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Today is the first day of interim as the legislature adjourned Sine Di on Thursday night for the 2024 session. The session was expectedly low on fireworks with most things going on time and as planned. The final version of the 2024 *WOVE* will have a full detail of bills passed, budget highs and lows, as well as a look towards the future as we begin to craft our 2025 agenda.

Bill Highlights

HB 2236 - 2023-24- Expanding and strengthening career and technical education core plus programs – After debate, amendments, stakeholder negotiations, and last minute concurrences HB 2236 has passed the legislature and now awaits the Governor's pen to make it official. Thanks to all who participated in the process and helping us to get this bill over the finish line.

Funding Highlights

Retained - \$3,152,000 in 2024 and \$3,152,000 in 2025 are provided solely for secondary Career and Technical Education grants through OSPI.

Retained - \$800,000 per year for Career and Technical Student Organizations.

New Money - \$1,400,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for grants to small districts to enable access to skills centers and technical education. "Small district" means a district having an enrollment of fewer than 2,750 students.

In the bill report below you will find all of the final bills that were being considered in the final days of session. Most of these bills were finalized by the two bodies and delivered to the Governor's office or have been signed by the legislative leader and are awaiting signature.

Bill Details		<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Position</u>
HB 1146	Dual credit program notice Notifying high school students and their fa	Del to Gov amilies about available dua	Paul I credit programs and	l any available finar	ncial assistance.
E4SHB 1239	Educator ethics & complaints Establishing a simple and uniform system involving public elementary and secondar		Santos and instituting a code	of educator ethics	for, conduct within or
E2SHB 1368 (SB 5431)	Zero emission school buses Requiring and funding the purchase of ze	Del to Gov ro emission school buses.	Senn		
SHB 1915 (SB 5819)	Financial education Making financial education instruction a g	H adheres raduation prerequisite and	Rude a required componer	nt of public educatic	Support on.
HB 2110	High school graduation Reorganizing statutory requirements gove	Del to Gov erning high school graduati	Nance on.		
SHB 2180 (SB 6014)	Special education cap Increasing the special education enrollme	Del to Gov ent funding cap.	Callan		
ESHB 2236	Tech. ed. core plus programs Expanding and strengthening career and	Del to Gov technical education core p	Shavers lus programs.	High	Support
ESHB 2331 (SB 6208)	Public school materials Modifying requirements for public school i	Del to Gov instructional and suppleme	Stonier ntal instructional mate	erials.	
ESHB 2441	College in the HS fees Establishing a pilot program eliminating co	Del to Gov ollege in the high school fe	Corry es for private not-for-	profit four-year insti	itutions.
ESHB 2494	School operating costs Increasing state funding for operating cos	Del to Gov ts in schools.	Bergquist		
SB 5180	Out-of-state teachers Adopting the interstate teacher mobility co	H Spkr Signed ompact.	Hunt		
ESB 5344	School modernization loans Establishing a public school revolving fund	H Cap Budget d. (REVISED FOR ENGRO	Schoesler DSSED: Establishing	a school moderniza	ation loan program.)
ESB 5462	Inclusive learning standards Promoting inclusive learning standards ar	H Spkr Signed and instructional materials in	Liias public schools.		
SB 5647	School safety/temp employees Providing temporary employees necessar	Del to Gov y information about school	Torres safety policies and p	rocedures.	
E2SSB 5670	Running start/rising juniors Permitting 10th grade students to participarting start for rising juniors.)	H Spkr Signed ate in running start in online	Hawkins e settings. (REVISED	FOR ENGROSSE	D: Providing summe
SB 5789	School projects/sales tax	H Cap Budget	Mullet		

<u>SB 5852</u> (HB 1973)	Special education safety net Concerning special education safety net aw	Del to Gov vards.	Braun			
2SSB 5882 (SHB 1960)	Prototypical school staffing Increasing prototypical school staffing to be	H Spkr Signed Stanford ng to better meet student needs.				
SB 5883 (HB 2121)	Special education hearings Del to Gov Trudeau Concerning the burden of proof for special education due process hearings.					
SSB 6053 (HB 2443)	Education data sharing H Spkr Signed Holy Improving equitable access to postsecondary education.					
SB 6094			Robinson nd retired or disabled school employee health insurance elevant subsidy language in the operating budget.			



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