

Washington Library Association Legislative Report – January 12, 2024

Upcoming Events

Early Learning & K-12 Education (Senate) - SHR 1 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 1/15 @ 1:30pm

- [SB 5956](#) - Public Hearing - Concerning the maximum per-pupil limit for enrichment levies. (Remote Testimony Available). (High)

Innovation, Community & Economic Development, & Veterans (House) - HHR C and Virtual JLOB - 1/16 @ 10:30am

- [HB 1978](#) - Exec Session - Adding special purpose and junior taxing districts to the intrastate mutual aid system. (Medium)

Would like to move to high. This is important because...

Postsecondary Education & Workforce (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 1/16 @ 1:30pm

- [HB 2125](#) - Public Hearing - Concerning the eligibility of state-mandated benefits for contingent faculty at community and technical colleges. (Remote Testimony Available). (Medium)

State Government & Elections (Senate) - SHR 2 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 1/16 @ 1:30pm

- [SCR 8414](#) - Public Hearing - Creating a joint select committee on civic health. (Remote Testimony Available). (High)

Local Government (House) - HHR E and Virtual JLOB - 1/17 @ 8:00am

- [HB 2106](#) - Public Hearing - Concerning library districts with an annexed city or town. (Remote Testimony Available). (High)

Education (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 1/18 @ 8:00am

- [HB 1956](#) - Public Hearing - Addressing fentanyl and other substance use prevention education. (Remote Testimony Available). (Monitoring)

Labor & Commerce (Senate) - SHR 1 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 1/18 @ 8:00am

- [SB 5895](#) - Public Hearing - Concerning collective bargaining for certain employees who are enrolled in academic programs at public institutions of higher education. (Remote Testimony Available). (Medium)

Early Learning & K-12 Education (Senate) - SHR 1 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 1/18 @ 1:30pm

- [SB 5870](#) - Public Hearing - Expanding and streamlining eligibility for early learning programs. (Remote Testimony Available). (High)

- [SB 6018](#) - Public Hearing - Designating early learning coordinators at educational service districts. (Remote Testimony Available). (High)

Postsecondary Education & Workforce (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 1/19 @ 8:00am

- [HB 2125](#) - Exec Session - Concerning the eligibility of state-mandated benefits for contingent faculty at community and technical colleges. (Medium)

State Government & Tribal Relations (House) - HHR E and Virtual JLOB - 1/19 @ 8:00am

- [HB 2023](#) - Exec Session - Improving meaningful access to elections by increasing language assistance. (Low)

Local Government (House) - HHR E and Virtual JLOB - 1/19 @ 10:30am

- [HB 2106](#) - Exec Session - Concerning library districts with an annexed city or town. (High)

High Priority Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>
HB 1960 (SB 5882)	Prototypical school staffing Increasing prototypical school staffing to better meet student needs.	H Approps	Stonier
HB 2018	Schools/mobile device use Improving student outcomes by restricting mobile device use by public school students.	H Education	McClintock
HB 2106	Library district annexation Concerning library districts with an annexed city or town.	H Local Govt	Schmick
HB 2142	Reading coaches grants Creating a reading coaches grant program.	H Education	Corry
HB 2148	Public school staff wages Concerning a comparable wage analysis of public school staff compensation.	H Education	Reeves

HB 2223	Librarians in public schools Increasing librarians in public schools.	H Approps	Rule	Support
HB 2284	Reading and writing literacy Using evidence-based instructional practices in reading and writing literacy for public elementary students.	H Education	Pollet	
HB 2313	Digital equity Furthering digital equity and opportunity in Washington.	H Innov, Comm &	Gregerson	
HB 2327	Digital equity/revenue Providing a revenue stream to fund digital equity programs.	H Finance	Gregerson	
HB 2331 (SB 6208)	Public school materials Modifying requirements for public school instructional and supplemental instructional materials.	H Education	Stonier	Support
SB 5824	Dissolution of libraries Concerning the dissolution of libraries and library districts. This bill raises the threshold for dissolving a library to 35%	S State Govt & El	Hunt	Support
SB 5870	Early learning programs Expanding and streamlining eligibility for early learning programs.	S EL/K-12	Wilson	
SB 5882 (HB 1960)	Prototypical school staffing Increasing prototypical school staffing to better meet student needs.	S EL/K-12	Stanford	
SB 5956	Enrichment levies limit Concerning the maximum per-pupil limit for enrichment levies.	S EL/K-12	Wellman	
SB 6018	Early learning coordinators Designating early learning coordinators at educational service districts.	S EL/K-12	Wilson	
SB 6208 (HB 2331)	Public school materials Modifying requirements for public school instructional and supplemental instructional materials.	S EL/K-12	Nobles	Support
SCR 8414	Civic health committee Creating a joint select committee on civic health.	S State Govt & El	Lovick	

