

Partners for Our Children

Weekly Bill Tracker

January 15, 2026

Human Services (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 1/19 @ 1:30pm

- SB 6036 - Public Hearing - Exempting certain former foster care providers from adult family home licensure. (Remote Testimony Available).

Appropriations (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 1/19 @ 4:00pm

- HB 2254 - Public Hearing - Providing flexibility in the partnership access line assessment to cover administrative costs. (Remote Testimony Available).

Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 1/19 @ 4:00pm

- SB 5872 - Public Hearing - Establishing the preK promise account. (Remote Testimony Available).

Early Learning & K-12 Education (Senate) - SHR 1 and Virtual J.A. Cherberg - 1/20 @ 8:00am

- SB 5907 - Public Hearing - Expanding access to the early childhood education and assistance program for military families. (Remote Testimony Available).

Agriculture & Natural Resources (House) - HHR B and Virtual JLOB - 1/20 @ 10:30am

- HB 2238 - Exec Session - Concerning statewide food security.

Early Learning & Human Services (House) - HHR D and Virtual JLOB - 1/20 @ 1:30pm

- HB 2429 - Public Hearing - Supporting children and youth behavioral health. (Remote Testimony Available).
- HB 2171 - Public Hearing - Supporting foster youth. (Remote Testimony Available).

Human Services (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 1/20 @ 1:30pm

- SB 5911 - Exec Session - Strengthening the financial stability of persons in the care of the department of children, youth, and families.
- SB 5940 - Exec Session - Creating a housing assistance pilot program for youth enrolled in extended foster care.
- SB 5942 - Exec Session - Concerning the department of children, youth, and families accountability board.

Early Learning & Human Services (House) - HHR D and Virtual JLOB - 1/21 @ 1:30pm

- HB 2389 - Public Hearing - Modifying provisions related to individuals found to have committed criminal offenses when under the age of 18. (Remote Testimony Available).
- HB 2456 - Public Hearing - Establishing a juvenile firearm early intervention alternative. (Remote Testimony Available).

Appropriations (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 1/21 @ 4:00pm

- HB 2159 - Public Hearing - Establishing the preK promise account. (Remote Testimony Available).

Education (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 1/22 @ 8:00am

- HB 1795 - Exec Session - Addressing restraint or isolation of students in public schools and educational programs.
- HB 1634 - Exec Session - Providing school districts and public schools with assistance to coordinate comprehensive behavioral health supports for students.

Health & Long-Term Care (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 1/22 @ 8:00am

- SB 5867 - Public Hearing - Partnering with a mobile pregnancy application to improve maternal and infant health. (Remote Testimony Available).

Finance (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 1/22 @ 1:30pm

- HB 2100 - Public Hearing - Enacting an excise tax on large operating companies on the amount of payroll expenses above the minimum wage threshold of the additional medicare tax to fund services to benefit Washingtonians and establishing the Well Washington fund account. (Remote Testimony Available).

Early Learning & Human Services (House) - HHR D and Virtual JLOB - 1/23 @ 8:00am

- HB 1544 - Exec Session - Improving the risk assessment process used when investigating alleged child abuse and neglect referrals.
- HB 2099 - Exec Session - Expanding access to the early childhood education and assistance program for military families.
- HB 2185 - Exec Session - Concerning the office of homeless youth prevention and protection programs advisory committee.
- HB 2219 - Exec Session - Enhancing the operational efficiency of child care providers.
- HB 2253 - Exec Session - Concerning updates to the licensing division of the department of children, youth, and families.
- HB 2317 - Exec Session - Concerning early learning program licensing requirements.

Health & Long-Term Care (Senate) - SHR 4 and Virtual JACB - 1/23 @ 8:00am

- SB 6094 - Public Hearing - Concerning facilities licensed to provide pediatric transitional care services. (Remote Testimony Available).

Health Care & Wellness (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 1/23 @ 8:00am

- HB 2242 - Exec Session - Preserving access to preventive services by clarifying state authority and definitions.

