

Public Records Legislation 2020

Laws from the 2020 regular session go into effect June 11, 2020 unless an act, or section of an act, specifies a different effective date. Some enactments have different effective dates; read the acts to see the effective date/dates. The enactments that were signed into law are listed by bill number and are linked below. "PV" = partial veto. This is not an exhaustive list. For a complete list of bills that passed in 2020, see the Legislature's website at: <http://app.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/>.



Bill No. & Link	Title/Summary • RCWs	Session Law
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES		
1191	Concerning school notifications. • RCW 28A, RCW 9A.44, RCW 13.04, RCW 13.40, RCW 72.09, RCW 42.56	Chap. 167, 2020 Laws.
1251	Concerning security breaches of election systems or election data including by foreign entities. • RCW 29A.12	Chap. 101, 2020 Laws.
1521	Providing for accountability and transparency in government contracting. • RCW 41.06, RCW 39.26	Chap. 269, 2020 Laws.
1645	Concerning certificates of parental improvement. • RCW 74.13, RCW 43.43, RCW 43.20A, RCW 43.216, RCW 18.51, RCW 74.39A, RCW 18.20	Chap. 270, 2020 Laws.
1888	Protecting employee information from public disclosure. • RCW 42.56	Chap. 106, 2020 Laws.
2327	Addressing sexual misconduct at postsecondary educational institutions. • RCW 28B.112, RCW 42.56	Chap. 335, 2020 Laws.
2416	Concerning disclosures of information and records related to forensic mental health services. • RCW 10.77, RCW 70.02	Chap. 81, 2020 Laws.
2499	Certifying corrections officers. • RCW 43.101	Chap. 119, 2020 Laws.
2545	Making jail records available to managed health care systems. • RCW 70.48	Chap. 282, 2020 Laws.
2567	Concerning open courts. • RCW 2.28, RCW 3.02, RCW 35.20	Chap. 37, 2020 Laws.
2762	Extending the peer support group testimonial privilege to include staff persons of the department of corrections. • RCW 5.60	Chap. 42, 2020 Laws.
2794	Concerning juvenile record sealing. • RCW 13.50, RCW 10.97	Chap. 184, 2020 Laws.
HOUSE RESOLUTIONS		
4646	Amending the permanent rules of the House of Representatives	Adopted.
SENATE		
5601	Concerning health care benefit management. • RCW 48.02, RCW 42.56, RCW 19.340, RCW 48.43, Title 48 RCW, RCW 19.365	Chapter 240, 2020 Laws (PV).
6187	Modifying the definition of personal information for notifying the public about data breaches of a state or local agency system. • RCW 42.56	Chap. 65, 2020 Laws.
6263	Creating a model educational data sharing agreement between school districts and tribes. • RCW 28A.604	Chap. 206, 2020 Laws.
6280	Concerning the use of facial recognition services. • Title 43 RCW	Chap. 257, 2020 Laws (PV).
6499	Concerning the confidentiality of retirement system files and records relating to health information. • RCW 42.56, RCW 41.04	Chap. 323, 2020 Laws.