### Economic and Revenue Forecast

## Presented to the Local Government Partnership Meeting

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## Summary

- The state and national forecasts expect slower growth and gradually increasing unemployment over the next several years
- Inflation and gas prices are expected to peak soon
- There are considerable downside risks to the forecast



### Forecast risks

### Upside

- Supply chains recover more quickly than expected, leading to increased supply of goods and services, slower inflation
- Quicker resolution of Russia Ukraine conflict

#### Downside

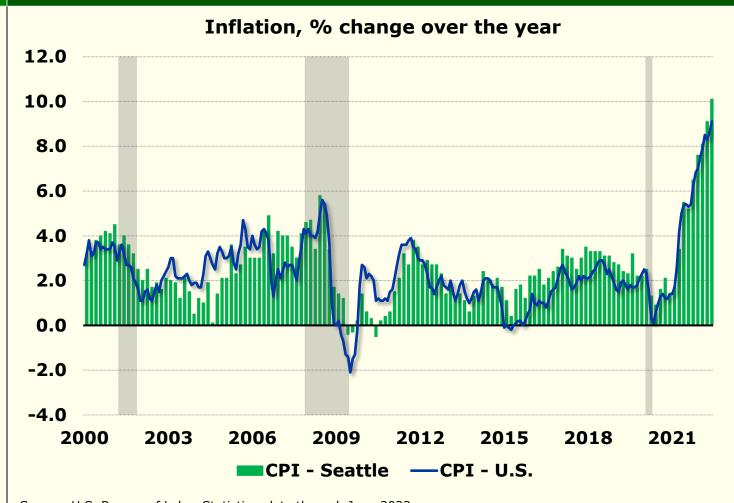
- Rising interest rates push economy into recession
- Inflation remains elevated
- Russia Ukraine conflict intensifies



## In June, prices increased at their fastest pace since November 1981

The U.S. CPI for all urban consumers rose 1.3 from May to June and was up 9.1% year over year

The Seattle CPI, which is released every two months, was up 10.1% year over year

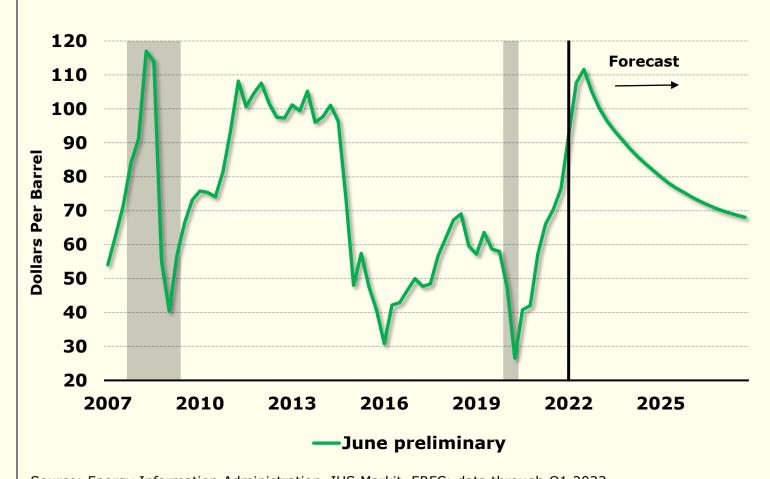


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Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, data through June 2022



## The June forecast expected oil prices to peak in the third quarter of 2022



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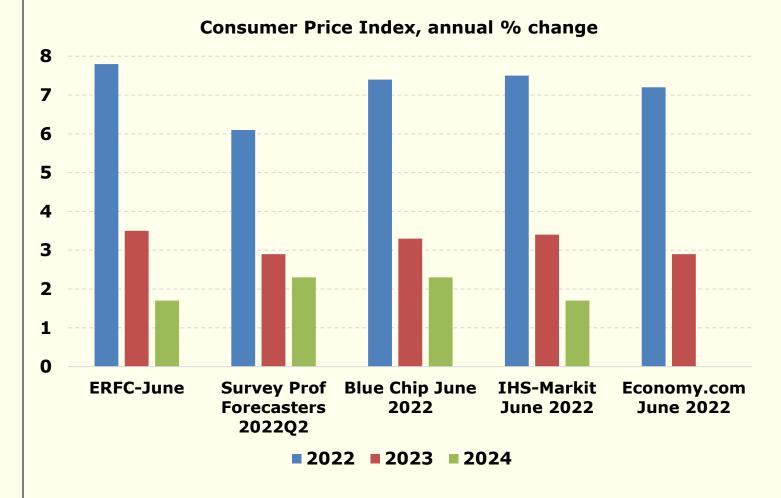
Source: Energy Information Administration, IHS Markit, ERFC; data through Q1 2022

Note: Vertical black line indicates last actual



## Inflation is expected to decrease after this year

The Consumer Price Index increased by 4.7% in 2021



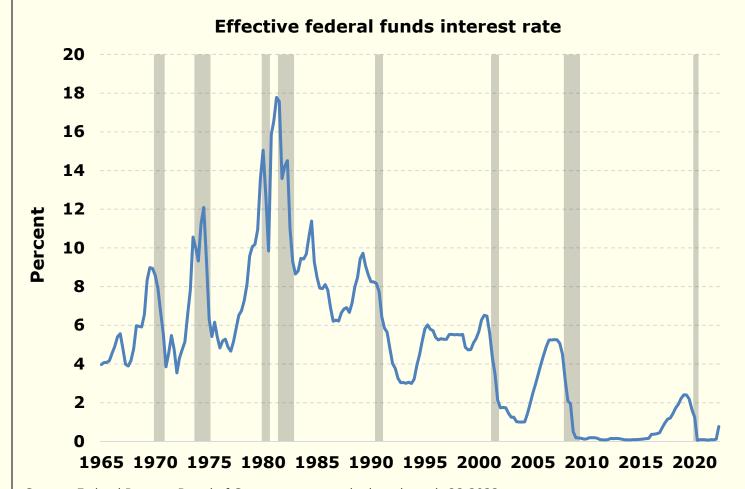
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# Recessions have frequently been preceded by the Federal Reserve raising interest rates

However, not all Fed rate increases have been followed by recession



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Source: Federal Reserve Board of Governors; quarterly data through Q2 2022

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## Recent commentary and headlines

Governor's
Council of
Economic
Advisors: 38%
recession
probability in
next 12 months

### Evercore ISI consultancy (June 7 2022)

- U.S. economy clearly slowing, still strong
- State tax survey shows overall receipts pulling back from their highest level since 2006

### World Bank (June 2022)

 Several years of above-average inflation and below-average growth now seem likely

