

## **KCHW FM – Community Issues & Sponsor report 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR 2019**

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### **Locally produced Issues Programming:**

KCHW airs a variety of public service programming an interviews each week as well as a daily community events and meetings calendar that airs M-F at 9, 12:30 and 5:30

Following program audios produced in-house and saved on main servers:

**(Week In Review (WIR) – 30 Minute Stevens county news magazine. Airls Fridays at 6:30a and 5p and is posted to youtube.- Morning Show Interviews (8am))**

Dr Bacon Hope Street homeless project 072019 8am

WIR 8/15 CATTLE KILLINGS NEW SPEED LIMITS

Hunting Bee Apiary 081619 8am local bee issues and workers

WIR 8/22 TOM SHEA 51ST STATE WOLVES CULLED WILD FIRES

City Update Points August 29, 2019

- ◆ Change in Management
  - PWD/Admin Assistant
- ◆ Sidewalks – 2019
- ◆ Striping downtown
  - 15 mph Park to 5<sup>th</sup> St. E
  - No riding bicycles on sidewalks
- ◆ New app for chipsealing
- ◆ Airport development
  - Fuel
- ◆ Unveiling 9/11 memorial wall 9/4

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL FUNDRAISER 9/18

MODERN FARMING WITH THE FRONT PORCH 9/25

## Other programming sources:

### Washington News Service

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September 16, 2019

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## Report: Lighting Strike More Likely Than Forced Arbitration Win

Seattle, WA • A new report says consumers and workers have virtually no chance of winning a case through forced arbitration • a process that's agreed to in contracts so that folks can't sue a company. Comments from Larry Shannon, government affairs director, Washington State Association for Justice; Julia Duncan, senior director of government affairs, American Association for Justice (AAJ).

**Intro:** Tens of millions of workers and consumers have signed agreements to not sue companies and instead settle through arbitration. A new report says they're more likely to be struck by lightning than win a case through the so-called "forced arbitration" process. The American Association for Justice analyzed data from the two largest arbitration providers between 2014 and 2018 and found that of the 60 million employees subject to forced arbitration, only 282 were awarded monetary damages. Larry Shannon with the Washington State Association for Justice says the state's Supreme Court tried to bar these agreements but the U-S Supreme Court preempted states in 2018.

:12 *"The U.S. Supreme Court drew a road map to give immunity to these corporations by imposing these forced arbitration agreements on individual consumers and workers."*

**Tag:** The A-A-J estimates there are 800 million forced arbitration clauses in effect for consumers. However only six-thousand cases are brought forward each year, with consumers winning just an average of 382 of them. Supporters of forced arbitration say it's easier and less expensive than a trial.

**Subject:** WNS story for September 10, 2019 Report: Soaring Prescription Costs Overwhelming Washingtonians

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## Report: Soaring Prescription Costs Overwhelming Washingtonians

Seattle, WA • Prescription drug costs have soared in recent years, and it's leading Washingtonians to make hard decisions about what they can afford. In 2016, according to a new report, nearly a third of Washingtonians stopped taking their medication as prescribed because of cost. Comments from Cathy MacCaul, advocacy director, AARP Washington.

**Intro:** New research shows the rising cost of prescription drugs is harming the Washingtonians who need them most. The average annual cost of prescription drugs grew 57 percent between 2012 and 2017, according to data compiled by A-A-R-P Washington. Over that same period, annual incomes in the state increased about ten percent. In 2016, close to a third of Washingtonians stopped taking their medication as prescribed due to cost. Cathy MacCaul with A-A-R-P Washington says people have been making tough choices because of affordability.

*:16 "We have heard stories from individuals here in Washington that have basically said, 'I'm having to make decisions about paying for my prescription drugs or buying food.' And in this day and age, and in the wealthiest nation in the world, people should not have to make those kinds of decisions."*

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September 5, 2019

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## Report: WA Agency Makes Progress on Climate, Has Work to Do Elsewhere

Seattle, WA • A new report says the state Commissioner of Public Lands, Hilary Franz, is making progress on issues such as climate change and wildfires. But it also finds Franz could be doing more on lesser known issues happening on private forest lands. Comments from Lisa Remlinger, forest program director, Washington Environmental Council; and Ray Entz, director of wildlife and terrestrial resources, Kalispel Tribe.

**Intro:** The Washington state Department of Natural Resources is making progress on high-profile issues facing the state, but that could be overshadowing the agency's core functions. That's according to an assessment of Commissioner of Public Lands Hilary Franz by the Washington Environmental Council and Washington Conservation Voters. The fourth annual State of Our Forests and Lands report measured Franz's progress on issues facing private and state forest lands, aquatic state lands and other forestry issues. Lisa Remlinger, forest program director for Washington Environmental Council, commends Franz for elevating the issues of climate change and wildfires.

