# **2020 WSLC Endorsements**

#### These are the 2020 election endorsements of the Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO

effective Sept. 25. Delegates representing the WSLC's 600-plus affiliated unions from across the state voted on these endorsements at the WSLC's Virtual COPE Endorsement Conventions,

the state voted on these endorsements at the WSLC's Virtual COPE Endorsement Conventions, and the WSLC 2020 Constitutional Convention on Sept. 23-25. The WSLC, a state federation of the AFL-CIO, is the largest labor organization in Washington state and represents the interests of more than 600 local unions with 550,000 members.

## CONGRESS

1st CD – Suzan DelBene 2nd CD – Rick Larsen 3rd CD – Carolyn Long 5th CD – Dave Wilson 6th CD – Derek Kilmer 7th CD – Pramila Jayapal 8th CD – Kim Schrier 9th CD – Adam Smith 10th CD – Beth Doglio

# STATEWIDE

Governor — Jay Inslee Lt. Governor — (dual) Denny Heck and Marko Liias Attorney General — Bob Ferguson Insurance Commissioner — Mike Kreidler Lands Commissioner — Hilary Franz Secretary of State — Gael Tarleton State Auditor — Pat McCarthy State Treasurer — Mike Pellicciotti Sup't of Public Instruction — Chris Reykdal

## JUDICIAL

STATE SUPREME COURT Pos. 3 – **Raquel Montoya-Lewis** Pos. 4 – **Charles Johnson** Pos. 6 – **Helen Whitener** Pos. 7 – **Debra Stephens** 

## **BALLOT MEASURES**

REF. 90 – **APPROVE** ESJR 8212 – **APPROVE** 

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# STATE LEGISLATURE

<u>1st LD</u> Senate – **Derek Stanford** House 1 – **Davina Duerr** House 2 – **Shelley Kloba** 

<u>2nd LD</u> House 2 – **Veronica Rockett** 

<u>3rd LD</u> Senate – Andrew Billig House 1 – Marcus Riccelli House 2 – Timm Ormsby

<u>4th LD</u> House 1 – **Lori Feagan** House 2 – **Lance Gurel** 

5th LD Senate — Ingrid Anderson House 1 — Bill Ramos House 2 — Lisa Callan

6th LD House 1 – Zack Zappone House 2 – Tom McGarry

<u>7th LD</u> House 1 – **Georgia Davenport** 

<u>10th LD</u> Senate – **Helen Price Johnson** House 1 – **Angie Homola** House 2 – **David Paul** 

<u>11th LD</u> Senate – **Bob Hasegawa** House 1 – **Zack Hudgins** House 2 – **Steven Bergquist** 

12th LD House 1 – Adrianne Moore 16th LD Senate – Danielle Garbe Reser House 1 – Frances Chvatal House 2 – Skyler Rude 17th LD Senate – Daniel Smith House 1 – Tanisha Harris

<u>18th LD</u> House 2 — **Donna Sinclair** 

<u>19th LD</u> Senate – **Dean Takko** House 2 – **Brian Blake** 

<u>21st LD</u> House 1 – **Strom Peterson** House 2 – **Lillian Ortiz-Self**  22nd LD Senate – Sam Hunt House 1 – Laurie Dolan House 2 – Jessica Bateman

23rd LD Senate – Christine Rolfes House 1 – Tarra Simmons House 2 – Drew Hansen

24th LD Senate – Kevin Van De Wege House 1 – Mike Chapman House 2 – Steve Tharinger

<u>25th LD</u> Senate – Julie Door House 1 – Jamie Smith House 2 – Brian Duthie

<u>26th LD</u> House 1 – Carrie Hesch House 2 – Joy Stanford

<u>27th LD</u> Senate – **Jeannie Darneille** House 1 – **Laurie Jinkins** House 2 – **Jake Fey** 

28th LD Senate — T'wina Nobles House 1 — Mari Leavitt House 2 — Dan Bronoske

<u>29th LD</u> House 1 – **Melanie Morgan** House 2 – **Steve Kirby** 

<u>30th LD</u> House 1 – **Jamila Taylor** House 2 – **Jesse Johnson** 

<u>31st LD</u> House 1 – **Katie Young** 

<u>32nd LD</u> House 1 – **Cindy Ryu** House 2 – **Lauren Davis** 

<u>33rd LD</u> House 1 – **Tina Orwall** House 2 – **Mia Gregerson** 

 $\frac{34 \text{th LD}}{\text{House 1} - \text{Eileen Cody}}$ House 2 - Joe Fitzgibbon

<u>35th LD</u> House 1 -- **Colton Myers** House 2 -- **Darcy Huffman**  <u>36th LD</u> House 1 – **Noel Frame** House 2 – **Liz Berry** 

