

WOVE Legislative Update for Career and Technical Education

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The work of Washington ACTE and many others over the last year or so to return ample funding for CTE that is sustainable, transparent, and accountable within the current Basic Education funding formula has reached a major milestone this week and could use your help next week.

CTE & SC MSOC Funding Bills:

We have two identical bills to achieve the first and major step in achieving the implementation of the CTE Funding report presented to the Legislature in 2014. The House has been referred to Appropriations and we are still waiting on a hearing.

The amendments call for 1.4 multiplier of BEA MSOC to create \$19M to CTE MSOC (grades 7-12 in local school districts) and a 1.245 multiplier for skill centers to create an additional \$1.245M for SC MSOC.

This is based on the report, which originally called for \$38M for CTE & SC MSOC in the two-year supplemental budget. The two bills are asking for funding in the second year of the current two-year budget; thus the multipliers create funding for each year, which will lead to \$38M in the next two-year budget.

The CTE MSOC Funding bill ([SB 6415](#)) is being heard in committee on Tuesday. If you would like to testify let me know and if I can do anything to help please call or email.

If you come, I suggest you try to bring an advisory member or business leader along with a student who is working as a result of their CTE programs. A key point to support the need for the funding is to have programs that are producing students to fill the skills gap that is currently limiting businesses from finding qualified employees to hire.

You will likely have only 2 minutes (maybe less) in committee to share your story, so work together with those you bring to coordinate the "flow" of your testimony together so that you get to tell a 6-minute story instead of telling a 2-minute story three times.

Meeting details:

If you plan to visit the Capitol Campus in Olympia, please keep in mind parking is very limited. For directions, maps, and information regarding parking, [public transit](#), and the [free shuttle service](#) please see: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/legislature/Pages/Parking.aspx>

Early Learning & K-12 Education Committee

1:30 PM Tuesday February 2, 2016

Senate Hearing Rm 1

J.A. Cherberg Building

Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

- [SB 6431](#) - Requiring a study of costs associated with maternity and paternity leave for K-12 teachers.
- [SB 6429](#) - Creating the sandman act.
- **[SB 6415](#) - *Concerning career and technical education materials, supplies, and operating costs.***
- [SB 6469](#) - Requiring that cursive writing be taught in common schools.

Elimination of Waiver options for PE, JROTC & school athletics bills:

Two bills of concern for Washington ACTE are [HB 2664](#) (the most restrictive) and [HB 2669](#). Both bills seek to remove flexibility to earn and or waive PE credit for students, the bill(s) would only allow for PE credit to be earned from a certified PE instructor. This eliminates the ability for equivalency credit in CTE programs such as JROTC or Fire Science and prevents school districts from allowing the PE credit to be checked off thru participation in school sanctioned athletics.

If you would like to testify on either [HB 2664](#) and/or [HB 2669](#), the hearing is at the same time as the committee above on Tuesday.

Meeting details:

Education - 2/2/16 1:30 PM

House Full Committee

House Hearing Rm A

John L. O'Brien Building

Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

- [HB 1640](#) - Authorizing waivers of state requirements for school districts.
- **[HB 2664](#) - *Eliminating some authority of school districts to exempt students from participation in physical education.***
- **[HB 2669](#) - *Concerning physical education instructional requirements for public school students.***
- [HB 2833](#) - Establishing a competitive educational grant program to promote confidence, public speaking, and leadership skills in students.
- [HB 2851](#) - Increasing compensation for school directors in districts enrolling twenty thousand or more students.
- [HB 2862](#) - Preventing unfunded state mandates by requiring school district fiscal notes to identify revenue sources.

HOUSE BILLS

[EHB 1003](#)

Concerning the development of a model policy on natural disaster school infrastructure recovery.

Rep. Brad Hawkins

Amendment moves each date in the bill forward by one year.

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

[E3SHB 1295 \(SB 5437\)](#)

Concerning breakfast after the bell programs.

