



Prevention Alliance

2022 Session Summary

At 11:35 p.m. on March 10th, the legislature adjourned the 2022 legislative session, Sine Die. The 2022 Washington State legislative session was a long session, which means it lasted for just 60 days and moved at a rapid pace as legislators worked diligently to pass bills and budgets and end on time. The session adjourned on time for the fifth year in a row.

Given the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the omicron surge that intensified right as the 2022 session was about to start, the 2022 session was convened in a hybrid fashion. Committee hearings and stakeholder and constituent meetings with legislators all took place through virtual platforms, while floor debate and voting were conducted in a hybrid manner with some legislators in-person (they had to be masked and take regular COVID tests) and other legislators participating through virtual platforms. In the latter half of session as the omicron surge eased, more legislators were permitted in-person and the House and Senate galleries were eventually opened to limited numbers of the public.

A total of [303 bills passed the legislature](#) during the 2022 session. The [average number of bills passed in a short session](#) is about 315. In addition to the work done to pass policy bills, this session also included the business of writing the 2022 supplemental operating, transportation, and capital budgets. Given the extensive resources available due to a higher than projected [quarterly economic & revenue forecast](#), the budgets were much larger than is typical for a supplemental year. The operating and capital budgets made historic levels of investments for a supplemental year, and a new 16-year transportation revenue package was also passed and provided significant increases in transportation programs and projects.

Summarized below are the outcomes of the 2022 Prevention Alliance Strategies. The first section of the report includes strategies that successfully passed and/or were funded including both bills and budget items; the second part includes strategies that did not pass this session. The report provides each strategy and description that was on the 2022 Prevention Alliance Policy Platform followed by a summary of the successful budget items and/or bills that passed for that strategy.

Prevention Alliance 2022 Strategies that Passed and/or Were Funded

Active Transportation Funding: Support for active transportation investments including Safe Routes to School grant program and the bicycle and pedestrian grant program and project list in the transportation budget and a potential transportation revenue package.

SB 5974: Addressing transportation resources.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Liias, Rep Fey

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation is the transportation revenue package known as the Move Ahead WA transportation package. Among other transportation-related components, the package provided increased funding for several active transportation programs.

Active Transportation Budget Items (amounts listed below are over 16 years):

- Safe Routes to Schools: \$290 million
- Bike and Pedestrian Grants: \$278 million
- Reconnecting Communities: \$50 million
- School-Based Bike Program: \$216 million
- Bike and Pedestrian Project List: \$313 million

Addressing certain traffic safety improvements: Advancing recommendations of the Cooper Jones Active Transportation Safety Commission.

SB 5687: Addressing certain traffic safety improvements.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Claire Wilson

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation allows jurisdictions to establish a 20-mph speed limit on nonarterial highways without first conducting an engineering and traffic investigation. It requires pedestrians, when walking upon a roadway, to exercise due care to avoid colliding with any vehicle upon the roadway. It also expands the use of automated traffic safety cameras to detect speed violations on any roadway identified in a school walk area.

Behavioral Health Rates: Implement a 7% Medicaid rate increase directed to community behavioral health agencies.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Health Care Authority – Community Behavioral Health

MCO Behavioral Health Rate Increase: \$17.128 million GFS (\$49.989 million total)¹

Funding is provided to increase Medicaid behavioral health provider rates by 7 percent effective January 1, 2023. The Authority must employ directed payment or other methodologies allowed under Medicaid managed care regulations to direct the funding increase to behavioral health providers. (General Fund-State; General Fund-Medicaid) (Custom)

Non-Medicaid Funding: \$20 million GFS

Funding is provided to increase Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organizations (BH-ASO) and MCO wraparound service contracts. This funding shall be used to implement a 7 percent rate increase for non-Medicaid services and remaining amounts shall be used to address regional behavioral health service needs that cannot be paid for with Medicaid funds. (General Fund-State) (Ongoing)

¹ Throughout this report you will see funding amounts with either 'GFS' or 'Total' listed next to them. 'GFS' stands for 'General Fund-State', which means that funding is provided using state general fund operating dollars. 'Total' means a combination of any state general fund dollars appropriated plus non-state general fund dollars (such as federal dollars).

Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic: Develop a sustainable, alternative payment model for comprehensive community behavioral health services by studying the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) model.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Health Care Authority – Community Behavioral Health

CCBHC Payment Model Study: \$300,000 GFS (\$600,000 total)

Funding is provided on a one-time basis for the Authority to explore the development and implementation of a sustainable, alternative payment model for comprehensive community behavioral health services including examination of the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic model, which provides for an enhanced Medicaid reimbursement rate based on anticipated costs of expanding services to meet the needs of complex populations. (General Fund-State; General Fund-Medicaid) (One-Time)

Children & Youth Behavioral Health: Support remaining priorities of the Children’s Behavioral Health Workgroup that are not already listed as individual PA strategies.

HB 1800: Increasing access to behavioral health services for minors.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Eslick

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation requires the Health Care Authority (HCA) to dedicate at least one fulltime employee focused on connecting families, behavioral health providers, educators, and other stakeholders with current information about law and policy related to behavioral health services for minors. It requires the HCA to convene stakeholders to design, further define, and implement a parent portal. It requires the HCA to conduct stakeholder engagement efforts instead of an annual survey in measuring the impacts of previous legislation related to minor behavioral health and delays some of the reporting requirements associated with that effort. It also modifies membership of the statewide advisory council for the State Office of Behavioral Health Consumer Advocacy.

Budget Items:

Health Care Authority – Community Behavioral Health

Behavioral Health Minors: \$257,000 GFS

Funding is provided for implementation of Substitute House Bill 1800 (behavioral health/minors) which requires the Authority to dedicate a full-time employee to connecting families, providers, educators, and other stakeholders with current information about law and policy related to behavioral health services for minors. The bill also requires the design and implementation of a parent portal to connect families to their community's service and education infrastructure related to behavioral health services for minors. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Department of Commerce

Grants Youth Exiting System Care: \$2.018 million GFS

Funding is provided for the Office of Homeless Youth to provide grants to prevent youth from exiting public systems into homelessness pursuant to Second Substitute House Bill 1905 (homelessness/youth discharge). Of these funds, \$500,000 is provided for services to assist young adults discharging from behavioral health inpatient settings. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Health Care Authority

Parent Support Warm Line: \$500,000 GFS

Funding is provided for the Perinatal Support Warm Line to provide peer support, resources, and referrals to new and expectant parents and people in the emotional transition to parenthood experiencing, or at risk of, postpartum depression or other mental health issues. (General Fund-State) (Ongoing)

Community Eligibility: Expand the number of schools offering free meals for WA Students by leveraging the federal Community Eligibility Provision.

HB 1878: Increasing public school participation in the community eligibility provision of the United States department of agriculture.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Riccelli

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation expands the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) mandatory participation requirements to all public schools with an identified student percentage of 40 percent, or lower if permitted by federal law. It requires school districts, to the extent practicable, to group schools for the purpose of maximizing the number of schools eligible to participate in the CEP.

Budget Items:

Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction

CEP Expansion: \$21.667 mil GFS

Funding is provided for reimbursements to school districts for schools and groups of schools required to participate in the federal Community Eligibility Provision under substitute House Bill 1878 (schools/comm. eligibility) but not eligible for the full federal reimbursement rate. (General Fund-State)

Crisis Response Funding: Secure funding for crisis response services including mobile crisis teams, crisis receiving, and stabilization programs, to ensure there are available services as the 988 system is implemented.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Health Care Authority – Community Behavioral Health

Outreach/Intensive Case Management: \$2 million GFS

Funding is provided for Recovery Navigator Program services established in Chapter 311, Laws of 2021 (ESB 5476). Of the amounts provided, the Authority must allocate \$2 million to Recovery Navigator Program services in King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties. The remaining \$3 million must be allocated to all ten regions proportionate to their current allocation of Recovery Navigator Program funds. (General Fund-State) (Ongoing)

PACT Team Non-Medicaid Funding: \$3.87 million GFS

Funding is provided to align non-Medicaid support levels for Program of Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) providers. (General Fund-State) (Ongoing)

King County Mobile Crisis: \$3 million GFS (\$4.012 million total)