### Blue Chip Economic Indicators (June 2022)

- U.S. recession probability in:
  - o 2022: 26%
  - 0 2023: 39%

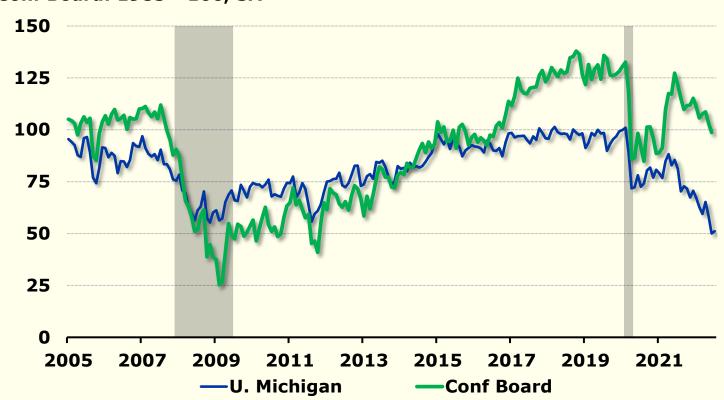
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# Consumer confidence has slipped due to inflation, interest rate concerns

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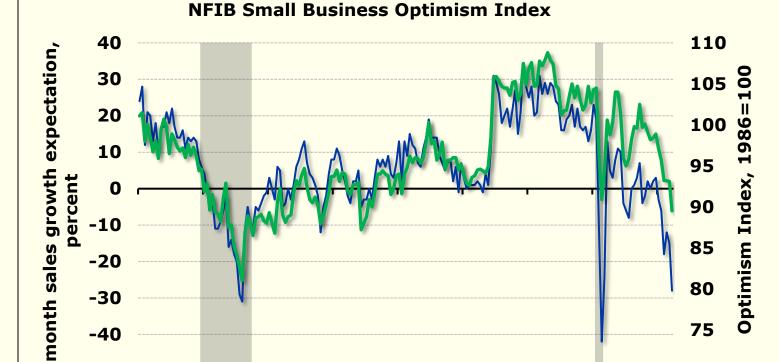


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Sources: University of Michigan, Conference Board; data through June 2022 (with July UofM preliminary)



## Small business owners expect business conditions to deteriorate over next six months



2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 2020

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Source: National Federation of Independent Business; data through June 2022

-Sales Expectations

-30

-40

-50

2006

2008

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**Optimism Index** 

**75** 

**70** 

2022



## U.S. retail trade sales increased by 1.0% in June

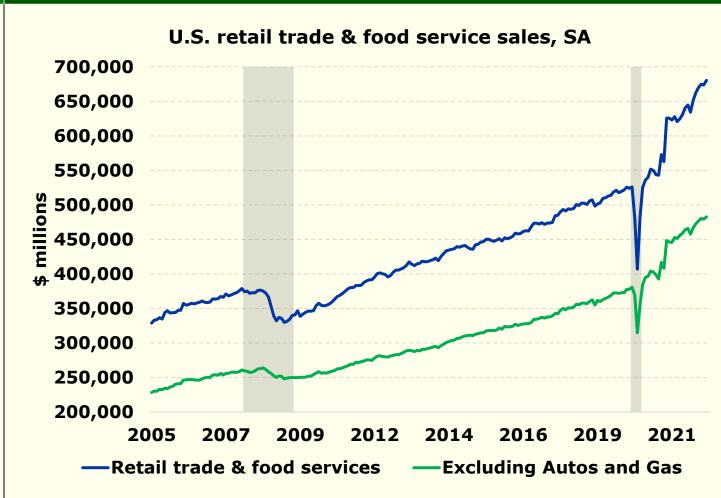
June retail sales were up 8.4% year over year

Sales decreased 0.1% in May after a 0.7% increase in April

Excluding autos and gas, sales increased 0.7% in June and were up 6.6% year over year

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau; data through advanced June 2022



## Job openings remain at very high levels



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## New vehicle sales constrained by lack of inventory, high prices

Washington new vehicle registrations were down 13% year over year in June

US light vehicle sales were down 16% year over year in June

Automakers are prioritizing production of higher profit margin vehicles, which boosts prices

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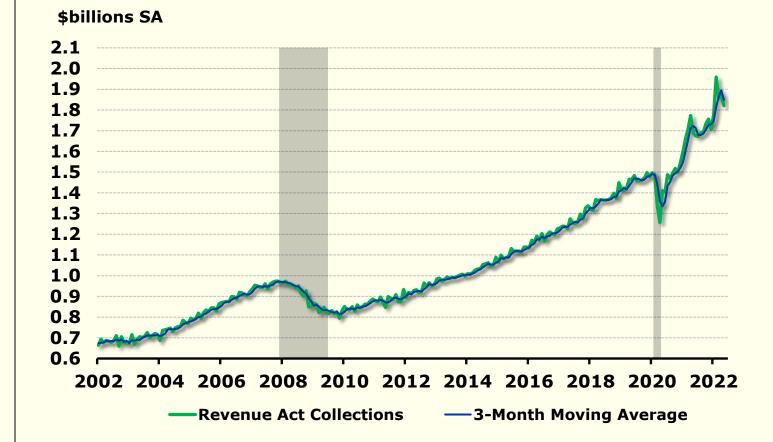
25 30 SAAR sales, millions of units 2010:09 2005:05 2007:05 2010:01 US Light Truck Sales (L) US car sales (L) WA new vehicle registrations (R)



### Revenue Act collections remain strong

Revenue for May activity was up 8.9% year over year

Collections for first quarter activity were up 12.4% year over year after 13.1% growth for fourth quarter 2021 activity



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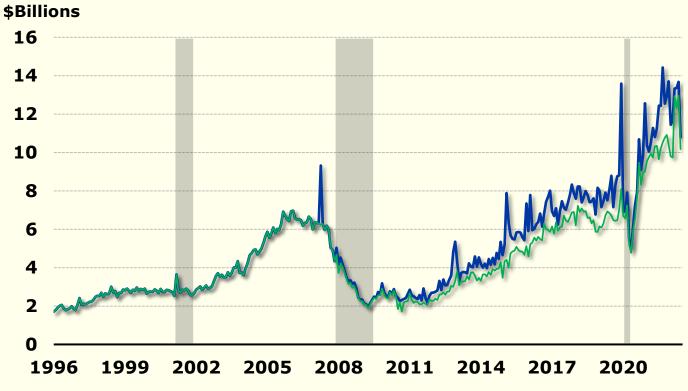


## Seasonally adjusted taxable REET activity decreased in June

Most of the June decrease was in residential sales

The forecast assumes REET collections have already peaked

**Seasonally Adjusted Taxable Real Estate Excise Activity** 



—Total —Total excl. sales >\$10M

Source: ERFC; Monthly data through May 2022 estimate

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## WA employment forecast

Average annual employment growth, 2023 to 2027:

U.S. = 0.4%

WA = 0.9%



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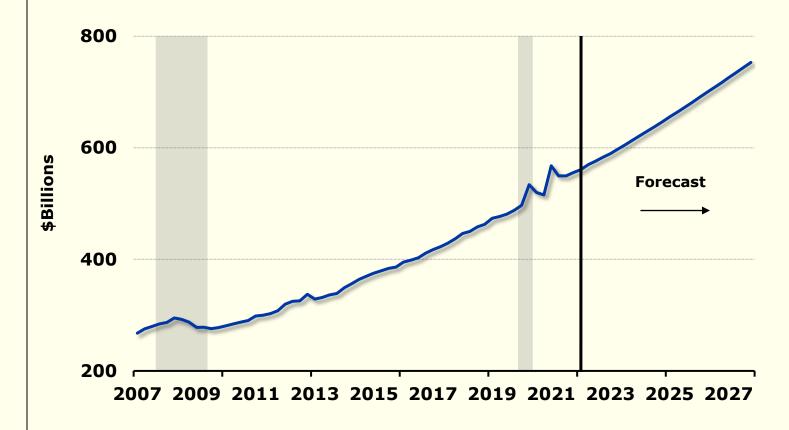
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Source: ERFC June 2022 forecast; historical data through Q1 2022