Rep. Zack Hudgins

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

Amendment requires that each food item served in a Breakfast After the Bell program contain less than 25% by weight added sugar.

Amendment provides that, when choosing foods to serve in a breakfast after the bell program, schools must give preference to foods that are healthy, fresh, and Washington-grown.

Substitute requires that high-needs schools offer school breakfast after the beginning of the school day, called Breakfast After the Bell (BAB), beginning in the 2017-18 school year.

[2SHB 1408](#)

Concerning the development of a definition and model for "family engagement coordinator" and other terms used interchangeably with it.

Rep. Lillian Ortiz-Self

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

[4SHB 1541](#)

Implementing strategies to close the educational opportunity gap, based on the recommendations of the educational opportunity gap oversight and accountability committee.

Rep Sharon Tomiko Santos

Status: House 3rd Reading

Substitute prohibits long-term suspension or expulsion as a form of discretionary discipline, limits all suspension or expulsion to the length of an academic term, and requires a reengagement meeting that includes the student's family.

[E2SHB 1682 \(SB 5065\)](#)

Improving educational outcomes for homeless students through increased in-school guidance supports, housing stability, and identification services.

Rep. Jake Fey

Status: House Rules R

Substitute establishes a competitive grant program to evaluate and award grants to school districts to pilot increased identification of homeless students and the capacity to provide support.

[2SHB 1737](#)

Addressing the availability of retired teachers as substitutes.

Rep. Ed Orcutt

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

Substitute provides the opportunity for retired teachers to receive their pensions while working up to 630 hours per year as a substitute teacher in an instructional capacity, even though they retired under early retirement provisions that would otherwise immediately suspend pension benefits upon employment.

EHB 1770 (SB 5496)

Changing explicit alternative routes to teacher certification program requirements to expectations for program outcomes.

Rep. Steve Bergquist

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

Amendment changes the date of the report on the outcomes of the alternate route programs from December 1, 2015 to December 1, 2016.

HB 1900

Defining the role of the school counselor, social worker, and psychologist.

Status: House Rules R

Substitute finds that K-12 students' unmet mental health needs pose barriers to learning development and success in school. Specifies that the primary role of school counselors, social workers, and psychologists is to focus on student mental health, work with at-risk and marginalized students, perform risk assessments, and collaborate with mental health professionals, in addition to the counselors' work developing and delivering guidance curriculum and psychologists' work delivering testing.

HB 1983

Creating the TEACH pilot project of financial assistance for teachers taking basic skills and content tests for teacher certification programs.

Status: House Appropriations

Substitute establishes, subject to funding, the Teacher Endorsement and Certification Help (TEACH) pilot project to assist qualified individuals with the costs of basic skills and content tests required for teacher certification and endorsement.

HHRA JLOB 2/1 @ 3:30 PM

2SHB 1999

Coordinating services and programs for foster youth in order to improve educational outcomes.

Sen. Reuven Carlyle

Status: House Appropriations

HB 2291

Ensuring business vitality by allowing for total compensation when calculating the minimum wage rate and providing for youth wages.

Rep. Drew MacEwen

Status: House Labor & Workplace Standards

HB 2295

Eliminating the reduction in state basic education funding that occurs in counties with federal forest lands.

Rep. JD Rossetti

Status: House Appropriations

HB 2301

Increasing the number of state need grant recipients by awarding the community and technical college rate in certain financial aid programs for a student's first two years of postsecondary credit.

Rep. Mark Hargrove

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2306

Prohibiting the use of racially offensive school names.

Rep. David Sawyer

Status: House Education

HB 2323 (SB 6210)

Creating the Washington achieving a better life experience program.

Rep. Christine Kilduff

Status: House Appropriations

HHRA JLOB 2/1 @ 3:30 PM

HB 2324

Concerning educational interpreters.

Rep. Kevin Van De Wege

Status: House Education

HB 2325 (SB 6515)

Requiring the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop an elective firearms safety and hunter education course for high school students.

