

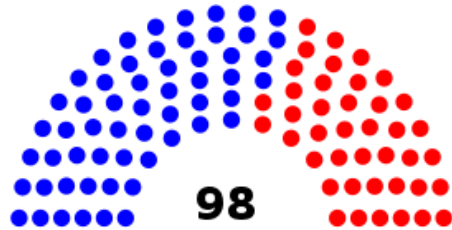


Port of Port Townsend
Legislative Update
November 10, 2021

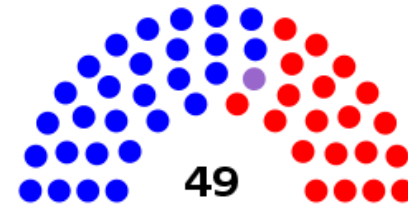
Introductions

Legislature Overview

Makeup



House of Representatives
57 D / 41 R



Senate
28 D / 21 R*



There have been a few changes this interim.

Senators Darneille, Rivers, and Frockt either retired or announced they will not seek re-election. Senator Trudeau replaced Sen. Darneille.

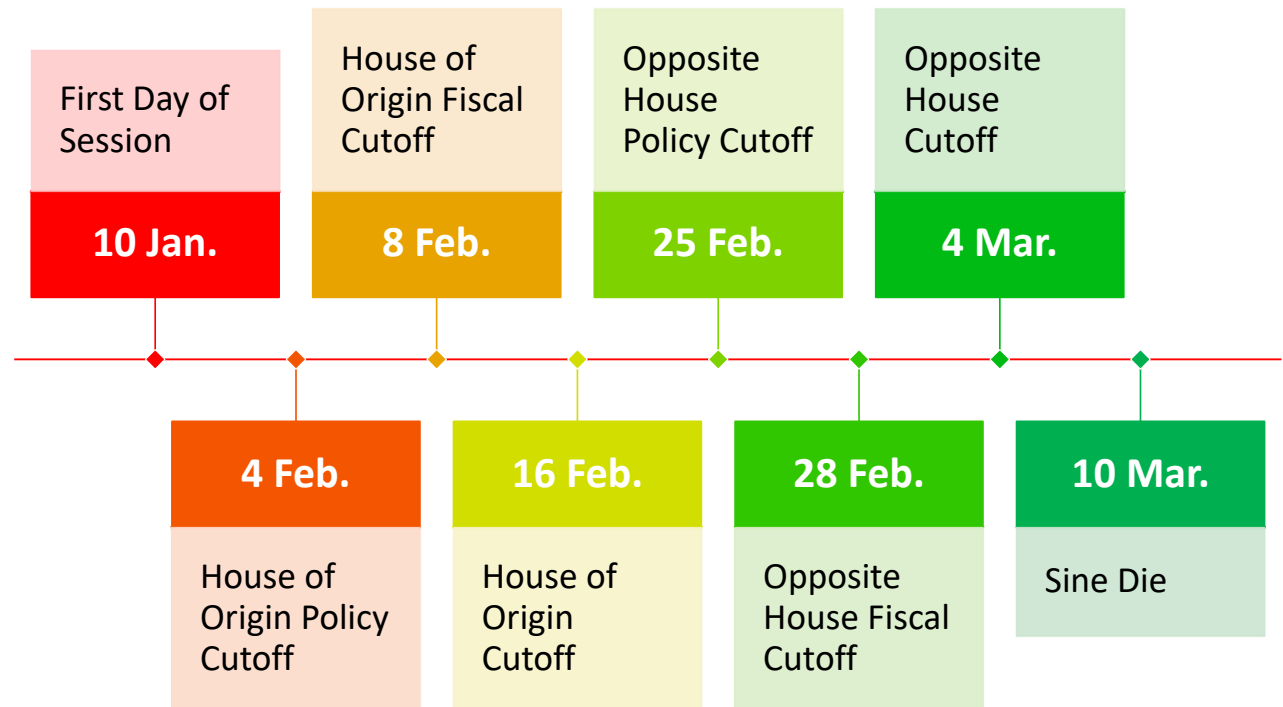
Pandemic Impacts on Session

- **Hybrid session**
- **Questions about general public & lobbyist presence in Olympia**
- **Public testimony is likely be done remotely**
- **Possible changes to timelines and cutoff dates**
- **No limitations on policy bills but less time for debate**