Medium Priority Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>
HB 1882 (SSB 5723)	Even-numbered year elections Giving cities and towns the freedom to switch their general elections to even-numbered years.	H State Govt & T	Farivar
HB 1932	Even-numbered year elections Shifting general elections for local governments to even-numbered years to increase voter participation.	H State Govt & T	Gregerson

<u>HB 1978</u>	Intrastate mutual aid system Adding special purpose and junior taxing districts to the intrastate mutual aid system.	H Innov, Comm &	Rule
<u>HB 2029</u> <u>(SB 5804)</u>	Opioid overdose/high schools Concerning opioid overdose reversal medication in high schools.	H Education	Rule
<u>HB 2125</u>	Contingent faculty benefits Concerning the eligibility of state-mandated benefits for contingent faculty at community and technical colleges.	H Postsec Ed & W	Ortiz-Self
<u>HB 2250</u> <u>(SB 6156)</u>	Local elections Increasing representation and voter participation in local elections.	H State Govt & T	Gregerson
<u>SSB 5723</u> <u>(HB 1882)</u>	Even-numbered year elections Giving cities and towns the freedom to switch their general elections to even-numbered years.	S Rules 2	Valdez
<u>SSB 5788</u>	Service animal training Concerning service animal training.	S LAWDPS	Pedersen
<u>SB 5804</u> <u>(HB 2029)</u>	Opioid overdose/high schools Concerning opioid overdose reversal medication in high schools.	S EL/K-12	Kuderer
<u>SB 5843</u>	Election security breaches Concerning security breaches of election systems and election-related systems.	S State Govt & El	Nguyen
<u>SB 5895</u>	Academic employee bargaining Concerning collective bargaining for certain employees who are enrolled in academic programs at public institutions of higher education.	S Labor & Comm	Nobles
<u>SB 6002</u>	PESB transfer to OSPI Transferring the professional educator standards board and the paraeducator board to the office of the superintendent of public instruction.	S EL/K-12	Hunt
<u>SB 6003</u>	Board of education/OSPI Concerning the superintendent of public instruction chairing and administering the state board of education.	S EL/K-12	Hunt
<u>SB 6082</u>	Paraeducator compensation Increasing compensation for Washington paraeducators.	S EL/K-12	Nobles
<u>SB 6123</u>	Classified school employees Adjusting classified school employee salaries.	S EL/K-12	Wellman
<u>SB 6204</u>	Curriculum establishment Concerning the school districts' authority to establish their curriculum.	S EL/K-12	McCune

Low Priority Bills

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<u>ESHB 1277</u>	Paraeducator course of study Establishing rules to improve the consistency and quality of the implementation of the fundamental courses of study for paraeducators.	S EL/K-12	Donaghy
<u>HB 1962</u>	Voter address changes Improving voter registration list accuracy by improving voter address change processes for county election offices and voters.	H State Govt & T	Low
<u>HB 2023</u>	Elections/language assist. Improving meaningful access to elections by increasing language assistance.	H State Govt & T	Shavers
<u>HB 2212</u>	School admin. allocations Increasing allocations for principals, assistant principals, and other certificated building-level administrators.	H Approps	Rule
<u>HB 2315</u>	High school CPR & AED instr. Updating required instruction for high school students in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automated external defibrillators.	H Education	Caldier
<u>SB 5923</u> <u>(HB 1956)</u>	Substance use prevention ed. Addressing fentanyl and other substance use prevention education.	S EL/K-12	Wellman
<u>SB 6156</u> <u>(HB 2250)</u>	Local elections Increasing representation and voter participation in local elections.	S State Govt & E	Nobles

Monitoring Bills

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<u>HB 1956</u> <u>(SB 5923)</u>	Substance use prevention ed. Addressing fentanyl and other substance use prevention education.	H Education	Leavitt

Other Bills

No bills.