

The Washington State Legislature convenes on January 10 and adjourns on March 10.

Leoff1 Bills, remember as you read the bills below, changes can be made to the original bill by:

AMEND To modify, delete or add to a proposal.

AMENDMENT Any change in a bill, resolution, or memorial. A committee amendment is an amendment proposed in a committee meeting. A floor amendment is an amendment proposed on the floor of a legislative chamber. A striking amendment removes everything after the title and inserts a whole new bill. Amendments can be amended.

ADOPTED AND ENGROSSED This is the amendment document which includes the text of the original amendment and all additional amendments made to it.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED This is the original amendment. Text from additional amendments made to it are not included in this document.

ENGROSSED BILL A bill which reflects all amendments made in the house of its origin.

FLOOR RESOLUTION A written motion calling for action, which may be offered from the floor of either house. Floor resolutions are usually congratulatory, commendatory, or memorial.

ENGROSSED AMENDMENT When an amendment has been amended, the changes are worked into the text to create the engrossed amendment.

WAYS AND MEANS The chief revenue and appropriations committee in the Senate. The committee is responsible for recommending how state monies will be spent and the means that will be used to raise the tax revenues.