2022 Legislative Session Outlook

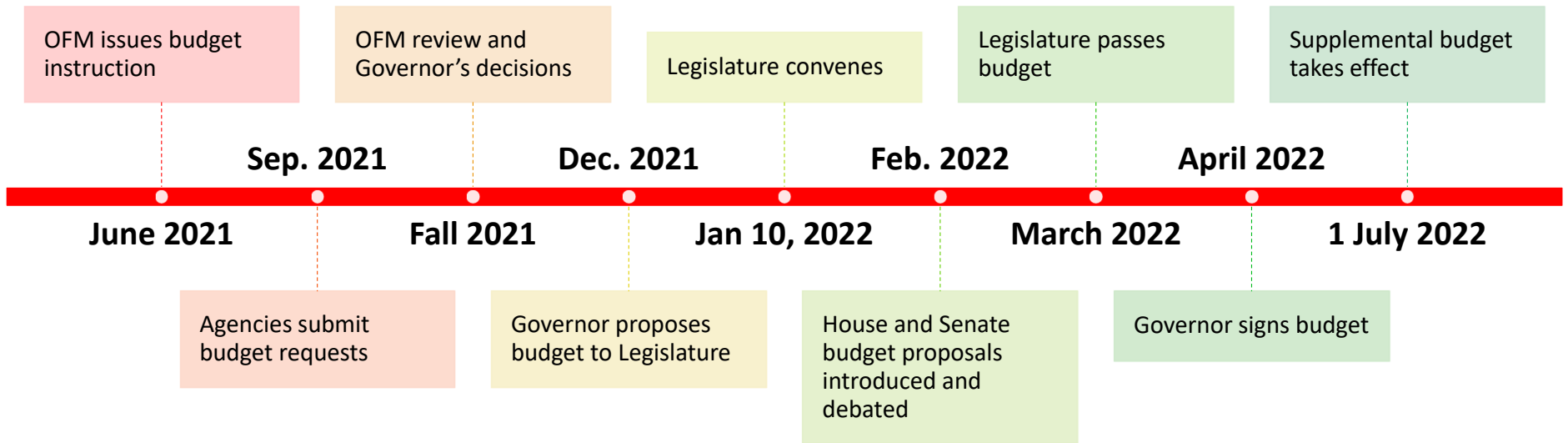
- **Short Session with Uncertain Format**
 - Supplemental Budgets
 - Transportation Revenue Package
 - Continued COVID-19 Recovery
 - Climate Change
 - Police Reform – trailer bills
 - Homelessness & Housing
 - Behavioral Health
- **Revenue Discussions**
 - Wealth Tax
 - Payroll (regional / statewide)
 - Cap & Invest – tied to Transportation Package

Session Timeline (Approx Dates)



*Current schedule has not been released, could be very different this year

*NTIB



Budget Process

Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

- \$1.2 trillion dollar Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act
- \$8.6 billion to Washington State
 - \$4.7 billion for highways
 - \$605 million for bridges
 - \$1.8 billion in public transportation spending
 - \$882 million to improve drinking water infrastructure and safety
 - \$385 million for the state's airports, including
 - \$228 million for Sea-Tac International Airport
 - \$16 million for Paine Field in Snohomish County
 - \$71 million for electric vehicle charging
 - \$100 million to expand access to broadband internet
 - \$1 billion for national efforts to remove stream culverts

Legislative Agenda

2022 Priorities

- Additional **Capital Budget funding for the Point Hudson Jetty replacement project.**
- Return to **full ferry schedule** of boats for the Port Townsend-Coupeville and Kingston-Edmonds routes.
- Extending **0.09% sales tax (PIF)** for rural economically distressed counties to fund public facilities for economic development purposes.
- Support **Aviation Fuel Tank Removal Funding.**
- Support investments in **broadband infrastructure** and **maintain current tax rate for the leasing of fiber.**
- Expand funding for **derelict vessel remediation.**
- Support funding for the **Model Toxics Control Act** and **reduce regulatory barriers to accessing MTCA funds.**

Questions?