Rep. Dick Muri

Status: House Education

HB 2329 (SB 6161)

Including certain residents who do not have a high school diploma or credential and the number of students expected to enroll in basic education for adults courses at community and technical colleges in caseload forecast council forecasting.

Rep. Larry Haler

Status: House Appropriations

Substitute requires the Caseload Forecast Council to forecast the number of state residents, ages 25 to 44, who do not have a high school diploma or credential, and the number of students expected to enroll in basic education for adults courses at community and technical colleges.

HB 2349

Eliminating the term "branch" as an identifying factor for extensions of the public institutions of higher education.

Rep. Larry Haler

Status: House Higher Education

HB 2360

Eliminating the quality education council.

Rep. Kristine Lytton

Status: House Education

HB 2361 (SB 6353)

Delaying implementation of revisions to the school levy lid.

Rep. Kristine Lytton

Status: House Appropriations

ESHB 2366 (SB 6195)

Concerning basic education obligations.

Rep. Kristine Lytton

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

Substitute establishes the Education Funding Task Force to continue the work of the governor's informal work group to make recommendations to the Legislature on implementing the program of basic education.

Amendment removes the requirement that the Education Funding Task Force make recommendations on how to achieve sufficient classroom facilities to fully accommodate K-3 class size reductions, while maintaining the existing shared responsibility of local districts and the state to fund school construction. Adds a requirement that the Education Funding Task Force must review available information to determine whether additional state legislation is needed to help school districts to support state-funded all-day kindergarten and class size reductions.

HB 2367 (E2SSB 6194)

Concerning public schools that are not common schools.

Rep. Chad Magendanz

Status: House Education

HB 2373 (SB 6432)

Making provisions to evaluate student mental health services and provide students with skills that promote mental health and well-being and increase academic performance.

Rep. Tana Senn

Status: House Education

HHRA JLOB 2/1 @ 1:30 PM

HHRA JLOB 2/4 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2377

Establishing schools as essential public facilities within the growth management act.

Rep. David Taylor

Status: House Local Government

HHRD JLOB 2/2 @ 10:00 AM

HB 2381

Establishing a legislative task force on school counselors, psychologists, and social workers.

Rep. Lillian Ortiz-Self

Status: House Education

HB 2382

Concerning increased recruitment and retention of teachers in alternate route programs.

Rep. Chad Magendanz

Status: House Education

HB 2409

Increasing supports for special needs students.

Rep. Tina Orwall

Status: House Education

HB 2415 (SB 6453)

Establishing a pilot project to create and expand instructional worksite learning.

Rep. Liz Pike

Status: House Education

HB 2429

Concerning the provision of assessment results to students and their parents or guardians.

Rep. Michelle Caldier

Status: House Education

HB 2449

Providing court-based and school-based intervention and prevention efforts to promote attendance and reduce truancy.

Rep. Tina Orwall

Status: House Judiciary

HB 2451

Requiring a statewide program to map, track, and improve partnerships between postsecondary education institutions and K-12 schools.

Rep. Melanie Stambaugh

Status: House Higher Education

HB 2472 (SB 6241)

Improving the recruitment and retention of qualified teachers by raising salaries and strengthening teacher mentoring.

Rep. Sharon Tomiko Santos

Status: House Appropriations

HHRA JLOB 2/1 @ 3:30 PM

HB 2476

Concerning waivers from the one hundred eighty-day school year requirement.

Rep. Norm Johnson

Status: House Education

HB 2479

Investing in education by modifying and improving the fairness of Washington's excise tax system by narrowing or eliminating tax preferences.

Rep. Kristine Lytton

Status: House Finance

HB 2488

Creating an academic bill of rights.

Rep. Matt Manweller

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2513

Encouraging courts to require that children subject to truancy petitions complete and submit assignments.

Rep. Brad Klippert

Status: House Judiciary

HB 2518

Promoting the reduction of intergenerational poverty.

