

Higher Education Bill Status & Upcoming Events Report

Upcoming Events

Early Learning & K-12 Education (Senate) - SHR 1, JACB - 2/18 @ 12:30pm

- SB 5512 - Public Hearing - Concerning basic skills assessments for approved teacher preparation programs. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Education (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/18 @ 1:30pm

- HB 1621 - Exec Session - Concerning basic skills assessments for approved teacher preparation programs. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Labor & Workplace Standards (House) - HHR E, JLOB - 2/18 @ 1:30pm

- HB 1575 - Exec Session - Strengthening the rights of workers through collective bargaining by addressing authorizations and revocations, certifications, and the authority to deduct and accept union dues and fees. (Support/High)

Appropriations (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/18 @ 3:30pm

- HB 1390 - Public Hearing - Providing a benefit increase to certain retirees of the public employees' retirement system plan 1 and the teachers' retirement system plan 1. (Support/Monitoring)
- HB 1408 - Public Hearing - Clarifying the written consent requirement for survivorship benefit options. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4, JACB - 2/18 @ 3:30pm

- SB 5022 - Public Hearing - Granting binding interest arbitration rights to certain higher education uniformed personnel. (Neutral/Monitoring)

College & Workforce Development (House) - HHR B, JLOB - 2/19 @ 1:30pm

- HB 2001 - Public Hearing - Creating the Native American opportunity scholarship program. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1998 - Public Hearing - Creating a task force on sexual violence at institutions of higher education. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1973 - Public Hearing - Establishing the Washington dual enrollment scholarship pilot program. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1927 - Exec Session - Concerning the Washington opportunity scholarship program. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1355 - Exec Session - Establishing staffing standards and ratios for counselors in community and technical colleges. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Higher Education & Workforce Development (Senate) - SHR 2, JACB - 2/19 @ 1:30pm

- SB 5875 - Public Hearing - Concerning unfair practices involving compensation of athletes in higher education. (Hearing is on the Proposed Substitute.) (Neutral/Monitoring)
- SB 5931 - Public Hearing - Creating the nurse educator incentive grant program. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- SB 5932 - Public Hearing - Concerning salaries for faculty at community and technical colleges. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Education (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/19 @ 3:30pm

- HB 1621 - Exec Session - Concerning basic skills assessments for approved teacher preparation programs. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1714 - Exec Session - Concerning community and technical colleges granting high school diplomas. (Neutral/Monitoring)

State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections (Senate) - SHR 2, JACB - 2/20 @ 8:00am

- SJR 8203 - Exec Session - Amending the state Constitution to modify legislative session days. (Neutral/Monitoring)

College & Workforce Development (House) - HHR B, JLOB - 2/20 @ 1:30pm

- HB 1927 - Exec Session - Concerning the Washington opportunity scholarship program. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 2001 - Exec Session - Creating the Native American opportunity scholarship program. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1998 - Exec Session - Creating a task force on sexual violence at institutions of higher education. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1973 - Exec Session - Establishing the Washington dual enrollment scholarship pilot program. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1355 - Exec Session - Establishing staffing standards and ratios for counselors in community and technical colleges. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Appropriations (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/20 @ 3:30pm

- SHB 1303 - Public Hearing - Improving access and completion for students at institutions of higher education, especially at community and technical colleges, by removing restrictions on subsidized child care. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1408 - Exec Session - Clarifying the written consent requirement for survivorship benefit options. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Education (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/21 @ 8:00am

- HB 1621 - Exec Session - Concerning basic skills assessments for approved teacher preparation programs. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1714 - Exec Session - Concerning community and technical colleges granting high school diplomas. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Labor & Commerce (Senate) - SHR 1, JACB - 2/21 @ 8:00am

- SB 5169 - Public Hearing - Ensuring the neutrality of public employers and state contractors with regard to employees exercising their rights to collectively bargain. (Support/High)

Appropriations (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/21 @ 3:30pm

- SHB 1521 - Public Hearing - Providing for accountability and transparency in government contracting. (Support/High)