Bill Status Report

Bill #	Abbrev. Title	Short Description	Status	Sponsor
SHB 1123 (E2SSB 5083)	Health carrier reimbursement	Ensuring access to primary care, behavioral health, and affordable hospital services.	H Rules X	Macri
SHB 1248	Juvenile justice programs	Improving the effectiveness of juvenile justice programs by providing ongoing evaluations and clarifying juvenile diversion practices.	H EL & Human Svc	Couture
2SHB 1322 (E2SSB 5296)	Juvenile offenses	Improving outcomes for individuals adjudicated of juvenile offenses by increasing opportunities for community placement options and refining procedural requirements.	H EL & Human Svc	Goodman
SHB 1390	Community protection program	Repealing the community protection program.	H Rules 3C	Goodman
SHB 1489	Childhood ed./impl. dates	Adjusting implementation dates for programs related to early childhood education and child care.	H Rules X	Ormsby
SHB 1544	Child abuse risk assessment	Improving the risk assessment process used when investigating alleged child abuse and neglect referrals.	H EL & Human Svc	Rule
EHB 1574	Substance use/care, services	Protecting access to life-saving care and substance use services.	H Rules 3C	Macri
HB 1582 (SSB 5655)	Child care centers/buildings	Concerning child care centers operated in existing buildings.	H Rules X	Caldier
HB 1600	Family services support fee	Modifying the fee to support family services.	H Rules 3C	Eslick
2SHB 1614 (SSB 5314)	Capital gains tax	Modifying the capital gains tax.	H Rules X	Thai
SHB 1634	Behavioral health/schools	Providing school districts and public schools with assistance to coordinate comprehensive behavioral health supports for students.	H Education	Thai
HB 1795 (SB 5654)	Student restraint, isolation	Addressing restraint or isolation of students in public schools and educational programs.	H Education	Callan
SHB 1816	Civilian crisis resp. teams	Concerning civilian-staffed crisis response teams.	H Tech, Econ Dev	Scott
2SHB 1917	Juvenile rehabilitation	Concerning management of individuals who are placed in juvenile rehabilitation institutions.	H EL & Human Svc	Callan

SHB 2033	Nicotine product taxation	Concerning the taxation of nicotine products.	H Rules X	Stonier
EHB 2044	Unexcused student absences	Addressing unexcused student absences.	H Approps	Ormsby
SHB 2084	Tax preferences	Increasing funding for K-12, health care, and public safety by repealing or modifying tax preferences for certain industries and goods.	H Rules X	Ramel
HB 2099 (SB 5907)	ECEAP access/military	Expanding access to the early childhood education and assistance program for military families.	H EL & Human Svc	Leavitt
HB 2100 (SB 6093)	Payroll expense tax	Enacting an excise tax on large operating companies on the amount of payroll expenses above the minimum wage threshold of the additional medicare tax to fund services to benefit Washingtonians and establishing the Well Washington fund account.	H Finance	Scott
HB 2108	Juvenile justice transfer	Concerning the transfer of the juvenile justice functions.	H EL & Human Svc	Walsh
HB 2146	Sexual exploitation of minor	Combating sexual exploitation of minors.	H Community Safe	Jacobsen
HB 2159 (SB 5872)	PreK promise account	Establishing the preK promise account.	H Approps	Bergquist
HB 2169 (SB 5911)	DCYF/financial stability	Strengthening the financial stability of persons in the care of the department of children, youth, and families.	H EL & Human Svc	Callan
HB 2171	Foster youth	Supporting foster youth.	H EL & Human Svc	Steele
HB 2185 (SB 5957)	Homeless youth committee	Concerning the office of homeless youth prevention and protection programs advisory committee.	H EL & Human Svc	Fey
HB 2187	Child care assist./B&O tax	Supporting employers providing child care assistance to employees by establishing a business and occupation and public utility tax credit.	H Finance	Penner
HB 2219	Child care providers	Enhancing the operational efficiency of child care providers.	H EL & Human Svc	Ortiz-Self
HB 2238	Statewide food security	Concerning statewide food security.	H Ag&Nr	Reeves
HB 2242 (SB 5967)	Preventive health services	Preserving access to preventive services by clarifying state authority and definitions.	H HC/Wellness	Bronoske
HB 2253	DCYF licensing division	Concerning updates to the licensing division of the department of children, youth, and families.	H EL & Human Svc	Bernbaum
HB 2254	Partnership access line	Providing flexibility in the partnership access line assessment to cover administrative costs.	H Approps	Callan
HB 2282	Transition to kindergarten	Supporting the implementation of transition to kindergarten programs.	H Approps	Bernbaum
HB 2289 (SB 5998)	Operating budget, supp.	Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.	H Approps	Ormsby
HB 2317	Early learning licensing	Concerning early learning program licensing requirements.	H EL & Human Svc	Eslick
HB 2389 (SB 6062)	Criminal offenses under 18	Modifying provisions related to individuals found to have committed criminal offenses when under the age of 18.	H EL & Human Svc	Cortes

