WOVE Legislative Update for Career and Technical Education

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Senate Committees

Washington State Legislature

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Week one of the Legislative Session comes to an end today, which has seen the pomp and circumstance that comes with the swearing in of our new Governor Jay Inslee, his Inaugural Address, and the excitement of an Inaugural Ball. It has not been all fun and ceremony this week. The committees are holding work sessions this week to set the stage for their work to come. The amount of information heard by members on one topic is enough to produce several thesis papers each meeting. The State CTE Strategic Plan Report, the result of HB 1710 passed in 2011,was presented to the Quality Education Council (QEC) back in December 2012 and will be presented today to the House Education Committee.

While all education bills have an impact on CTE in one way or another, the bills we pull out for this newsletter as "CTE Focus Bills" will be ones we feel possibly have a direct impact on CTE programs in our state. You will find those bills listed at the top of the list each week.

We also begin the budget building process for the new budget cycle. This process is always very interesting in how it happens and what is achieved in the final product. But, this year there are additional variables and factors to take into consideration as we go forward. It is anyone's guess what the affect of the "new" Senate Leadership structure will mean as the Senate and the House go through the budget negotiation process. Factor in the Supreme Court's decision on school funding, which many say will take at least an additional four billion dollars to fully meet the state's obligations. Add to that a projected one billion dollar shortfall in projected revenues and you have the basis for some very difficult decisions to be made going forward.

Along with the budget work there will be many, many policy bills this session. With the tragedy in Connecticut we will see school safety and gun bills at a much greater number. The State Board of Education will propose phasing in their 24-credit requirement proposal as funding is provided. As proposed this has the greatest potential to affect the ability of students to access CTE classes and programs at our Skills Centers. Please refer to our <u>WA-ACTE/WAVA 2013 Legislative Focus</u> concerning high school graduation requirements for our proposal to improve access to CTE.

With new members in both chambers as a result of the last election and the change in leadership structure in the Senate, brings some changes to committee leadership. Just to name a few:

- Senate Ways & Means: Sen. Andy Hill, R-Redmond will chair; Sen. Michael Baumgartner, R-Spokane as Vice Chair; Sen. Jim Honeyford is listed as Capital Budget Chair
- Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education: Sen. Steve Litzow, R-Mercer Island will Chair and former Representative now Sen. Bruce Dammeier is the Vice Chair
- House Education: Rep. Sharon Tomiko Santos continues as Chair and freshman Rep. Monica Stonier will Vice-Chair
- House Education Appropriations Subcommittee (new this year) is Chaired by Rep. Kathy Haigh, D-Shelton. The committee will meet once each week and will be comprised solely of legislators who are members of the larger Appropriations Committee.

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION FOCUS BILLS

HB 1015 - Reducing State Student Assessment Requirements - House Education - Representative John McCoy - Provides that testing for student and school accountability shall be based on only those assessment requirements that are mandated by federal law. Declares that the intent of this bill is to reduce the cost and burden of testing.

HB 1054 - Allocating One-Half of One Percent of Original Public School Construction for Equipment and Technology Purposes - House Capital Budget - Representative Jan Angel - Provides that the board of directors of a school district may, by properly executed resolution, request that the Superintendent of Public Instruction allocate the state construction funds for the acquisition of instruction-related equipment and technology systems in the school plant facility. The act takes effect immediately.

HB 1067 - Enhancing the Basic Education Allocation Formula to Support Teacher Evaluation Program Requirements - House Appropriations - Representative Kristine Lytton - Provides for the implementation of the new teacher evaluation system by providing additional capacity for school principals and assistant principals to carry out their responsibilities to professionally conduct teacher evaluations by adjusting the principal staffing ratios in the prototypical school models.

HB 1076 - Expanding Participation in Innovation Academy Cooperatives - House Education - Representative Kathy Haigh -Modifies current law to allow students residing in school districts that are not part of an innovation academy cooperative to enroll in a cooperative school, but prohibits that student from enrolling in only online courses.

