

# WOVE Legislative Update for Career and Technical Education

**Legislative Session Week 6 - 2016  
February 19, 2016**

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It is half time for the session as defined by passing the "House of Origin" cutoff date this week for bills to be passed off the chamber (Senate/House) floors and are then passed to the other chamber to go through the same process before final passage and before going off to the Governor for his signature into law.

While the first two bills to fund CTE died in committee and the new bill "Necessary To Implement the Budget" (NTIB) [SB 6661](#) was filed by Senators [Rolfes](#), [Parlette](#), [Warnick](#), and [Rivers](#). This bill restores CTE MSOC funding for both high schools and skill centers (see details below) along with a new section, which identifies a funding source for the 2016-2017 school year.

1 The basic education benefit account is created in the state  
2 treasury. All receipts accrued in accordance with the August 13,  
3 2015, order in the *McCleary v. State*, supreme court no. 84362-7 must  
4 be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account may be spent only  
5 after appropriation. Expenditures from the account must be used  
6 exclusively for the benefit of basic education as defined in statute.  
7 *For the 2016-17 school year, the funds must be used for the*  
8 *materials, supplies, and operating costs of the career and technical*  
9 *education program in accordance with RCW 28A.150.260.*

Traditionally at this point in the session legislators host "Town Hall Meetings," or "Tele-Town" back home in their local districts and would be a great place to ask for their support to restore CTE Funding as outlined in [SB 6661](#). You can find a list of Town Halls at the LEV website here: [LEV: Legislative town hall meeting schedule \(2/17\)](#)

Just yesterday the proposed House Supplemental budget bill was scheduled for a hearing on Monday at 3:30 PM, but we will not see the bill details until noon on Monday, so at this time we have no details but assume it will not have the CTE and skill center MSOC funding in the bill.

If you would like to testify the details are here:

## **Appropriations - 2/22/2016 3:30 p.m.**

**House Full Committee  
House Hearing Rm A  
John L. O'Brien Building  
Olympia, WA**

REVISED ON 2/18/2016 AT 4:36 PM

### **Public Hearing:**

1 [HB 2376](#) - Making 2016 supplemental operating appropriations.

PSHB 2376 Topic: Early Learning and Higher Education.

PSHB 2376 Topic: General Government.

PSHB 2376 Topic: Health and Human Services.

PSHB 2376 Topic: K-12 Education.

PSHB 2376 Topic: Natural Resources.

2 [HB 2988](#) - Making expenditures from the budget stabilization account to make critical investments.

(If measure is referred to committee.)

\*The public hearings on HB 2376 and HB 2988 will be on proposed substitute bills which will be available electronically at 12:30 p.m. on February 22, 2016. \*Testimony sign-in for PSHB 2376 will be by budget topic area.

Other items for you to be aware of where you can participate and share you support or concerns are:

## **24-Credit Requirements Implementation Workshops**

**Tuesday, February 23 in Spokane** (3:30 pm - 6:00 pm) For K20: April Bylsma

**Tuesday, March 22 in Tumwater** (2:00 pm - 4:30 pm) For K20: Carrie Sherman

**Monday, March 28 in Renton** (1:00 pm - 3:30 pm) WORKSHOP IS FULL for K20: Kathy Linden

**Wednesday, March 30 in Shoreline** (9:00 am - 11:30 am)

**Wednesday, March 30 in Shoreline** (1:00 pm - 3:30 pm) No K20 on this date.

There's no need to register if you attend by K20 - simply contact your local technology specialist or the ESD contact above.