Rep. David Sawyer

Status: House Early Learning & Human Services

HHRE JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HB 2546

Adding a faculty representative to the membership of the board of regents at the University of Washington.

Rep. Gerry Pollet

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2556

Eliminating the certificate of academic achievement as a requirement for high school graduation.

Rep. Sam Hunt

Status: House Education

HB 2573 (SB 6332)

Concerning the shortage of public school teachers and substitute teachers.

Rep. Sharon Tomiko Santos

Status: House Education

HB 2582

Modifying provisions of the Washington advanced college tuition payment program.

Rep. Steve Bergquist

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2586

Allowing school siting outside of urban growth areas.

Rep. Chris Reykdal

Status: House Local Government

HHRD JLOB 2/2 @ 10:00 AM

HB 2593

Making community and technical colleges more affordable by eliminating the application fee for low-income students and reviewing placement testing fees.

Rep. Christine Kilduff

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2595 (SB 6273)

Concerning safe technology use and digital citizenship in public schools.

Rep. Lillian Ortiz-Self

Status: House Education

HB 2597

Requiring school districts to include sexual abuse as a topic in plans addressing students' emotional or behavioral distress.

Rep. Tina Orwall

Status: House Education

HHRA JLOB 2/1 @ 1:30 PM

HHRA JLOB 2/4 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2607

Concerning integrated student services and family engagement.

Rep. Chad Magendanz

Status: House Education

HB 2608

Concerning student and teacher data.

Rep. Chad Magendanz

Status: House Education

HB 2609

Concerning educator cultural competence.

Rep. Chad Magendanz

Status: House Education

HB 2615

Improving student success at community and technical colleges by considering benefits of full-time faculty and staff.

Rep. Gerry Pollet

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2619 (SB 6260)

Providing postsecondary education to enhance education opportunities and public safety.

Rep. Larry Haler

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB @ 8:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2621 (SB 6370)

Concerning the Department of Early Learning's access to records and personal information for purposes of determining character and suitability of child care workers.

Rep. Ruth Kagi

Status: House Early Learning & Human Services

HHRE JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HB 2639

Increasing the safety of school bus riders.

Rep. Gina R. McCabe

Status: House Education

HHRA JLOB 2/1 @ 1:30 PM

HHRA JLOB 2/4 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2643

Concerning school district boards of directors adopting procedures to implement a policy.

Rep. Shelly Short

Status: House Education

HB 2657

Counting experience at a private school under the years of service calculation for classroom teachers.

Rep. Drew Stokesbary

Status: House Appropriations

HB 2662

Creating the Washington next generation educational savings account program.

Rep. Christine Kilduff

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB @ 8:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2664

Eliminating some authority of school districts to exempt students from participation in physical education.

Rep. Eileen Cody

Status: House Education

HHRA JLOB 2/2 @ 1:30 PM

HHRA JLOB 2/4 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2669

Concerning physical education instructional requirements for public school students.

Rep. Marcus Riccelli

Status: House Education

HHRA JLOB 2/2 @ 1:30 PM

HHRA JLOB 2/4 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2670 (SB 6458)

Reforming the school assessment system to focus on teaching and learning.

Rep. Jesse Young

Status: House Education

HB 2671 (SB 6371)

Concerning the definition of "agency" for purposes of early learning programs.

Rep. Ruth Kagi

Status: House Early Learning & Human Services

HHRE JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HB 2675 (SB 6457)

Updating workforce investment act references and making no substantive changes.

Rep. Mike Sells

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2680

Establishing the Washington open education pilot grant program for the four-year institutions of higher education.

Rep. Melanie Stambaugh

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2686

Making the cost of textbooks and other college course materials more affordable.

Rep. Pat Sullivan

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2690 (SB 6368)

Creating a pilot project to provide middle and junior high school students strategic and intentional academic support beyond the traditional school day to promote accountability and responsibility.

Rep. Mike Sells

Status: House Education

HB 2691

Concerning Central Washington University's fifth year promise.