SB 5038 - Enhancing the Basic Education Allocation Formula to Support Teacher Evaluation Program Requirements - Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education - Senator Rosemary McAuliffe - Provides for the implementation of the new teacher evaluation system by providing additional capacity for school principals and assistant principals to carry out their responsibilities to professionally conduct teacher evaluations by adjusting the principal staffing ratios in the prototypical school models. (see also HB 1067)

Red Notes Recent or Future Activity

Career and Technical Education Focus Bills Early Learning & K-12 Education Bills Higher Education Bills Workforce Bills

HOUSE BILLS

HB 1011 - Removing the One-Year Waiting Period for Resident Tuition Eligibility for Members of the Military and Veterans -House Higher Education - Representative Sherry Appleton - Grants resident tuition eligibility to active duty military, their spouses, and dependents who entered service as a Washington resident but are not stationed in Washington. Also grants resident tuition for veterans and their dependents who have served at least two years and enter a higher education institution within one year of separation from service. 1/22/13 HHRA @ 8:00 AM - 1/24/13 HHRA @ 10:00 AM

HB 1021 - Educating Parents About the Harmful Effects of Parental Abduction - House Judiciary - Representative Larry Haler - Provides that a court must provide a pamphlet regarding the harmful effects of parental abduction to any party who files for legal separation or dissolution where the custody or care of a minor child is at issue or in dispute. Each party must certify in any parenting plan that he or she has been provided and has read the information provided in the pamphlet. 1/23/13 HHRA @ 8:00 AM

HB 1023 - Extending Apprenticeship Utilization Requirements - House Labor & Workforce Development - Representative Jim Moeller - Extends the requirement that at least fifteen percent of the labor hours on a public works project of one million dollars or more must be performed by apprentices to projects that are subsidized by the public. "Subsidy" includes use of public lands, tax preferences, and loans from the state or local jurisdictions. 1/23/13 HHRD @ 8:00 AM

HB 1043 - Limiting Differential Tuition - House Higher Education - Representative Larry Seaquist - Prohibits certain differential tuition models and requires reductions or increases in tuition for specified institutions to be uniform among resident undergraduate students.

HB 1048 - Modifying Higher Education Governance - House Higher Education - Representative Larry Seaquist - Removes references to the Higher Education Coordinating Board., changes the composition of the student achievement council, and eliminates the joint higher education committee. Reenacts the comprehensive green economy jobs growth initiative. 1/23/13 HHRA @ 1:30 PM

HB 1072 - Creating the Agricultural Labor Skills and Safety Grant Program - House Labor & Workforce Development - Representative Bruce Chandler - Authorizes the Department of Agriculture to create a grant program to provide training programs for agricultural workers, subject to dedicated funding. A grant recipient may receive up to \$750,000 per year. This act expires on July 1, 2016. 1/23/13 HHRD @ 8:00 AM

HB 1077 - Regarding Vacancies on the Board of Directors for the Educational Service District Board - House Education - Representative Kathy Haigh - Authorizes an Educational Service District Board to fill vacancies on the board of directors in secondclass school districts with an at-large appointment if a candidate cannot be recruited and 120 days have passed since the vacancy was created. The appointee may serve 1 year. This act also requires the county auditor to conduct an election to replace the appointee at the next regular school district election following the initial 1-year appointment.

HB 1109 - Regarding Early Registration for Eligible Veterans and National Guard Members in Institutions of Higher Learning - House Higher Education - Representative Drew Hansen - Modifies current law to require that institutions of higher education that offer an early course registration period to provide early registration for eligible veterans and national guard members. This act expires August 1, 2022.

