

Upcoming Events

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 4/3 @ 10:00am

- [E2SHB 1170](#) - Exec Session - Improving climate resilience through updates to the state's integrated climate response strategy. (Support)
- [2SHB 1176](#) - Exec Session - Developing opportunities for service and workforce programs to support climate-ready communities. (Support/Low)
- [E2SHB 1181](#) - Exec Session - Improving the state's response to climate change by updating the state's planning framework. (Support)
- [E2SHB 1216](#) - Exec Session - Concerning clean energy siting. (Support/Low)
- [SHB 1562](#) - Exec Session - Reducing the risks of lethality and other harm associated with gun violence, gender-based violence, and other types of violence. (Support/Monitoring)
- [2SHB 1724](#) - Exec Session - Increasing the trained behavioral health workforce.

Appropriations (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 4/4 @ 9:00am

- [2SSB 5048](#) - Exec Session - Eliminating college in the high school fees. (Support/Medium)
- [E2SSB 5243](#) - Exec Session - Concerning high school and beyond planning. (Support/Medium)
- [E2SSB 5311](#) - Exec Session - Concerning special education funding formula. (Concerns/High)
- [E2SSB 5315](#) - Exec Session - Concerning nonpublic agencies operating special education programs for students with disabilities. (Monitoring)
- [ESB 5355](#) - Exec Session - Mandating instruction on sex trafficking prevention and identification for students in grades seven through 12.
- [SSB 5499](#) - Exec Session - Concerning the multistate nurse licensure compact.
- [2SSB 5555](#) - Exec Session - Creating the profession of certified peer specialists. (Monitoring)

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 4/4 @ 10:00am

- [SHB 1044](#) - Exec Session - Providing capital financial assistance to small school districts with demonstrated funding challenges. (Support)
- [SHB 1109](#) - Exec Session - Providing funding for school districts for special education. (Support/Low)

- [HB 1232](#) - Exec Session - Enhancing the college bound scholarship program. (Support/Low)
- [E2SHB 1238](#) - Exec Session - Providing free school meals for all. (Support/Low)
- [2SHB 1316](#) - Exec Session - Expanding access to dual credit programs. (Monitoring)
- [ESHB 1436](#) - Exec Session - Funding special education. (Concerns/High)
- [2SHB 1550](#) - Exec Session - Assisting eligible children in need of additional preparation to be successful in kindergarten by establishing the transition to kindergarten program. (Monitoring)
- [2SHB 1559](#) - Exec Session - Establishing the student basic needs at public postsecondary institutions act. (Support)
- [E2SHB 1565](#) - Exec Session - Supporting and strengthening the professional education workforce. (Support)
- [HB 1575](#) - Exec Session - Modifying the sales and use tax for cultural access programs by allowing the tax to be imposed by a councilmanic or commission authority and defining timelines and priorities for action. (Support)
- [SHB 1701](#) - Exec Session - Concerning basic education services to youth who are served through institutional education programs. (Support)
- [HB 1777](#) - Exec Session - Authorizing the use of performance-based contracting for energy services and equipment. (Monitoring)
- [EHB 1823](#) - Exec Session - Modifying the Washington student loan program. (Monitoring)

1. Addressing the Student Mental Health Crisis

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SHB 1069	Mental health counselor comp	Adopting the mental health counselor compact.	S 2nd Reading	Leavitt		Monitoring
2SHB 1724	Behavioral health workforce	Increasing the trained behavioral health workforce.	S Ways & Means	Bateman		
SB 5036 (HB 1027)	Audio-only telemedicine	Concerning telemedicine.	C 6 L 23	Muzzall	Support	
SSB 5189 (HB 1348)	Behavioral health support	Establishing behavioral health support specialists.	H Exec Action	Trudeau		
2SSB 5555	Certified peer specialists	Creating the profession of certified peer specialists.	H Approps	Randall		Monitoring

2. Addressing Critical Gaps in Education Funding

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SB 5019	School safety staff	Concerning classified staff providing student and staff safety.	H Rules R	Wellman	Neutral	
E2SSB 5174	Student transportation	Providing adequate and predictable student transportation.	H Rules R	Wellman	Support	High

