

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

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| AGENDA TITLE: Legislative Wrap Up |
| DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office |
| PRESENTED BY: Scott MacColl, Intergovernmental Relations Manager |

ISSUE STATEMENT:

The Washington State Legislature has recently completed its work for the mid-biennial 2010 session. This session was complicated by the additional \$2.5 billion shortfall after significant cuts were made in the 2009 biennial budget. The session was extended 30 days to try and come to agreement for how to raise \$800 million to restore some of the funding. The tax package includes temporary increases on business related taxes, mass produced beer, and soda pop which expire in 2013, but does not include a statewide sales tax increase.

A key piece of legislation that fell short this session was the bill to fund stormwater requirements. The bill would have raised the Model Toxics Control Tax (which is essentially a gas tax) to generate approximately \$100 million to fund city/county stormwater requirements.

One piece of legislation that passed was a bill designed to increase fiscal flexibility for cities and counties. This bill includes a temporary repeal of the 'non-supplant' language for levies and sales tax increases, such as the County's Mentally Ill and Drug Dependent (MIDD) levy and the potential Criminal Justice sales tax levy. This bill allows the County to use potential revenues from an increase in the criminal justice sales tax to be used to fund existing services for a limited time.

This agenda item includes presentations from Representatives Kagi and Chase on their perspectives from the Legislative Session.

Approved By: City Manager  City Attorney _____

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