

# WSPTA Bill Status & Upcoming Events Report – Week 8

## Upcoming Events

### Education (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 3/5 @ 8:00am

- [ESSB 5004](#) - Public Hearing - Updating emergency response systems in public schools including panic or alert buttons. (Remote Testimony Available).

### #1: Closing the Funding Gaps

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
<a href="#">SHB 1338</a>	School operating costs	Concerning school operating costs.	H APPDPS	Berg	Support	High
<a href="#">SHB 1356</a>	K-12 funding	Concerning K-12 funding.	H Approps	Bergquist		Monitoring
<a href="#">SHB 1357</a>	Special education funding	Providing special education funding and support for inclusionary practices.	H APPDPS	Stonier	Concerns	High
<a href="#">SSB 5192</a>	School district materials	Concerning school district materials, supplies, and operating costs. Appears the increase to all students is \$135, and for grades 9-12 \$28.05. Creates a new formula for calculating MSOC: For the purposes of calculating allocations under this subsection (8), a school district's full-time equivalent student enrollment is the average of the district's prior three school years' total annual average full-time equivalent enrollment.	S Rules 2	Nobles	Support	High
<a href="#">2SSB 5263</a>	Special education funding	Concerning special education funding.	S Rules 2	Pedersen	Support	High
<a href="#">SB 5772</a>	Student enrollment	Calculating student enrollment for local effort assistance.	S Rules 2	Hansen		

### #2: Addressing the Student Mental Health Crisis

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
<a href="#">HB 1805</a>	Children services/local tax	Creating a local sales and use tax to fund services for children and families that	H Rules R	Tharinger		

		enhance well-being, promote mental health, and provide early interventions.				
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### #3: Addressing Funding, Inclusion and Supports in Special Education

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
<a href="#">SHB 1357</a>	Special education funding	Providing special education funding and support for inclusionary practices.	H APPDPS	Stonier	Concerns	High
<a href="#">SSB 5253</a> (SHB 1257)	Special education services	Extending special education services to students with disabilities until the end of the school year in which the student turns 22.	S Rules 2	Cortes		

### #4: Preventing and Reducing Gun Violence and Suicide

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
<a href="#">SHB 1132</a>	Bulk firearm purchases	Enhancing public safety by limiting bulk purchases and transfers of firearms and ammunition.	H Rules R	Farivar	Support	
<a href="#">HB 1152</a>	Firearm storage	Enhancing public safety by establishing secure storage requirements for firearms in vehicles and residences.	H Rules R	Doglio	Support	High
<a href="#">2SHB 1163</a> (SB 5140)	Firearm purchase	Enhancing requirements relating to the purchase, transfer, and possession of firearms.	H Rules R	Berry	Support	
<a href="#">SHB 1385</a>	Background checks	Concerning fingerprint background check on applicants.	H 2nd Reading	Taylor	Support	
<a href="#">HB 1386</a>	Firearms tax	Imposing a new tax on firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition.	H Finance	Thai	Support	
<a href="#">2SSB 5098</a>	Weapons in certain areas	Restricting the possession of weapons on the premises of state or local public buildings, parks or playground facilities where children are likely to be present, and county fairs and county fair facilities.	S Rules 2	Valdez	Support	High
<a href="#">SSB 5268</a>	Unlawful firearm possession	Classifying unlawful possession of a firearm as a violent offense.	S Rules 2	Wagoner	Concerns	Low

### #5: Expanding School Construction Funding Options

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
<a href="#">ESSB 5004</a>	School emergency response	Updating emergency response systems in public schools including panic or alert buttons.	H Education	Torres		
<a href="#">2SSB 5095</a> (HB 1796)	School construction debt	Concerning school districts' authority to contract indebtedness for school construction.	S Rules 2	Dhingra		
<a href="#">2SSB 5186</a>	School district fac. funding	55% majority passage for bonds	S Rules 2	Krishnadasan	Support	High

<a href="#">SSJR 8200</a>	School district local funds	Amending the Constitution to allow 55 percent of voters voting to authorize school district bonds.	S Rules 2	Cortes	Support	High
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### Climate Change mitigation

No bills.

### Digital Divide

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
<a href="#">SHB 1483</a> (SB 5423)	Digital electronics/repair	Supporting the servicing and right to repair of certain products with digital electronics in a secure and reliable manner.	H 2nd Reading	Gregerson	Support	Medium
<a href="#">2SHB 1503</a>	Digital equity	Furthering digital equity and opportunity in Washington state.	H Rules R	Gregerson	Support	Low
<a href="#">HB 1517</a>	Digital equity/revenue	Providing a revenue stream to fund digital equity programs.	H Finance	Gregerson		

### Educator Workforce

No bills.

### Family Engagement

No bills.

