

WSPTA Bill Status & Upcoming Events Report – Week 15

Upcoming Events

Finance (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 4/21 @ 9:00am

- [ESSB 5814](#) - Public Hearing - Modifying the application and administration of certain excise taxes. (Remote Testimony Available). (If measure is referred to committee.)
- [ESSB 5813](#) - Public Hearing - Increasing funding to the education legacy trust account by creating a more progressive rate structure for the capital gains tax and estate tax. (Remote Testimony Available). (If measure is referred to committee.)
- [ESSB 5794](#) - Public Hearing - Adopting recommendations from the tax preference performance review process, eliminating obsolete tax preferences, clarifying legislative intent, and addressing changes in constitutional law. (Remote Testimony Available). (If measure is referred to committee.)

Appropriations (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 4/22 @ 9:00am

- [SB 5785](#) - Public Hearing - Modifying students' share of the education costs at institutions of higher education. (Remote Testimony Available). (If measure is referred to committee.)
- [2SSB 5786](#) - Public Hearing - Increasing license, permit, and endorsement fees. (Remote Testimony Available).
- [SB 5807](#) - Public Hearing - Concerning wellness incentives for public and school employee health benefit plans. (Remote Testimony Available). (If measure is referred to committee.)

Appropriations (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 4/23 @ 9:00am

- [SB 5785](#) - Exec Session - Modifying students' share of the education costs at institutions of higher education. (If measure is referred to committee.)
- [2SSB 5786](#) - Exec Session - Increasing license, permit, and endorsement fees.
- [SB 5807](#) - Exec Session - Concerning wellness incentives for public and school employee health benefit plans. (If measure is referred to committee.)

Saves State Money

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
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HB 1475 (SB 5737)	National board bonuses	Suspending the national board for professional standards certification bonuses for certificated instructional staff.	H Approps	Gregerson		
SHB 1489	Childhood ed./impl. dates	Delays ECEAP entitlement from the 2026-27 school year to the 2030-31 school year.	H Rules R	Ormsby		Monitoring
SHB 2047	Employee ownership program	Eliminating the Washington employee ownership program.	S Ways & Means	Richards		
SHB 2048	Leadership board	Eliminating the Washington state leadership board.	H Rules R	Rule		
HB 2050	K-12 savings & efficiencies	Implementing K-12 savings and efficiencies.	H Passed 3rd	Ormsby		
SB 5737 (HB 1475)	National board bonuses	Suspending the national board for professional standards certification bonuses for certificated instructional staff.	S Ways & Means	Robinson		
ESSB 5752	Child care & early dev.	Modifying child care and early childhood development programs.	H Rules R	Wilson		
ESB 5769	Transition to kindergarten	Addressing transition to kindergarten programs.	H Rules R	Wellman		
SB 5780	Student transport. vehicles	Concerning reimbursement payments for replacing student transportation vehicles.	S Ways & Means	Gildon		
SSB 5785	Higher education costs	Modifying students' share of the education costs at institutions of higher education.	S Passed 3rd	Robinson		
SB 5792	State employee compensation	Concerning temporary compensation reductions for state government employees during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.	S Ways & Means	Robinson		
SB 5793	Public employee health plans	Concerning employer contributions and incentives for public and school employee health benefit plans.	S Ways & Means	Robinson		
SB 5807	Health plan incentives	Concerning wellness incentives for public and school employee health benefit plans.	S Passed 3rd	Robinson		

#1: Closing the Funding Gaps

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
ESSB 5192	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	H Passed 3rd	Nobles	Support	High

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		enrollment is the average of the district's prior three school years' total annual average full-time equivalent enrollment.				
E2SSB 5263	Special education funding	Concerning special education funding.	H Passed 3rd	Pedersen	Support	High

#2: Addressing the Student Mental Health Crisis

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 and occupation additional tax on the operation of social media platforms.	H Finance	Callan		
HB 2072	Opioid impact fee	Sustaining and expanding behavioral health services by levying an opioid impact fee on opioid manufacturers.	H Approps	Davis		
SB 5799 (HB 2038)	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.	S Ways & Means	Wilson		

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

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SSB 5253 (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 Pres Signed	Cortes		

#4: Preventing and Reducing Gun Violence and Suicide

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
E2SHB 1163 (SB 5140)	Firearm purchase	Enhancing requirements relating to the purchase, transfer, and possession of firearms.	S Passed 3rd	Berry	Support	
ESHB 1385	Background checks	Concerning fingerprint background check on applicants.	C 60 L 25	Taylor	Support	
HB 1386	Firearms tax	Imposing a new tax on firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition.	H Finance	Thai	Support	

