

Higher Education Bill Status & Upcoming Events Report

Upcoming Events

State Government, Tribal Relations & Elections (Senate) - SHR 2, JACB - 3/29 @ 1:30pm

- HB 1220 - Exec Session - Adding a nonvoting representative from the office of the insurance commissioner to the public employees' benefits board. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Appropriations (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 4/1 @ 3:30pm

- SB 5360 - Exec Session - Addressing plan membership default provisions in the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, and the school employees' retirement system. (Support/High)

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4, JACB - 4/1 @ 3:30pm

- SB 5153 - Public Hearing - Making 2019-2021 biennium operating appropriations. (Hearing is on the Proposed Substitute.) (Support/High)
- SB 5134 - Exec Session - Concerning the capital budget. (Support/High)

Finance (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 4/2 @ 8:00am

- HB 2158 - Exec Session - Creating a workforce education investment to train Washington students for Washington jobs. (Support)

College & Workforce Development (House) - HHR B, JLOB - 4/2 @ 1:30pm

- E2SSB 5393 - Exec Session - Establishing a statewide free college program by changing the state need grant to the Washington college promise scholarship. (Support/Low)
- ESSB 5410 - Exec Session - Concerning a systemwide credit policy regarding advanced placement, international baccalaureate, and Cambridge international exams. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- 2SSB 5774 - Exec Session - Relieving student debt. (Neutral/Monitoring)

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Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4, JACB - 4/3 @ 1:30pm

- SHB 1661 - Exec Session - Concerning the higher education retirement plans. (Neutral/Low)

Appropriations (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 4/3 @ 3:30pm

- SB 5350 - Exec Session - Concerning the purchase of an optional life annuity benefit for certain public retirement system members. (Neutral/Low)

Finance (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 4/4 @ 8:00am

- HB 2156 - Public Hearing - Investing in quality prekindergarten, K-12, and postsecondary opportunities throughout Washington with excise taxes on sales and extraordinary profits of high valued assets. (Support/High)
- HB 2157 - Public Hearing - Updating the Washington tax structure to address the needs of Washingtonians. (Support/High)
- HB 2158 - Exec Session - Creating a workforce education investment to train Washington students for Washington jobs. (Support)

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4, JACB - 4/4 @ 1:30pm

- E2SHB 1311 - Public Hearing - Concerning college bound scholarship eligible students. (Neutral/Monitoring)
- 2SHB 1973 - Public Hearing - Establishing the Washington dual enrollment scholarship pilot program. (Neutral/Monitoring)

Finance (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 4/5 @ 8:00am

- HB 2156 - Exec Session - Investing in quality prekindergarten, K-12, and postsecondary opportunities throughout Washington with excise taxes on sales and extraordinary profits of high valued assets. (Support/High)
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- HB 2158 - Exec Session - Creating a workforce education investment to train Washington students for Washington jobs. (Support)

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor	Position	Priority
HB 1084 (SSB 5875)	Higher ed. athlete comp.	Concerning unfair practices involving compensation of athletes in higher	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Stokesbary	Neutral	Monitoring

		education.				
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 appropriations.	H Approps	Ormsby	Neutral	High
SHB 1109 (SB 5153)	Operating budget	Making 2019-2021 biennium operating appropriations and 2017-2019 biennium second supplemental operating appropriations.	H 2nd Reading	Ormsby	Support	High
HB 1123	CTC tuition waiver program	Establishing the Washington promise, providing for affordable access to postsecondary education.	H Approps	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 (ESB 5755)	Veteran tuition waivers	Concerning veteran and national guard	H Approps	Reeves	Neutral	Monitoring

		tuition waivers.				
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.	S State Govt/Tri	Dolan	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1278	College bound/room & board	Concerning room and board for college bound scholarship students.	S Higher Ed & Wor	Hudgins	Neutral	Low
2SHB 1303	Child care/higher education	Improving access and completion for students at institutions of higher education, especially at community and technical colleges, by removing restrictions on subsidized child care.	S Ways & Means	Shewmake	Neutral	Monitoring
ESHB 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.	S Rules 2	Stanford	Support	High
E2SHB 1311	College bound scholarship	Concerning college bound scholarship eligible students.	S Ways & Means	Bergquist	Neutral	Monitoring
SHB 1340 (E2SSB 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
ESHB 1355	CTC counselor staffing	Concerning staffing standards and ratios for counselors in community and technical colleges.	S Rules 2	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 (SB 5661)	Survivorship benefit options	Clarifying the written consent requirement for survivorship benefit options.	S Rules 2	Volz	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1413 (SB 5350)	Optional life annuity	Concerning the purchase of an optional life annuity benefit for certain public retirement system members.	S Rules 2	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
2SHB 1521 (SB 5655)	Government contracting	Providing for accountability and transparency in government contracting.	H Rules C	Dolan	Support	High
SHB 1542	State student loan program	Establishing a state student loan program.	H Approps	Sullivan	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1572 (2SSB 5800)	Homeless college students	Concerning homeless college students.	H Approps	Ortiz-Self	Neutral	Monitoring
SHB 1575 (SSB 5623)	Collective bargaining/dues	Strengthening the rights of workers	S LBRCDPA	Stonier	Support	High