Funding is provided for increasing local behavioral health mobile crisis response team capacity in King County. (General Fund-State; General Fund-Medicaid) (Ongoing)

King County Behavioral Health Response Teams: \$3.99 million GFS

Funding is provided for the Authority to contract with a provider for three Behavioral Health Response Teams in King County. These teams collaborate with regional outreach teams and agencies throughout King County and follow up with individuals after an acute crisis episode for up to three months to establish long-term community linkages and referrals to behavioral health treatment. (General Fund-State) (One-Time)

Diaper Subsidies for Low-Income Families: Provide a monthly diaper subsidy for parents or other caregivers receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

[SB 5838](#): Providing a monthly diaper subsidy for parents or other caregivers receiving temporary assistance for needy families.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Nobles

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation provides that, subject to appropriation, the Department of Social and Health Services may make additional monthly payments to recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families with children under the age of 3, for the purpose of child-related necessities such as diapers

Budget Items:

Department of Social and Health Services Economic Services Administration

Diaper Subsidy/TANF: \$489,000 total

Pursuant to Substitute Senate Bill 5838 (diaper subsidy/TANF), funding is provided for a monthly diaper subsidy for those households receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) with a child under the age of three. The act takes effect November 1, 2023. (General Fund-TANF) (Custom)

Educational Staff Associates Funding (counselors, nurses, etc.): Increase staff allocations in the prototypical school funding model for school counselors, school nurses, social workers, psychologists, and student and staff safety personnel.

[HB 1664](#): Concerning prototypical school formulas for physical, social, and emotional support in schools.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Rule

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation increases minimum allocations for nurses, social workers, psychologists, and counselors in the prototypical school funding model over three school years. It designates certain staff positions as "physical, social, and emotional support staff" (PSES staff) and specifies that the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) may only allocate funding to the extent of and proportionate to a school district's demonstrated actual ratios of PSES staff. It requires that funding for PSES staff be prioritized to staff with a valid educational staff associate certificate. It also requires the OSPI to submit to the Legislature four biennial implementation reports.

Budget Items:

Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction

Student Support Staffing: \$90.573 million GFS [\$548.334 million in 2023-25]

Funding is phased in to increase school staffing ratios and allocations for nurses, social workers, psychologists, and counselors to support the physical and social emotional needs of students as required in Second Substitute House Bill 1664 (schools/support funding). (General Fund-State; WA Opportunity Pathways Account-State) (Custom)

Emergency Stroke & Cardiac System: Improve the Emergency Stroke and Cardiac System in WA.

[SB 5821](#): Evaluating the state's cardiac and stroke emergency response system.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Rivers

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation requires the Department of Health to evaluate the state's current system response for cardiac and stroke emergencies and provide recommendations to the Legislature regarding potential improvements.

Budget Items:

Department of Health

Cardiac and Stroke Response: \$212,000 GFS

Funding is provided to implement Substitute Senate Bill 5821 (cardiac & stroke response), which requires the Department to evaluate the state's current system for cardiac and stroke emergencies and to provide recommendations to the Legislature regarding potential improvements. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Emerging Leaders Program: Expanding Equity in the Outdoors: Secure funding to pilot Emerging Leaders Program: Expanding Equity in the Outdoors. This program invests in BIPOC leaders through paid trainings and opportunities to grow leadership and professional skills in a safe, inclusive environment.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

State Parks and Recreation Commission

Emerging Leaders Program: \$160,000 GFS

One-time funding is provided to contract with a trail maintenance and hiking nonprofit organization for the Emerging Leaders Program, which provides employment training for the outdoor recreation and natural resource management sectors. (General Fund-State) (One-Time)

Family Navigators/Community Health Workers: Allow funding of non-licensed professionals to serve children and adolescents on Apple Health through Value Based Contracts with per member per month (PMPM) payments adequate to support this role.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Department of Health

Community Health Workers: \$654,000 GFS

Funding is provided for the department, in collaboration with an organization that represents pediatric care needs in Washington state, to establish a curriculum and provide training for community health workers in primary care clinics whose patients are significantly comprised of pediatric patients enrolled in medical assistance under chapter 74.09 RCW. This work is in support of the Health Care Authority's two-year grant program. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Health Care Authority

