

WAADAC Legislative Report

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Wednesday's policy committee cutoff has come and gone and now attention turns to the fiscal committees. Bills with a financial impact to the state must now be heard and voted out of a fiscal committee by Monday, February 5th. With this tight deadline, many bills will die in the fiscal committees.

The exception of course, are bills that are NTIB, or "necessary to implement the budget," a designation the majority can place on bills that are tied to the budget. Bills that are NTIB live on until the end of the session regardless of whether they have passed the usual requisite hurdles.

After the February 5th fiscal committee cutoff, both chambers will turn their attention to floor debate. They will spend long days and nights voting to send bills to the opposite house by February 13th, the house of origin cutoff.

On Tuesday, Governor Jay Inslee issued an executive order to develop guidelines for how the state adopts generative artificial intelligence into its own systems to ensure its ethical and transparent use. WaTech, the agency operating the state's technology and information security services, will work with the Governor's cabinet agencies to submit a report identifying potential generative AI initiatives that could be implemented in state operations. The plan would develop initial guidelines for how the government may procure, use, and monitor the use of generative AI.

Upcoming Dates:

February 5 - Fiscal Committee Cutoff
February 13 - House of Origin Cutoff
February 21 - Opposite House Policy Committee Cutoff
February 26 - Opposite House Fiscal Committee Cutoff
March 1 - Floor Cutoff
March 7 - Last day of Regular Session

Upcoming Events

Appropriations (House) - HHR A and Virtual JLOB - 2/5 @ 10:30am

- [HB 1877](#) - **Exec Session** - Improving the Washington state behavioral health system for better coordination and recognition with the Indian behavioral health system.
- [HB 2247](#) - **Exec Session** - Addressing behavioral health provider shortages.
- [HB 2319](#) - **Exec Session** - Concerning substance use disorder treatment.
- [HB 2239](#) - **Exec Session** - Supporting student well-being through instruction in social-emotional skills.
- [HB 1956](#) - **Exec Session** - Addressing fentanyl and other substance use prevention education.

Monitoring Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>
<u>HB 1864</u> Ignition interlock assist. Limiting the monetary assistance an indigent person may receive from the ignition interlock device revolving account program.	H Transportation	Christian	
<u>SHB 1877</u> Behavioral health/tribes Improving the Washington state behavioral health system for better coordination and recognition with the Indian behavioral health system.	H Approps	Lekanoff	
<u>SHB 1889</u> Professionals/immigration Allowing persons to receive professional licenses and certifications regardless of immigration or citizenship status.	H 2nd Reading	Walen	
<u>SHB 1929</u> Postinpatient housing (SB 6050) Supporting young adults following inpatient behavioral health treatment.	H Approps	Cortes	
<u>HB 1946</u> Behav. health scholarship Creating the Washington health corps behavioral health scholarship program.	H Exec Action	Eslick	
<u>SHB 1956</u> Substance use prevention ed. (SSB 5923) Addressing fentanyl and other substance use prevention education.	H Approps	Leavitt	
<u>HB 1972</u> Physicians health prg. fees (SB 5822) Increasing the licensure fees that support the Washington physicians health program.	H 2nd Reading	Simmons	
<u>HB 1983</u> Criminal justice trtmnt acct Concerning the criminal justice treatment account.	H Rules R	Simmons	
<u>HB 2104</u> Operating budget, supp. (SB 5950) Making 2023-2025 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.	H Approps	Ormsby	
<u>HB 2155</u> Credential registry Creating the Washington credential registry.	H Approps	Reeves	