HB 1122 - Increasing Revenues Dedicated to Basic Education Purposes - House Finance - Representative Reuven Carlyle -Extends through 2016 a tax on beer, certain taxes on real estate brokers, gambling, and international investment management services. The proceeds of these taxes are to be deposited in the education legacy trust account. This act also creates a new excise tax on fuel distributors to be used specifically for funding student transportation services. The tax will begin at 1.85 percent of the value of the fuel and be increased to 4.62 percent by 2017. This act also requires the Department of Revenue to annually estimate the increase in sales tax revenues coming from remote sellers. Any increase shall be deposited in the education legacy trust account. This act takes effect on July 1, 2013. (See also SB 5039)

SENATE BILLS

SB 5023 - Providing for College DUI Courts - Senate Law & Justice - Senator Mike Padden - Permits the creation of college DUI courts and permits colleges to require offending students to successfully complete a college DUI court before issuing a diploma. This act takes effect on January 1, 2014. 1/23/13 SHR1 @ 1:30 PM

SB 5026 - Creating a Peer Mentoring Program to Encourage Elementary School Students to Attend College - Senate Higher Education - Senator Bob Hasegawa - Directs state universities, in partnership with community colleges, to establish peer mentoring programs in which college students work with at-risk elementary students to encourage them to finish high school and attend college. This act directs universities to recruit and train college students for the program and report biannually to the legislature.

SB 5028 - Changing State Need Grant Eligibility Provisions - Senate Higher Education - Senator Bob Hasegawa - Extends indefinitely a requirement for receiving a state need grant that the student be enrolled or accepted for enrollment for at least three quarters or equivalent semesters at a university. The requirement expired on June 30, 2011.

SB 5039 - Increasing Revenues Dedicated to Basic Education Purposes - Senate Ways & Means - Senator Rosemary McAuliffe - Extends through 2016 a tax on beer, certain taxes on real estate brokers, gambling, and international investment management services. The proceeds of these taxes are to be deposited in the education legacy trust account. This act also creates a new excise tax on fuel distributors to be used specifically for funding student transportation services. The tax will begin at 1.85 percent of the value of the fuel and be increased to 4.62 percent by 2017. This act also requires the Department of Revenue to annually estimate the increase in sales tax revenues coming from remote sellers. Any increase shall be deposited in the education legacy trust account. This act takes effect on July 1, 2013. (See also HB 1122)

SB 5044 - Establishing the GET Ready for College Program - Senate Higher Education - Senator Bob Hasegawa - Creates the GET ready for college program, designed to encourage students and families to begin saving early for college. Under this program, the state shall pay the fifty dollar enrollment fee for setting up a GET account for every child in the state. The state will also pay for the first GET unit, as well as other GET units to be deposited in each students' account as they complete various education milestones.

2013 SESSION CUTOFF CALENDAR

January 14, 2013	First Day of Session
February 22, 2013	Last day to read in committee reports in house of origin, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways &
-	Means and Transportation committees.
March 1, 2013	Last day to read in committee reports from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and
	Transportation committees in house of origin.
March 13, 2013	Last day to consider bills in house of origin (5 p.m.).
April 3, 2013	Last day to read in committee reports from opposite house, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways &
-	Means and Transportation committees.
April 9, 2013	Last day to read in opposite house committee reports from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means
-	and Transportation committees.
April 17, 2013*	Last day to consider opposite house bills (5 p.m.) (except initiatives and alternatives to initiatives, budgets and
	matters necessary to implement budgets, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and
	closing of the session).
April 28, 2013	Last day allowed for regular session under state constitution.
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WA-ACTE / WAVA Legislative CTE Showcase

February 27, 2013 5 PM - 7 PM New Market Skills Center Tumwater

Registration Deadline: February 22, 2013

<u>Plan on an afternoon on the Hill</u> following the close of <u>WAVA's Spring Conference</u> - <u>be sure to</u> <u>make appointments with your legislators in advance to meet with them</u>. Afterward enjoy an evening at a special Legislative CTE Showcase held to honor policymakers from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at <u>New</u> <u>Market Skills Center</u> that will share student CTE activities. There will be interactive displays with students demonstrating skills, the food will be catered by the <u>culinary arts students at NMSC</u>, and the <u>Career and Technical Student Organizations</u> will be the hosts introducing legislators as they arrive that evening.

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