Rep. Gerry Pollet

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2692

Creating a higher education performance funding incentive system.

Rep. Hans Zeiger

Status: House Higher Education

HB 2698

Delaying implementation of revisions to the school levy lid and local effort assistance.

Rep. Kristine Lytton

Status: House 2nd Reading

HB 2727

Concerning teacher retention.

Rep. Drew Stokesbary

Status: House Education

HB 2728

Establishing the reading coaches grant program.

Rep. Drew Stokesbary

Status: House Education

HB 2729

Concerning school grading and choice.

Rep. Drew Stokesbary

Status: House Education

HB 2734

Changing high school science assessment requirements.

Rep. Bob McCaslin Jr.

Status: House Education

HB 2742

Modifying provisions applicable to library materials and associated costs in requirements governing allocations per annual average full-time equivalent student for educational materials, supplies, and operating costs.

Rep. Chris Reykdal

Status: House Appropriations

HB 2743

Concerning the issuance of a Washington state high school diploma.

Rep. Chris Reykdal

Status: House Education

HB 2755 (SB 6409)

Creating administrative efficiencies for institutions of higher education.

Rep. Hans Zeiger

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB @ 8:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2756

Providing an exemption from the false academic credential law for doctorate degrees awarded by a religious institution.

Rep. Larry Haler

Status: House Higher Education

HB 2769

Creating a pilot program for community and technical colleges to offer bachelor degrees.

Rep. Tana Senn

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB @ 8:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2776

Clarifying the authority of officers to restrain children when necessary.

Rep. Brad Klippert

Status: House Early Learning & Human Services

HB 2779

Regarding competitive bid procedures for school districts.

Rep. Christine Kilduff

Status: House Capital Budget

HB 2780

Making higher education more affordable by providing incentives for the use of open source instructional materials.

Rep. Jesse Young

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2796

Providing students with the costs of required course materials during registration.

Rep. Luanne Van Werven

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2801

Expanding higher education opportunities for certain students.

Rep. Drew Hansen

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 1/29 @ 10:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2804

Including highway workers employed on a transportation project by a contractor in the tuition and fee exemption for children and surviving spouses of highway workers.

Rep. Larry Haler

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB @ 8:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2820

Establishing the Washington promise program, which provides for universal and affordable access to community and technical colleges for all Washingtonians.

Rep. Gerry Pollet

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2823

Creating a program to provide students and the community with the means to report anonymously concerning unsafe or violent activities, or the threat of these activities.

Rep. Kevin Parker

Status: House Education

HHRA JLOB 2/1 @ 1:30 PM

HHRA JLOB 2/4 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2824

Promoting educational success in public schools.

Rep. David Sawyer

Status: House Education

HB 2825 (SB 6466)

Concerning student services for students with disabilities.

Rep. Noel Frame

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB @ 8:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2833

Establishing a competitive educational grant program to promote confidence, public speaking, and leadership skills in students.

Rep. Jesse Young

Status: House Education

HHRA JLOB 2/2 @ 1:30 PM

HHRA JLOB 2/4 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2834

Concerning implementation of the homeless youth prevention and protection act of 2015.

Rep. Tana Senn

Status: House Early Learning & Human Services

HHRE JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRE JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2837

Establishing a legislative task force on common school class size in school districts with more than 45,000 students.

Rep. Jessyn Farrell

Status: House Education

HB 2851 (SB 6259)

Increasing compensation for school directors in districts enrolling 20,000 or more students.

Rep. Noel Frame

Status: House Education

HHRA JLOB 2/2 @ 1:30 PM

HHRA JLOB 2/4 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2855

Addressing prior military service credit for members of the teachers' retirement system, plans 2 and 3.
Rep. Mike Sells

Status: House Appropriations

HB 2862

Preventing unfunded state mandates by requiring school district fiscal notes to identify revenue sources.
Rep. JD Rossetti

Status: House Education

HHRA JLOB 2/2 @ 1:30 PM

HHRA JLOB 2/4 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2867

Authorizing conceal carry on campuses of institutions of higher education.
Rep. Elizabeth Scott

Status: House Judiciary

HB 2868 (SB 6415)

Concerning Career and Technical Education materials, supplies, and operating costs.

