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Happy Week Two! We hope you had a great Martin Luther King, Jr. Day if you were lucky enough to get the day off.

The legislative session is moving at a feverish pace with a total of 992 bills introduced as of Thursday, January 19. Some of those bills included legislation we are tracking and participating in. On Monday, we publicly supported <u>HB 1013</u>. This bill is by Representative Maycumber (R), along with the chair of the House Education Committee, Representative Santos (D). This is a bipartisan bill with a total of 58 co-sponsors. This bill is the regional apprenticeship pilot program. Read more about it in the bill summary in the link above. We (WA-ACTE) were named as a stakeholder in the substitute version of the bill.

There are a few bills floating around regarding eliminating dual credit/college in the high school fees. The one that seems to be the bill of our choice at this point is <u>SB 5048</u>. This bill requires institutions of higher education to provide enrollment and registration in College in the High School (CHS) courses at no cost to students in grades 9 through 12 at public high schools, and it requires the Legislature to appropriate funds to fund CHS courses, at inflation-adjusted rates. It was heard in committee on January 11 and voted out unanimously on January 18. This bill has now been referred to Ways & Means.

There are alternative graduation pathway bills floating around including <u>HB 1308</u>. This bill is requested by the State Board of Education and sponsored by our friend Representative Stonier. From the State Board of Education description of the bill, "*The Board submitted agency request legislation (HB 1308) to expand graduation pathway options. The proposal would add a performance-based pathway to the options that school districts may offer. This new option would allow students to show what they know and can do in real-world, hands-on ways that align with their individual goals for after high school."*

We are keeping our eye on this bill as it has popped up for another biennium. A different version of this was run in the past that we couldn't support in final form. It has not yet been scheduled for a hearing in policy committee. As we get a better feel for how this bill develops, or not, we will keep you posted here and in our weekly Leg Huddles.

Please refer to our <u>bill report</u> for the bills we are following and participating in this session.

Current Bill Status Report & Upcoming Events

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February is CTE Month!



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2023 Washington State Proclamation

2023 Session Cutoff Calendar

February 17, 2023	Last day to read in committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) in house of origin, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
February 24, 2023	Last day to read in committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees in house of origin.
March 8, 2023	Last day to consider (pass) bills in house of origin (5 p.m.).
March 29, 2023	Last day to read in committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from opposite house, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
April 4, 2023	Last day to read in opposite house committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
April 12, 2023*	Last day to consider (pass) opposite house bills (5 p.m.) (except initiatives and alternatives to initiatives, budgets and matters necessary to implement budgets, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and closing of the session).
April 23, 2023	Last day allowed for regular session under state constitution.
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* After 5:00pm on the 54th day, only initiatives, alternatives to initiatives, budgets and matters necessary to implement budgets, matters that affect state revenue, messages pertaining to amendments, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and closing of the session may be considered. 2023 Regular Session cutoff dates were established in SCR 8401, and adopted by the House & Senate.