		through collective bargaining by addressing authorizations and revocations, certifications, and the authority to deduct and accept union dues and fees.				
SHB 1592 (SSB 5704)	Children's ed. savings acct.	Establishing the Washington children's educational savings account program.	H Approps	Kilduff	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1619	Unempl benefits/comm service	Establishing community service standards for individuals receiving unemployment benefits.	H Labor & Workpla	Young	Oppose	Monitoring
SHB 1621 (SB 5512)	Teacher prep. skills assess.	Concerning basic skills assessments for approved teacher preparation programs.	S 2nd Reading	Ybarra	Neutral	Monitoring
SHB 1661	Higher education retirement	Concerning the higher education retirement plans.	S Ways & Means	Chandler	Neutral	Low
ESHB 1696	Wage and salary information	Concerning wage and salary information.	S LBRCDPA	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.	S Higher Ed & Wor	Van Werven	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1714 (SB 5113)	High school diplomas by CTC	Concerning community and technical colleges granting high school diplomas.	S Rules 2	Entenman	Neutral	Monitoring
SHB 1734 (SSB 5706)	College in high school accr.	Requiring accreditation standards for college	S Rules 2	Leavitt	Neutral	Monitoring

		in the high school programs.				
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.	S Rules 2	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
SHB 1927	Opportunity scholarship prg	Concerning the Washington opportunity scholarship program.	H Approps	Slatter	Neutral	Monitoring
HB 1955	PEBB & SEBB health premiums	Concerning the maximum share of state and school employee health benefit premiums to be paid by employers participating in the public employees' and school employees' benefits boards.	H Approps	Stokesbary	Oppose	High
2SHB 1973	Dual enrollment scholarship	Establishing the Washington dual enrollment scholarship pilot program.	S Ways & Means	Paul	Neutral	Monitoring
ESHB 1998	Higher ed. sexual violence	Creating a task force on sexual violence at institutions of higher education.	S Higher Ed & Wo	Pellicciotti	Neutral	Monitoring
SHB 2001	Native American scholarships	Creating the Native American opportunity scholarship program.	H Approps	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,	H Coll &	Valdez	Neutral	Monitoring

		equity, and inclusion goals at community and technical colleges.	Wkf Dev			
HB 2089	Higher ed. transparency	Increasing transparency and financial accountability in higher education to students, parents, and taxpayers.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Kraft	Concerns	Monitoring
HB 2090	Balanced budget/vetoes	Addressing the relationship between the four-year balanced budget and vetoes of fiscal legislation.	H Approps	Kraft	Concerns	Monitoring
HB 2149	Zero-based budget reviews	Improving state budgeting through zero-based budget reviews.	H Approps	Stokesbary	Oppose	Monitoring
HB 2150	State spending prgs. review	Implementing the periodic review of state spending programs.	H Approps	Stokesbary	Oppose	Monitoring
HB 2152	State budget balancing	Extending the period through which a state budget must be balanced.	H Approps	Stokesbary	Oppose	Monitoring
HB 2153	Agency budget requests	Concerning evaluation of state agency budget requests.	H Approps	Stokesbary	Oppose	Monitoring
HB 2156	Taxes on asset sales, profit	Investing in quality prekindergarten, K-12, and postsecondary opportunities throughout Washington with excise taxes on sales and extraordinary profits of high valued assets.	H Finance	Jinkins	Support	High
HB 2157	Tax structure	Updating the Washington tax structure to address the needs of Washingtonians.	H Finance	Tarleton	Support	High
HB 2158	Workforce education	Creating a workforce education investment to train Washington	H Finance	Hansen	Support	

		students for Washington jobs.				
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.	H LAUSDPA	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	Frockt	Support	High
SSB 5150	Comm. college security	Authorizing security for community and technical colleges.	S Rules X	Wilson	Support	Monitoring
SB 5153 (SHB 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	S EL/K-12	O'Ban	Support	Medium