3. Preventing Gun Violence & Suicide

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
E2SHB 1143 (SB 5211)	Firearms/purchase & transfer	Concerning requirements for the purchase or transfer of firearms.	S Rules 2	Berry	Support	Medium
HB 1230	School websites/drug info.	Requiring school districts and other public education entities to make information from the department of health available.	S Rules 2	Callan	Support	High
SHB 1240 (SB 5265)	Firearms/assault weapons	Establishing firearms-related safety measures to increase public safety.	S 2nd Reading	Peterson	Support	High
SHB 1562	Violence	Reducing the risks of lethality and other harm associated with gun violence, gender-based violence, and other types of violence.	S Ways & Means	Thai	Support	Monitoring
HB 1599	Firearm background checks	Concerning court files and records exemptions for firearm background checks.	S 2nd Reading	Goodman	Support	Monitoring
SSB 5006	Waiver of firearm rights	Clarifying waiver of firearm rights.	H Passed 3rd	Pedersen	Support	Medium
SSB 5078 (HB 1130)	Firearm industry duties	Protecting public safety by establishing duties of firearm industry members.	H Exec Action	Pedersen	Support	Medium
SSB 5561	Law enf. community grants	Extending the expiration date of the law enforcement community engagement grant project.	H Rules R	Conway	Support	Low

4. Special Education Funding, Inclusion & Resources

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SHB 1109	Special education funding	Providing funding for school districts for special education.	S Ways & Means	Senn	Support	Low
ESHB 1436	Special education funding	Funding special education.	S Ways & Means	Pollet	Concerns	High
SB 5031	Special ed safety net awards	Concerning safety net award distributions.	H Exec Action	Wellman		Monitoring

E2SSB 5311 (HB 1211)	Special education funding	Concerning special education funding formula.	H Approps	Wellman	Concerns	High
E2SSB 5315	Special education/nonpublic	Concerning nonpublic agencies operating special education programs for students with disabilities.	H Approps	Wilson		Monitoring

5. School Safety, Planning & Emergency Preparedness

No bills.

Budget bills

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SHB 1140 (ESSB 5187)	Operating budget	Making 2023-2025 fiscal biennium operating appropriations.	H APPDPS	Ormsby	Concerns	
SHB 1147 (ESSB 5200)	Capital budget	Concerning the capital budget.	H CBDPS	Tharinger	Support	
SHB 1148 (SSB 5201)	State gen. obligation bonds	Concerning state general obligation bonds and related accounts.	H CBDPS	Tharinger	Support	
ESSB 5187 (SHB 1140)	Operating budget	Making 2023-2025 fiscal biennium operating appropriations.	H 2nd Reading	Rolfes	Concerns	
ESSB 5200 (SHB 1147)	Capital budget	Concerning the capital budget.	H 2nd Reading	Mullet	Support	
SSB 5201 (SHB 1148)	State gen. obligation bonds	Concerning state general obligation bonds and related accounts.	S 2nd Reading	Mullet	Support	

Climate Change mitigation

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
E2SHB 1170 (SSB 5093)	Climate response strategy	Improving climate resilience through updates to the state's integrated climate response strategy.	S Ways & Means	Street	Support	
2SHB 1176 (SB 5247)	Climate-ready communities	Developing opportunities for service and workforce programs to support climate-ready communities.	S Ways & Means	Slatter	Support	Low
E2SHB 1181 (SSB 5203)	Climate change/planning	Improving the state's response to climate change by updating the state's planning framework.	S Ways & Means	Duerr	Support	
E2SHB 1216 (SSB 5380)	Clean energy siting	Concerning clean energy siting.	S Ways & Means	Fitzgibbon	Support	Low
ESHB 1589 (SSB 5562)	Clean energy	Supporting Washington's clean energy economy and	S Rules 2	Doglio	Support	

		transitioning to a clean, affordable, and reliable energy future.				
HB 1777	Energy contracting	Authorizing the use of performance-based contracting for energy services and equipment.	S Ways & Means	Doglio		Monitoring

Digital Divide

No bills.

Educator Workforce

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
E2SHB 1565	Prof. education workforce	Supporting and strengthening the professional education workforce.	S Ways & Means	Ortiz-Self	Support	
SSB 5499	Multistate nurse licensure	Concerning the multistate nurse licensure compact.	H Approps	Mullet		

Family Engagement

No bills.

General Education Watch List

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SHB 1015 (SB 5264)	Paraeducator requirements	Concerning minimum employment requirements for paraeducators.	S Pres Signed	Santos	Support	Low
ESHB 1277	Paraeducator course of study	Establishing rules to improve the consistency and quality of the implementation of the fundamental courses of study for paraeducators.	S Rules 2	Donaghy	Support	Low
SHB 1346 (2SSB 5071)	Purple star award	Creating the purple star award.	S 2nd Reading	Shavers	Support	Low
ESB 5355	Sex trafficking prev. ed.	Mandating instruction on sex trafficking prevention and identification for students in grades seven through 12.	H Approps	Wilson		

Highly Capable Student ID & Access

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SSB 5072	Highly capable students	Advancing equity in programs for highly capable students.	H Passed 3rd	Nobles	Support	High

Mastery-Based Learning

No bills.