College & Workforce Development (House) - HHR B, JLOB - 2/22 @ 8:00am

- HB 2001 - Exec Session - Creating the Native American opportunity scholarship program. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1998 - Exec Session - Creating a task force on sexual violence at institutions of higher education. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1973 - Exec Session - Establishing the Washington dual enrollment scholarship pilot program. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- HB 1355 - Exec Session - Establishing staffing standards and ratios for counselors in community and technical colleges. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HB 1084 (SB 5875)	Higher ed. athlete comp.	Concerning unfair practices involving compensation of athletes in higher education.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Stokesbary	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1085 (SB 5469)	PEBB retiree premiums	Concerning premium reduction for medicare-eligible retiree participants in the public employees' benefits board program.	H Approps	Dolan	Support	Low
HB 1102 (SB 5134)	Capital budget 2019-2021	Concerning the capital budget.	H Cap Budget	Tharinger	Neutral	High
HB 1108 (SB 5154)	Supp. operating budget 17-19	Making 2017-2019 biennium second supplemental operating	H Approps	Ormsby	Neutral	High

		appropriations.				
HB 1109 (SB 5153)	Operating budget 2019-2021	Making 2019-2021 biennium operating appropriations.	H Approps	Ormsby	Support	High
HB 1123	CTC tuition waiver program	Establishing the Washington promise, providing for affordable access to postsecondary education.	H CWDDP	Pollet	Support	Monitoring
SHB 1124	Degree-granting institutions	Regulating degree-granting institutions, private vocational schools, and other for-profit schools.	H Approps	Pollet	Support	Monitoring
HB 1132 (SB 5178)	TRS & SERS early retirement	Concerning early retirement options for members of the teachers' retirement system and school employees' retirement system plans 2 and 3.	H Approps	Appleton	Support	Monitoring
HB 1172 (SB 5314)	Capital gains tax/prop. tax	Assisting Washington families by improving the fairness of the state's tax system by enacting a capital gains tax and providing property tax relief.	H Finance	Santos	Support	Medium
HB 1178 (SB 5755)	Veteran tuition waivers	Concerning veteran and national guard tuition waivers.	H Approps	Reeves	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1201 (SB 5197)	National guard ed. grants	Concerning the Washington national guard postsecondary education grant program.	H Approps	Kilduff	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1220 (SB 5275)	Insurance commissioner/PEBB	Adding a nonvoting representative from the office of the insurance commissioner to the public employees' benefits board.	H Rules R	Dolan	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1278	College bound/room & board	Concerning room and board for college bound scholarship students.	H Approps	Hudgins	Neutral	Low
SHB 1303	Child care/higher education	Improving access and completion for	H Approps	Shewmake	Neutral	Monitoring

		students at institutions of higher education, especially at community and technical colleges, by removing restrictions on subsidized child care.				
SHB 1308 (SB 5360)	Retirement system defaults	Addressing plan membership default provisions in the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, and the school employees' retirement system.		Stanford	Support	High
SHB 1311	College bound scholarship	Concerning college bound scholarship eligible students.	H Approps	Bergquist	Neutral	Monitoring
SHB 1340 (SSB 5393)	College promise scholarship	Establishing a statewide free college program by changing the state need grant to the Washington college promise scholarship.	H Approps	Hansen	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1355	CTC counselor staffing	Establishing staffing standards and ratios for counselors in community and technical colleges.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Ortiz-Self	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1362	Postretirement emp./benefits	Concerning benefits eligibility during postretirement employment for members of the public employees', teachers', and school employees' retirement systems, plans 2 and 3.	H Approps	Klippert	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1390 (SB 5400)	PERS/TRS 1 benefit increase	Providing a benefit increase to certain retirees of the public employees' retirement system plan 1 and the teachers' retirement system plan 1.	H Approps	Leavitt	Support	Monitoring
HB 1408	Survivorship benefit options	Clarifying the written	H	Volz	Neutral	Monitoring