Community Health Workers: \$2.087 million GFS

Funding is provided for a two-year grant program to reimburse community health workers whose patients are significantly comprised of pediatric patients under age 18 and enrolled in medical assistance programs. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Family Preservation Services: Increase the rate community-based providers receive for the provision of family preservation services.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Department of Children, Youth, and Families – Children and Families Services

Combined In-Home Services: \$8.44 million GFS

Combined in-home services (CIHS) provide skill-based and therapy-based services to help families care for their children safely at home. Funding is provided to increase CIHS rates effective July 1, 2022, as recommended by a market rate study completed by a contracted vendor in calendar year 2021. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Family Resource Centers: Secure funding for Family Resource Centers

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Department of Commerce

Family Resource Center Grants: \$5 million GFS

Funding is provided for grants to family resource centers (FRCs) and organizations becoming FRCs to increase capacity and enhance service provision. (General Fund-State) (One-Time)

Growth Management Act & Climate Change: Update the Growth Management Act to include Climate Change in the planning process.

Budget Items not tied to legislation (*while HB 1099 did not pass, funding was provided in the final budget for grants*):

GMA: Growth Management/Climate Grants: \$5.4 million GFS

Funding is provided for grants to local governments for costs to update and implement comprehensive plans pursuant to Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1099 (comprehensive planning). (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Gun Violence Prevention: Support efforts to reduce gun violence.

[SB 5078](#): Addressing firearm safety measures to increase public safety.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Lias by request of the Attorney General

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation prohibits the manufacture, importation, distribution, sale, and offer for sale of large capacity magazines, subject to exemptions. It establishes that violations of these restrictions are a gross misdemeanor. It also provides that distributing, selling, offering for sale, or facilitating the sale, distribution, or transfer of a large capacity magazine online, is actionable under the Washington Consumer Protection Act.

HB 1630: Establishing restrictions on the possession of weapons in certain locations.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Senn

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation prohibits the open carry of weapons while knowingly being in a local government building used in connection with meetings of the governing body of the local government, or any location of a public meeting of the governing body during the meeting or hearing. It prohibits the carrying and possession of weapons in areas of facilities while being used for official meetings of a school district board of directors and in election-related offices and facilities. It also makes violations of weapons restrictions at certain locations a misdemeanor offense for a first violation and gross misdemeanor offense for second or subsequent violations.

HB 1705: Concerning ghost guns.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Berry

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation restricts the manufacture, assembly, sale, transfer, purchase, possession, transport, and receipt of untraceable firearms. It restricts the sale, transfer, purchase, possession, transport, and receipt of unfinished frames and receivers. It also establishes standards for marking untraceable firearms and unfinished frames and receivers with serial numbers.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Department of Commerce

Firearm/Violence Prevention Grants: \$4.111 million GFS

Funding is provided for the Office of Firearm Safety & Violence Prevention (OFSVP) to provide grants to local governments impacted by community violence to implement evidence-based violence reduction strategies. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Firearm Safety/Domestic Violence: \$1 million GFS

Funding is provided for OFSVP for programming regarding removal of firearms in domestic violence cases pursuant to RCW 9.41.800 and 9.41.801, including offering grants to jurisdictions to coordinate firearm removals on a regional basis. (General Fund-State) (One-Time)

Healthy Youth/Violence Prevention: \$2.8 million GFS

Funding is provided for the OFSVP to develop a Healthy Youth & Violence Prevention Initiative, under which the OFSVP will partner with community-based organizations to serve as regional coordinators who will connect youth to service programs and assist local governments, service providers, and nonprofits in accessing and leveraging funds for violence prevention and related services. (General Fund-State) (One-Time)

Community Reinvestment Grants: \$1 million GFS

Funding is provided in FY 2023 to develop an implementation plan for distributing funding from the Community Reinvestment Account for grants addressing economic development, legal aid, reentry services, and violence prevention and intervention. Expenditures from the account for grants is assumed in FY 2024 and FY 2025. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Special Appropriations to the Governor

Community Reinvestment Account: \$200 million GFS

Funding is appropriated on an ongoing basis into the Community Reinvestment Account created in the operating budget bill. (General Fund-State) (One-Time)

Health & Homes Act: Address chronic homelessness through the Health and Homes Act of 2022.

