

---

## Lobby Day, February 7, 2022

Quaker Voice is an organization of citizen advocates for peace and social justice action at state level, drawn from Quaker meetings and churches across the state. We work with legislators and agencies directly through our citizen advocates and through our professional lobbyist, Lonnie Johns-Brown ([ljohnsbrown@gmail.com](mailto:ljohnsbrown@gmail.com)). Our three working groups are reflected below.

### Criminal Justice Priorities

#### **HB 1169: Unstacking Sentencing Enhancements, particularly school zone enhancements.**

Would provide court discretion to remove mandatory sentence enhancements. Example: years added for certain drug offenses in a “school protection zone,” which includes any area within 1000 feet of a school bus route – which is all of Seattle and most of Tacoma. Research shows only 2% of drug crimes in such zones involve selling drugs to children. The provision doesn’t protect children; it is just arbitrary.

Sponsors: [Goodman](#), [Davis](#), [Dolan](#), [Simmons](#), [Bateman](#), [Lekanoff](#), [Springer](#), [Gregerson](#), [Senn](#), [Fitzgibbon](#), [Ramos](#), [Frame](#), [Ramel](#), [Peterson](#), [Lovick](#), [Ryu](#), [Callan](#), [Slatter](#), [Duerr](#), [Ormsby](#), [Macri](#), [Hackney](#)

#### **HB 1756: Solitary Confinement.**

Dept. of Corrections ended solitary confinement for disciplinary purposes. HB 1756 would prohibit involuntary solitary confinement except for medical isolation or when necessary for emergency purposes. It places limitations on its use for vulnerable persons, imposes time limits, requires medical evaluations, and establishes standards for living conditions. As testified by a person who has experienced it, solitary confinement is traumatic and dehumanizing.

Sponsors: [Peterson](#), [Simmons](#), [Johnson, J.](#), [Valdez](#), [Bateman](#), [Davis](#), [Macri](#), [Ramel](#), [Santos](#), [Senn](#), [Thai](#), [Pollet](#), [Ormsby](#), [Harris-Talley](#), [Frame](#)

#### **HB 1412: Waive Restitution for Persons Unable to Pay.**

Allows a court to not impose or waive full or partial restitution and the accrued interest if the offender does not have the ability to pay. To protect victims, this would only be allowed if owed to insurers or state agencies rather than to individuals. This bill is another significant step in Quaker Voice’s long-term effort to reform Legal Financial Obligations (LFOs). HB 1412 would promote successful reentry and reintegration for formerly incarcerated individuals struggling to maintain employment and housing.

Sponsors: [Simmons](#), [Goodman](#), [Davis](#), [Valdez](#), [Berry](#), [Taylor](#), [Fitzgibbon](#), [Peterson](#), [Ormsby](#), [Harris-Talley](#), [Pollet](#), [Macri](#)

### Economic Justice Priorities

**SB 5884 – Establishing behavioral health support specialists.** This bill supports behavioral health workforce development by establishing a paraprofessional category (at least a bachelor's degree level of education) to practice in partnership with a licensed behavioral health professional or a licensed community behavioral health agency.

Sponsors: **Trudeau**, Dhingra, Hasegawa, Kuderer, Lovick, Nguyen, Nobles, Saldana, Wilson, C.

## Lobby Day, February 7, 2022

**[HB 1782/SB 5670](#) – Additional middle housing near transit.** These companion bills create additional middle (apartments, duplexes, etc.) housing near transit and in areas traditionally dedicated to single-family detached housing.

Sponsors: **Bateman**, Macri, Berry, Fitzgibbon, Ryu, Dolan, Wicks, Johnson, J., Barkis, Davis, Goodman, Gregerson, Morgan, Peterson, Ramel, Simmons, Slatter, Berquist, Valdez, Thai, Duerr, Stonier, Riccelli, Ormsby, Taylor, Harris-Talley, Hackney, Kloba, Frame

Sponsors: SB 5670: **Das**, Kuderer, Frockt, Liias, Lovelett, Mullet, Nguyen, Nobles, Pedersen, Saldaña, Stanford

**[SB 5576](#) – Eviction notices and process.** This bill addresses landlord-tenant relations by providing technical changes to eviction notice and summons forms and modifying certain eviction processes and programs.

Sponsors: **Kuderer**, Trudeau, Das, Hasegawa, Lovelett, Nobles, Saldaña, Wilson, C.

## Environmental Stewardship Priorities

### **[HB1810](#) Right to Repair**

Right to repair addresses issues of economic inequality and *environmental* stewardship. Manufacturers currently make their products harder to repair so that they can monopolize the repair market. Promoting the fair servicing and repair of digital electronic products in a safe, secure, reliable, and sustainable manner to increase access to appropriate and affordable digital products, support small businesses and jobs, and enhance digital connectivity in Washington state.

Sponsors:

[Gregerson](#), [Chase](#), [Ryu](#), [Berry](#), [Taylor](#), [Fitzgibbon](#), [Cody](#), [Macri](#), [Peterson](#), [Ramel](#), [Paul](#), [Simmons](#), [Bergquist](#), [Valdez](#), [Pollet](#), [Stonier](#), [Ormsby](#), [Harris-Talley](#), [Kloba](#), [Frame](#)

### **[HB1663](#) Reducing methane emissions from landfills.**

Establishes requirements related to methane emissions from municipal solid waste landfills by requiring measurement of methane gas emissions and installation of controls.

Sponsors:

[Duerr](#), [Fitzgibbon](#), [Ryu](#), [Berry](#), [Leavitt](#), [Ramel](#), [Thai](#), [Walen](#), [Valdez](#), [Goodman](#), [Gregerson](#), [Macri](#), [Peterson](#), [Slatter](#), [Tharinger](#), [Kloba](#), [Pollet](#), [Harris-Talley](#), [Hackney](#)

### **[HB1619](#) Appliance efficiency standards**

Establishes new or updated energy efficiency standards for air purifiers, commercial ovens, and electric vehicle supply equipment, commercial hot food holding cabinets, portable electric spas and residential ventilating fans.

Sponsors:

[Fitzgibbon](#), [Hackney](#), [Ryu](#), [Berry](#), [Wicks](#), [Duerr](#), [Ramel](#), [Valdez](#), [Fey](#), [Goodman](#), [Gregerson](#), [Macri](#), [Simmons](#), [Kloba](#), [Pollet](#), [Riccelli](#), [Ormsby](#), [Harris-Talley](#)