Rep. Chris Reykdal

Status: House Appropriations

HB 2881

Responding to the educator shortage crisis by increasing training, recruitment, and retention, in order to enable Washington to lower class sizes.

Rep. Gerry Pollet

Status: House Education

HHRA JLOB 2/1 @ 1:30 PM

HHRA JLOB 2/4 @ 8:00 AM

HB 2887

Requiring a study concerning a state loan program for graduate students.

Rep. Larry Haler

Status: House Higher Education

HB 2889

Concerning absences from the meetings of a school district board of directors because of a temporary absence resulting from travel for work, duties as an elected or appointed official, or military service.

Rep. Shelly Short

Status: House Education

HB 2890 (SB 6474)

Requiring each institution of higher education to adopt a plan to increase voter registration and voting in elections.

Rep. Larry Haler

Status: House Higher Education

HB 2902

Funding state charter schools by creating a business and occupation tax credit to incentivize businesses to donate revenue to a charter school fund.

Rep. Mark Hargrove

Status: House Finance

HB 2911

Decoupling services and activities fees from tuition.

Rep. Chris Reykdal

Status: House Higher Education

[HB 2919 \(SB 6473\)](#)

Creating a pilot program allowing the use of a nationally recognized college readiness assessment to earn a certificate of academic achievement for high school graduation purposes and for federal and state accountability purposes.

Rep. Marcus Riccelli

Status: House Education

[HB 2921 \(SB 6455\)](#)

Expanding the professional educator workforce by increasing career opportunities in education, creating a more robust enrollment forecasting, and enhancing recruitment efforts.

Rep. Teri Hickel

Status: House Education

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

[HCR 4415](#)

Approving the 2016 state comprehensive plan for workforce training and education.

Rep. Mike Sells

Status: House Higher Education

HHRC JLOB @ 8:00 AM

HHRC JLOB 2/3 @ 1:30 PM

HHRC JLOB 2/5 @ 8:00 AM

SENATE BILLS

[SB 5065 \(E2SHB 1682\)](#)

Improving educational opportunities for homeless students through increased state-funded in-school supports, housing stability, and reporting.

Sen. David Frockt

Status: By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

[SB 5437 \(E3SHB 1295\)](#)

Concerning breakfast after the bell programs.

Sen. Steve Litzow

Status: Senate Rules White Sheet

[SB 5496 \(EHB 1770\)](#)

Changing explicit alternative routes to teacher certification program requirements to expectations for program outcomes.

Sen. Steve Litzow

Status: By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.

[SB 6161 \(HB 2329\)](#)

Including certain residents who do not have a high school diploma or credential and the number of students expected to enroll in basic education for adults courses at community and technical colleges in caseload forecast council forecasting.

Sen. Barbara Bailey

Status: Senate Ways & Means

[SB 6163](#)

Authorizing district charter schools.

Sen. Andy Billig

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6182

Delaying or eliminating state assessments as a requirement for high school graduation.

Sen. Rosemary McAuliffe

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6183

Concerning local school district levy authority.

Sen. Rosemary McAuliffe

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6189

Requiring teacher preparation programs to integrate Native American curriculum developed by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction into existing Pacific Northwest history and government requirements.

Sen. John McCoy

Status: Senate Higher Education

SHR3 JACB 2/2 @ 1:30 PM

SB 6190

Prohibiting the term "Redskins" for school or athletic team names, mascots, or nicknames.

Sen. John McCoy

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6192

Implementing strategies to close the educational opportunity gap, based on the recommendations of the educational opportunity gap oversight and accountability committee.