## **Budget information from [Fiscal.wa.gov](http://Fiscal.wa.gov):**

[State Tax Exemptions Visualization Tool](#) (in partnership with the Department of Revenue)

[State Contracts Data](#) for agencies and quasi-governmental organizations (in partnership with the Department of Commerce and Office of the Chief Information Officer)

[State Fee Inventory](#) reporting updated with Fiscal Year 2015 (in partnership with contributing agencies and the Office of Financial Management)

Interactive [School District Maps](#) displaying test scores and other data (demonstrated at the recent LEAP Committee meeting)

Updated [Other Resources](#) page that displays many other budget-related resources, publications, reports, and studies

## Continuing messages for CTE Funding in the 2016 Legislative Session

### **The current CTE Funding issue:**

CTE funding at both middle-high schools and skill centers has been held stagnant/constant (with an inflationary factor) since 2009 when the “multiplier” for CTE was removed from the pro-typical funding formula.

The problem with this is the current and future funding is not sustainable for CTE programs. This enhancement of \$341.72 or 5.9% is insufficient to cover the additional costs associated with operating CTE programs, and in fact is not sufficient to cover even the allowed indirect rate charged to the CTE programs of 15% and CTE staff salaries that are directly charged to MSOC. The CTE enhancement over basic education has declined over time. The 1995 Secondary Vocational Education in the State of Washington report stated the enhancement at that time was 28% above basic education.

See more at <http://annrivers.src.wastateleg.org/in-the-news/>

The lack of growth in CTE funding along with the possible adverse effect of the “Annual Average Full Time” calculations for CTE, create an impending “storm” that we predict will cause the closure of CTE programs statewide. We are waiting for the proposed solution for this issue to be released from OSPI.

### **Communicating the solution:**

The Washington ACTE, OSPI, and a coalition of other organizations lead by the Washington Business Alliance ([WaBA members](#)) (consider joining) and industry partners have been working to restore a sustainable, transparent, and accountable funding formula for both CTE and skill center MSOC that meet the needs of CTE programs statewide.

Two approaches have been worked on to eventually return an additional \$19M for CTE MSOC and approximately \$2M for skill centers in the final supplemental budget at the end of session this year. The policy approaches for both original bills in the House and Senate died in committee, leaving us to focus on the final supplemental budget language to achieve our top two [budget priorities](#). On 2/18/16 a bill was dropped in the senate to achieve this ([SB 6661](#)) sponsored by Senators [Rolfes](#), [Parlette](#), [Warnick](#), and [Rivers](#).

Please contact your Senators and deliver the following message by phone and/or email:

***“Change the CTE and Skill Center MSOC allocations within the supplemental budget so that the formula is based on a multiple of the general education MSOC as outlined in [SB 6661](#). Please ask your caucus leadership to schedule a hearing for 6661 in Ways and Means as soon as possible.”***

*(As with all contacts with legislators be sure not to use school time, equipment, and resources!)*

## Advocacy:

As with any advocacy effort it is important to have others involved with the efforts. For CTE stakeholders it is critical to have them involved in promoting the same message(s) to their peers and to legislative members. Ask for their help!

Share your local story of the importance of CTE and the funding needed to do all of the good work happening within your district. It is important for all to understand the full variety of CTE programs and activities for student success that is grounded in CTE programs and courses in our schools.

If you have local industry partners, ask them to engage with you and your activities and to join the [Career Tech Education Coalition](#) being sponsored by the Washington Business Alliance ([WaBA](#)) of which the Washington ACTE is a prime member.

**Red Notes Recent or Future Activity / [Help with Abbreviations](#)**  
**Click on the individual hyperlink for more bill information.**

## HOUSE BILLS

### **EHB 1003**

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

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

### **E2SHB 1236**

Eliminating the parent or guardian approval requirement for the college bound scholarship pledge.  
Rep. Lillian Ortiz-Self

**Status: Senate Higher Education**

**Substitute** adds that a student's parents or guardians, in addition to the student, must be notified of the student's eligibility for the College Bound Scholarship (CBS) Program and the requirements for award of the scholarship.

**Amendment** makes a technical correction to reflect the correct underlying statutes, which were amended in the 2015 legislative session and third special session.

