

WSPTA Bill Status & Upcoming Events Report – Week 7

Upcoming Events

Law & Justice (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 2/23 @ 10:30am

- [ESHB 2165](#) - Exec Session - Concerning false identification as a peace officer.
- [ESHB 2320](#) - Exec Session - Concerning the regulation of firearm manufacturing. (Support/High)

Community Safety (House) - HHR D and Virtual JLOB - 2/23 @ 1:30pm

- [SSB 5855](#) - Exec Session - Concerning the use of face coverings by law enforcement officers.

Education (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/23 @ 1:30pm

- [SSB 5841](#) - Exec Session - Concerning the completion of postsecondary financial aid applications.

Appropriations (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/23 @ 4:00pm

- [HB 2289](#) - Public Hearing - Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.

Transportation (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 2/23 @ 4:00pm

- [HB 2306](#) - Public Hearing - Making supplemental transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium. (Hearing is on the Proposed Substitute.)

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 2/23 @ 4:00pm

- [SB 5998](#) - Public Hearing - Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.

Capital Budget (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 2/24 @ 8:00am

- [HB 2295](#) - Public Hearing - Concerning the capital budget. (Hearing is on the Proposed Substitute.)

Early Learning & K-12 Education (Senate) - SHR 1 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 2/24 @ 8:00am

- [ESHB 1295](#) - Public Hearing - Using evidence-based instructional practices in reading and writing literacy for public elementary students. (Remote Testimony Available). (Support)

- [E3SHB 1634](#) - Public Hearing - Providing school districts and public schools with assistance to coordinate comprehensive behavioral health supports for students. (Remote Testimony Available). (Support)
- [HB 1796](#) - Exec Session - Concerning school districts' authority to contract indebtedness for school construction.
- [SHB 2594](#) - Exec Session - Ensuring that unhoused children and youths in Washington have equal access to free, appropriate public education.

Finance (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/24 @ 8:00am

- [ESSB 6346](#) - Public Hearing - Establishing a tax on millionaires. (Remote Testimony Available).

Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/24 @ 10:30am

- [ESSB 6002](#) - Exec Session - Concerning driver privacy protections.
- [E2SSB 6239](#) - Public Hearing - Requiring arbitration for tort claims against the state of Washington and its subdivisions. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Establishing a process for adjudicating tort claims against the state of Washington and its political subdivisions.) (Remote Testimony Available).

Technology, Economic Development, & Veterans (House) - HHR C and Virtual JLOB - 2/24 @ 10:30am

- [ESSB 5984](#) - Exec Session - Regulating artificial intelligence companion chatbots. (Support)

Human Services (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 2/24 @ 1:30pm

- [2SHB 2429](#) - Exec Session - Supporting children and youth behavioral health. (Support)

Postsecondary Education & Workforce (House) - HHR C and Virtual JLOB - 2/24 @ 1:30pm

- [SB 5963](#) - Exec Session - Modifying funding for the passport to careers program and eligibility for the Washington college grant. (Support)

State Government & Tribal Relations (House) - HHR E and Virtual JLOB - 2/24 @ 1:30pm

- [SSB 6049](#) - Public Hearing - Protecting student and employee information from public disclosure. (Remote Testimony Available).

State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections (Senate) - SHR 2 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 2/24 @ 1:30pm

- [HB 2632](#) - Exec Session - Modernizing terminology when referring to individuals who are not citizens or nationals of the United States.

Education (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/24 @ 4:00pm

- [2SSB 5969](#) - Exec Session - Reducing duplication between high school and beyond plans and individualized education program transition plans.
- [SSB 6222](#) - Exec Session - Supporting public school students by improving their access to surplus technology hardware.
- [SSB 5956](#) - Exec Session - Addressing artificial intelligence, student discipline, and surveillance in public schools.

Transportation (Senate) - SHR 1 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 2/24 @ 4:00pm

- [SB 6005](#) - Public Hearing - Making supplemental transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium. (Remote Testimony Available).
- [SB 6354](#) - Public Hearing - Advancing transportation electrification by expanding access to electric vehicles already being sold in Washington and increasing associated funding. (Remote Testimony Available).

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 2/24 @ 4:00pm

- [SB 6003](#) - Public Hearing - Concerning the capital budget.
- [E2SHB 2251](#) - Public Hearing - Concerning climate commitment act accounts. (Remote Testimony Available).