<u>SHB 2182</u>	Regulated substance use data Creating a data dashboard to track use of regulated substances.	H 2nd Reading	Reeves
<u>SHB 2239</u>	Social-emotional instruction Supporting student well-being through instruction in social-emotional skills.	H Approps	Timmons
<u>SHB 2245</u>	Co-response services Establishing co-response services and training as an essential component of the crisis care continuum.	H Approps	Bronoske
<u>SHB 2247</u>	Behavioral health providers Addressing behavioral health provider shortages.	H Approps	Bateman
<u>SHB 2248</u>	Traumatic brain injuries Providing support to individuals with traumatic brain injuries.	H Approps	Bateman
<u>SHB 2256</u>	Children behavioral health Addressing the children and youth behavioral health work group.	H Rules R	Callan
<u>SHB 2319</u>	Substance use treatment Concerning substance use disorder treatment.	H Approps	Davis
<u>HB 2346</u>	Health disparities council Updating the governor's interagency coordinating council on health disparities.	H Rules R	Santos
<u>HB 2372</u>	Tribes/health facilities Transferring public property to Washington state federally recognized tribes for facilities to provide alcohol and substance use disorder prevention, treatment, and aftercare programs and services, and for behavioral health and related programs and services.	H Exec Action	Lekanoff
<u>2SHB 2396</u>	Synthetic opioids	H HCWDP2S	Mosbrucker
<u>SHB 2408</u>	Crisis response comm methods Concerning methods of communication used by the technology platform designed for the behavioral health crisis response and suicide prevention system.	H Approps	Lekanoff
<u>HB 2449</u>	Cannabis revenue/health care Concerning use of cannabis tax revenue for professional health care services.	H Approps	Hutchins
<u>HB 2472</u>	Mental health/matching funds	H Approps	Hutchins

Providing state matching funds for programs supported by the county sales and use tax for chemical dependency, mental health treatment, and therapeutic courts.

<u>SSB 5804</u> (HB 2029)	Opioid overdose med./schools Concerning opioid overdose reversal medication in public schools.	S Passed 3rd	Kuderer
<u>SB 5821</u> (HB 1881)	Audio-only telemedicine Establishing a uniform standard for creating an established relationship for the purposes of coverage of audio-only telemedicine services.	S 2nd Reading	Muzzall
<u>SSB 5853</u>	Behav crisis services/minors Extending the crisis relief center model to provide behavioral health crisis services for minors.	S Ways & Means	Dhingra
<u>SB 5906</u>	Drug overdose prevention Implementing a statewide drug overdose prevention and education campaign.	S Ways & Means	Wilson
<u>SSB 5920</u>	Psychiatric/cert. of need Lifting certificate of need requirements for psychiatric hospitals and beds.	S Rules 2	Padden
<u>SSB 5923</u> (SHB 1956)	Substance use prevention ed. Addressing fentanyl and other substance use prevention education.	S Ways & Means	Wellman
<u>SB 5950</u> (HB 2104)	Operating budget, supp. Making 2023-2025 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.	S Ways & Means	Robinson
<u>SSB 6099</u>	Tribal opioid account Creating the tribal opioid prevention and treatment account.	S WMDPS	Braun
<u>SSB 6134</u>	Opioid use Preventing overdose and illicit use of opioids in Washington state.	S Ways & Means	Gildon
<u>SB 6216</u> (HB 2280)	Student mental health net. Establishing a statewide network for student mental and behavioral health.	S Ways & Means	Nobles
<u>SSB 6228</u>	Substance use treatment Concerning treatment of substance use disorders.	S Ways & Means	Dhingra
<u>SB 6246</u>	Firearm info./mental health Concerning transmission of information relating to firearm prohibitions for persons committed for mental health treatment.	S Rules 2	Dhingra

<u>SSB 6251</u>	Behavioral crisis coord. Coordinating regional behavioral crisis response services.	S Ways & Means	Dhingra
<u>SB 6271</u>	Cannabis excise tax/THC Modifying the cannabis excise tax to consider THC concentration.	S Passed 3rd	Keiser
<u>SB 6272</u>	Cannabis excise tax revenue Dedicating the state share of cannabis excise tax revenue to counties and cities.	S Ways & Means	Mullet
<u>SSB 6295</u>	Behavioral health/high users Creating a path to recovery for high users of behavioral health crisis and criminal justice systems.	S Ways & Means	Dhingra
<u>SB 6308</u>	988 system timeline Extending timelines for implementation of the 988 system.	S Ways & Means	Dhingra