Sen. John McCoy

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

E2SSB 6194 (HB 2367)

Concerning public schools that are not common schools.

Sen. Steve Litzow

Status: House Education

SB 6195 (ESHB 2366)

Concerning basic education obligations.

Sen. Ann Rivers

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education Do Pass Substitute - Senate Ways & Means

SB 6210 (HB 2323)

Creating the Washington achieving a better life experience program.

Sen. Bruce Dammeier

Status: Senate Ways & Means

Substitute provides that eligible individuals who may apply to the Program are those found eligible according to 529A of the Internal Revenue Code. Monies placed in the Account may not be counted as assets for purposes of state or local means tested program eligibility. The Board must allow for remote participation of members and may appoint advisory committees to support the design or administration of the Program. The Board may execute interagency agreements that authorize other state agencies to perform administrative functions and may establish a reasonable fee structure for Account holders.

SHR4 JACB 2/2 @ 3:30 PM

SB 6218

Creating the clean energy education program.

Sen. Sharon Brown

Status: Senate Higher Education

SB 6230

Including searches by school resource officers and local police school liaison officers within the warrantless school search exception.

Sen. Steve O'Ban

Status: Senate Rules 2

SB 6232

Concerning the funding of civics education and campaign compliance.

Sen. Joe Fain

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6233

Concerning freedom of expression rights of students at public schools and institutions of higher education.

Sen. Joe Fain

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6241 (HB 2472)

Improving the recruitment and retention of qualified teachers by raising salaries and strengthening teacher mentoring.

Sen. Andy Billig

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6243

Concerning a training program for educators and parents to develop students' social and emotional skills to help prevent youth suicide.

Sen. Steve Litzow

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

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SB 6244

Implementing strategies to close the educational opportunity gap.

Sen. Steve Litzow

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6245

Concerning visual screening in schools.

Sen. Steve Litzow

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6259 (HB 2851)

Increasing compensation for school directors in districts enrolling twenty thousand or more students.

Sen. Reuven Carlyle

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6260 (HB 2619)

Providing postsecondary education to enhance education opportunities and public safety.

Sen. Mike Hewitt

Status: Senate Higher Education

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SB 6273 (HB 2595)

Concerning safe technology use and digital citizenship in public schools.

Sen. Marko Liias

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education Do Pass Substitute - Senate Rules 2nd Reading

SB 6291

Authorizing the use of weighted grade point averages for accelerated courses.

Sen. John Braun

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education Do Pass - Senate Rules 2nd Reading

SB 6292

Eliminating the reduction in state basic education funding that occurs in counties with federal forest lands.

Sen. John Braun

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

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SB 6293

Addressing student volunteers.

Sen. John Braun

Status: Senate Rules 2

Substitute provides that individual employers may provide medical aid benefits to: (1) student volunteers enrolled and participating in a program authorized by any public or private school, including institutions of higher education; and (2) "unpaid students" who are in school-sponsored, unpaid work-based learning. Work-based learning includes cooperative education, clinical experiences, and internship programs.

SB 6298

Enacting the homeless student stability and opportunity gap act.

Sen. David Frockt

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education Do Pass Substitute - Senate Ways & Means

SB 6332 (HB 2573)

Concerning the shortage of public school teachers and substitute teachers.

Sen. Steve Litzow

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6353 (HB 2361)

Delaying implementation of revisions to the school levy lid.

Sen. Ann Rivers

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6354

Adopting a higher education reverse transfer agreement plan.

Sen. Marko Liias

Status: Senate Higher Education

SB 6368 (HB 2690)

Creating a pilot project to provide middle and junior high school students strategic and intentional academic support beyond the traditional school day to promote accountability and responsibility.

Sen. Steve Hobbs

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

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SB 6370 (HB 2621)

Concerning the department of early learning's access to records and personal information for purposes of determining character and suitability of child care workers.

Sen. Steve Litzow

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SB 6371 (HB 2671)

Concerning the definition of "agency" for purposes of early learning programs.