### **E3SHB 1295 (SB 5437)**

Concerning breakfast after the bell programs.  
Rep. Zack Hudgins

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**SHR1 JACB 2/23 @ 1:30 PM**

### **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**

**SHR1 JACB 2/23 @ 1:30 PM**

### **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: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**SHR1 JACB 2/23 @ 1:30 PM**

**SHB 1562 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**3SHB 1682 (SB 5065)**

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

Rep. Jake Fey

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**SHR1 JACB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**2SHB 1737**

Addressing the availability of retired teachers as substitutes.

Rep. Ed Orcutt

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**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**

**SHB 1783 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SHB 1867**

Concerning the frequency of evaluations for certain classroom teachers.

Rep. Steve Bergquist

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**SHR1 JACB 2/23 @ 1:30 PM**

**2SHB 1900**

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

Rep. Lillian Ortiz-Self

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**ESHB 1949**

Regulating the institutions of higher education, including for-profit institutions and private vocational schools, to protect students from unfair business practices.

Rep. Gerry Pollet

**Status: Senate Higher Education**

**Amendment** specifies that the prohibition on a for-profit school or its agent from selling student loan products applies to "specific consumer student loan products" (rather than "student loan products") and that the for-profit institution is prohibited from inducing students in obtaining specific student loan products (as opposed to prohibiting the "enrollment of students in student loan products"). Defines "agent" to mean any employee, officer, or contractor working on behalf of the institution.

**E2SHB 1983**

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

Rep. Gerry Pollet

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**Amendment** clarifies that a reference to "office" in eligibility provisions for the TEACH pilot program is a reference to the Office of Student Financial Assistance in the Washington Student Achievement Council.

**SHR1 JACB 2/23 @ 1:30 PM**

**4SHB 1999**

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

Sen. Reuven Carlyle

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**HB 2183 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SHB 2214**

Increasing academic rigor and streamlining assessment requirements for high school students.  
Rep. Chris Reykdal

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**HB 2291 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2295 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2301 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2306 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**ESHB 2323 (SSB 6210)**

Creating the Washington achieving a better life experience program.  
Rep. Christine Kilduff

**Status: Senate Health Care**

**HB 2324 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2325 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2329 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2349 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2360**

Eliminating the quality education council.  
Rep. Kristine Lytton

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**HB 2361 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**ESHB 2366 (E2SSB 6195)**

Concerning basic education obligations.  
Rep. Kristine Lytton

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**HB 2367 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2373 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2377 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SHB 2381**

Establishing a legislative task force on school counselors, psychologists, and social workers.  
Rep. Lillian Ortiz-Self

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**HB 2382 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2409 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2415 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SHB 2429**

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

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**2SHB 2449**

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

Rep. Tina Orwall

**Status: Senate Human Services, Mental Health & Housing**

**SHR 1 JACB 2/23 @ 10:00 AM**

**HB 2451 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2472 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2476**

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

Rep. Norm Johnson

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**HB 2479 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2488 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2513 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**ESHB 2518**

Promoting the reduction of intergenerational poverty.

Rep. David Sawyer

**Status: Senate Human Services, Mental Health & Housing**

**Amendment** removes the definition of "poverty."

**SHR1 JACB 2/22 @ 10:00 AM**

**HB 2546 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2556 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**E2SHB 2573 (SB 6332)**

Concerning the shortage of public school teachers and substitute teachers.

Rep. Sharon Tomiko Santos

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**Amendment** requires that the Professional Educator Standards Board (PESB) include a method to determine the comparability of rigor between the Washington Professional Certification process and the second-level teacher certification process of other states, in its identification of an expedited Professional Certification process for experienced out-of-state teachers.

**Amendment** expands the Student Teaching Residency Grant Program to individuals in any Professional Educator Standard Board (PESB) approved teacher preparation program, rather than limiting it to individuals in a PESB-approved Alternate Route to Teacher Certification Program.