HB 1866: Assisting persons receiving community support services through medical assistance programs to receive supportive housing.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Chopp

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation establishes the Apple Health and Homes Program (Program) to provide a permanent supportive housing benefit and a community support services benefit to persons who meet eligibility criteria related to income, medical risk factors and barriers to finding stable housing. It establishes the Office of Apple Health and Homes within the Department of Commerce to allocate funding for permanent supportive housing units to fulfill the needs of persons enrolled in the Program and establish metrics related to the effects of the Program. It also establishes the Apple Health and Homes Account to be used for permanent supportive housing programs administered by the Office of Apple Health and Homes.

Budget Items:

Department of Commerce

Off. Health & Homes/Services: \$6.5 million total

Funding is provided for the Office of Health and Homes created in Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1866 (supportive housing) to provide supportive services. (Apple Health and Homes-State) (Custom)

Off. Health & Homes/Administration: \$1.29 million total

Funding is provided for administrative costs for the Office of Health and Homes created in Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1866 (supportive housing). (Apple Health and Homes-State) (Custom)

OHH/Supp. Housing Technical Asst.: \$950,000 total

Funding is provided for a grant for a nonprofit to provide assistance and other services for supportive housing providers, including those who receive funds pursuant to Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1866 (supportive housing). (Apple Health and Homes-State) (One-Time)

Health Care Authority – Community Behavioral Health

Apple Health and Homes: \$79,000 GFS (\$157,000 total)

Funding is provided to implement Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1866 (supportive housing). The Authority is required to collaborate with other state agencies and contractors to assure seamless integration of community support services, stable housing, and health care services for individuals that meet eligibility criteria for the Apple Health and Homes program created in the bill. (General Fund-State; General Fund-Medicaid) (Custom)

Health Care Authority - Other

Apple Health and Homes: \$226,000 GFS (\$3.866 million total)

Funding is provided to implement Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1866 (supportive housing). The Authority is required to collaborate with other state agencies and contractors to assure seamless integration of community support services, stable housing, and health care services for individuals that meet eligibility criteria for the Apple Health and Homes program created in the bill. (General Fund-State; General Fund-Local; General Fund-Medicaid) (Custom)

Special Appropriations to the Governor

Apple Health and Homes Account: \$37.192 million GFS

One-time funding is provided for expenditure into the Apple Health and Homes Account created in Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1866 (supportive housing). (General Fund-State) (One-Time)

Department of Commerce – CAPITAL BUDGET

\$60,000,000 of the apple health and homes account—state appropriation in this section is provided solely for the rapid permanent supportive housing program created under Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1866 and the creation of a housing dashboard providing permanent supportive housing need and current capacity data. Of the amounts in this subsection, \$1,500,000 is provided solely for the St. Agnes Haven project in Spokane. If Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1866 is not enacted by June 30, 2022, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

HIV Prevention: Remove the preferred drug list and fail first policy for Medicaid coverage of HIV anti-retrovirals.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Health Care Authority

HIV Antiviral Drug Coverage: \$3.735 million GFS (\$17.81 million total)

Funding is provided to cover all Food and Drug Administration-approved HIV antiviral drugs without prior authorization. (General Fund-State; General Fund-Medicaid) (Custom)

Home Visiting: Ensure the budget includes adequate spending authority for the Home Visiting Services Account.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Home Visiting Services Account: Spending Authority Provided

\$1.5 million in additional spending authority included in the budget. This will allow the Department of Children, Youth & Families to fully expend appropriated funds.

Keeping Families Together through Guardianship: Prioritize relational permanence and resolve dependency cases through guardianships as opposed to adoption.