(SB 5661)		consent requirement for survivorship benefit options.	Approps			
HB 1413 (SB 5350)	Optional life annuity	Concerning the purchase of an optional life annuity benefit for certain public retirement system members.	H Approps	Ormsby	Support	Monitoring
HB 1414 (SB 5335)	Retirement benefits/death	Paying state retirement benefits until the end of the month in which the retiree or beneficiary dies.	H Approps	Volz	Support	Low
HB 1470	Open source ed. materials	Providing incentives for the use of open source instructional materials in higher education.	H Finance	Young	Neutral	Monitoring
SHB 1521 (SB 5655)	Government contracting	Providing for accountability and transparency in government contracting.	H Approps	Dolan	Support	High
SHB 1542	State student loan program	Establishing a state student loan program.		Sullivan	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1572 (SB 5800)	Homeless college students	Concerning homeless college students.	H Approps	Ortiz-Self	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1575 (SB 5623)	Collective bargaining/dues	Strengthening the rights of workers through collective bargaining by addressing authorizations and revocations, certifications, and the authority to deduct and accept union dues and fees.	H Labor & Workpl	Stonier	Support	High
HB 1592 (SSB 5704)	Children's ed. savings acct.	Establishing the Washington children's educational savings account program.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Kilduff	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1619	Unempl benefits/comm service	Establishing community service standards for individuals receiving unemployment benefits.	H Labor & Workpla	Young	Oppose	Monitoring

HB 1621 (SB 5512)	Teacher prep. skills assess.	Concerning basic skills assessments for approved teacher preparation programs.	H Education	Ybarra	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1661	Higher education retirement	Concerning the higher education retirement plans.	H Approps	Chandler	Neutral	Low
HB 1696	Wage and salary information	Concerning wage and salary information.	H Approps	Dolan	Neutral	Medium
SHB 1701	Low-cost course material/bac	Notifying students of courses with low-cost instructional materials and open educational resources at the four-year institutions of higher education.	H Approps	Van Werven	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1702	Low-cost course material/CTC	Informing students of low-cost course materials for community and technical college courses.	H Approps	Van Werven	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1714 (SB 5113)	High school diplomas by CTC	Concerning community and technical colleges granting high school diplomas.	H Education	Entenman	Neutral	Monitoring
SHB 1734 (SSB 5706)	College in high school accr.	Requiring accreditation standards for college in the high school programs.		Leavitt	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1735	Higher education programs	Concerning higher education programs.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Pollet	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1755	Education doctorate degrees	Allowing regional universities to offer doctorate level degrees in education.	H CWDDP	Leavitt	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1845	Deduction of union dues	Concerning deduction of union dues or representation fees for public employees.	H Labor & Workpla	Stokesbary	Oppose	High
HB 1927	Opportunity scholarship prg	Concerning the Washington opportunity scholarship program.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Slatter	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1955	PEBB & SEBB health premiums	Concerning the maximum share of state and school	H Approps	Stokesbary	Oppose	High

		employee health benefit premiums to be paid by employers participating in the public employees' and school employees' benefits boards.				
HB 1973	Dual enrollment scholarship	Establishing the Washington dual enrollment scholarship pilot program.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Paul	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1998	Higher ed. sexual violence	Creating a task force on sexual violence at institutions of higher education.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Pellicciotti	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 2001	Native American scholarships	Creating the Native American opportunity scholarship program.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Hansen	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 2014	Private higher ed. schools	Implementing recommendations from the work group on private degree-granting institutions and private vocational schools and providing other procedural protections.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Van Werven	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 2059	CTC diversity, equity, etc.	Addressing diversity, equity, and inclusion goals at community and technical colleges.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Valdez	Neutral	Monitoring
HJR 4206	2/3rd vote for tax increases	Amending the Constitution to require a two-thirds majority vote of the legislature to raise taxes.	H Finance	Young	Concerns	Medium
SB 5022	Higher ed./interest arbitr.	Granting binding interest arbitration rights to certain higher education uniformed personnel.	S Ways & Means	Keiser	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5113 (HB 1714)	High school diplomas by CTC	Concerning community and technical colleges granting high school diplomas.	H Education	Liias	Neutral	Medium