Civil Rights & Judiciary (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/25 @ 8:00am

- [ESSB 5906](#) - Exec Session - Establishing data and personal safety protections within areas of public accommodation for all Washington residents. (Support)
- [E2SSB 6239](#) - Exec Session - Requiring arbitration for tort claims against the state of Washington and its subdivisions. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Establishing a process for adjudicating tort claims against the state of Washington and its political subdivisions.)

Early Learning & K-12 Education (Senate) - SHR 1 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 2/25 @ 10:30am

- [ESHB 1795](#) - Exec Session - Addressing restraint or isolation of students in public schools and educational programs. (Support)
- [ESHB 1295](#) - Exec Session - Using evidence-based instructional practices in reading and writing literacy for public elementary students. (Support)
- [E3SHB 1634](#) - Exec Session - Providing school districts and public schools with assistance to coordinate comprehensive behavioral health supports for students. (Support)
- [ESHB 2557](#) - Exec Session - Providing parental access to special education evaluation reports.

Housing (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 2/25 @ 10:30am

- [ESHB 2266](#) - Exec Session - Encouraging permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, indoor emergency housing, and indoor emergency shelters. (Monitoring)

State Government & Tribal Relations (House) - HHR E and Virtual JLOB - 2/25 @ 1:30pm

- [SSB 6049](#) - Exec Session - Protecting student and employee information from public disclosure.

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 2/25 @ 1:30pm

- [SB 5998](#) - Exec Session - Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.

Appropriations (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/25 @ 4:00pm

- [HB 2289](#) - Exec Session - Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.

Transportation (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 2/25 @ 4:00pm

- [HB 2306](#) - Exec Session - Making supplemental transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

Capital Budget (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 2/26 @ 8:00am

- [HB 2295](#) - Exec Session - Concerning the capital budget.
- [SSB 5901](#) - Public Hearing - Providing school construction assistance program facilities support for on-base schools. (Remote Testimony Available).

Finance (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/26 @ 8:00am

- [ESB 6347](#) - Public Hearing - Undoing the recent changes to the estate tax. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Undoing certain changes to the estate tax.) (Remote Testimony Available).

Transportation (Senate) - SHR 1 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 2/26 @ 8:00am

- [SB 6005](#) - Exec Session - Making supplemental transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 2/26 @ 1:30pm

- [SB 6003](#) - Exec Session - Concerning the capital budget.
- [ESHB 2442](#) - Public Hearing - Providing local governments tax resources and fund flexibility. (Remote Testimony Available).
- [E2SHB 2251](#) - Exec Session - Concerning climate commitment act accounts.

Finance (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/27 @ 8:00am

- [ESSB 6346](#) - Exec Session - Establishing a tax on millionaires.
- [ESSB 6113](#) - Public Hearing - Concerning taxes administered by the department of revenue. (Remote Testimony Available).
- [ESSB 6162](#) - Public Hearing - Concerning property tax reform. (Remote Testimony Available).

Appropriations (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/27 @ 10:30am

- [ESB 5872](#) - Exec Session - Establishing the preK promise account. (Support)
- [SB 6065](#) - Exec Session - Concerning school district transportation vehicle funds.

Saves State Money

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HB 2723	Tax preferences	Modifying existing tax preferences.	H Finance	Ramel		
SB 6260 (HB 2676)	Public education funding	Implementing efficiencies and programming changes in public education.	S Ways & Means	Wellman		
SB 6353	Working conn. child care	Modifying the working connections child care program.	S Ways & Means	Robinson		

#1: Closing the Funding Gaps

No bills.

#2: Addressing the Student Mental Health Crisis

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
E3SHB 1634	Behavioral health/schools	Providing school districts and public schools with assistance to coordinate comprehensive behavioral health supports for students.	S EL/K-12	Thai	Support	
HB 2038 (SB 5799)	Youth behavioral health acc.	Establishing the youth behavioral health account and funding the account through the imposition of a business and occupation additional tax on the operation of social media platforms.	H Finance	Callan		
2SHB 2429 (SB 6224)	Youth behavioral health	Supporting children and youth behavioral health.	S Human Services	Callan	Support	

#3: Addressing Funding, Inclusion and Supports in Special Education

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
ESHB 1795 (SB 5654)	Student restraint, isolation	Addressing restraint or isolation of students in public schools and educational programs.	S EL/K-12	Callan	Support	
ESHB 2557	Sp. ed. evaluation reports	Providing parental access to special education evaluation reports.	S EL/K-12	Chase		