HB 1747: Supporting relative placements in child welfare proceedings.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Ortiz-Self

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation expands the good cause exception to the requirement that the court require the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) to file a termination petition if a child is in out-of-home care for 15 of the last 22 months to include circumstances where the DCYF has not yet met with the caregiver for the child to discuss guardianship as an alternative to adoption or the court has determined that guardianship is an appropriate permanent plan. It requires the court to consider the efforts taken by the DCYF to support a guardianship and whether a guardianship is available as a permanent option for the child when considering one of the required elements of a termination of parental rights petition. It expands the subsidy program for eligible relatives appointed by the court to include limited guardians of a minor. It also prohibits a child who is placed with a relative or other suitable person from being moved, unless, under certain criteria, the court finds that a change in circumstances necessitates a change in placement.

Budget Items:

Department of Children, Youth, and Families - Children and Families Services

Child Welfare Relative Placements: \$492,000 GFS (\$625,000 total)

Funding is provided to implement Substitute House Bill 1747 (Child relative placements) which, among other changes, expands the good cause requirement that the court require the Department to file a termination petition if a child is in out-of-home care for 15 of the past 22 months to include circumstances where the Department has not yet met with the caregiver for the child to discuss guardianship. (General Fund-State; General Fund-Fam Supt) (Ongoing)

Department of Children, Youth, and Families - Program Support

Child Welfare Relative Placements: \$65,000 GFS

Funding is provided to implement Substitute House Bill 1747 (child relative placements) which, among other changes, expands the good cause requirement that the court require the Department to file a termination petition if a child is in out-of-home care for 15 of the past 22 months to include circumstances where the Department has not yet met with the caregiver for the child to discuss guardianship. (General Fund-State) (Ongoing)

Office of the Attorney General

Child Welfare Relative Placements: \$65,000 total

Funding is provided to implement Substitute House Bill 1747 (child relative placements) which, among other changes, expands the good cause requirement that the court require the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) to file a termination petition if a child is in out-of-home care for 15 of the past 22 months to include circumstances where DCYF has not yet met with the caregiver for the child to discuss guardianship. (Legal Services Revolving Account-State) (Ongoing)

Medicaid Transformation Project: Support renewal of the Medicaid Transformation Project (MTP) for up to five years.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Medicaid Transformation Project: \$198 million (Total)

Funding is provided for HCA to renew its 1115 demonstration waiver for five years. Under this renewal, HCA will seek to improve health outcomes through three initiatives: 1) accountable communities of health; 2) long-term support services; and 3) foundational community supports for housing and employment.

People with Lived Experience: Amend state statute to allow people with lived experience to be compensated for their participation on boards, commissions, councils, committees or other similar groups established by the legislative, executive, and judicial branch.

SB 5793: Concerning stipends for low-income or underrepresented community members of state boards, commissions, councils, committees, and other similar groups.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Claire Wilson by request of the Attorney General
Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation authorizes stipends and reimbursement of other expenses for eligible individuals participating in class one groups. It requires agencies issuing stipends to report to the Office of Equity by August 30, 2023. It also requires the Office of Equity to compile agency responses and report to the Governor and Legislature by August 30, 2024.

Budget Items:

Office of Financial Management

Lived Experience Stipend: \$250,000 GFS

Funding is provided for stipends for individuals who participate on boards, commissions, councils, committees, and work groups across state government pursuant to Second Substitute Senate Bill 5793 (state boards, etc./stipends). (General Fund-State) (Ongoing)

Prenatal to 25 Plan: Establish a facilitated process to develop a Children, Youth, Young Adult, and Families Behavioral Health Strategic Plan.

HB 1890: Concerning the children and youth behavioral health work group.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Callan

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation creates a strategic plan advisory group under the children and youth behavioral health work group for the purpose of developing a behavioral health strategic plan for children, youth transitioning to adulthood, and their caregivers. It modifies the children and youth behavioral health work group by adding a member, allowing up to six meetings per year, and allowing stipends up to \$200 per day for members with lived experience.