#5: Expanding School Construction Funding Options

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
ESSB 5004	School emergency response	Updating emergency response systems in public schools including panic or alert buttons. - Defines what an emergency	S Pres Signed	Torres		

		response system is: panic buttons, live video or audio streams, locking all doors, or 2-way interactive communication.				
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Budget bills

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
SSB 5160 (HB 1226)	Additive transp. funding	Making supplemental transportation appropriations for the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.	S Rules 2	Lias		
ESSB 5161 (SHB 1227)	Transportation budget	Making transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.	S Conf appt	Lias		
ESSB 5167 (SHB 1198)	Operating budget	Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium operating appropriations.	S Conf appt	Robinson		
SSB 5195 (SHB 1216)	Capital budget	Concerning the capital budget.	H 2nd Reading	Trudeau		
SB 5810	Operating budget	Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium operating appropriations and 2023-2025 fiscal biennium second supplemental operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Gildon		

Climate Change mitigation

No bills.

Digital Divide

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
ESHB 1483 (SB 5423)	Digital electronics/repair	Supporting the servicing and right to repair of certain products with digital electronics in a secure and reliable manner.	S Pres Signed	Gregerson	Support	Medium
HB 1517	Digital equity/revenue	Providing a revenue stream to fund digital equity programs.	H Finance	Gregerson		

General Education Watch List

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
EHB 1393	Commencement/cultural exp.	Providing public school students with opportunities for cultural expression at commencement ceremonies.	Del to Gov	McEntire		
EHB 2044	Unexcused student absences	Addressing unexcused student absences.	H Passed 3rd	Ormsby		

Meaningful High School Diploma

No bills.

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New revenue

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HB 1320	Business & occupation tax	Modifying business and occupation tax rates to fund programs and services to benefit Washingtonians.	H Finance	Street		
HB 1334	Property tax revenue growth	Modifying the annual regular property tax revenue growth limit.	H Finance	Pollet		
2SHB 1614 (SSB 5314)	Capital gains tax	Modifying the capital gains tax.	H Rules R	Thai		
HB 1785	Excessive executive comp.	Imposing a surcharge on publicly traded companies providing excessive executive compensation.	H Finance	Doglio		
HB 1995	Tax preferences	Concerning tax preferences.	H Finance	Thomas		
HB 2019	Estate tax	Making the estate tax more progressive.	H Finance	Street		
SHB 2033	Nicotine product taxation	Concerning the taxation of nicotine products.	H Rules R	Stonier		
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		
HB 2043	Transportation resources	Concerning transportation resources.	H Transportation	Fey		
HB 2045	Business and occupation tax	Investing in Washington families by restructuring the business and occupation tax on high grossing businesses and financial institutions.	H Finance	Fitzgibbon		
HB 2046	Intangible assets tax	Creating fairness in Washington's tax by imposing a tax on select financial intangible assets.	H Finance	Berg		
SHB 2049 (SB 5812)	K-12 education funding	Investing in the state's paramount duty to fund K-12 education and build strong and safe communities.	H 2nd Reading	Bergquist		
HB 2075	High THC cannabis excise tax	Increasing the cannabis excise tax on high THC cannabis products.	H Finance	Davis		
SHB 2077 (SB 5811)	Zero-emission vehicle prg.	Establishing a tax on certain business activities related to surpluses generated under	H 2nd Reading	Fitzgibbon		

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		the zero-emission vehicle program.				
HB 2079	Alcohol taxes	Increasing alcohol taxes.	H Finance	Davis		
SHB 2081 (SB 5815)	Business and occupation tax	Modifying business and occupation tax surcharges, rates, and the advanced computing surcharge cap, clarifying the business and occupation tax deduction for certain investments, and creating a temporary business and occupation tax surcharge on large companies.	H 2nd Reading	Fitzgibbon		
HB 2082 (ESSB 5813)	Tax rates/cap. gains, estate	Increasing funding to the education legacy trust account by creating a more progressive rate structure for the capital gains tax and estate tax.	H Finance	Street		
HB 2083 (ESSB 5814)	Excise taxes	Modernizing the excise taxes on select services and nicotine products and requiring certain large businesses to make a one-time prepayment of state sales tax collection.	H Finance	Stonier		
SHB 2084	Tax preferences	Increasing funding for K-12, health care, and public safety by repealing or modifying tax preferences for certain industries and goods.	H 2nd Reading	Ramel		
SSB 5314 (2SHB 1614)	Capital gains tax	Modifying the capital gains tax.	S Pres Signed	Stanford		
2SSB 5786 (SHB 2035)	Liquor license fees	Increasing license, permit, and endorsement fees.	H Approps	Stanford		
SB 5791	Higher education funding	Increasing state funding to expand access to higher education.	S Ways & Means	Hansen		
ESSB 5794	Tax preferences	Adopting recommendations from the tax preference performance review process, eliminating obsolete tax preferences, clarifying legislative intent, and addressing changes in constitutional law.	S Passed 3rd	Salomon		
SB 5795	Sales and use tax rate	Reducing the state sales and use tax rate.	S Ways & Means	Krishnadasan		
SB 5796	Payroll expense tax	Enacting an excise tax on large employers on the	S Ways & Means	Saldana		