<u>37th LD</u> House 1 – **Sharon Tomiko Santos** House 2 – **Kirsten Harris-Talley** 

<u>38th LD</u> Senate – **June Robinson** House 1 – **Emily Wicks** House 2 – **Mike Sells** 

<u>39th LD</u> House 2 – **Ryan Johnson** 

40th LD Senate – Liz Lovelett House 1 – Debra Lekanoff House 2 – Alex Ramel

<u>41st LD</u> Senate – **Lisa Wellman** House 1 – **Tana Senn** House 2 – **My-Linh Thai** 

<u>42nd LD</u> House 1 – **Alicia Rule** House 2 – **Sharon Shewmake** 

<u>43rd LD</u> House 1 – **Nicole Macri** House 2 – **Frank Chopp** 

<u>44th LD</u> House 1 – **John Lovick** House 2 – **April Berg** 

<u>45th LD</u> House 1 – **Roger Goodman** House 2 – **Larry Springer** 

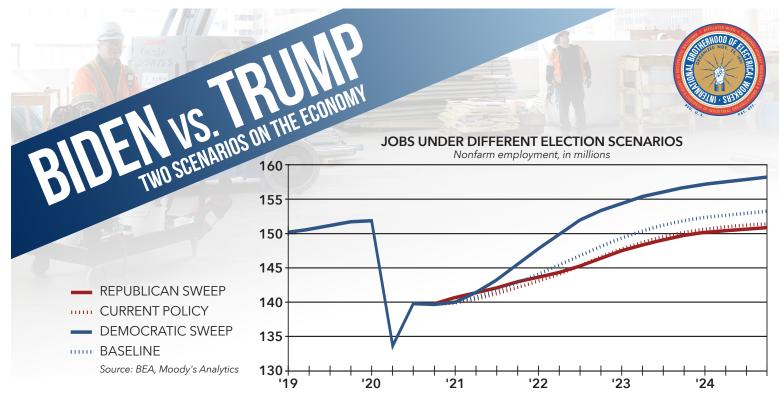
<u>46th LD</u> House 1 – Gerry Pollet House 2 – Javier Valdez

<u>47th LD</u> House 1 – **Debra Entenman** House 2 – **Pat Sullivan** 

<u>48th LD</u> House 1 – Vandana Slatter House 2 – Amy Walen

<u>49th LD</u> House 1 – **Sharon Wylie** House 2 – **Monica Stonier** 





# GAMING THE FALLOUT FROM UNIFIED LEADERSHIP IN WASHINGTON

President, House of Representatives and Senate

# **SCENARIO 1**

REPUBLICANS: HIGHER UNEMPLOYMENT AND A WEAKER ECONOMY

Jobs created in a second Trump term: 11.2 million<sup>1</sup>

**Growth outlook:** Economy sputters out of COVID-19 crisis, unemployment stays high

"Economic outlook is weakest under a scenario in which Republicans and Trump sweep Congress and fully adopt their economic agenda... Unemployment remains persistently higher and labor force participation rate never fully recovers from prepandemic levels."<sup>2</sup>

# WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

"Biden ramps up government spending on education, healthcare and other social programs, the benefits of which largely go to those in the bottom half of the income distribution. Meanwhile, he meaningfully increases taxes on the well-to-do, financial institutions and businesses to help pay for it. Trump largely does the reverse."

--Mark Zandi and Bernard Yaros, Moody's Analytics economists

#### <sup>1</sup> https://www.moodysanalytics.com/-/media/article/2020/the-macroeconomic-consequences-trump-vs-biden.pdf

# **SCENARIO 2**

#### DEMOCRATS: MORE JOBS, FULL EMPLOYMENT

Jobs created in a Biden presidency: 18.6 million<sup>3</sup>

Growth outlook: Economy returns to full employment

"The economic outlook is strongest under the scenario in which Biden and Democrats sweep Congress and fully adopt their economic agenda. The economy is expected to create 18.6 million jobs during Biden's term and the economy returns to full employment. More of the benefits from the stronger economy under Biden's policies go to workers."