Budget Items:

Health Care Authority – Community Behavioral Health

Children/ Behavioral Health: \$563,000 GFS

Funding is provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill 1890 (children behavioral health) which creates an advisory group for the purpose of developing a behavioral health strategic plan for children, transitioning youth, and their caregivers. The bill also expands the Children and Youth Behavioral Health Work Group and allows for stipends of up to \$200 per day for members with lived experience. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Department of Social and Health Services - Mental Health

Children/Behavioral Health: \$36,000 GFS

Funding is provided for .2 FTE to implement Second Substitute House Bill 1890 (children behavioral health). (General Fund-State) (Ongoing)

Department of Social and Health Services - Developmental Disabilities

Children/Behavioral Health: \$54,000 GFS

Funding is provided to implement Second Substitute House Bill 1890 (children/behavioral health), which directs the Children and Youth Behavioral Health Work Group to convene an advisory group to develop a strategic plan regarding behavioral health services for families. (General Fund-State) (Ongoing)

Primary Care Clinics Start Up Funds: Provide funding for start-up activities for primary care clinics (pediatrics or family practice) that are committed to establishing collaborative care for children and adolescents.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Health Care Authority

Behavioral Health Integration: \$2 million GFS

Funding is provided for one-time grants for eligible clinics to establish behavioral health integration in primary care clinics for children and adolescents. (General Fund-State) (One-Time)

School-Based Health Centers: Expand funding for the SBHC grant program to support access to behavioral healthcare in academic settings.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Department of Health

School-Based Health Center Grants: \$814,000 GFS

Funding is provided to expand grants to establish new school-based health centers, add behavioral health capacity to existing school-based health centers, and for the Department of Health to provide technical assistance for the school-based health centers. (General Fund-State) (Ongoing)

Statewide Spending on Primary Care: Provide reporting on primary care expenditures in Washington and the progress towards increasing it to 12% of total health care expenditures.

[SB 5589](#): Concerning statewide spending on primary care.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Robinson

Status: Passed Legislature, Signed by Governor

Summary of Bill as Passed: This legislation directs the Health Care Cost Transparency Board to measure and report on primary care expenditures in Washington. It authorizes the Office of the Insurance Commissioner to conduct an assessment and review of health carriers' primary care expenditures.

Budget Items:

Health Care Authority

Primary Care Spending: \$297,000 total

Funding is provided for staffing for Substitute Senate Bill 5589 (primary care spending). (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Office of Insurance Commissioner

Primary Care Spending: \$7,000 total

Funding is provided to review and apply new review standards to new health plan filings as required under Substitute Senate Bill 5589 (primary care spending). (Insurance Commissioner's Regulatory Account-State) (Custom)

Tobacco Prevention: Secure funding for the Tobacco Prevention and Control Program at the Department of Health.

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Department of Health

Tobacco Prevention: \$5 million GFS

Funding is provided for community-based strategies for control, cessation, treatment and prevention regarding the use of tobacco, vapor products and nicotine, as well as education and prevention regarding other substance use. (General Fund-State) (One-Time)

Universal Access to Health Care: Expand access to health care coverage affordability and access regardless of citizenship status

Budget Items not tied to legislation:

Health Care Authority – Community Behavioral Health

Health Care for Uninsured Adults: \$0 (\$3.319 million GFS starting in 2023-25 budget)

Funding is provided to expand Apple Health for Washington residents with incomes at or below 138 percent of the federal poverty level, regardless of immigration status, beginning in January 2024. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Health Care Authority – Other

Health Care for Uninsured Adults: \$3.25 million GFS (\$19.214 million GFS starting in 2023-25 budget)

Funding is provided to expand Apple Health for Washington residents with incomes at or below 138 percent of the federal poverty level, regardless of immigration status, beginning in January 2024. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Department of Social & Health Services – Economic Services Administration

Health Care for Uninsured Adults: \$207,000 GFS

Funding is provided for Automated Client Eligibility System (ACES) IT system changes necessary to expand Apple Health for all Washington residents, regardless of immigration status, beginning in January 2024. (General Fund-State) (One-Time)

Health Benefit Exchange

Health Care for Uninsured Adults: \$733,000 GFS

Funding is provided to expand Apple Health for Washington residents with incomes at or below 138 percent of the federal poverty level, regardless of immigration status, beginning in January 2024. (General Fund-State) (Custom)

Prevention Alliance 2022 Strategies that Did *Not* Pass and/or Were *Not* Funded

ARNP Rate Parity for Same Services: Require health carriers to reimburse advanced registered nurse practitioners at the same rate as physicians for the same services.

