



CALL TO ACTION – April 14

Discuss It With Denny: The Social Security 2100 Act

Social Security is the backbone of the American middle class and the most successful anti-poverty program in our country's history. As more Baby Boomers approach their retirement age, Congress needs to strengthen and protect Social Security for all generations.

Please join Congressman Denny Heck for a public presentation about the Social Security 2100 Act. Co-sponsored by over 200 U.S. House members, this major legislation will cut middle-class taxes, strengthen benefits, and ensure the solvency of Social Security through this century.

Wednesday, April 17, 2019 7:00-8:30 PM

**Eastside Community Center, Social Hall
1721 E 56th St. Tacoma, WA 98404**

About the venue: the beautiful, brand new Eastside Community Center opened last fall. Operated by Metro Parks Tacoma and located in the 10th Congressional District, this facility is a new gem of the South Sound. When coming from Thurston County on I-5 North, please take Exit 130 for S 56th St. E

FEATURED ACTION FOR THIS WEEK

Enough is Enough. Stephen Miller Must Go.

ACTION: Call our MOC's with this message:

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STATE & COUNTY ACTIONS

Your Washington State Legislature Is In Session

The Legislative Team Has Selected the Top Actions for the Week Of 4/19/19.

04/15/19 Monday

Bills OI Has Been Supporting Are Heading For A Full Vote.

ACTION: Please contact your legislators by commenting on each bill and ask for their support.

[SHB 1739](#) Dealing with ghost guns and undetectable firearms.

[SB 5339](#) Abolishing capital punishment.

[2SSB 5602](#) Eliminating barriers to reproductive health care for all.

04/16/19 Tuesday

Environment

[E2SHB 1543](#) Concerning sustainable recycling.

This bill is co-sponsored by Representative Doglio and the Department of Ecology. Reasons to support it, stated in the bill: "Waste import restrictions worldwide are having huge implications for state and local recycling programs and operations in Washington state, requiring immediate action by the legislature" and "Recycling reduces greenhouse gas emissions, conserves energy and landfill space, provides jobs and valuable feedstock materials to industry, promotes health, and protects the environment."

ACTION: Call or email members of the Senate Rules Committee to urge passage of tE2SHB 1543 to the floor for a vote.

Senate Rules Committee Members: **Cyrus Habib** (D), Chair (360) 786-7700 ltgov@ltgov.a.gov; **Karen Keiser**, Vice Chair, (360) 786-7664 karen.keiser@leg.wa.gov; **Mark Schoesler**, Ranking Member, (360) 786-7620 mark.schoesler@leg.wa.gov

04/17/19 Wednesday

Environment

[ESSB 5323](#) Reducing pollution from plastic bags by establishing minimum state standards for the use of bags at retail establishments.

Call or email members of the House Rules Committee to urge passage to the floor for a vote.

House Rules Committee Democrats

Frank.Chopp@leg.wa.gov , Steve.Bergquist@leg.wa.gov , Mike.Chapman@leg.wa.gov , Lauren.Davis@leg.wa.gov , Noel.Frame@leg.wa.gov , Christine.Kilduff@leg.wa.gov , John.Lovick@leg.wa.gov , Lillian.Ortiz-Self@leg.wa.gov , Tina.Orwall@leg.wa.gov , Eric.Pettigrew@leg.wa.gov , Marcus.Riccelli@leg.wa.gov , Larry.Springer@leg.wa.gov , Monica.Stonier@leg.wa.gov , Pat.Sullivan@leg.wa.gov , Sharon.Wylie@leg.wa.gov	Chopp, Frank (360) 786-7920 Bergquist, Steve (360) 786-7862 Chapman, Mike (360) 786-7916 Davis, Lauren (360) 786-7910 Frame, Noel (360) 786-7814 Kilduff, Christine (360) 786-7958 Lovick, John (360) 786-7804 Ortiz-Self, Lillian (360) 786-7972 Orwall, Tina (360) 786-7834 Pettigrew, Eric (360) 786-7838 Riccelli, Marcus (360) 786-7888 Springer, Larry (360) 786-7822 Stonier, Monica Jurado (360) 786-7872 Sullivan, Pat (360) 786-7858 Wylie, Sharon (360) 786-7924
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Diversity

[I-1000](#) This initiative redefines affirmative action to provide equal opportunity in Education, Employment and Contracting (Entrepreneurship) for the following groups: women, veterans, persons with disabilities and people of color. Eliminates quotas and preferential treatment from Affirmative Action. Expands Affirmative Action to include all Honorably discharged Veterans. Protects Washington's colleges & universities from federal penalties should they utilize race as a factor in their student admissions programs. Expands the term, "sexual orientation" to all state anti-discrimination laws. Creates Washington State's 1st Governor's Commission on Diversity, Equity & Inclusion.

ACTION:

Attend the Public Hearing on Thursday 4/18/19 and sign in to support I-1000. The Hearing is scheduled at the Senate Committee on State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections at 8:00 AM (Subject to change).

4/18/19 Thursday

Criminal Justice: Thank You, Governor Inslee!

