WOVE Legislative Update for Career and Technical Education

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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>	Priority	Position
<u>HB 1146</u>	Dual credit program notice Notifying high school students and their	Del to Gov	Paul	l any available finan	cial assistance
E4SHB 1239	Educator ethics & complaints Establishing a simple and uniform system involving public elementary and seconda	Del to Gov m for complaints related to	Santos	-	
<u>E2SHB 1368</u> (SB 5431)	Zero emission school buses Requiring and funding the purchase of z	Del to Gov ero emission school buses	Senn S.		
<u>SHB 1915</u> (SB 5819)	Financial education Making financial education instruction a	H adheres graduation prerequisite ar	Rude a required componer	nt of public educatio	Support n.

<u>HB 2110</u>	High school graduation Reorganizing statutory requirements governing	Del to Gov ng high school graduatio	Nance n.					
<u>SHB 2180</u> (SB 6014)	Special education cap Increasing the special education enrollment f	Del to Gov unding cap.	Callan					
<u>ESHB 2236</u>	Tech. ed. core plus programs Expanding and strengthening career and tech	Del to Gov nnical education core plu	Shavers is programs.	High	Support			
<u>ESHB 2331</u> (SB 6208)	Public school materials Del to Gov Stonier Modifying requirements for public school instructional and supplemental instructional materials.							
<u>ESHB 2441</u>	College in the HS fees Establishing a pilot program eliminating colleg	Del to Gov ge in the high school fee	Corry s for private not-for	-profit four-year ins	stitutions.			
<u>ESHB 2494</u>	School operating costs Increasing state funding for operating costs ir	Del to Gov n schools.	Bergquist					
<u>SB 5180</u>	Out-of-state teachers Adopting the interstate teacher mobility comp	H Spkr Signed act.	Hunt					
<u>ESB 5344</u>	School modernization loans Establishing a public school revolving fund. (H Cap Budget REVISED FOR ENGROS	Schoesler SSED: Establishing	a school moderniz	zation loan program.)			
<u>ESB 5462</u>	Inclusive learning standards Promoting inclusive learning standards and ir	H Spkr Signed nstructional materials in p	Liias public schools.					
<u>SB 5647</u>	School safety/temp employees Providing temporary employees necessary in	Del to Gov formation about school s	Torres safety policies and p	procedures.				
E2SSB 5670	Running start/rising juniors Permitting 10th grade students to participate running start for rising juniors.)	H Spkr Signed in running start in online	Hawkins settings. (REVISEI	D FOR ENGROSS	ED: Providing summer			
<u>SB 5789</u>	School projects/sales tax Concerning the sales and use tax for school of	H Cap Budget construction assistance p	Mullet program capital pro	jects.				

<u>SB 5852</u> (HB 1973)	Special education safety net	Del to Gov	Braun				
	Concerning special education safety net awards.						
<u>2SSB 5882</u>	Prototypical school staffing	H Spkr Signed	Stanford				
(SHB 1960)	1960) Increasing prototypical school staffing to better meet student needs.						
<u>SB 5883</u> (HB	Special education hearings	Del to Gov	Trudeau				
2121)	Concerning the burden of proof for special education due process hearings.						
SSB 6053	Education data sharing	H Spkr Signed	Holy				
(HB 2443)	Improving equitable access to postsecondary education.						
	Retired health subsidy/PEBB	H Spkr Signed	Robinson				
<u>SB 6094</u>	Aligning statutory language concerning the retired state employee and retired or disabled school employee health insurance subsidy with the historical interpretation and implementation of the relevant subsidy language in the operating budget.						



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