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		amount of payroll expenses above the social security wage threshold to fund programs and services to benefit Washingtonians.				
SSB 5797	Intangible assets tax	Enacting a tax on stocks, bonds, and other financial intangible assets for the benefit of public schools.	S 2nd Reading	Frame		
SSB 5798	Property tax	Concerning property tax reform.	S 2nd Reading	Pedersen		
SB 5799 (HB 2038)	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.	S Ways & Means	Wilson		
SB 5803 (HB 2068)	Tobacco & nicotine products	Regulating tobacco and nicotine products.	S Ways & Means	Nobles		
SB 5811 (SHB 2077)	Zero-emission vehicle prg.	Establishing a tax on certain business activities related to surpluses generated under the zero-emission vehicle program.	S Ways & Means	Lovelett		
SB 5812 (SHB 2049)	K-12 education funding	Investing in the state's paramount duty to fund K-12 education and build strong and safe communities.	S Ways & Means	Wellman		
ESSB 5813 (HB 2082)	Tax rates/cap. gains, estate	Increasing funding to the education legacy trust account by creating a more progressive rate structure for the capital gains tax and estate tax.	S Passed 3rd	Wilson		
ESSB 5814 (HB 2083)	Excise taxes	Modernizing the excise taxes on select services and nicotine products and requiring certain large businesses to make a one-time prepayment of state sales tax collection.	S Passed 3rd	Frame		
SB 5815 (SHB 2081)	Business and occupation tax	Modifying business and occupation tax surcharges, rates, and the advanced computing surcharge cap, clarifying the business and occupation tax deduction for certain investments, and creating a temporary	S Ways & Means	Saldana		

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		business and occupation tax surcharge on large companies.				
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Resolution (Supports)

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HB 1028	Child exposure to violence	Addressing child exposure to violence.	Del to Gov	Goodman		
2SHB 1273	Dual credit program access	Improving student access to dual credit programs for CTE courses.	Del to Gov	Paul		
ESHB 1296	Public education system	Promoting a safe and supportive public education system.	S Passed 3rd	Stonier	Concerns	Medium
HB 1475 (SB 5737)	National board bonuses	Suspending the national board for professional standards certification bonuses for certificated instructional staff.	H Approps	Gregerson		
SHB 1489	Childhood ed./impl. dates	Delays ECEAP entitlement from the 2026-27 school year to the 2030-31 school year.	H Rules R	Ormsby		Monitoring
2SHB 1497	Waste material management	Improving outcomes associated with waste material management systems.	S Passed 3rd	Doglio		
HB 1556 (SB 5542)	HS completers/CTC tuition	Expanding tuition waivers for high school completers at community and technical colleges.	C 42 L 25	Entenman	Support	
2SHB 1587	Partner promise scholarships	Encouraging local government partner promise scholarship programs within the opportunity scholarship program.	H Passed FP	Bergquist	Support	
ESHB 1651 (SB 5693)	Teacher residency & apprent.	Concerning teacher residency and apprenticeship programs.	S Passed 3rd	Ortiz-Self		
HB 2068 (SB 5803)	Tobacco & nicotine products	Regulating tobacco and nicotine products.	H Finance	Reeves		
ESSB 5181	Parents rights in education	Amending the parents rights initiative to bring it into alignment with existing law.	H Passed 3rd	Wilson		Monitoring
SB 5189	Competency-based education	Supporting the implementation of competency-based education.	S Pres Signed	Wellman		
2SSB 5358 (HB 1280)	Career & tech. ed./6th grade	Concerning career and technical education in sixth grade.	Del to Gov	Braun		
SB 5737 (HB 1475)	National board bonuses	Suspending the national board for professional standards certification bonuses for certificated instructional staff.	S Ways & Means	Robinson		
ESSB 5752	Child care & early dev.	Modifying child care and early childhood development programs.	H Rules R	Wilson		

SSB 5785	Higher education costs	Modifying students' share of the education costs at institutions of higher education.	S Passed 3rd	Robinson		
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Uncategorized Bills

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HCR 4404	Bills/to house of origin	Returning bills to their house of origin.	H 3rd Reading	Fitzgibbon		
HCR 4405	Adjourning SINE DIE	Adjourning SINE DIE.	H 3rd Reading	Fitzgibbon		