#4: Preventing and Reducing Gun Violence and Suicide

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
ESHB 2320 (SB 6314)	Firearm manufacturing	Concerning the regulation of firearm manufacturing.	S Law & Justice	Salahuddin	Support	High
2ESSB 5268	Unlawful firearm possession	Classifying unlawful possession of a firearm as a violent offense.	H Approps	Wagoner	Concerns	Low

#5: Expanding School Construction Funding Options

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HB 1796 (2SSB 5095)	School construction debt	Concerning school districts' authority to contract indebtedness for school construction.	S EL/K-12	Callan		
SSB 5901 (SHB 2470)	On-base school construction	Providing school construction assistance program facilities support for on-base schools.	H Cap Budget	Christian		

Budget bills

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HB 2289 (SB 5998)	Operating budget, supp.	Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.	H Appropriations	Ormsby		
HB 2295 (SB 6003)	Capital budget, supplemental	Concerning the capital budget.	H Cap Budget	Tharinger		
HB 2306 (SB 6005)	Transportation budget, supp.	Making supplemental transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.	H Transportation	Fey		
SB 5998 (HB 2289)	Operating budget, supp.	Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Robinson		
SB 6003 (HB 2295)	Capital budget, supplemental	Concerning the capital budget.	S Ways & Means	Trudeau		
SB 6005 (HB 2306)	Transportation budget, supp.	Making supplemental transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.	S Transportation	Liias		

Climate Change mitigation

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
E2SHB 2251	Climate commit. act accounts	Concerning climate commitment act accounts.	S Ways & Means	Fitzgibbon		
SB 6354	Electric vehicles	Advancing transportation electrification by expanding access to electric vehicles already being sold in Washington and increasing associated funding.	S Transportation	Liias		

Digital Divide

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SSB 6222 (HB 2432)	Students/surplus technology	Supporting public school students by improving their access to surplus technology hardware.	H Education	Hunt		

General Education Watch List

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
ESHB 2266 (SSB 6069)	Supportive & emerg. housing	Encouraging permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, indoor emergency housing, and indoor emergency shelters.	S Housing	Peterson		Monitoring

HB 2734	Sugar-sweetened beverages	Creating a hunger free Washington through a sugar-sweetened beverage tax and precluding a supplemental nutrition assistance program waiver.	H Finance	Street		
SB 5177	Professional dev. resources	Considering the experiences of historically marginalized and underrepresented groups when identifying professional development resources on certain topics.	H Education	Nobles		
SSB 6049	PRA/students & employees	Protecting student and employee information from public disclosure.	H State Govt & Tr	Wilson		
SB 6065	School vehicle funds	Concerning school district transportation vehicle funds.	H Approps	Dozier		
E2SSB 6239 (HB 2700)	State tort claims	Requiring arbitration for tort claims against the state of Washington and its subdivisions.	H Civil R & Judi	Dhingra		
SI IL26-001	Parental rights/schools	Parental rights/schools	S EL/K-12			

Immigration: Res. 18.51

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
ESHB 2165 (SB 5876)	Peace officer false ident.	Concerning false identification as a peace officer.	S Law & Justice	Obras		
HB 2632	Noncitizen terminology	Modernizing terminology when referring to individuals who are not citizens or nationals of the United States.	S State Gov/Trib	Thai		
SSB 5855 (HB 2173)	Law enf. face coverings	Concerning the use of face coverings by law enforcement officers.	H Community Safet	Valdez		
ESSB 5906	Data and personal safety	Establishing data and personal safety protections within areas of public accommodation for all Washington residents.	H Civil R & Judi	Hansen	Support	
ESSB 6002 (HB 2332)	Driver privacy	Concerning driver privacy protections.	H Civil R & Judi	Trudeau		

Meaningful High School Diploma

No bills.