:16 *"We've had a couple bad wildfire seasons and will likely continue to into the foreseeable future because of climate change, and we've really seen her be able to try to tackle some things in the climate change space that hadn't really been there before."*

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## WA Sites to Pilot Meds-First Approach to Opioid Addiction

Seattle, WA • Four cities in Washington are hosting clinics that will treat opioid abuse with medication, a method that has been proved to cut mortality rates related to the drug. Only about one in four Americans currently has access to medication-assisted treatment for opioid addiction. Comments from Rafael Broze, incubation manager Paul G. Allen Family Foundation.

**Intro:** Four sites in Washington are piloting an underutilized but proven approach to treating opioid addiction. The Meds-First initiative will rely on medication-assisted treatment clinics to administer prescription drugs like buprenorphine (BYOO-preh-NOR-feen), which blocks opioid cravings and has been shown to cut mortality rates in half. North Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma and Walla Walla will host the clinics. Rafael Broze is with the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation, which is providing four-point-25 million dollars to the program.

:13 *"Maybe 25% of Americans have access to evidence-based treatment. That struck us as a huge disconnect. If only 25% of people with diabetes had access to insulin, we'd be up in arms • and we're trying to solve this problem as we would that."*

**subject:** WNS story for July 29, 2019 Legal Protections for Military Members in House Defense Bill

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July 29, 2019

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### Legal Protections for Military Members in House Defense Bill

Seattle, WA • The House version of the National Defense Authorization Act includes measures that would allow military service members more legal rights in the courtroom, including the ability to sue in cases of medical negligence. Comments from Larry Shannon, government affairs director, Washington State Association for Justice. (Pronouncer: Feres = FAIR-ez)

**Intro:** Congress's defense spending package could provide military service members and their families more legal protections. The House-passed version of the National Defense Authorization Act includes provisions that ban forced arbitration clauses so service members can take consumer and employment fraud to court. It also would overturn the Feres Doctrine • a 1950 Supreme Court decision designed to protect the Defense department from lawsuits in medical cases, such as split-second decisions by medics on the battlefield. But Washington State Association for Justice's Larry Shannon says that decision has extended to any service member injury, illness or wrongful death.

*:16 "If this Feres Doctrine has become an exception that has swallowed the rule of accountability, there is no accountability for these health-care providers both in the military and providing services to the military. They get, basically, an immunity card from this Feres Doctrine."*

**Tag:** Shannon credits Washington state congressman Adam Smith, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, for ensuring these measures were part of the final House bill. However, the provisions weren't included in the Senate version so it's not yet clear if they will be part of the final package. Critics of these measures say the Defense department will be subject to unending lawsuits.

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## **Study: Many WA Schools Face Big Risks from Earthquakes**

**Olympia, WA** • A quarter of the state's public schools wouldn't be repairable after a major earthquake, according to a new study that finds most of the schools were built before Washington adopted a statewide building code. Comments from Corina Forson, chief hazards geologist, Washington Geologic Survey.

**Intro:** Ground-shaking new research finds many Washington state public schools are at high risk of serious damage in an earthquake. The Washington Geologic Survey's School Seismic Safety Project looked at 222 schools across the state, or about 5 percent of the total. It found that in a major earthquake, a majority of the buildings would receive a red tag, or be unsafe to occupy, and a quarter wouldn't be repairable at all. Chief hazards geologist on the study Corina Forson says her team did in-depth analysis of 15 schools and found the upgrade costs ranged from 62-thousand dollars to 5 million.

*:13 "Even though the price tag seems remarkable and very high, the estimated cost to replace these buildings is much, much higher, and so investing now will help save lives and a lot of money in the long run."*

**Tag:** Forson notes the wide range in costs illustrates the need for specific site assessments. Most of the school buildings were constructed before 1975, the year Washington adopted a statewide building code. According to the study, Washington ranks second in the nation for earthquake risk, with the highest risk in the western part of the state.

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## **Deadline Today for WA Initiative Requiring Voter Approval for Tax Increases**

Seattle, WA • Signatures are due today (Friday) for a ballot initiative that would set an expiration date of one year for tax increases unless the increases are approved by Washington state voters. Critics say the bill would blow up the state budget. Comments from Andrew Villeneuve (VIL-uh-nuv), executive director, Northwest Progressive Institute.

**Intro:** The signature deadline is today for an initiative that would require tax increases approved by the Washington state Legislature to expire after one year unless voters also approved the increases through ballot measures. Critics of I-1648 say it could wreck the state budget, which targets 11 tax increases passed by lawmakers this year. Andrew Villeneuve, head of the Northwest Progressive Institute, says eliminating this revenue from the budget would have devastating consequences for the state.

:15 *"We're talking about blowing up the state budget, and if the state budget is blown up, then there would probably need to be a special session to fix it, and either we would need to raise revenue some other way to fill in the revenue that we've lost or we would need to make drastic cuts to things that would take people by surprise."*