		assessments to increase safety in K-12 schools and institutions of higher education.				
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 Rules X	Bailey	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5275 (HB 1220)	Insurance commissioner/PEBB	Adding a nonvoting representative from the office of the insurance commissioner to the public employees' benefits board.	S Rules X	Hunt	Neutral	Monitoring
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.	H Approps	Conway	Neutral	Low
SB 5360 (ESHB 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.	H Approps	Conway	Support	High
SB 5374	Rest and meal periods	Concerning rest and meal periods.	S Labor & Commer	Conway	Support	Medium
E2SSB 5393 (SHB 1340)	College promise scholarship	Establishing a statewide free college program by changing the state need grant to the Washington college promise scholarship.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Palumbo	Support	Low
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
ESSB 5410	Credit policy/AP, IB, CAIE	Concerning a systemwide credit policy regarding advanced placement, international baccalaureate, and Cambridge international exams.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	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
ESB 5439	Employment security records	Concerning	H Rules R	Keiser	Support	Monitoring

(HB 1400)		confidentiality of employment security department records and data.				
SSB 5449 (SHB 1399)	Paid family & medical leave	Concerning paid family and medical leave.	S Rules X	Keiser	Neutral	High
SSB 5464	Opioid overdose med./schools	Concerning opioid overdose medication at schools with grades five through twelve and higher education institutions.	S Ways & Means	Frockt	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5469 (HB 1085)	PEBB retiree premiums	Concerning premium reduction for medicare-eligible retiree participants in the public employees' benefits board program.	S Ways & Means	Hunt	Neutral	Monitoring
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 (SHB 1621)	Teacher prep. skills assess.	Concerning basic skills assessments for approved teacher preparation programs.	S Rules X	McCoy	Neutral	Monitoring
SSB 5538	Higher education free speech	Concerning free speech at institutions of higher education.	S Ways & Means	Braun	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5539	Family & med. leave/coverage	Concerning family and medical leave program coverage.	S Labor & Commer	Braun	Concerns	Monitoring
SSB 5623 (SHB 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 Rules X	Van De Wege	Support	High
SB 5661 (HB 1408)	Survivorship benefit options	Clarifying the written consent requirement for survivorship benefit options.	S Rules X	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	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.	H Approps	Bailey	Concerns	Medium
SSB 5704 (SHB 1592)	Children's ed. savings acct.	Establishing the Washington children's educational savings account program.	S Ways & Means	Liias	Neutral	Monitoring
SSB 5705	Opportunity scholarship prg	Concerning the Washington opportunity scholarship program.	S Ways & Means	Palumbo	Neutral	Monitoring
SSB 5706 (SHB 1734)	College in high school accr.	Requiring accreditation standards for college in the high school programs.	S Rules X	Randall	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5727	College bound scholarship	Concerning college bound scholarships for students in dual enrollment programs.	S Ways & Means	Palumbo	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5738	Homelessness/postsecondary	Requiring postsecondary institutions to plan for the needs of certain students experiencing homelessness.	S Ways & Means	Darneille	Neutral	Monitoring
2SSB 5774	Student debt	Relieving student debt.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Liias	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5786	Higher education/research	Concerning research in public institutions of higher education.	H Coll & Wkf Dev	Brown	Neutral	Monitoring
2SSB 5800 (HB 1572)	Homeless college students	Concerning homeless college students.	H CWDDP	Randall	Neutral	Monitoring

SSB 5875 (HB 1084)	Higher ed. athlete comp.	Concerning unfair practices involving compensation of athletes in higher education.	S Ways & Means	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 Ways & Means	Frockett	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 Ways & Means	Becker	Neutral	Monitoring
SSB 5932	CTC faculty salaries	Concerning salaries for faculty at community and technical colleges.	S Ways & Means	Becker	Neutral	Monitoring
SB 5994	Business and occupation tax	Concerning business and occupation tax simplification and relief.	S Ways & Means	Palumbo	Concerns	Monitoring
SB 5997	Tax preferences	Eliminating or narrowing certain tax preferences to increase state revenue for essential public services.	S Ways & Means	Rolfes	Support	High
SB 5998	Grad. real estate excise tax	Establishing a graduated real estate excise tax.	S Ways & Means	Nguyen	Support	High
SB 5999	Unfunded actuarial liability	Making expenditures from the budget stabilization account for public employer unfunded actuarially accrued liabilities.	S Ways & Means	Braun	Support	Low
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

SJR 8210	B&O tax increase approval	Amending the Constitution to require a supermajority vote of the legislature or voter approval to increase state business and occupation taxes.	S Ways & Means	Palumbo	Oppose	Monitoring
SCR 8400	Cutoff dates	Establishing cutoff dates for the consideration of legislation during the 2019 regular session of the sixty-sixth legislature.	S Filed Sec/St	Wellman	Neutral	Monitoring