New revenue

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HB 2038 (SB 5799)	Youth behavioral health acc.	Establishing the youth behavioral health account and funding the account through the imposition of a business	H Finance	Callan		

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		and occupation additional tax on the operation of social media platforms.				
HB 2100 (SB 6093)	Payroll expense tax	Enacting an excise tax on large operating companies on the amount of payroll expenses above the minimum wage threshold of the additional medicare tax to fund services to benefit Washingtonians and establishing the Well Washington fund account.	H Finance	Scott		Monitoring
HB 2292 (SB 6229)	Small business stock gains	Concerning taxation of a long-term capital gain of a section 1202 small business stock.	H Finance	Berg		
ESHB 2442 (SB 6294)	Local government fund use	Providing local governments tax resources and fund flexibility.	S Ways & Means	Berg		
HB 2724 (ESSB 6346)	Tax on millionaires	Establishing a tax on millionaires.	H Finance	Fitzgibbon		
HB 2738	Income tax	Establishing an income tax on individuals with Washington taxable income over \$1,000,000 per year and households with income over \$2,000,000 per year.	H Finance	Walen		
HJR 4213	Income tax	Amending the Constitution to allow for an income tax.	H Finance	Walen		
ESSB 6162 (HB 2621)	Property tax	Concerning property tax reform.	H Finance	Krishnadasan		
SB 6228 (HB 2707)	Prescription drugs/taxes	Removing a tax exemption for the warehousing and reselling of prescription drugs.	S Ways & Means	Frame		
SB 6229 (HB 2292)	Small business stock gains	Concerning taxation of a long-term capital gain of a section 1202 small business stock.	S Ways & Means	Frame		
SB 6231 (HB 2708)	Data center equipment/taxes	Removing a tax exemption for the replacement of equipment for data centers.	S Ways & Means	Frame		
ESSB 6346 (HB 2724)	Tax on millionaires	Establishing a tax on millionaires.	H Finance	Pedersen		
ESB 6347 (HB 2725)	Estate tax rates	Undoing the recent changes to the estate tax.	H Finance	Kauffman		

Resolution (Supports)

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
ESHB 1295	Reading and writing literacy	Using evidence-based instructional practices in reading and writing	S EL/K-12	Pollet	Support	

		literacy for public elementary students.				
2SHB 2105 (SSB 5852)	Immigrant workers	Concerning immigrant worker protections.	S RecComm	Ortiz-Self		
ESHB 2225 (ESSB 5984)	AI companion chatbots	Concerning regulation of artificial intelligence companion chatbots.	S ENETDP	Callan	Support	
SHB 2360 (SSB 5951)	Albuterol access in schools	Expanding access to albuterol in public and private schools.	S Rules 2	Donaghy		Monitoring
SHB 2492 (SSB 6282)	Apprenticeships/wellness	Requiring state registered apprenticeships in the building and construction trades to provide behavioral health and wellness training.	S LCDP	Nance		
ESHB 2534 (SB 6277)	Military families/education	Promoting educational stability for children of military families.	S Rules 2	Shavers		
SHB 2594	Unhoused children/education	Ensuring that unhoused children and youths in Washington have equal access to free, appropriate public education.	S EL/K-12	Reeves		
SSB 5841	Financial aid applications	Concerning the completion of postsecondary financial aid applications.	H Education	Boehnke		
SSB 5855 (HB 2173)	Law enf. face coverings	Concerning the use of face coverings by law enforcement officers.	H Community Safet	Valdez		
ESB 5872 (SHB 2159)	PreK promise account	Establishing the preK promise account.	H Approps	Wilson	Support	
ESSB 5906	Data and personal safety	Establishing data and personal safety protections within areas of public accommodation for all Washington residents.	H Civil R & Judi	Hansen	Support	
SSB 5956	AI use/student discipline	Addressing artificial intelligence, student discipline, and surveillance in public schools.	H Education	Nobles		
SB 5963 (HB 2586)	Passport to careers program	Modifying funding for the passport to careers program and eligibility for the Washington college grant.	H Postsec Ed & Wk	Nobles	Support	

2SSB 5969	IEP transition plans	Fulfilling high school and beyond plan requirements with individualized education program transition plans.	H Education	Cortes		
ESSB 5984 (ESHB 2225)	AI companion chatbots	Concerning regulation of artificial intelligence companion chatbots.	H Tech, Econ Dev	Wellman	Support	

SB 5814 impact

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SHB 2257 (ESSB 6113)	Tax administration	Concerning taxes administered by the department of revenue.	H Rules R	Berg		Monitoring
ESSB 6113 (SHB 2257)	Tax administration	Concerning taxes administered by the department of revenue.	H Finance	Frame		
SB 6351	School sales tax exemptions	Increasing fiscal resources for students and children by providing targeted sales tax exemptions for schools and certain before-and-after school care programs and arts and cultural classes.	S Ways & Means	Cortes		

Uncategorized Bills

No bills.