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SUBJECT: Intergovernmental Affairs Monthly Update as of November 30, 2025

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Included in this packet is a selected group of reports from the City's work with other levels of government on City business in November. They include updates from the state, federal, and regional levels. Staff are available to follow up to discuss any matters in greater detail.

LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORTS

State Legislative Session Update: In November, the Economic and Revenue Forecast Council released updated revenue estimates to inform budget discussions, projecting 2025–27 revenues at \$74.5 billion and noting that significant budget challenges remain heading into the 2026 legislative session. Meanwhile, state lawmakers are preparing for December Committee Assembly Days and the start of bill pre-filing, while monitoring emerging issues such as AI governance in public sector workplaces, single-city fire protection authorities, a proposed statewide plastic bag ban, and regional energy reliability concerns. In December, Governor Bob Ferguson is expected to release his proposed supplemental operating, capital, and transportation budgets for the 2025–27 biennium.

Federal Legislative Update: On November 12, a continuing resolution (H.R. 5371) ended the historic government shutdown by reopening federal agencies, providing full-year funding for some programs, extending others through January 30, 2026, as well as restoring back pay, reimbursements, and key program authorizations. The continuing resolution now positions Congress to complete the remaining FY 2026 appropriations bills and sets up an early-December Senate vote on proposed changes to Affordable Care Act premium tax credits.

STAFF REPORTS / INFORMATION ITEMS

Monthly Council Summary Background Briefings: Included are updated summary background briefings on the King County Regional Committees and those of the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC).