

LegSession2013

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND POLICY

Workforce and Career Development Division (WCD)

Upcoming Hearings and Other News

Legislative Hearings Assigned to WCD for the Week of April 1, 2013:

House Committee on Appropriations 4/1/13

- [SSB 5754](#) – Public Hearing 1:30 PM

Elsewhere at the Capitol:

A coalition of mental health professionals, consumers and community supporters rallied on Thursday to call for Medicaid expansion and full funding of a comprehensive mental health safety net.

Also on Thursday, the Yakama Warriors Association sponsored a "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans" event near the Washington State Vietnam War Memorial.

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Legislative Session Terminology Key:

Track: WCD actively monitors the progress of a bill from introduction through passage and Governor's signature or veto. Tracking includes preparing detailed analyses and monitoring hearings.

Monitor: WCD staff monitors hearings on bills and/or topics of interest to our system. Reports are prepared and filed with the ESD Government Relations Office.

Assigned: Hearings, bills or committee activities identified as having interest/impact to our system are delegated for monitoring/tracking by WCD.

Bills being tracked by WCD:

[SHB 1093](#), [SHB 1424](#), [HCR 4403](#), [SB 5754](#)

Bills not being formally tracked by WCD that may be of interest to the workforce development community:

[SHB 1247](#) (and companion [SB 5560](#)), [HB 1887](#), and [HB 1922](#)

New this week:

There is nothing new this week.

Update on bills with new activities and/or hearings monitored this week:

[SSB 5754](#) – Passed out of House Labor and Workforce Development Committee on 3/26/13 after a proposed amendment to fold Centers of Excellence into the bill was withdrawn. The bill was sent to House Appropriations Committee for further consideration.

[SSHB 1424](#) – Passed out of Senate Early Learning and K-12 Committee on 3/27/13 with amendments that do the following: (1) include teen pregnancy rates as a factor in prioritizing schools that receive graduation and success coaches, (2) direct Washington Institute for Public Policy to prepare a study that reviews evidence-based programs that improve graduation rates among student subgroups and is due to the Legislature by December 1, 2013, and (3) directs schools receiving Building Bridges grants to assess availability of non-academic and supplemental academic services and include that in the needs assessment tool created by the bill. The bill was sent to Senate Ways and Means for further consideration.

2013 Session Cutoff:

Last day to read in committee reports from opposite houses, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees, is **4/3/13**.