## WA personal income forecast

State personal income is expected to grow at an annual average rate of 5.3% from 2023 to 2027



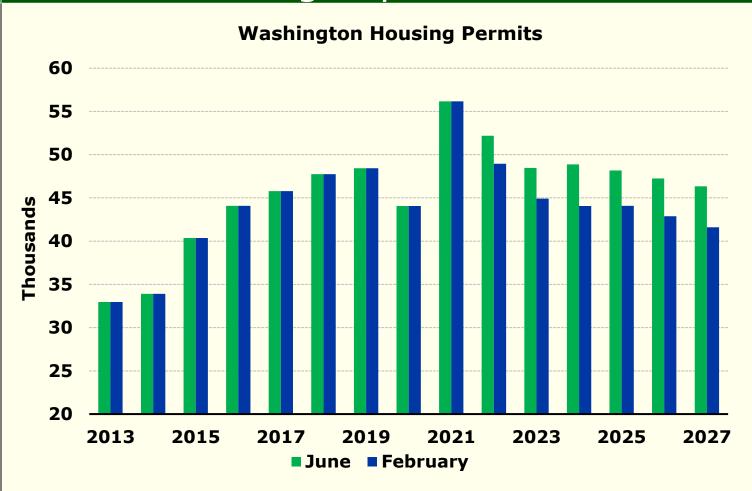
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WA housing permits higher 2022 – 25 compared to February; reflects new data on housing depreciation

Since the February forecast, U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development released survey data indicating existing housing is depreciating faster than expected, requiring higher replacement rates.



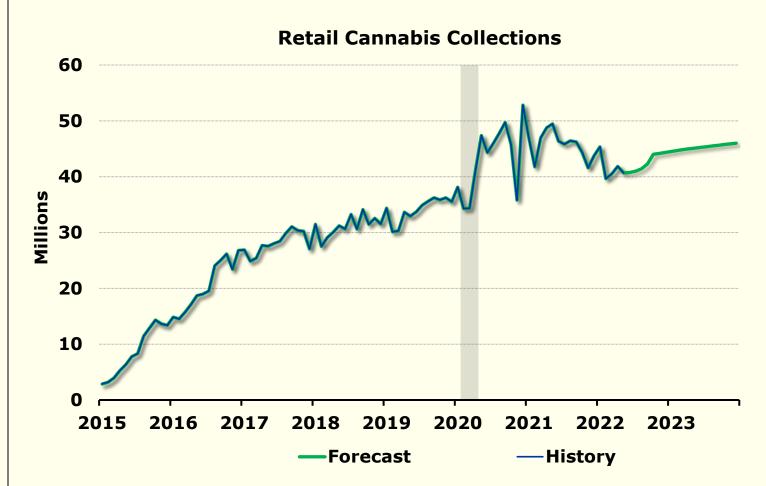
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Source: ERFC June 2022 forecast; historical data through 2021



## Cannabis revenues appear to be moderating

Collections came in 7.3% below the February forecast



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Source: ERFC June 2022 forecast; historical data through May 2022



## ERFC June Forecast - U.S.

Year-over-year growth

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	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Real GDP growth	-3.4%	5.7%	2.5%	1.9%	2.1%	2.0%	2.0%	1.9%
Federal Funds rate	0.4%	0.1%	1.2%	3.0%	2.9%	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%
10-year treasury note	0.9%	1.4%	2.7%	3.1%	3.2%	3.1%	3.0%	3.0%
30-year fixed mortgage rate	3.1%	3.0%	4.9%	5.2%	5.0%	4.9%	4.8%	4.8%
CPI inflation	1.2%	4.7%	7.8%	3.5%	1.7%	1.8%	1.9%	2.0%
Oil price, refiner acquisition cost/bbl	\$39	\$68	\$104	\$95	\$85	\$78	\$72	\$69



## ERFC June Forecast – WA

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Personal income	7.6%	7.6%	3.0%	5.1%	5.4%	5.3%	5.3%	5.1%
Real personal income	6.4%	3.6%	-3.0%	1.9%	3.7%	3.5%	3.3%	3.2%
Nonfarm payroll employment	-5.3%	2.4%	4.8%	1.2%	0.7%	0.7%	0.9%	1.0%
Housing permits	-9.0%	27.5%	-7.1%	-7.1%	0.9%	-1.5%	-1.9%	-1.9%
Construction Employment	-2.6%	4.5%	4.4%	-0.7%	1.0%	0.8%	1.1%	0.8%
Unemployment Rate	8.5%	5.3%	4.1%	4.5%	4.8%	5.0%	4.9%	4.7%



## June Revenue Forecast

	Year-over-year growth							
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Retail Sales	1.7%	10.3%	12.3%	3.9%	3.3%	3.2%	3.3%	3.6%
Business & Occupation	3.6%	7.9%	14.5%	1.0%	4.2%	4.6%	4.7%	4.4%
Real Estate Excise	-0.7%	34.4%	36.2%	-31.2%	-6.1%	3.0%	-1.0%	1.5%
Property Tax - School Levy	44.2%	27.3%	0.4%	2.5%	2.4%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%



## Questions



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## Local Sales Tax

Brittney May and Jason Hartwell Local Tax Administration Managers July 2022



## Requests for Information

Reset This Form



## Tax and License Secrecy Clause Confidentiality Agreement

This form must be completed and signed by individuals with access to Confidential Information in the custody and control of the Department of Revenue, and approved by the appropriate designated authority.

Identification: Name:	Title:
Employer:	Phone:
Address:	_ Email:
City, State, Zip:	

Scope: Department of Revenue Confidential Information covered by this agreement includes:

- Licensing information (RCW 19.02.115)
- Personally identifying information (RCW 42.56.590)
- Property tax information (RCW 84.08.210, RCW 84.40.020, RCW 84.40.340)
- Tax information (RCW 82.32.330)
- Federal tax information (26 USC 6103)
- Unclaimed Property (RCW 63.29.380)
- Confidential organizational and other information exempt by law



## Partner Portal

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#### Access to local sales tax information

The Department of Revenue has launched the secure portal, My DOR, including Washington state and local taxes, in addition to business licensing services.

- How to access My DOR Partner Portal.
- The funding method of partial payments of taxpayer returns.
- Format for local distribution reports starting with the April 2018 distribution.

#### Distribution Detail report

The Department provides the Distribution Detail report to further help you manage your local sales tax distribution. The report provides you with the business level detail you are familiar with and adds additional features, including:

- Filter options.
- Search functionality.

#### Jurisdiction access to local sales tax reports

The Department has changed the way local jurisdictions receive their local tax information. Local jurisdictions will access their information within the Department's secure My DOR environment.

**Important:** When registering, the jurisdiction will need to provide a Secrecy Clause if the Department does not have one on file.

#### More information

Local Jurisdiction Report Guide

**Funding Change** 

Secrecy Clause

Local Tax Reference Guide

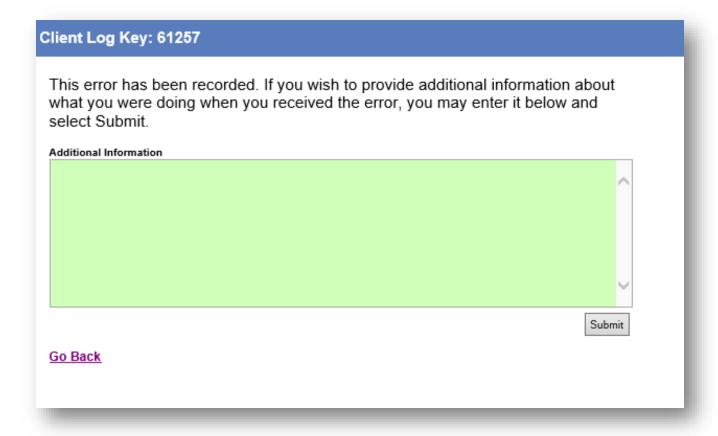
Information for Local Governments

Questions?

Contact (360) 705-6179



## Inactivity Lock





## Local Tax Questions

#### **Business Licensing and Tax**

Click Get Started to go your account summary

#### **Get Started**

#### Quick Links

#### **Business Licensing**

Access your account using a letter ID

Renew your business license

Apply for a new business license

Hire domestic (household) employees

#### Unclaimed Property

#### File and pay taxes

Access your account using a letter ID

Business (B&O). Excise, and Sales taxes

Forest tax

Leasehold tax

#### Property Tax

#### Other services

Print your reseller permit

Send a secure message

Sign up for filing reminders

#### Partners

Add the Partner Portal

File real estate excise tax affidavits (For Counties

Only)



## Reports Available to Public

## Statistics & reports

#### Create a report

Use our Create a report tool to create customized reports specific to your needs! With this tool you can get:

State and local taxable retail sales

Statewide gross business income

**Quarterly Business Reviews** 

Local Sales Tax Distributions



List of Location Codes for Compacting Tribes



- Your local tax distribution amounts are not impacted.
- You may notice new location codes on your reports.



## Helpful Links

- Access to Local Sales Tax Information
- Secrecy Clause
- Partner Portal Access Instructions
- Local Tax Reference Guide
- Statistics and Reports
- Tribal Retail Taxes Compacts
- Local Sales and Use Tax



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Questions?



# 2022 Legislative Highlights & Cities ARPA funding updates

July 26, 2022



## Session overview

60 days

Supplemental budgets

Transportation package

Positive revenue forecast

Election year

Virtual session



## Legislative Session: City legislative priorities & outcomes

The 2022 Legislature addressed AWC's legislative priorities. Read the pros and cons for cities.

Pass a transportation package:
Adopt a new revenue package
that emphasizes maintenance/
preservation funding and provides an equitable
evel of local funding and additional long-term,

**Pro:** Passed a 16-year statewide transportation package titled Move Ahead WA.

**Pro:** Adopted expanded local options for a border fuel tax and councilmanic authority to increase local Transportation Benefit District (TBD) sales and use tax.

**Pro:** Expanded authority for traffic safety cameras; including authority for more cities to place one camera per 10,000 residents.

Pro/Con: Invested in city preservation and maintenance; but only at \$5 million in additional annual funding through the Transportation Improvement Board and \$3 million to the Complete Streets program for FY 2021-23.

Con: Swept \$57 million annually from the Public Works Assistance Account (PWAA) between FY 2024 and FY 2038.

Con: Addressed state-owned fish blocking culverts, but failed to provide additional funding for locally owned fish-blocking culverts. This undermines yearslong city efforts advocating for a watershed approach.



#### Protect Transportation Benefit District funding authority:

support expanded local authority for TBDs so ities can continue using the sales tax funding ool beyond the current time limitations.

**Pro:** Adopted expanded authority in the Move Ahead WA transportation package to:

- Allow voters to reauthorize 10-year extensions of local TBD sales and use tax; and
- Provide councilmanic authority to increase the tax by 0.1%.

### **Ensure basic infrastructure funding:**

Provide flexible state and federal dollars through programs like the Public Works Assistance Account to help cities finance basic infrastructure such as drinking water and wastewater.

**Pro:** Allocated an additional **\$88.3 million** to the Drinking Water Assistance Account.

**Pro:** Allocated an additional **\$236 million** to the Water Pollution Control Revolving Account.

Con: Swept the PWAA at \$57 million annually from FY 2024 to FY 2038.



#### Other significant issues:

Cities identified several significant policies to focus on during the 2022 session.

**Pro:** Adopted necessary modifications to the emergency provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act (**HB 1329**).

**Pro:** Adopted important clarifications related to police reform:

- HB 2037 defines use of physical force and allows force, when necessary, during an investigative detention;
- HB 1735 allows physical force, when necessary, during community caretaking functions and to assist with transporting individuals in crisis; and
- HB 1719 allows use of all less-lethal alternatives, such as rubber bullets from a .50 caliber rifle.

**Pro:** Funded a total of **19.5 classes** in 2022 and **23.5 classes** in 2023 to address wait times at the Basic Law Enforcement Academy. Funded an online training platform for law enforcement training.

Pro: Provided cities with \$21.5 million to address costs associated with *Blake* decision; \$4.9 million to develop and expand therapeutic courts; and \$2 million to create alternative response teams.

**Pro:** Appropriated **\$100 million** for low-income customer utility assistance.

**Pro:** Directed a joint legislative taskforce, that includes city representation, to review and recommend best practices related to broadband deployment and local permitting.

**Pro:** Increased cannabis revenue sharing with cities and counties to **\$45 million**, representing an additional **\$5 million** for FY 2023. Ongoing increases are based on revenue percentages, instead of a capped amount (**\$B 5796**).

**Pro:** Defeated multiple zoning mandate proposals (**SB 5670/HB 1782** & **HB 1660**) preempting local land use authority for certain housing. Instead, the Legislature provided a **\$7.5 million** competitive grant program incentive for cities that want to adopt missing middle housing zoning ordinances.

Pro: Passed reforms to the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) in **SB 5818** to facilitate housing development by expanding SEPA categorical exemptions and providing appeal protections for development regulations that increase housing capacity and affordability.

Pro: Created dedicated and ongoing planning funding of \$10 million annually for cities to complete Growth Management Act (GMA) comprehensive planning updates, including implementing 2021's HB 1220.

**Pro:** Created historic **\$430 million** capital investment in rapid acquisition of housing for shelter, crisis stabilization, and housing construction under the Housing Trust Fund.

**Pro:** Appropriated **\$52 million** to transition encamped individuals living on state-owned rights-of-way to permanent housing and remove debris.

