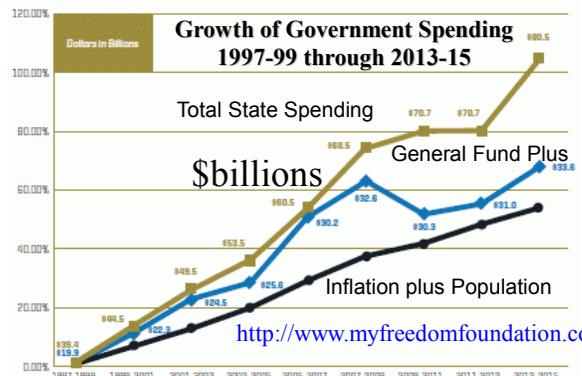
There are some pretty hairy...no, gruesome... bills out there this year. You can keep track of them and follow them into and out of committee as described in the *Billboard* column on page 2. Complicated? Yes, but you'll get the hang of it.

3 Reasons Washington State Shouldn't Come After Barronelle Stutzman's Personal Assets [as Well as Arlene's Flowers]

By Alliance Defending Freedom



"In America, the government is supposed to protect freedom, not intimidate citizens into speaking and acting contrary to their faith under threat of severe punishment," said Waggoner. "Plenty of other florists are willing to provide flowers for same-sex ceremonies, yet the state attorney general insists on going after not only her business, but her personal assets as well. It's nothing more than a blatant attempt to strong-arm Barronelle into surrendering her freedom and livelihood." See: <http://alliancedefendingfreedom.org/> or for the full article, <http://alliancedefendingfreedom.org/content/docs/FnJ/FnJ-7.1.pdf>



Note of Interest..... <http://www.myfreedomfoundation.com> reports that **Representative Walsh** moved off the "Big Spender's" list for 2014.

Representative Walsh Said It... From Representative Walsh's email dated 1/16/15

- Since this is a long session, we will be crafting a new, two-year budget. Although we've heard some early proposals from the governor, we are far from reaching a consensus.
- These proposals include large tax increases. With an additional \$3 billion in revenue due to a rebounding economy, many feel this is an unnecessary option to meet current budget demands.
- I'm a firm believer that we should invest in early education to ensure our children have the tools to succeed in school and life.
- As...fiscal conservative, I work to promote policies that are fiscally responsible.
- My goal is to empower parents to provide for and support their own families.
- Our governor's proposals, which call for excessive tax increases, would harm employers and job opportunities, making it increasingly difficult for workers to provide for their families.
- I encourage you to write, call or e-mail me with any questions or ideas you have about our government. I always appreciate your feedback as it helps guide the decisions I make here in the Legislature.

PROVERBS

...for our troubled times

When justice is done, it is a joy to the righteous but terror to evildoers. Proverbs 21:15 (ESV)

When injustice becomes law, rebellion becomes a duty. - Benjamin Franklin

