



Below is the list of bills passed by state lawmakers during the 2012 legislative session in which WSDA has a specific role in implementing. WSDA is the lead implementing agency for some bills or specific provisions of a bill. For others, WSDA has a collaborative or consultative role. A link to the Legislature's web site is provided for each bill, where you can access the session law and the final bill report and review the history of the bill and related documents.

Following the list of bills is a summary of WSDA's 2012 Supplemental Budget passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor.

HB [2356](#): Agricultural Fairs – Chapter 221, 2012 Laws. Effective date 6/7/2012

- Authorizes WSDA to provide capital funding on a competitive basis to local governments and nonprofit organizations for health and safety improvements to agricultural fairgrounds and fair facilities. Sets out contract, monitoring, and non-compliance requirements related to the capital funding.

SHB [2367](#): Dairy Products Commission – Chapter 107, 2012 Laws. Effective date 6/7/2012

- Makes administrative changes to the composition of the Dairy Products Commission and the commissioner nomination process. Changes the existing seven geographic districts to four districts. Allows additional dealer participation on the Dairy Products Commission and the addition of additional members.

SHB [2422](#): Aviation Biofuels Production – Chapter 63, 2012 Laws. Effective date 6/7/2012

- Specifies that aviation biofuels production facilities may be a project of statewide significance. Authorizes the Washington State Housing Finance Commission to issue bonds and enter into other financial arrangements for the purpose of financing facilities that are primarily for the production, processing, or handling of aviation biofuels. Directs Innovate Washington to convene a Sustainable Aviation Biofuels Work Group of which WSDA is a member.

HB [2456](#): Ag and Livestock Information – Chapter 168, 2012 Laws. Effective date 6/7/2012

- Exempts from disclosure under the Public Records Act (PRA) specified information submitted by an individual or business to the WSDA for the purpose of herd inventory management for animal disease traceability.

SSB [5631](#): Removing Obsolete References in Dept. of Ag Statutes – Chapter 25, 2012 Laws. Effective date 6/7/2012

- Removes obsolete references in WSDA statutes.

SB [5981](#): Seed Dealer License Fee – Chapter 61, 2012 Laws. Effective date 6/7/2012.

- The seed dealer's license fee is increased to \$125.



SB [6208](#): Grain Warehouse License Fees – Chapter 221, 2012 Laws. Effective date 6/7/2012

- Fees are increased for terminal warehouses, sub-terminal warehouses, grain dealers, exempt grain dealers, and country warehouses.

SSB [6354](#): Filing Business Forms – Chapter 127, 2012 Laws. Effective date 6/7/2012

- Requires agencies to offer businesses the option to submit documents, forms, or payments of fees electronically. Exemptions apply if there is a legal requirement to submit in paper or “it is not feasible” for materials to be submitted electronically.

Budget Summary

As passed by the 2012 Legislature, the 2012 Supplemental Operating and Supplemental Transportation Budgets provide a total **Budget** of \$151 million for WSDA. This includes a \$210,000 reduction in funding from the state’s General Fund. The agency’s other appropriations and the expenditure authority for WSDA’s many fee-supported programs remain relatively stable. These other funding sources cover 80 percent of the agency’s budget.

Budget Links:

[3ESHB 2127](#) – 2012 Supplemental Operating Budget

[ESHB 2190](#) – 2012 Supplemental Transportation Budget