HB 2429	Youth behavioral health	Supporting children and youth behavioral health.	H EL & Human Svc	Callan
HB 2438	Early education scholarship	Establishing the supporting our early education degree seekers scholarship.	H Postsec Ed & W	Bergquist
HB 2450	Food assistance/state prg.	Maintaining food assistance for certain individuals affected by federal eligibility requirements.	H EL & Human Svc	Couture
HB 2455 (SB 5940)	Foster care housing pilot	Creating a housing assistance pilot program for youth enrolled in extended foster care.	H EL & Human Svc	Taylor
HB 2456	Juvenile firearm interv.	Establishing a juvenile firearm early intervention alternative.	H EL & Human Svc	Davis
HB 2484 (SB 5992)	Youth development fund	Creating the youth development fund account to increase access to positive youth development programs.	H Education	Rule
HB 2497	Child welfare response	Addressing the rise in maltreatment-related child fatalities or near fatalities by supporting families that have received a child welfare response.	H EL & Human Svc	Ortiz-Self
HB 2505 (SB 6036)	Adult family home licensure	Exempting certain former foster care providers from adult family home licensure.	H HC/Wellness	Eslick
HB 2511	Imminent physical harm/child	Providing a definition for imminent physical harm in the context of child welfare.	H EL & Human Svc	Dent
SSB 5071	Synthetic opioids/endanger.	Updating the endangerment with a controlled substance statute.	S 3rd Reading	Braun
SSB 5169	Testimony of children	Concerning testimony of children.	S 3rd Reading	Nobles
SSB 5282	Missing children adv. board	Reestablishing the advisory board for the missing and exploited children task force.	S Rules 3	Wellman
E2SSB 5296 (2SHB 1322)	Juvenile offenses	Improving outcomes for individuals adjudicated of juvenile offenses by increasing opportunities for community placement options and refining procedural requirements.	S Rules X	Wilson
SB 5297 (HB 1314)	Early learning facilities	Concerning the early learning facilities grant and loan program.	S Rules X	Trudeau
SB 5304 (HB 1540)	Homelessness/tribal colleges	Expanding eligibility for the students experiencing homelessness and foster youth program to an accredited tribal college.	S Rules X	Kauffman
SSB 5500 (HB 1350)	Child care reimburse. rates	Modernizing reimbursement rates for the working connections child care program.	S Rules 2	Alvarado
ESB 5775	Public safety/local tax	Expanding local taxing authority to fund public safety and community protection focused programs and services.	S Ways & Means	Slatter
ESB 5797	Intangible assets tax	Enacting a tax on stocks, bonds, and other financial intangible assets for the benefit of public schools.	S Ways & Means	Frame
SSB 5798	Property tax	Concerning property tax reform.	S Ways & Means	Pedersen
SB 5837	Guardianship, etc.	Concerning guardianship, conservatorship, and other protective arrangements.	S Law & Justice	Pedersen
SB 5866	DCYF frontline staffing	Increasing frontline staffing within the department of children, youth, and families.	S Human Services	Torres

SB 5867	Mobile pregnancy application	Partnering with a mobile pregnancy application to improve maternal and infant health.	S Health & Long-	Muzzall
SB 5872 (HB 2159)	PreK promise account	Establishing the preK promise account.	S Ways & Means	Wilson
SB 5907 (HB 2099)	ECEAP access/military	Expanding access to the early childhood education and assistance program for military families.	S EL/K-12	Nobles
SB 5911 (HB 2169)	DCYF/financial stability	Strengthening the financial stability of persons in the care of the department of children, youth, and families.	S Human Services	Alvarado
SB 5914	Public defense services	Concerning public defense services.	S Law & Justice	Torres
SB 5935	Office of homeless youth	Updating the office of homeless youth program provisions.	S Human Services	Orwall
SB 5940 (HB 2455)	Foster care housing pilot	Creating a housing assistance pilot program for youth enrolled in extended foster care.	S Human Services	Wilson
SB 5942	DCYF accountability board	Concerning the department of children, youth, and families accountability board.	S Human Services	Wilson
SB 5967 (HB 2242)	Preventive health services	Preserving access to preventive services by clarifying state authority and definitions.	S Health & Long-	Cleveland
SB 5977	Child near fatality reviews	Requiring publication of child near fatality reviews.	S Human Services	Torres
SB 5979	Dependency/substance abuse	Improving state responses to dependent children and the risk of harm from high-potency synthetic opioids and caregiver substance abuse.	S Human Services	Torres
SB 5998 (HB 2289)	Operating budget, supp.	Making 2025-2027 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Robinson
SB 6007	DCYF assessment practices	Authorizing the Washington state institute for public policy to evaluate outcomes related to assessment practices at the department of children, youth, and families.	S Human Services	Warnick
SB 6020	DCYF oversight board name	Changing the official name of the department of children, youth, and families oversight board.	S Human Services	Christian
SB 6022	Juvenile rehabilitation	Improving juvenile rehabilitation.	S Human Services	Christian
SB 6023	Children/imminent risk	Protecting children from imminent risk of harm.	S Human Services	Christian
SB 6036 (HB 2505)	Adult family home licensure	Exempting certain former foster care providers from adult family home licensure.	S Human Services	Kauffman
SB 6062 (HB 2389)	Criminal offenses under 18	Modifying provisions related to individuals found to have committed criminal offenses when under the age of 18.	S Human Services	Wilson
SB 6094	Pediatric transitional care	Concerning facilities licensed to provide pediatric transitional care services.	S Health & Long-	Riccelli
SB 6111	Minors/digital services	Protecting children online.	S Business, Trad	Salomon
SB 6144	Juvenile rehab. safety	Improving safety at state juvenile rehabilitation institutions.	S Human Services	Braun