**Con:** Did not pass **HB 1099**, a GMA proposal aimed at integrating climate change and resiliency planning into the comprehensive planning process. It would have provided planning funding for cities and a new, sustainable revenue incentive to address missing middle housing types.

**Con:** Declined to pass **HB 1117**, a GMA bill that would have integrated salmon recovery planning into the comprehensive planning process and provided planning funding for cities.

## 2022 Supplemental Budget Outcomes



## Additional BLEA classes

- Funding for Blake response
- New GMA/planning funding
- Utility assistance
- Housing assistance
- Additional cannabis revenue sharing



## Complete streets funding

- Additional TIB funding
- Electrical vehicle infrastructure
- Safe routes to schools funding
- Expanded
   Transportation
   Benefit District sales
   & use tax authority
- PWAA sweep



# Capita

- Housing funding
- Broadband
- CERB funds
- Additional Drinking Water Assistance Account funding
- Additional stormwater grants
- Weatherization for public buildings



## Looking ahead to 2023

- New mix of legislators
- Expected issues for cities
  - Public Works Assistance Account funding
  - Middle housing mandate
  - **Blake** response requesting data and feedback to inform future budget requests on impacts to cities and municipal courts.



## Quick Reminders

- Washington cities received more than \$1.1 billion
- Cities have received their second tranche of federal funds
- Cities submitted their first reports to Treasury this year
- Funds must be obligated by the end of 2024 and spent by the end of 2026
- Treasury Final Rule is published and in full effect



## Final Rule – Revenue Replacement

- \$10 million standard allowance for revenue replacement
- Allows cities to use funds for general government services as well as projects and programs approved under the Final Rule
- Revenue replacement funds allow for simpler and streamlined reporting requirements



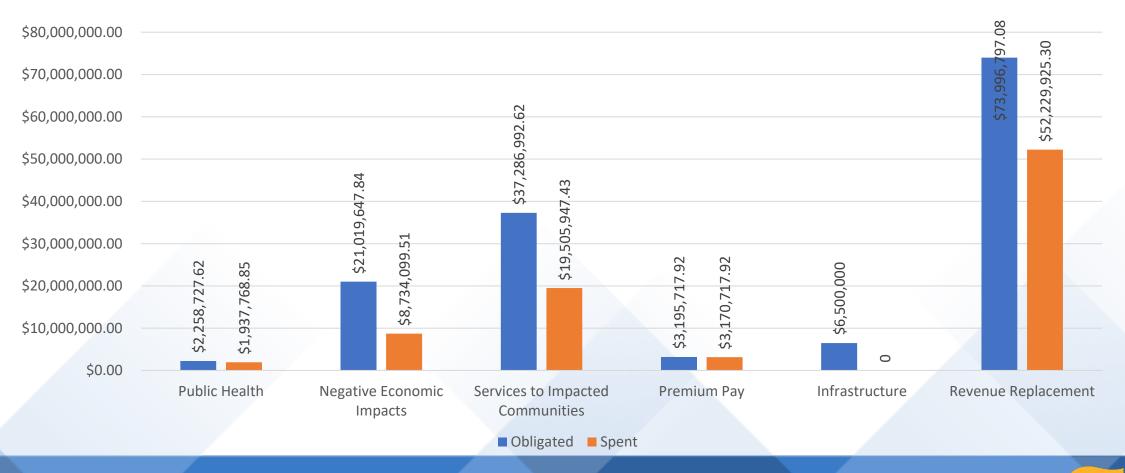
## How have cities spent funds?





## Activity by category

January 2022 Report (March 2021 - December 2021 Activity | 19 Cities Reporting)





## Project & Program Highlights

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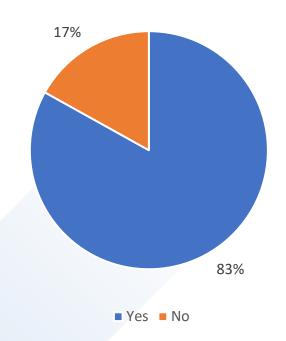
- Spokane Pop-up vaccination clinics
- Auburn Utility payment assistance to 236 households
- Bremerton Virtual courtroom upgrades
- Kent Park for a park-deficient neighborhood
- Federal Way Hazard pay for essential grocery workers
- Kennewick Water, sewer, pavement expansion and improvements



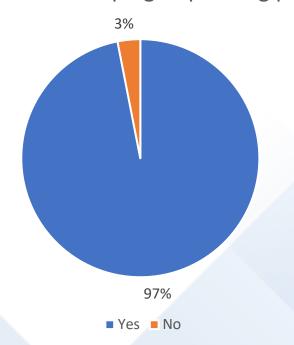
## Spending Funds & Spending Plans

AWC Survey June 2022 (March 2021 – May 2022 Activity | 65 Cities Reporting)

Spent funds as of May 2022



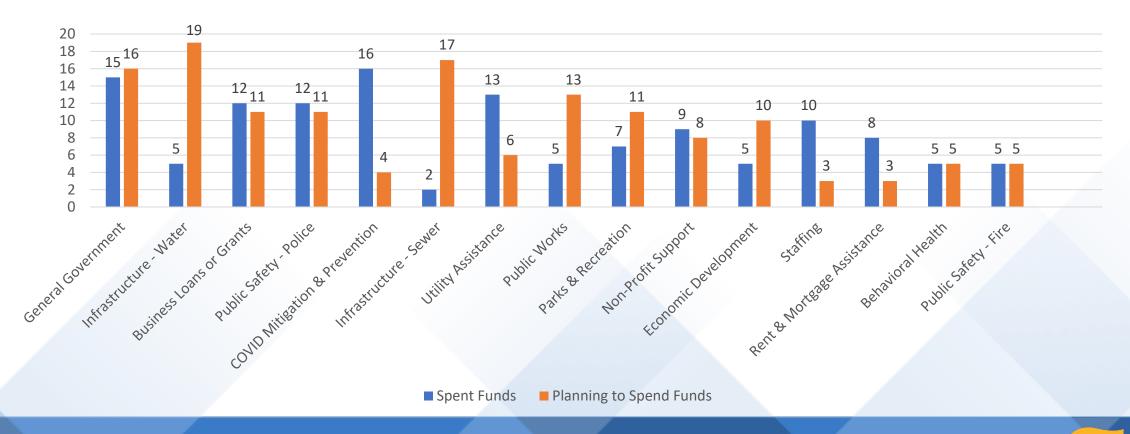
Have or developing a spending plan





## Top Spending Categories

AWC Survey June 2022 (March 2021 – May 2022 Activity | 65 Cities Reporting)





## ARPA City Highlights

AWC Survey June 2022 (March 2021 – May 2022 Activity | 65 Cities Reporting)

- Tacoma, Lakewood, Pierce County: Purchase and converted hotel to temporary shelter
- Kenmore: Provided direct cash assistance to residents
- Port Angeles: Invested in preserving local housing stock
- Walla Walla: Improving local senior center
- Edmonds: Local business support
- Waitsburg: Made historical investment in city sewer system



### Some extra notes...

- AWC's 2022 Salary & Benefits Survey data will be available soon
- AWC is wrapping up data collection on the biennial 2022 Tax & User Fees Survey (TUFS) data should be available in September
- AWC's annual City Conditions Survey was just sent out
- AWC's annual Municipal Budgeting & Fiscal Management Workshop is back in Leavenworth August 18-19