SB 5129 (HB 1343)	Revenue	Increasing revenues for the support of state government.	S Ways & Means	Rolfes	Support	High
SB 5134 (HB 1102)	Capital budget 2019-2021	Concerning the capital budget.	S Ways & Means	Frockett	Support	High
SSB 5150	Comm. college security	Authorizing security for community and technical colleges.		Wilson	Support	Monitoring
SB 5153 (HB 1109)	Operating budget 2019-2021	Making 2019-2021 biennium operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Rolfes	Support	High
SB 5154 (HB 1108)	Supp. operating budget 17-19	Making 2017-2019 biennium second supplemental operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Rolfes	Neutral	High
SB 5169	Labor bargaining/neutrality	Ensuring the neutrality of public employers and state contractors with regard to employees exercising their rights to collectively bargain.	S Labor & Commer	Hasegawa	Support	High
SB 5178 (HB 1132)	TRS & SERS early retirement	Concerning early retirement options for members of the teachers' retirement system and school employees' retirement system plans 2 and 3.	S Ways & Means	Hunt	Support	Monitoring
SB 5216	Multistage threat assessment	Developing multistage threat assessments to increase safety in K-12 schools and institutions of higher education.	S EL/K-12	O'Ban	Support	Medium
SB 5226	Off-duty employee conduct	Concerning the off-duty conduct of an employee or a prospective employee.	S Law & Justice	Kuderer	Neutral	Medium
SB 5231	Vet. survivor tuition waiver	Concerning veteran survivor tuition waiver eligibility.	S Ways & Means	Bailey	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5275 (HB 1220)	Insurance commissioner/PEBB	Adding a nonvoting representative from the office of the insurance commissioner to the	S Rules 2	Hunt	Neutral	Monitoring

		public employees' benefits board.				
SB 5314 (HB 1172)	Capital gains tax/prop. tax	Assisting Washington families by improving the fairness of the state's tax system by enacting a capital gains tax and providing property tax relief.	S Ways & Means	Wellman	Support	High
SB 5335 (HB 1414)	Retirement benefits/death	Paying state retirement benefits until the end of the month in which the retiree or beneficiary dies.	S Ways & Means	Bailey	Support	Monitoring
SSB 5341	Higher ed. child care	Improving access and completion for students at public institutions of higher education, especially at community and technical colleges, by removing restrictions on subsidized child care.	S Ways & Means	Randall	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5348	Schools, etc. constr./taxes	Providing a sales and use tax exemption for construction related to public schools, institutions of higher education, and local public safety.	S Ways & Means	Ericksen	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5350 (HB 1413)	Optional life annuity	Concerning the purchase of an optional life annuity benefit for certain public retirement system members.	S Rules 2	Conway	Neutral	Low
SB 5360 (SHB 1308)	Retirement system defaults	Addressing plan membership default provisions in the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, and the school employees' retirement system.	S Rules 2	Conway	Support	High
SB 5374	Rest and meal periods	Concerning rest and meal periods.	S Labor & Commer	Conway	Support	Medium
SSB 5393	College promise scholarship	Establishing a	S Ways &	Palumbo	Support	Low

(SHB 1340)		statewide free college program by changing the state need grant to the Washington college promise scholarship.	Means			
SB 5400 (HB 1390)	PERS/TRS 1 benefit increase	Providing a benefit increase to certain retirees of the public employees' retirement system plan 1 and the teachers' retirement system plan 1.	S Ways & Means	Conway	Support	Monitoring
SSB 5410	Credit policy/AP, IB, CAIE	Concerning a systemwide credit policy regarding advanced placement, international baccalaureate, and Cambridge international exams.	S 2nd Reading	Mullet	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5430 (HB 1388)	Postretirement options	Allowing retirees who retired under alternate early retirement factors enacted in chapter 491, Laws of 2007, to use postretirement options prior to reaching age sixty-five.	S Ways & Means	Conway	Support	Monitoring
SB 5439 (HB 1400)	Employment security records	Concerning confidentiality of employment security department records and data.	S 2nd Reading	Keiser	Support	Monitoring
SSB 5449 (SHB 1399)	Paid family & medical leave	Concerning paid family and medical leave.	S Rules 2	Keiser	Neutral	High
SB 5464	Opioid overdose med./schools	Concerning opioid overdose medication at schools with grades seven through twelve and higher education institutions.	S Health & Long	Frockt	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5469 (HB 1085)	PEBB retiree premiums	Concerning premium reduction for medicare-eligible retiree participants in the public employees'	S Ways & Means	Hunt	Neutral	Monitoring