Dead Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>
<u>SHB 1655</u>	Provider contract comp. Concerning provider contract compensation.	H Approps	Harris
<u>SHB 1851</u>	First approach skills prog. Implementing the first approach skills training program.	S Human Services	Callan
<u>HB 1881</u> (SB 5821)	Audio-only telemedicine Establishing a uniform standard for creating an established relationship for the purposes of coverage of audio-only telemedicine services.	H HC/Wellness	Harris
<u>HB 1891</u>	Parent substance use Maintaining the safety of children when a parent has a substance use disorder.	H Human Svc, You	Eslick
<u>HB 2002</u>	Public use of fentanyl, meth Establishing criminal penalties for the public use of fentanyl or methamphetamine.	H Community Safe	Low
<u>HB 2029</u> (SSB 5804)	Opioid overdose/high schools Concerning opioid overdose reversal medication in high schools.	H Education	Rule

<u>HB 2047</u>	Cannabis use/SUD employees Allowing employers to screen candidates for cannabis use when hiring for certain positions involving services to persons with substance use disorder.	H Labor & Workpl	Dent
<u>HB 2066</u> <u>(SB 5948)</u>	Health provider contracting Addressing affordability through health care provider contracting.	H HC/Wellness	Riccelli
<u>HB 2145</u>	Health plans/mental health Concerning medically necessary treatment of a mental health or substance use disorder.	H HC/Wellness	Simmons
<u>HB 2196</u>	Alcohol concentration/DUI Concerning alcohol concentration.	H Community Safe	Donaghy
<u>HB 2222</u>	Controlled sub. endangerment Updating the endangerment with a controlled substance statute.	H Community Safe	Hackney
<u>HB 2225</u>	Licensing/criminal records Giving people with criminal records who are rehabilitated a fresh start in occupational licensing in Washington.	H ConsPro&Bus	Thai
<u>HB 2227</u>	DUI conviction vacation Vacating a conviction for driving under the influence, actual physical control of a motor vehicle while under the influence, or an offense considered a prior offense to such convictions.	H Community Safet	Ortiz-Self
<u>HB 2233</u>	Controlled sub./children Providing an appropriate response to the use and presence of controlled substances by parents to protect children.	H Human Svc, You	Couture
<u>HB 2259</u>	Threats of harm to children Addressing threats of harm to children.	H Human Svc, You	Rule
<u>HB 2280</u> <u>(SB 6216)</u>	Student mental health net. Establishing a statewide network for student mental and behavioral health.	H Education	Rule
<u>HB 2469</u>	Involuntary treatment Concerning involuntary treatment.	H Civil R & Judi	Davis
<u>ESSB</u> <u>5010</u>	Synthetic opioids/endanger. Updating the endangerment with a controlled substance statute to include fentanyl or synthetic opioids.	S Passed 3rd	Wilson

<u>ESB 5022</u>	Drug testing equipment Exempting fentanyl testing equipment from the definition of drug paraphernalia. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Expanding access to drug testing equipment to promote community safety.)	S Rules X	Muzzall
<u>ESB 5130</u>	Assisted outpatient treat. Concerning assisted outpatient treatment.	S Rules 3	Frame
<u>SB 5241</u> (HB 1263)	Health care marketplace Concerning material changes to the operations and governance structure of participants in the health care marketplace.	S 2nd Reading	Randall
<u>3SSB 5438</u>	Supportive relationships Facilitating supportive relationships with family and significant individuals within the behavioral health system.	S Ways & Means	Warnick
<u>SSB 5588</u>	Mental health sentencing alt Concerning the mental health sentencing alternative.	S Passed 3rd	Nobles
<u>SSB 5660</u>	Mental health adv directives Establishing a mental health advance directive effective implementation work group.	S Ways & Means	Boehnke
<u>SB 5822</u> (HB 1972)	Physicians health prg. fees Increasing the licensure fees that support the Washington physicians health program.	S Health & Long	Muzzall
<u>SB 5929</u>	Fentanyl/endangerment Concerning fentanyl.	S Law & Justice	Padden
<u>SB 6050</u> (SHB 1929)	Postinpatient housing Supporting young adults following inpatient behavioral health treatment.	S Human Services	Dhingra
<u>SB 6051</u>	Manslaughter/substances Concerning manslaughter when certain controlled substances are sold that result in death of the user.	S Law & Justice	Braun
<u>SB 6244</u>	Pain medications Enacting the pain parity act.	S Health & Long T	Rivers
<u>SB 6297</u>	Direct transfer to treatment	S Law & Justice	Gildon

Recognizing a court's authority to authorize a defendant's direct transfer from jail to inpatient or residential substance use disorder treatment.