### General Education Watch List

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
<a href="#">HB 1393</a>	Commencement/cultural exp.	Providing public school students with opportunities for cultural expression at commencement ceremonies.	H 2nd Reading	McEntire		
<a href="#">HB 2026</a>	Education funding	Creating the fairness in education funding act.	H Finance	Dufault		
<a href="#">HJR 4205</a>	School levies	Abolishing excess enrichment and capital levies.	H Finance	Dufault		
<a href="#">SB 5177</a>	Professional dev. resources	Considering the experiences of historically marginalized and underrepresented groups when identifying professional development resources on certain topics.	S Rules 2	Nobles		
<a href="#">SB 5235</a>	Public school statutes	Repealing and reorganizing outdated statutes concerning public schools. Amending RCW 28A.175.145 and 28A.235.120; adding a new section to	S Rules 2	Wellman		

		chapter 28A.235 RCW; recodifying RCW 28A.623.030; and repealing RCW 28A.335.300, 28A.415.315, 28A.415.330, 28A.415.380, 28A.600.045, 28A.605.040, 28A.623.005, 28A.623.010, 28A.623.020, 28A.625.100, 28A.625.110, 28A.625.150, 28A.630.198, 28A.630.810, 28A.655.071, 28A.655.130, 28A.655.280, 28A.690.010, 28A.690.020, and 28A.690.030.				
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### Meaningful High School Diploma

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
<a href="#">2SHB 1285</a>	Financial education	Making financial education instruction a graduation requirement in public schools, starting with the graduating class of 2031.	H APPDP2S	Rude	Concerns	Medium
<a href="#">SSB 5327</a>	Learning standards	Concerning learning standards and graduation requirements.	S Rules 2	Wellman	Concerns	Monitoring

### New revenue

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
<a href="#">HB 1319</a>	Wealth tax	Enacting a wealth tax on the ownership of stocks, bonds, and other financial intangible property.	H Finance	Street		
<a href="#">HB 1320</a>	Business & occupation tax	Modifying business and occupation tax rates to fund programs and services to benefit Washingtonians.	H Finance	Street		
<a href="#">HB 1334</a>	Property tax revenue growth	Modifying the annual regular property tax revenue growth limit.	H Finance	Pollet		
<a href="#">HB 1785</a>	Excessive executive comp.	Imposing a surcharge on publicly traded companies providing excessive executive compensation.	H Finance	Doglio		
<a href="#">HB 1995</a>	Tax preferences	Concerning tax preferences.	H Finance	Thomas		
<a href="#">HB 2019</a>	Estate tax	Making the estate tax more progressive.	H Finance	Street		

### Resolution (Supports)

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
<a href="#">HB 1028</a>	Child exposure to violence	Addressing child exposure to violence.	S Human Services	Goodman		

<a href="#">2SHB 1273</a>	Dual credit program access	Improving student access to dual credit programs for CTE courses.	H APPDP2S	Paul		
<a href="#">SHB 1296</a>	Public education system	Promoting a safe and supportive public education system.	H Rules R	Stonier	Concerns	Medium
<a href="#">SHB 1489</a>	Childhood ed./impl. dates	Delays ECEAP entitlement from the 2026-27 school year to the 2030-31 school year.	H Rules R	Ormsby		Monitoring
<a href="#">HB 1556 (SB 5542)</a>	HS completers/CTC tuition	Expanding tuition waivers for high school completers at community and technical colleges.	H Rules R	Entenman	Support	
<a href="#">2SHB 1587</a>	Partner promise scholarships	Encouraging local government partner promise scholarship programs within the opportunity scholarship program.	H APPDP2S	Bergquist	Support	
<a href="#">SHB 1651 (SB 5693)</a>	Teacher residency & apprent.	Concerning teacher residency and apprenticeship programs.	H Rules R	Ortiz-Self		
<a href="#">SHB 1817 (SB 5386)</a>	Schools/sexual assault	Supporting survivors of sexual assault in public elementary and secondary schools.	H 2nd Reading	Scott		
<a href="#">2SHB 1834 (SSB 5708)</a>	Online services/minors	Protecting Washington children online.	H APPDP2S	Callan		
<a href="#">ESSB 5105 (HB 1169)</a>	Sexually explicit depictions	Concerning offenses involving fabricated depictions of minors.	H Community Safet	Orwall		
<a href="#">SSB 5123 (HB 1855)</a>	Discrimination in schools	Expanding protections for certain students to promote inclusivity in public schools.	S Rules 2	Nobles	Support	
<a href="#">ESSB 5181</a>	Parents rights in education	Amending the parents rights initiative to bring it into alignment with existing law.	H Education	Wilson		Monitoring
<a href="#">SB 5189</a>	Competency-based education	Supporting the implementation of competency-based education.	S Rules 2	Wellman		
<a href="#">SSB 5282</a>	Missing children adv. board	Reestablishing the advisory board for the missing and exploited children task force.	H Community Safet	Wellman		
<a href="#">2SSB 5358 (HB 1280)</a>	Career & tech. ed./6th grade	Concerning career and technical education in sixth grade.	S Rules 2	Braun		
<a href="#">SB 5386 (SHB 1817)</a>	Schools/sexual assault	Supporting survivors of sexual assault in public	S Rules 2	Orwall		

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		elementary and secondary schools.				
<a href="#">SB 5423</a> (SHB 1483)	Digital electronics/repair	Supporting the servicing and right to repair of certain products with digital electronics in a secure and reliable manner.	S Rules 2	Stanford	Support	
<a href="#">SB 5542</a> (HB 1556)	HS completers/CTC tuition	Expanding tuition waivers for high school completers at community and technical colleges.	S Rules 2	Boehnke	Support	Low
<a href="#">SSB 5637</a> (HB 1963)	Media literacy & civic ed.	Promoting student access to information about media literacy and civic education.	S Rules 2	Fortunato		
<a href="#">SSB 5752</a>	Child care & early dev.	Modifying child care and early childhood development programs.	S Rules 2	Wilson		

### Uncategorized Bills

No bills.