		benefits board program.				
SSB 5477	Higher ed. application fees	Requiring institutions of higher education to waive application fees for low-income students.	S Ways & Means	Dhingra	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5512 (HB 1621)	Teacher prep. skills assess.	Concerning basic skills assessments for approved teacher preparation programs.	S EL/K-12	McCoy	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5538	Higher education free speech	Concerning free speech at institutions of higher education.	S Higher Ed & Wo	Braun	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5539	Family & med. leave/coverage	Concerning family and medical leave program coverage.	S Labor & Commer	Braun	Concerns	Monitoring
SB 5623 (HB 1575)	Collective bargaining/dues	Strengthening the rights of workers through collective bargaining by addressing authorizations and revocations, certifications, and the authority to deduct and accept union dues and fees.	S Labor & Commer	Van De Wege	Support	High
SB 5661 (HB 1408)	Survivorship benefit options	Clarifying the written consent requirement for survivorship benefit options.	S Rules 2	Conway	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5686	Retired school empl. heath	Concerning health care coverage for retired or disabled school employees that served as a locally elected official.	S Health & Long T	Bailey	Neutral	Low
SSB 5687	Retirement system opt-out	Allowing new government employees the option of opting out of retirement system membership if the employee is age sixty or older when first hired, or when the employee's employer opts into retirement plan participation.	S Rules 2	Bailey	Concerns	Medium

SSB 5704 (HB 1592)	Children's ed. savings acct.	Establishing the Washington children's educational savings account program.		Lias	Neutral	Monitoring
SSB 5705	Opportunity scholarship prg	Concerning the Washington opportunity scholarship program.		Palumbo	Neutral	Monitoring
SSB 5706 (SHB 1734)	College in high school accr.	Requiring accreditation standards for college in the high school programs.		Randall	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5727	College bound scholarship	Concerning college bound scholarships for students in dual enrollment programs.	S Higher Ed & Wo	Palumbo	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5738	Homelessness/postsecondary	Requiring postsecondary institutions to plan for the needs of certain students experiencing homelessness.	S Higher Ed & Wo	Darneille	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5774	Student debt	Relieving student debt.	S Higher Ed & Wo	Lias	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5786	Higher education/research	Concerning research in public institutions of higher education.	S Higher Ed & Wor	Brown	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5800 (HB 1572)	Homeless college students	Concerning homeless college students.	S Higher Ed & Wo	Randall	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5875 (HB 1084)	Higher ed. athlete comp.	Concerning unfair practices involving compensation of athletes in higher education.	S Higher Ed & Wor	Palumbo	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5884	Evergreen promise pilot	Establishing the evergreen promise pilot program, which provides for affordable access to institutions of higher education.	S Higher Ed & Wo	Froctt	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5914	Higher education faculty	Concerning faculty at institutions of higher education.	S Higher Ed & Wor	Ericksen	Oppose	Monitoring
SB 5931	Nurse educator grant program	Creating the nurse educator incentive grant program.	S Higher Ed & Wor	Becker	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5932	CTC faculty salaries	Concerning salaries for faculty at	S Higher Ed & Wor	Becker	Neutral	Monitoring

		community and technical colleges.				
SJR 8203	Legislative session/holidays	Amending the state Constitution to modify legislative session days.	S State Govt/Trib	Cleveland	Neutral	Monitoring
SJR 8207	Four-year balanced budget	Proposing an amendment to the Constitution to require the legislature to enact a four-year balanced budget.	S Ways & Means	Braun	Concerns	Monitoring
SCR 8400	Cutoff dates	Establishing cutoff dates for the consideration of legislation during the 2019 regular session of the sixty-sixth legislature.	H Spkr Signed	Wellman	Neutral	Monitoring