**SHR1 JACB 2/23 @ 1:30 PM**

**HB 2582 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2586 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2593 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2595 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2597**

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

Rep. Tina Orwall

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**SHR1 JACB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**HB 2607 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2608 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2609 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SHB 2615**

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

Rep. Gerry Pollet

**Status: Senate Higher Education**

**HB 2619 (SB 6260)**

Providing postsecondary education to enhance education opportunities and public safety.

Rep. Larry Haler

**Status: Senate Law & Justice**

**ESHB 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: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**SHR1 JACB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**HB 2639**

Increasing the safety of school bus riders.

Rep. Gina R. McCabe

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**SHR1 JACB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**HB 2643 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2657 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2662 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2664 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2669 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2670 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2671 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2675 (SB 6457)**

Updating workforce investment act references and making no substantive changes.

Rep. Mike Sells

**Status: Senate Higher Education**



**HB 2680 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2686 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2690 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2691 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2692 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**EHB 2698**

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

Rep. Kristine Lytton

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**Amendment** establishes the Local Effort Assistance Transition Account as an appropriated account in the state treasury. Expenditures from the account may be used only for state local effort assistance, also known as levy equalization, in the 2017-19 fiscal biennium.

**SHR1 JACB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**HB 2727 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2728 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2729 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2734 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2742 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SHB 2743**

Concerning the issuance of a Washington state high school diploma.

Rep. Chris Reykdal

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**HB 2755 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2756 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**2SHB 2769**

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

Rep. Tana Senn

**Status: Senate Higher Education**

**HB 2776 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2779 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2780 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2796 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2801 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**ESHB 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: Senate Higher Education**

**Amendment** removes the definition of "highway worker," and provides that children and spouses of highway workers who were killed or totally disabled in the line of duty may receive tuition waivers if the highway worker was either employed by a general contractor or subcontractor, on a transportation project, or employed by a transportation agency (as opposed to a public sector employee or construction trades worker).

**HB 2820 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2823 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2824 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**ESHB 2825 (SSB 6466)**

Concerning student services for students with disabilities.

Rep. Noel Frame

**Status: Senate Higher Education**

**Amendment** removes the requirement that the Council of Presidents, the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, and the institutions of higher education convene a work group on students with disabilities to develop recommendations that the institutions must begin implementing by December 31, 2016.

**HB 2833 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**ESHB 2834**

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

Rep. Tana Senn

**Status: Senate Human Services, Mental Health & Housing**

**SHR 1 JACB 2/23 @ 10:00 AM**

**HB 2837 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SHB 2851 (SB 6259)**

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

Rep. Noel Frame

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**SHR1 JACB 2/23 @ 1:30 PM**

**HB 2855 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2862 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2867 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2868 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2881 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

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**HB 2919 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

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**HB 2948 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2955 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2962 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2963 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SHB 2964**

Eliminating lunch copays for students who qualify for reduced-price lunches.

Rep. Mia Gregerson

**Status: Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education**

**Substitute** requires school districts with school lunch programs to eliminate lunch copays for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade who qualify for reduced-price lunches.

**SHR1 JACB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**HB 2965 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2968 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2978 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HB 2985**

Excluding certain school facilities from the inventory of educational space for determining eligibility for state assistance for common school construction.

Rep. Marcus Riccelli

**Status: House Capital Budget**

**HHRB JLOB 2/24 @ 3:30 PM**

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

**HJR 4216 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

**HCR 4415 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SENATE BILLS**

**SB 5065 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 5437 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 5496 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**ESSB 5561**

Concerning veteran survivor tuition waiver eligibility.

Sen. Barbara Bailey

**Status: House Higher Education**

**Amendment** makes corrections to underlying code to reflect changes made in the 2015 legislative session.

**HHRC JLOB 2/24 @ 1:30 PM**

**SB 5675 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6161 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6163 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6182 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6183 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6189 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6190 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6192 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**E2SSB 6194 (HB 2367)**

Concerning public schools that are not common schools.