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## 2022 Excise Tax Legislation

Local Government Partnership Meeting

Trice Konschuh, Tax Policy Specialist



### **ESHB 1643**

Exempting a sale or transfer of real property for affordable housing to a nonprofit entity, housing authority, public corporation, county, or municipal corporation from the real estate excise tax



### SHB 1703

Modernizing the statewide 911 emergency communications system

### SSB 5528

Concerning the imposition of additive revenue sources within a regional transit authority area



#### E2SSB 5755

Authorizing certain cities to establish a limited sales and use tax incentive program to encourage redevelopment of vacant lands in urban areas

### **ESB 5901**

Concerning economic development tax incentives for targeted counties



2ESSB 1988

Clean technology tax deferrals

EHB 1990

SR 167 and I-405 tax deferrals

HB 2024

SR 520 tax deferrals



### Bills Passed

### ESSB 5531

Concerning the revised uniform unclaimed property act



## Questions?





## 2022 Property Tax Legislation

Local Government Partnership Meeting

Ryan Anderson, Tax Policy Specialist



HB 2061

Adding permanently affordable housing to the definition of public improvements

#### SB 5565

Allowing fire districts and regional fire authorities to carry out certain treasurer functions



### EHB 1982

Clarifying the applicability of penalty and interest on personal property taxes

#### **ESHB** 1629

Concerning a comprehensive study of aerial imaging technology uses for state agencies, special purpose districts, and local and tribal governments



### SB 5505

Reinstating a property tax exemption for property owned by certain nonprofit organizations where a portion of the property is used for the purpose of a farmers' market

### SB 5713

Providing a property tax exemption for limited equity cooperative housing



SSB 5910

Accelerating the availability and use of renewable hydrogen in Washington state

ESB 5849

Concerning tax incentives



## Questions?





## Unclaimed Property

Local Government Partnership Meeting

Joe Gisler, Unclaimed Property Claims & Outreach Manager, July 26, 2022

### Agenda

- What is unclaimed property?
- Unclaimed property law updates
  - Change in abandonment period
  - Due diligence change
- Retaining Property
- Webinars



### What is Unclaimed Property?

#### RCW 63.29

- Money or intangible property owed to an individual or business.
- Property is considered unclaimed after it is held for a period of time with no owner contact, and a good faith effort has been made to locate the owner.
- Due annually October 31





### **Examples of Unclaimed Property**

- Court monies
- Trust accounts
- Utility deposits
- Debt service payments
- Unredeemed bonds and coupons

- Warrants
- Property tax overpayments/refunds
- Abandoned public transportation fare cards or passes
- Gift certificates



### Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act (RUUPA)

- Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5531 was signed into law on March 30, 2022 and is effective January 1, 2023.
- RUUPA (ESSB 5531) replaces our current unclaimed property law (RCW 63.29).





### RUUPA Changes - Abandonment Period

- The abandonment period for public agencies has changed from 2 years to 1 year.
- Effective January 1, 2023
  - Reports due October 31, 2022, will remain at a 2-year abandonment period.
  - Reports due October 31, 2023, will change to a 1-year abandonment period. Because of the change, local governments will have two years' worth of property to report.



### RUUPA Changes - Abandonment Period - cont.

Property Due Date	Property issued or last activity date		
October 31, 2022	7/1/19 thru 6/30/20		
October 31, 2023	7/1/20 thru 6/30/22		
October 31, 2024	7/1/22 thru 6/30/23		



## RUUPA Changes – Due Diligence

- Current: Required to be sent if the property has a value of more than \$75.00.
- Starting January 1, 2023: Required to be sent if the value of the property is \$75.00 or more.
- Notices sent not more than 180 days and not less than 60 days before due date.

May 1, 20XX Owner's Name Owner's Street Address City, State, Zip Code We have unclaimed property that belongs to you We have at least \$75 dollars that belongs to you and would like to return it. Please write to us at the address below, or call us at XXX-XXX-XXXX. Your Company's Name Your Company's Street Address City, State, Zip Code

If we do not hear from you by the above date, we are required by law to send Respond by August 1, 20XX. your funds to the Washington State Department of Revenue.

sincerely, Signature



### Retaining Property

- Local governments can report but retain funds for some types of property.
  - Although you have the option to retain the funds, there are advantages to remitting:
    - ✓ Indemnified for remitted property
    - ✓ Not responsible for refunds
    - ✓ Little-to-no research or contact with claimants
  - If you do retain funds, and refund an owner, you will need to notify us at
     <u>WAUCPHolders@dor.wa.gov</u> with the property details so we can remove it from our website.



### Retaining Property – cont.

#### **Must Report and Remit**

- Court monies
- Trust accounts
- Utility deposits
- Debt service payments
- Unredeemed bonds and coupons

#### Must Report but may retain funds

- Warrants
- Property tax overpayments/refunds
- Abandoned public transportation fare cards or passes

\*If the last known address for these properties is in another state, you cannot retain funds.

<sup>\*</sup>Do not report any property with last known address in California. These must be reported directly to the State of California.



### Reporting Webinars

- Reporting Webinars will be updated prior to reporting in 2023.
  - Sign up for virtual webinars or watch recorded ones.
  - o ucp.dor.wa.gov

Date/Time	Location	Registration
Wed. Aug. 17, 2022, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Zoom	Register
Wed. Sept. 14, 2022, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Zoom	Register
Thurs. Oct. 13, 2022, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Zoom	Register



### Go to claimyourcash.org



Claiming Property Reporting Property

**About** 



# WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH FOUND MONEY?

It's quick, safe, and simple to find yours.

We've returned more than

\$1,223,261,979

that people forgot or didn't know existed!

Find yours

If you have received a postcard, please click on **Search** above and enter the name **or** Property ID listed on the postcard.

<u>Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5531</u> was signed into law on March 30, 2022 and is effective January 1, 2023. We are currently reviewing the impact to Holders. Please check here for the latest information as it becomes available. Also, be sure to sign up for <u>GovDelivery</u> to receive email notifications regarding any changes.

