

WOVE Legislative Update for Career and Technical Education

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This week policy committee hearings to move bills forward to the floor of each chamber comes to a close, so the focus now moves to floor action and the final passage of bills that have “survived” the process to this point.

Fiscal committees (Ways & Means and Appropriations) meet to complete their work and to negotiate all three final supplemental budgets to bring them to the floor of their respective chambers. (Operating, Capital, and Transportation) before crossing over for final passage and passing them on to the Governor for signature.

As a result of only 14 days left in session, on the calendar there are three more key cutoff dates remaining for bills to continue onto final passage:

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Bills Funding Ed/CTE:

[SHB 1590](#) - Concerning enrollment stabilization funding to address enrollment declines due to the COVID-19 pandemic - Authorizes the use of 2019-20 enrollment values to calculate enrichment levy limits in the 2023 and 2024 calendar years and to calculate local effort assistance in the 2022 and 2023 calendar years. (Did not move out of Senate Ways and Means)

[HB 1808](#) - Concerning pupil transportation funding - (Referred to Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education Committee – no hearing as of this date.)

Bills Valuing CTE:

[E2SHB 1162](#) – Concerning high school graduation credit and pathway options - effort to “adjust” the graduation requirements and to add an additional Graduation Pathway has now been referred to the House Rules Committee, which will decide if it moves on to the House Floor for a vote. (Executive Session scheduled, but no action was taken in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.)

Budget Bill Updates:

Senate Capital Budget [SSB 5651](#) for CTE has remained the same as proposed and shared in the *WOVE* last week as it went to the Senate floor on Wednesday this week. (Only Supplemental changes listed.)

- West Sound Tech Skills Center Construction - \$30M
- Transfer of Yakima Valley Technical Skills Center Sunnyside Satellite Campus to Sunnyside School District - \$20K
- Emergency Repair Grants for all K-12 to address health and safety hazards, including Skills Centers - \$3.057M

House Capital Budget proposed substitute [HB 1781](#)

- \$4.1 million is provided for design of the expansion phase of the West Sound Technical Skills Center
- \$1.7 million is for additional grants for emergency school district facility repairs

House Operating Budget for CTE in proposed substitute [HB 1816](#) (Only Supplemental changes listed.)

- Career Connected Learning grants for sector intermediaries - \$3M
- Grants for Skills Center to purchase or upgrade simulation laboratory equipment - \$3.6M
- Substitute cost, one time allocation to support - \$29.88M
- Running Start funding Dual Credit ([E2SHB 1760](#)) change from 1.2 FTE to 1.6 FTE
- Grants to School Districts for science teacher training, increased by \$2M in 2023
- Workforce pilot program at the Northwest Career and Technical Academy - \$250K
- Workforce Training Gap Analysis between Tacoma SD and Port of Tacoma - \$250K
- Tacoma School District navigate their postsecondary pathway options - \$250K
- Pilot program to subsidize eligible dual or concurrent enrollment cost for F&R lunch - \$500K

Senate Operating Budget for CTE in proposed substitute [SSB 5693](#) (Only Supplemental changes listed.)

- Highline Public School District and a maritime nonprofit partnership - \$2M
- Career Connected Learning grants for sector intermediaries - \$3M
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The Week Ahead:

Following is the committee hearing dates and times where you can find the link to the bill for the full text. If you wish to testify, you can find out how to do so using the following link: <https://app.leg.wa.gov/csi/House>

Current Bill Status Report & Upcoming Events

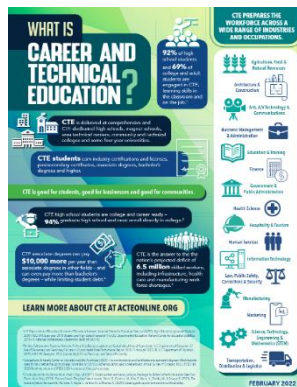
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If you are ever feeling the need to testify on any bill this session, we post the related committee meeting times and dates for the coming week for your information in this newsletter. If I can help in any way with this, please let me know, I welcome all help in our efforts.

The “On the Virtual Hill” Process:

During 2022, in response to COVID-19, the House and Senate have made operational changes to adhere to public health guidance. Please go to the [House Covid-19 Operations](#) and [Senate Covid-19 Operations](#) plans for more details. All proceedings can be viewed on TVW. To view legislative proceedings click here for [TVW](#). Please click here to go to the [committee website pages](#). To find your Legislator click [here](#) or click [here](#) to send a message to your Legislator.

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<p>* 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.</p> <p>2022 Regular Session cutoff dates were established in SCR 8401, and adopted by the House & Senate.</p>	