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# **Strom Peterson**



Your voice for healthy communities, a healthy economy, and preserving our state for future generations.

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PRSRT STD US POSTAGE PAID SEATTLE, WA PERMIT NO. 1885 The Legislature recently wrapped up the 2018 legislative session. Here are a few items we enacted on your behalf and issues I intend to continue working on for our district and the state. Thank you for the honor of serving you!

## ADDRESSING THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC

We took steps to address the opioid epidemic by increasing funding for opioid use disorder treatment, new data tracking to improve supply distribution, staffing increases for the Prescription Monitoring Program, and more access to the overdose-reversal drug Naloxone. I am also happy to report that we passed my bill creating a first-in-the-nation drug take-back program, which will be paid for and maintained by drug manufacturers.

#### A STRONGER DEMOCRACY

Our democracy is strengthened by every vote. This session, we passed a package of legislation to expand access to our democracy by removing barriers for eligible voters, boosting voter registration, ensuring fair and accurate representation, and exposing hidden money in elections.

## TAKING CARE OF OUR STATE'S STUDENTS

Lawmakers invested an additional \$1 billion in K-12 education, addressing the final piece of funding basic education. We also passed legislation to ensure students have access to healthy, nutritious meals. The new Breakfast After the Bell law gives low-income students breakfast to start their day off right, while my bill, the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights, bans lunch shaming and requires schools to provide healthy, balanced lunches to all students, regardless of their ability to pay.

#### PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT

Protecting our residents was forefront in our minds as we passed legislation I championed to ensure oil companies rightly bear the costs to ensure public safety and environmental protection when transporting oil across our state. We also passed two bills banning toxic PFAS chemicals, which are contaminating our water supply. One bill bans them in food packaging, while my bill bans firefighting foams that contain the harmful chemicals.

#### **INVESTING IN INFRASTRUCTURE**

The state's new \$4 billion-plus capital budget includes a record \$1 billion to build public schools and \$800 million for colleges and universities. Key projects in our district include the Everett Community College Learning Resource Center, the Edmonds Community and Senior Center, the Mukilteo Waterfront and Peace Park, and the Edmonds Community College: Science, Engineering, and Technology Building.

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