Sen. Steve Litzow

**Status: House Education**

**HHRA JLOB 2/25 @ 8:00 AM**

**E2SSB 6195 (ESHB 2366)**

Concerning basic education obligations.

Sen. Ann Rivers

**Status: House Passed 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Substitute** provides that, by June 1, 2016, OSPI must create a working group with representatives of the state auditor, legislative evaluation and accountability program committee, the school district accounting advisory committee, and other education stakeholders to recommendations on how to implement improved accounting procedures and practices, including requiring school districts to provide separate accounting of state, federal, and local revenue expenditures and also separate accounting of basic education and nonbasic education expenditures.

**Amendment** replaces the bill with Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2366 as it passed the House: 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. Appropriates \$500,000 for the Washington State Institute for Public Policy to contract for independent professional consulting services. Directs the Legislature to take legislative action by the end of the 2017 session to eliminate school district dependency on local levies for implementation of the state's program of basic education.

**SSB 6210 (ESHB 2323)**

Creating the Washington achieving a better life experience program.

Sen. Bruce Dammeier

**Status: House Early Learning & Human Services**

**HHRE JLOB 2/23 @ 8:00 AM**

**SB 6218 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6230 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6232 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6233 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6241 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**2SSB 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: House Education**

**Substitute** requires that ESD collaboration must be done within existing resources. The on-site technical assistance provided by ESD staff is eliminated.

**HHRA JLOB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**SB 6244 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6245**

Concerning visual screening in schools.

Sen. Steve Litzow

**Status: House Education**

**HHRA JLOB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**HHRA JLOB 2/25 @ 8:00 AM**

**SB 6259 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6260 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SSB 6273 (HB 2595)**

Concerning safe technology use and digital citizenship in public schools.

Sen. Marko Liias

**Status: House Education**

**HHRA JLOB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**HHRA JLOB 2/25 @ 8:00 AM**

**SB 6291**

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

Sen. John Braun

**Status: House Education**

**HHRA JLOB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**HHRA JLOB 2/25 @ 8:00 AM**

**SB 6292**

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

Sen. John Braun

**Status: House Appropriations**

**ESSB 6293**

Addressing student volunteers.

Sen. John Braun

**Status: House Labor & Workplace Standards**

**Amendment** creates a new option for employers that makes it easier to provide medical aid coverage for qualified volunteers. It allows an employer to pay a premium for a set number of hours (100 hours) of service for each volunteer, instead of manually tracking the hours for each volunteer.

**SB 6298 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6332 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6353 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SSB 6354**

Adopting a higher education reverse transfer agreement plan.  
Sen. Marko Liias

**Status: House Higher Education**

**SB 6368 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6370 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6371 (HB 2671)**

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

**Status: House Early Learning & Human Services**

**HHRE JLOB 2/23 @ 8:00 AM**

**SB 6407 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**2SSB 6408**

Concerning paraeducators.  
Sen. Andy Hill

**Status: House Education**

**Substitute** removes field test grants for the 2016-17 school year. Specifically, defines a paraeducator as a classified employee. Adds paraeducators are not certificated instructional staff.

**HHRA JLOB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**HHRA JLOB 2/25 @ 8:00 AM**

**SSB 6409 (HB 2755)**

Creating administrative efficiencies for institutions of higher education.  
Sen. Barbara Bailey

**Status: House Higher Education**

**Substitute** eliminates changing the capital project threshold for detailed costs estimates to \$10 million. Restores the requirement for institutions to report and justify sole source contracts to the Department of Enterprise Services (DES). Restores the requirement for institutions to annually submit a list to DES of all contracts the institutions have entered into or have had renewed.

**SB 6415 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**ESSB 6426**

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

**Status: House Local Government**

**Amendment** establishes that the comprehensive plans of Benton, Pierce, Grant, and Franklin counties and the cities within those counties must identify schools to be sited outside the urban growth areas as essential public facilities, and schools may be permitted as essential public facilities outside the urban growth area when specified criteria is met.