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SB 6407

Requiring recess time for children in grades kindergarten through five.

Sen. Joe Fain

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SB 6408

Concerning paraeducators.

Sen. Andy Hill

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SB 6409 (HB 2755)

Creating administrative efficiencies for institutions of higher education.

Sen. Barbara Bailey

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SB 6415 (HB 2868)

Concerning Career and Technical Education materials, supplies, and operating costs.

Sen. Christine Rolfes

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

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SB 6426

Allowing schools to be sited as essential public facilities outside an urban growth area.

Sen. Steve Conway

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SB 6429

Creating the sandman act.

Sen. Rosemary McAuliffe

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

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SB 6431

Requiring a study of costs associated with maternity and paternity leave for K-12 teachers.

Sen. Mark Mullet

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

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SB 6432 (HB 2373)

Making provisions to evaluate student mental health services and provide students with skills that promote mental health and well-being and increase academic performance.

Sen. Steve Litzow

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

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SB 6453 (HB 2415)

Establishing a pilot project to create and expand instructional worksite learning.

Sen. Annette Cleveland

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6455 (HB 2921)

Expanding the professional educator workforce by increasing career opportunities in education, creating a more robust enrollment forecasting, and enhancing recruitment efforts.

Sen. Bruce Dammeier

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6457 (HB 2675)

Updating workforce investment act references and making no substantive changes.

Sen. Barbara Bailey

Status: Senate Higher Education

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SB 6458 (HB 2670)

Reforming the school assessment system to focus on teaching and learning.

Sen. Maralyn Chase

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SB 6460

Giving parents and guardians an unrestricted right to excuse their children from taking statewide assessments.

Sen. Maralyn Chase

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SB 6466 (HB 2825)

Concerning student services for students with disabilities.

Sen. Cyrus Habib

Status: Senate Higher Education

SB 6469

Requiring that cursive writing be taught in common schools.

Sen. Pam Roach

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

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SB 6473 (HB 2919)

Creating a pilot program allowing the use of a nationally recognized college readiness assessment to earn a certificate of academic achievement for high school graduation purposes and for federal and state accountability purposes.

Sen. Michael Baumgartner

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6474 (HB 2890)

Requiring each institution of higher education to adopt a plan to increase voter registration and voting in elections.

Sen. David Frockt

Status: Senate Higher Education

SB 6476

Reforming the school assessment system to focus on teaching and learning.

Sen. Pam Roach

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6481

Establishing the Washington promise program, which provides for universal and affordable access to community and technical colleges for all Washingtonians.

Sen. Pramila Jayapal

Status: Senate Higher Education

SB 6497

Providing court-based and school-based intervention and prevention efforts to promote attendance and reduce truancy.

Sen. James Hargrove

Status: Senate Human Services, Mental Health & Housing

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SB 6512

Requiring that a certain percentage of state need grant recipients be pursuing degrees in STEM subjects.

Sen. Michael Baumgartner

Status: Senate Higher Education

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SB 6515 (HB 2325)

Requiring the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop an elective firearms safety and hunter education course for high school students.

Sen. Steve O'Ban

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6516

Recognizing the month of September as the month of the kindergartener.

Sen. Karen Fraser

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6539

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Sen. Maralyn Chase

Status: Senate Government Operations & Security

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SB 6549

Addressing the availability of retired teachers as substitutes.

Sen. Steve Conway

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6552

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Sen. Rosemary McAuliffe

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

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Requiring acceptance of additional high school equivalency tests.

Sen. Maralyn Chase

Status: Senate Higher Education

SB 6581

Requiring completion of an apprenticeship program to receive a journey level or residential specialty electrician certificate of competency.

Sen. Judy Warnick

Status: Senate Commerce & Labor

SB 6587

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Sen. Marko Liias

Status: Senate Higher Education

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SB 6588

Requiring music education in elementary schools.

Sen. Maralyn Chase

Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education

SB 6601

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Sen. David Frockt

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