Welcome To The Washington Unclaimed Property Website





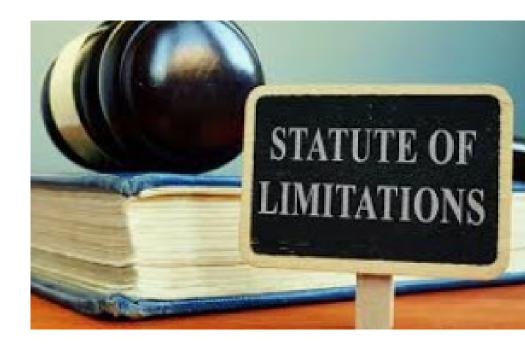
# Property Tax Levies

Diann Locke, Levies and Appeals Specialist, July 26, 2022



### Property tax regular levy limitations

- Levy Limit (aka 1% growth limit)
  - chapter 84.55 RCW
- Statutory maximum rate limit
  - RCW 84.52.043
- Certified levy request amount
  - RCW 84.52.070
- Authorized increased over prior year
  - RCW 84.55.120
- Aggregate limits, \$5.90 and Const. 1%
  - RCW 84.52.043 and RCW 84.52.010





### Taxing District Budgeting Process

Certification of budget or estimates of revenue from property taxation to the county legislative authority (RCW 84.52.020)

- Include Total levy request amount for each levy and any reference to earmarked levy funds, i.e. refund levy, non-voted bond debt
- Deadline November 30

Resolution or ordinance authorizing an increase in the district's property tax for regular levies (RCW 84.55.120)

- Must be in a separate document, include dollar and percentage of increase
- Deadline No statutory deadline, but complete as soon as possible





# Taxing District Budgeting Process, cont'd

Resolution/Ordinance Authorizing an Increase Sample Calculation					
Highest lawful levy since 1985	\$250,000 *	101% =	\$252,500		
Prior year's levy			\$218,000		
Difference is dollar increase			\$ 34,500		
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# The mysterious banked levy capacity and how can it be used?

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### Levy lid lifts

With voter approval bypass the 1% growth lid

- Single year or up to 6 years
- Majority voter approval required

#### Conditions:

- Limit purpose or time of increase
- Permanent increase
- Cities & counties only Provide for an exemption under RCW 84.36.381

Voter approved lid lifts <u>DO NOT</u> set a permanent levy rate. It sets a maximum rate for the first year of the lid lift and could set a limit factor for five more years greater than 1%.



RCW 84.55.050



### Excess levies – RCW 84.52.052

Requires majority or super majority voter approval

Single year levies except for school and fire districts or bond levies





#### www.dor.wa.gov

- Publications by subject Property Tax
  - Levy Manual
  - Ballot Measure Requirements for Voted Property Tax Levies
  - Special Notices
  - Property Tax Advisories
- Forms by subject Property Tax Forms Levy Forms
- Diann Locke, <u>diannl@dor.wa.gov</u> or 360-534-1427
- Your county assessor





Business Licensing Service (BLS)
Partnership Update

**Eric Jones** 

July 2022



### Cities joining in 2022





#### 216 BLS city partners as of December 8, 2022

#### Snohomish County

Arlington Brier Darringon Edmonds Gold Bar Granite Falls Lake Stevens Lynnwood Marysville Mill Creek Monroe Mountlake Terrace Mukilteo Snohomish Stanwood

#### King County

Sultan

Woodway

Algona Black Diamond Bothell Burien Carnation Clyde Hill Covington Duvall Enumclaw Federal Way Issaguah Kenmore Kirkland Maple Valley Mercer Island Newcastle Normandy Park

North Bend

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SeaTac

Tukwila

Sammamish

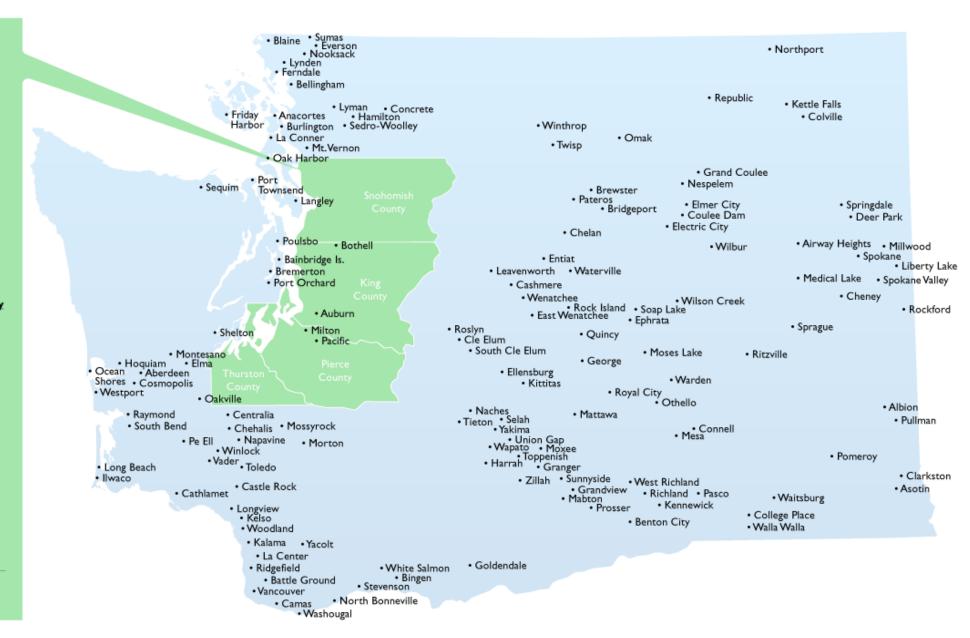
Woodinville

#### Pierce County

Bonney Lake Buckley Carbonado DuPont Eatonville Edgewood Fife Fircrest Gig Harbor Lakewood Orting Pacific Puyallup Roy Ruston South Prairie Steilacoom Sumner University Place Wilkeson

#### Thurston County

Bucoda Lacey Olympia Rainier Tenino Tumwater Yelm





## Local partnerships complete

- RCW 35.90.020
  - All cities with general license will have a combined license solution
  - About 50 cities don't license
  - 10 cities use a service other than Revenue's BLS