**SB 6429 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6431 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6432 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6453 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**E2SSB 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: House Education**

**Substitute** provides that, until August 1, 2020, retired teachers may work as substitute teachers in school districts with documented teacher shortages and compensate substitute teachers at least the state's basic education allocation. Retired teachers returning to work are limited to an annual duration of 630 hours.

**Amendment** allows four-year and two-year institutions of higher education to waive all or a portion of the tuition and services and Code Rev/SCG:amh 2 S-4788.1/16 activities fees for public school K-12 classified staff when their coursework is relevant to their work assignment.

**Amendment** creates a new section relating to the professional certification standards for out-of-state teachers, adds that a teacher who has a continuing or advanced level international certificate must be issued the professional certification, and adds that the section is scheduled for sunset termination and review effective June 30, 2021.

**SB 6457 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6458 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6460 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SSB 6466 (ESHB 2825)**

Concerning student services for students with disabilities.

Sen. Cyrus Habib

**Status: House Higher Education**

**SB 6469 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6473 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6474 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6476 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6481 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**2SSB 6497**

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

Sen. James Hargrove

**Status: House Judiciary**

**Substitute** removes the requirement for HCA to create a PAL Plus pilot program. Removes the requirement that depression screening be an annual covered service. Requires that the JLARC inventory of mental health services be completed within existing appropriations.

**HHRA JLOB 2/24 @ 8:00 AM**

**HHRA JLOB 2/26 @ 8:00 AM**

**SB 6512 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

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**SB 6560 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6581 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6587 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6588 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**E2SSB 6601**

Creating the Washington college savings program.

Sen. David Frockt

**Status: House Higher Education**

**Substitute** authorizes the Washington College Savings Plan Account to maintain a deficit, up to five fiscal years, to defray administration start-up costs. By December 31, 2017, the GET Committee must establish an administration spending plan and a fee schedule to pay off any projected deficit to the account. The Legislature may appropriate funds into the account to reduce administration costs. Provides that this bill is subject to appropriations and null and void if funding for this bill is not provided for in the Omnibus Appropriations bill by June 30, 2017.

**Amendment** mandates that eligible purchasers will not be required to make an initial minimum contribution that exceeds twenty-five dollars. The governing body is directed to develop educational materials that highlight the differences between a prepaid tuition plan and a college savings plan, as well as how the two plans can be used to save for the full cost of attending college.

**SB 6608 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6609 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6610 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**ESB 6617**

Concerning the University of Washington's alternative process for awarding contracts.

Sen. David Frockt

**Status: House Capital Budget**

**Amendment** extends the sunset provisions for the alternative process for awarding contracts by five years rather than repeal.

**HHRC JLOB 2/23 @ 8:00 AM**

**HHRC JLOB 2/24 @ 1:30 PM**

**ESB 6620**

Concerning a statewide plan for funding cost-effective methods for school safety.

Sen. Rosemary McAuliffe

**Status: House Education**

**Amendment** clarifies the reimbursement policies for non-legislative members participating in the school safety summit.

**HHRA JLOB 2/22 @ 1:30 PM**

**HHRA JLOB 2/25 @ 8:00 AM**

**SB 6626**

Creating a work group on accelerated baccalaureate degree programs.

Sen. Barbara Bailey

**Status: House Higher Education**

**HHRC JLOB 2/24 @ 1:30 PM**

**SB 6640 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**



**SB 6643 - Failed to make the cutoff date.**

**SB 6661**

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

Sen. Christine Rolfes

**Status: Senate Ways & Means**

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**February 29, 2016:** Last day to read in opposite house committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.

**March 4, 2016\*:** Last day to consider (pass) 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).

**March 10, 2016:** Last day allowed for regular session under state constitution.

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