Meaningful High School Diploma

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HB 1146	Dual credit program notice	Notifying high school students and their families about available dual credit programs and any available financial assistance.	S Rules 2	Paul	Support	
HB 1308	Graduation pathway options	Concerning high school graduation pathway options.	S 2nd Reading	Stonier	Support	Medium
2SHB 1316	Dual credit program access	Expanding access to dual credit programs.	S Ways & Means	Paul		Monitoring
SHB 1658	Work experience/H.S. credit	Authorizing public high school students to earn elective credit for paid work experience.	S Rules 2	Shavers	Support	
2SSB 5048	College in high school fees	Eliminating college in the high school fees.	H Approps	Mullet	Support	Medium
E2SSB 5243 (SHB 1273)	High school and beyond plans	Concerning high school and beyond planning.	H Approps	Wellman	Support	Medium

New revenue

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HB 1473 (SB 5486)	Wealth/property tax	Investing in Washington families and creating a more fair tax system by enacting a narrowly tailored property tax on extreme wealth derived from the ownership of stocks, bonds, and other financial intangible property.	H Finance	Thai	Support	

Resolution (Supports)

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SHB 1207	Harassment/schools	Preventing and responding to harassment, intimidation, bullying, and discrimination in schools.	S 2nd Reading	Senn	Support	
HB 1232	College bound scholarship	Enhancing the college bound scholarship program.	S Ways & Means	Bergquist	Support	Low
E2SHB 1238 (SSB 5339)	Free school meals	Providing free school meals for all.	S Ways & Means	Riccelli	Support	Low

2SHB 1550	Transition to kindergarten	Assisting eligible children in need of additional preparation to be successful in kindergarten by establishing the transition to kindergarten program.	S Ways & Means	Santos		Monitoring
2SHB 1559 (SB 5566)	Postsecondary student needs	Establishing the student basic needs at public postsecondary institutions act.	S Ways & Means	Entenman	Support	
HB 1575 (SB 5612)	Cultural access programs/tax	Modifying the sales and use tax for cultural access programs by allowing the tax to be imposed by a councilmanic or commission authority and defining timelines and priorities for action.	S Ways & Means	Reed	Support	
HB 1622	Students/homelessness	Supporting the needs of students experiencing homelessness.	S 2nd Reading	Fey	Support	Low
HB 1679 (SB 5719)	Student homelessness group	Modifying and extending requirements of a work group convened to address the needs of students in foster care, experiencing homelessness, or both.	S Rules 2	Rule	Support	Low
SHB 1701	Institutional ed. programs	Concerning basic education services to youth who are served through institutional education programs.	S Ways & Means	Callan	Support	
EHB 1823	WA student loan program	Modifying the Washington student loan program.	S Ways & Means	Timmons		Monitoring
SB 5079	Tuition establishment date	Concerning the date by which tuition operating fees are established.	C 7 L 23	Braun		Monitoring
ESSB 5257 (SHB 1504)	Elementary school recess	Ensuring elementary school students receive sufficient daily recess.	H Passed 3rd	Nobles	Support	Low
ESSB 5365	Vapor and tobacco/minors	Preventing use of vapor and tobacco products by minors.	H Rules R	Saldana	Neutral	
SSB 5626	K-12 media literacy	Expanding and enhancing media literacy and digital citizenship in K-12 education.	H Approps	Liias	Support	
ESSB 5702 (SHB 1693)	Student homelessness pilot	Expanding the students experiencing homelessness	H Rules R	Trudeau	Support	Low

		and foster youth pilot program.				
SB 5711 (HB 1156)	College grant eligibility	Extending the terms of eligibility for the Washington college grant program.	H Approps	Nobles	Support	

School Construction & Simple Majority

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SHB 1044	Capital assistance/schools	Providing capital financial assistance to small school districts with demonstrated funding challenges.	S Ways & Means	McEntire	Support	
ESHB 1050	Apprenticeship utilization	Expanding apprenticeship utilization requirements.	S Passed 3rd	Riccelli		
SSB 5126 (HB 1444)	Common school trust revenue	Providing common school trust revenue to small school districts.	H Cap Budget	Pedersen	Support	

Uncategorized Bills

No bills.