"Bidenomics would provide the U.S. economy with a booster shot as it recovers from the global coronavirus recession."<sup>4</sup>

--Oxford economist Nancy Vanden Houten

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.moodysanalytics.com/-/media/article/2020/the-macroeconomic-consequences-trump-vs-biden.pdf <sup>3</sup> https://www.moodysanalytics.com/-/media/article/2020/the-macroeconomic-consequences-trump-vs-biden.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://f.hubspotusercontent10.net/hubfs/2240363/How\_Bidenomics\_could\_boost\_the\_economy.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2020/09/25/finance-202-biden-would-create-stronger-economic-growth-more-jobs-economists-find/



"You are the single most competent people with the greatest expertise to do what you do. If all of a sudden, every member of the IBEW stops and says I'm not doing it anymore, the nation comes to a screeching halt. ... No one else can do their jobs if you are not on your job." --Joe Biden, to the IBEW Political& Legislative Conference, 11/13/19

# **JOE BIDEN:** A FRIEND OF THE MIDDLE CLASS

Before he left the Senate and became vice president, Biden had a 100% voting record on working family issues and a lifetime voting rating - over 35 years - of 85 percent.<sup>1</sup>

Joe Biden appointed **President Stephenson** to his **Climate Engagement Advisory Council**, demonstrating his commitment to

ensuring the **IBEW** has a seat at this table.

# **REBUILDING AMERICA'S INFRASTRUCTURE**

Joe Biden will harness the skills of American workers to:2

- **Rebuild** electricity grids, water systems, bridges, roads, and rail lines
- **Promote domestic energy security** by promoting nuclear, battery storage, and carbon capture
- Create 1 million new jobs in domestic auto infrastructure, including parts, materials and electric vehicle charging stations

# **JOE BIDEN SUPPORTS:**<sup>3</sup>

- The **PRO Act**, which will protect workers' right to organize and bargain collectively
- Extending the right to organize to independent • contractors
- **Project labor agreements**
- Prevailing wages on all infrastructure and transportation projects
- Creating a **cabinet-level working group** that will focus on promoting unions
- Banning "right-to-work"
- Reinstating weakened occupational and safety standards
- Federally registered apprenticeships
- Passage of the Butch Lewis Act to help troubled multiemployer pension plans

Joe Biden supports the petrochemical cracker plant outside Pittsburgh and fracking. "No, I would not shut down [the hydraulic fracturing] industry," he said.4

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http://www.ibew.org/Journals/scans/IBEW%20Journal/2008-Fall%20IBEW%20Journal.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://joebiden.com/build-back-better/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://joebiden.com/EmpowerWorkers/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2020/04/20/joe-biden-talks-fracking-coronavirus-and-president-donald-trump/



# **OSHA: NOT PROTECTING** SAFETY AND HEALTH

- The Trump Department of Labor refuses to issue an emergency standard to protect workers during the pandemic
  - OSHA has only released voluntary "guidance"
- The number of OSHA inspections has fallen drastically under Trump<sup>7</sup>

"Under the Trump administration, the agency is suffering from malignant neglect."8

--- Former head of OSHA, David Michaels

## **TRUMP: WILL VETO PRO ACT**

Trump statement after House of Representatives passed the PRO Act, which will protect workers' right to organize and bargain collectively:

"If H.R. 2474 were presented to the President in its current form, his advisors would recommend that he veto it."9 (2/5/20)

## **TRUMP: ENDORSED BY ABC**

President Trump is touting his reelection endorsement by the Associated Builders and Contractors, who said:

"Your promise to veto the PRO Act ... assures us that you will protect the merit shop industry ... "10

# WATERED DOWN, LOW-QUALITY **APPRENTICESHIPS?**

Trump called for the DOL to establish a new apprenticeship system

- Known as the Industry-Recognized Apprenticeship Program (IRAP), it would allow employers to create their own watered-down apprenticeship standards<sup>11</sup>
- Would make it easier for low-road contractors to replace union members with lesser-skilled, lowwage workers
- On 3/10/20, the Trump Administration backed off its plan to undermine the century-old construction apprenticeship system<sup>12</sup> in the face of opposition

## **DONALD TRUMP'S SECOND TERM: GOODBYE, DAVIS-BACON**

- White House details plans to effectively repeal **Davis-Bacon**, without congressional approval<sup>13</sup>
- Davis-Bacon enforcement is already lagging
  - Davis-Bacon enforcement investigations have ο gone down by 20 percent<sup>14</sup>
  - If the Department of Labor will not enforce Davis-Bacon, low road contractors will drag down wages

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> https://www.nelp.org/news-releases/number-federal-workplace-safety-inspectors-falls-45year-low/ <sup>8</sup> https://www.statnews.com/2019/10/10/silicosis-outbreak-malignant-neglect-of-osha/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/SAP\_HR-2474.pdf
<sup>10</sup> https://www.donaldjtrump.com/media/as-president-trump-rebuilds-our-economy-the-associated-builders-and-contractors-endorsehis-re-election

<sup>11</sup> https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/3245/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> http://www.ibew.org/media-center/Articles/20Daily/2003/200317\_UnionsFight

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> https://www.politico.com/news/2019/10/04/federal-employees-white-house-memo-028954 <sup>14</sup> https://news.bloomberglaw.com/daily-labor-report/trump-wage-chief-overhauls-agency-

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