

Weekly Legislative Update: **Growth Management**

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Bills Seeing Action This Week

Several bills that League supported passed this week. As of this writing, the following have passed. There are others that could still move forward before the cut-off date ends.

The following bills were passed by the Senate:

- [HB 1099](#), **Improving the state's climate response through updates to the state's comprehensive planning framework**. This bill was amended by the Senate, so the House and Senate will need to reconcile the differences and both chambers will need to pass the bill again.
- [HB 1241](#), **Relating to planning under the GMA** (increasing the timeline for plan revisions; progress reports; consultation with tribes; Commerce to resolve disputes). This bill was passed by the Senate as transmitted by the House so will not have to go through reconciliation.
- [HB 1717](#) **Authorizes a federally recognized Indian tribe to choose to participate in the local planning process under GMA** and sets forth expectations for agreement between the tribe and jurisdiction about how that participation will be done. Also requires jurisdictions to collaborate with adjacent tribes when container port elements are addressed. This bill was passed by the Senate as transmitted by the House so will not have to go through reconciliation.
- [HB 1769](#) **Concerning community municipal corporations**, would remove the provisions in state law that allow community councils formed prior to an annexation to veto city land use actions post-annexation. There are currently two such community councils. This bill was passed by the Senate as transmitted by the House so will not have to go through reconciliation.

These bills were passed by the House:

- [SB 5042](#) **Sets an effective date for actions relating to urban growth areas**; agricultural, forest, or mineral resource lands; limited areas of more intensive rural development; new fully contained communities; or master-planned resorts. Closes loopholes related to vesting of development in rural areas. This bill was passed by the House as transmitted by the Senate so will not have to go through reconciliation.

- [SB 5593](#) **Requires comprehensive plans to include reviews of patterns of development and allows adjustment but not enlargement of urban growth areas** if necessary to accommodate those patterns. This bill was amended by the House, so the House and Senate will need to reconcile the differences and both chambers will need to pass the bill again.

These bills did not get to the floor in time to be considered and died.

- [HB 1660](#), Concerning accessory dwelling units
- [SB 5428](#), Increasing housing supply through the GMA
- [HB 1117](#), Promoting salmon recovery through revisions to the State's comprehensive planning network

How You Can Be Involved

- During the legislative session we will send Action Alerts in the [Legislative Newsletter](#). Please respond to these, which will direct you to an application to facilitate communicating with your legislators on an important vote in committees or on the chamber floor.
- Local Leagues in Washington have action chairs who coordinate action teams. Some local Leagues have education teams to take action locally. Contact your local League action chair to find out and join.
- You may also express your opinion on legislation with the LWVWA issue chairs. We will take your perspectives under considerations as we determine our support for legislation and prepare testimony. Cynthia Stewart, Growth Management Issue Chair, cstewart@lwvwa.org.