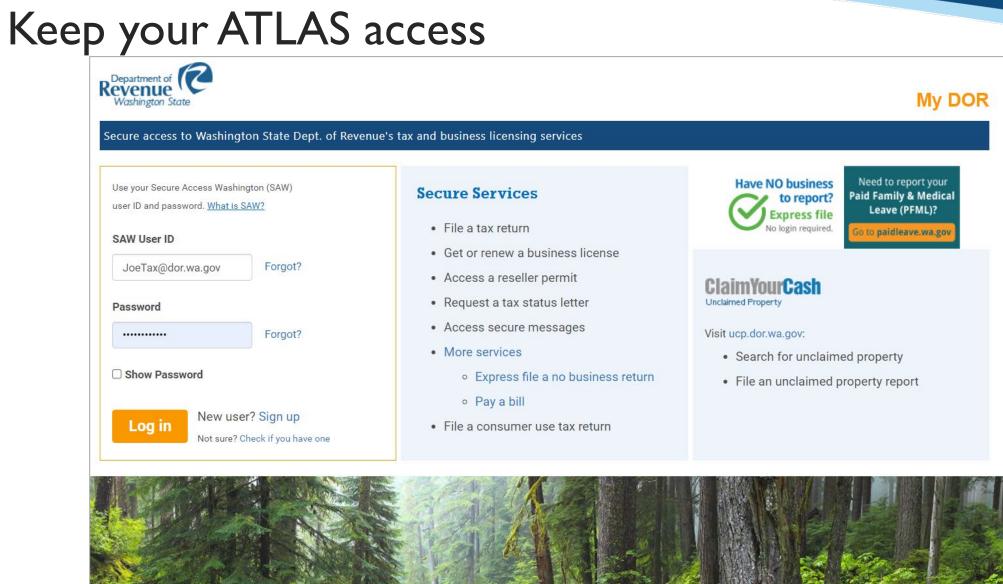




## Expedited system access









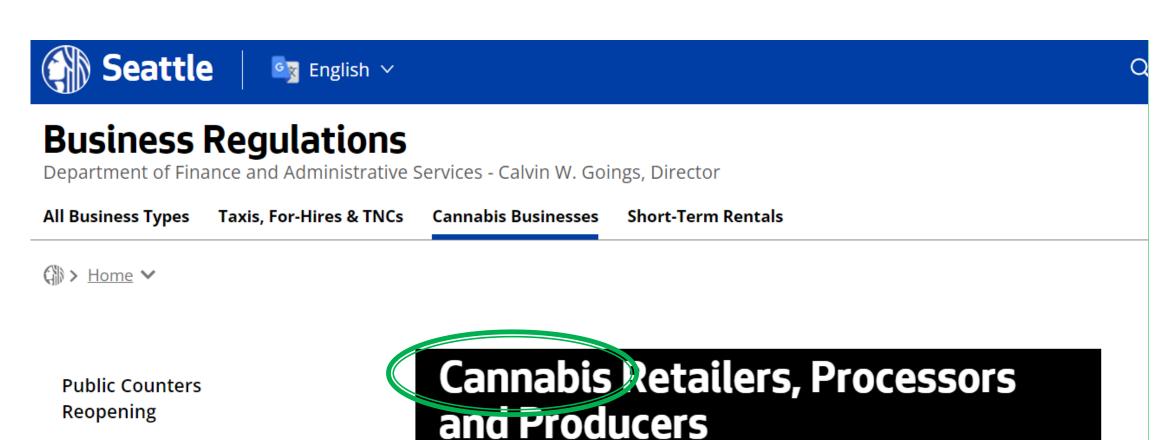
## Update your websites and forms

- House Bill 1210
  - o "Cannabis" replaces "marijuana"
  - Effective June 9 at DOR
  - Technical change only
  - https://lcb.wa.gov for more info





### Update your websites and forms



Alarm system monitoring



#### Peace officers & local license data

- RCW 19.02.115 updated by Senate Bill 5800, Sec. 2
- Peace officers are permitted to review local licensing data
- Technical change to support municipal code compliance work





# Training





### Communication





### Partnership Newsletter - Quarterly

July 2022



#### Partner Newsletter

#### News for agency and local BLS Partners

Brought to you by BLS Partnership Services

#### In this issue:

- ♦ System changes in ATLAS
- ♦ Fee updates due soon
- BLS adding 10 partners by year-end
- ♦ Tips, Tricks & Timesavers
- ♦ Better know a BLS partner
- ♦ Meet at PST staff member

#### Need to know news

BLS strives to give partners the latest news about system and process changes that may affect licensing work.

#### Notable system changes

- On June 9 per 2SHB 1210, the term marijuana was replaced with cannabis throughout ATLAS and Revenue materials.
- On August 1, the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes, which identify a company's primary business activity, will be updated from 2017 to 2022 NAICS





### BLS Partner Post delivery



#### The BLS Partner Post

Timely updates for Washington state's business licensing partners.

Thursday, July 7, 2022

#### July-August 2022 Update

Local government meeting is July 26

Get ready to join the annual Local Government Partnership meeting. The online-only meeting is Revenue's annual outreach to local government representatives.

This year's agenda features state economic forecast news and a presentation about the American Rescue Plan approved in 2021 to provide relief to municipal governments.

The meeting starts at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 26. Register now.

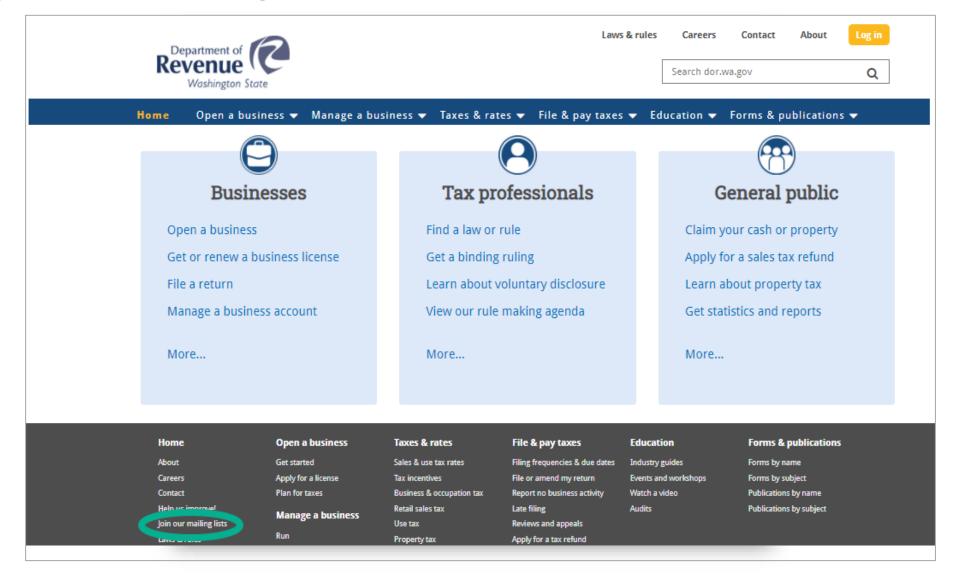


Revenue's annual meeting for cities, towns, and counties takes place on Zoom on July 26.



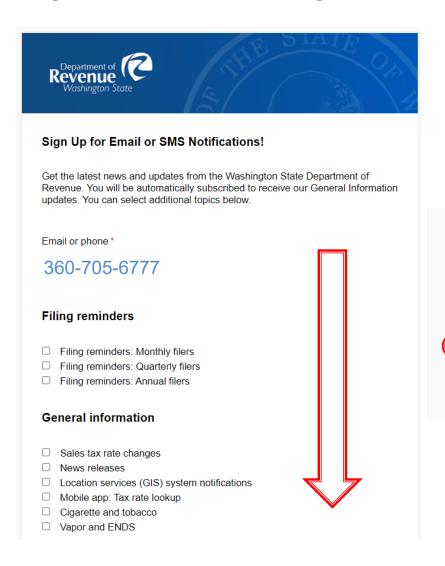


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# **GOVDELIVERY**

#### Agency partners

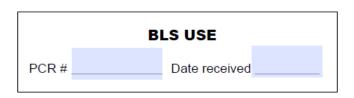
- BLS agency partners
- BLS city/town partners
- Local government partnership
- Location services (GIS) system notifications



# System change requests



Department of Revenue Business Licensing Service (BLS) Partnership Services PO Box 47475 Olympia, WA 98504-7475 Dorblspartner@dor.wa.gov 360.705.6777



#### **BLS Partner Change Request**



Subject to review and acceptance by BLS

Name of Local Government or State Agency Licensing Program Submitting Request:						
Contact Person Name:	Title:	Phone:	Email:			
This request is for (mark all that apply):						



### **BLS Customer Support**

- Business Licensing Call Center
  - 360-705-6741 & bls@dor.wa.gov
- Licensing Operations
  - 360-705-6744 & faxbls@dor.wa.gov
- 12 offices statewide
  - o dor.wa.gov





#### Partner Contact

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# Questions?