On March 13, Governor Inslee signed a proclamation making [April 2019 Second Chance Month](#) in the state of Washington. Second Chance Month is a nationwide effort, spearheaded by the non-profit [Prisoner Fellowship](#), to raise awareness about the barriers faced by and unlock brighter futures for the 1 in 3 Americans with a criminal record (including over 37,000 of our fellow Washingtonians), which limits their access to education, jobs, housing, and other things they need to reach a brighter future. Governor Inslee is one of 20 governors across the nation to have signed such a proclamation.

ACTION: Thank Governor Inslee for making this proclamation! Call his office at (360) 902-4111.

Or send an e-message: <https://www.governor.wa.gov/contact/contact/send-gov-inslee-e-message>

4/19/19 Friday

Homeless In Thurston County

May 7, Tuesday 3:00 pm

Public Hearing On Community Planning Titles 20, 21, 22 and 23 amendments - Emergency Housing Ordinance Interim Regulations

All Hands On Deck!

At 3pm, Thurston County Courthouse, Building 1, Room 280.

The Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) is holding a PUBLIC HEARING on "Community Planning Titles 20, 21, 22 and 23 amendments - Emergency Housing Ordinance Interim Regulations".

ACTION:

If you are able, please show up for this hearing to support waiving code requirements which would allow the County to more effectively respond to the homelessness crisis AND to encourage the BoCC to add funding and make land available for this purpose. Additionally follow the script to send comments to the BOCC in support of the homeless.

Script: https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vQKF9YrZmQ9lkj0b_IGVZeI-9WK4JxJzEem5Dj0SriY6T9R0i_WINWwl81P96FRmmkbL5XjelDQfnSx/pub

Information on the meeting and proposed ordinance may be found here:

<https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/planning/Pages/comp-plan-eho.aspx>

Comments may be emailed to the BoCC via this link

<https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/bocc>

SAVE OUR DEMOCRACY

Enough is Enough. Stephen Miller Must Go.

Stephen Miller has been controlling this administration's immigration policy despite the fact that he has not been approved by Congress. Beginning with the Muslim ban, he has continually goaded the president into taking questionable and illegal action. This latest attempt to dump detained immigrants into sanctuary cities as political retribution is the last straw. It is time for Congress to challenge and investigate this misuse of power that is both cruel and illegal.

ACTION: Call our MOC's with this message:

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Monday Is Tax Day – We Want Trump's Taxes Return

House Ways and Means committee have requested 6 years of trump's tax returns from the IRS. One of Congress's duties is oversight as a co-equal branch of government. Chairman R. Neal requested in a letter to the IRS Commissioner Rettig to release the personal and business tax returns 2013-2018. A 1924 federal law states that the IRS "SHALL" release tax returns for committee oversight. Treasury Secretary S Mnuchin stated that the date of April 10 would be missed. The new date set is April 23. Ways and Means next step in the oversight is to ready a subpoena for Trump's tax returns.

ACTION: Call Representative Denny Heck (360) 459-8514

Ask our MoC's to support the Ways and Means Committee oversight request for the request for Trumps tax return for the past 6 years. If the request has not been satisfied by Mnuchin or Rettig the committee needs to be ready with a subpoena or lawsuit - no more delays. We The People want Congress to fulfill their sworn constitutional mandate of oversight by receiving the tax returns by April 23 and to use all their constitutional POWER to reach that end, even if it means jail time or impeachment of Treasury personal.

KUDOS

Thank Denny Heck for Co-sponsoring H.R. 763

On April 10th, Representative Denny Heck became a cosponsor of H.R. 763, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act of 2019. The bill imposes a fee on the carbon content of fuels that emit greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. The fees will be deposited into a Carbon Dividend Trust Fund. We appreciate Representative Heck's support for this bill.

ACTION: Call Representative Denny Heck and thank him for cosponsoring H.R. 763.

Representative Denny Heck (360) 459-8514

Script: My name is _____, and I am a member of Olympia Indivisible. I want to thank Representative Denny Heck for cosponsoring H.R. 763, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act of 2019. This bill represents an important step in the effort to reduce the use of fuels that contribute to greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

COMING SOON

Wednesdays at 2:00 pm

Great Courses: Investigating American Presidents

The president of the United States can shape not just a nation but the entire world. But what limits are there—if any—on presidential power? Join us each Wednesday at 2:00 pm for Great Courses: Investigating American Presidents, to unpack the history of how institutions and procedures were set up to curb the powers of the executive branch. Contact Glen Hubbard for location: glen.f.hubbard@gmail.com

POSTCARDS FOR PROGRESS

April 18 Thursday from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

May 7 Tuesday from 10:00 AM to noon

If you plan to attend, please send an email to olyindiptvrsvp@gmail.com, and we will send you directions to the postcard party.

April 19, Friday 6-8:00 pm

Olympia Indivisible Members TGIF Gathering!

The Immortals assemble! **RJ's Gourmet Grill 318 4th Ave E Olympia**

April 30, Tuesday 7:00 pm

All Member Meeting

Room 152, Thurston County Courthouse. Topic: Healthcare-For-All including the programs of Canada and a few in W. Europe. RSVP to: olyindirsvp@gmail.com

May 2, Thursday 7:00 pm

New Member Orientation

Join a riveting presentation on how to change the world with other Olympia Indivisible members. RSVP to olyindinmorsvp@gmail.com. Location to be sent once you RSVP.

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