SB 5704: Requiring health carriers to reimburse advanced registered nurse practitioners at the same rate as physicians for the same services.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Randall

Status: Dead (Senate Ways & Means)

Summary of Latest Bill Version: This legislation requires health carriers to reimburse advanced registered nurse practitioners at the same rate as physicians for providing the same service in the same service area.

Biomarker Testing: Require coverage for medically necessary biomarker testing by private and public health plans.

SB 5822: Concerning insurance coverage for biomarker testing.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Lynda Wilson

Status: Dead (Senate Health & Long Term Care)

Summary of Latest Bill Version: This legislation requires insurance coverage for biomarker testing when supported by medical and scientific evidence.

E-Cigarette/Vapor Tax: Achieve tax parity for an equitable, fairer tax system between tobacco products.

HB 1676: Using the taxation of vapor products to fund additional tobacco and vapor use prevention and cessation programs and services.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Harris
Status: Dead (House Finance)

Summary of Latest Bill Version: This legislation replaces the variable milliliter tax on vapor products distributors with a vapor product excise tax of 33 percent of the selling price. It also modifies the account distribution for receipts of vapor products tax revenues.

Growth Management Act & Climate Change: Update the Growth Management Act to include Climate Change in the planning process.

[HB 1099](#): Improving the state's climate response through updates to the state's comprehensive planning framework.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Duerr
Status: Dead (House Rules 3)

Summary Latest Version of Bill: This legislation adds a goal of environmental resiliency to the listed goals of the Growth Management Act (GMA). It adds an environmental resiliency element to the list of elements that must be included within the comprehensive plans certain counties and cities must adopt under the GMA. It requires the environmental resiliency element of the comprehensive plan of certain counties and cities to address the environmental related problems specific to a jurisdiction. It requires Commerce to adopt guidance that creates a model environmental resiliency element. It requires the Department of Ecology to update its Shoreline Master Program guidelines to require Shoreline Master Programs to address the impact of sea level rise and increased storm severity. It adds consideration of changing conditions impacts to the list of elements that must be contained in optional comprehensive flood control management plans.

Guaranteed Basic Income: Advance a policy around Guaranteed Basic Income/Direct Cash Transfer.

[HB 2009](#): Creating the evergreen basic income trust.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Berry
Status: Dead (House Housing, Human Services & Veterans)

Summary of Latest Bill Version: This legislation establishes the Evergreen Basic Income Trust program (Trust) within the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS). It also requires the DSHS to provide monthly cash assistance under the Trust to qualified Washington residents.

Gun Violence Prevention: Support efforts to reduce gun violence.

[HB 1618/SB 5846](#): Prohibiting weapons at election-related offices and facilities subject to limited exemptions for law enforcement officers and security personnel.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Berg/Sen. Lias
Status: Dead (House Civil Rights & Judiciary/Senate Law & Justice)

Summary of Latest Bill Version: This legislation restricts the carrying and possession of firearms and other specified weapons in certain election offices and facilities. It also requires posted notice of such restrictions at election offices and facilities.

[HB 1759](#): Requiring school districts and other public education entities to make information from the department of health about substance use trends, overdose symptoms and response, and the secure storage of prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications, and firearms and ammunition, available through their websites and other communication resources.

Prime Sponsor: Rep. Callan

Status: Dead (Senate 2nd Reading)

Summary of Latest Bill Version: This legislation directs the Department of Health (DOH) to post and periodically revise information about substance use trends, overdose symptoms and response, and the secure storage of prescription drugs, over-the-counter medication, and firearms and ammunition. It requires school districts, charter schools, state-tribal compact schools, and educational service districts to post a prominent link on their homepages to this DOH information. It also tasks these educational entities with making this DOH information accessible through digital and non-digital communications.

[SB 5491](#): Clarifying waiver of firearm rights.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Pedersen

Status: Dead (House 2nd Reading)

Summary of Latest Bill Version: This legislation authorizes electronic filing of voluntary waivers of firearm rights. It exempts firearms voluntarily forfeited to the Washington State Patrol from mandatory disposal requirements. It creates a new civil infraction for possession or control of a firearm after a person files a voluntary waiver of firearm rights that has not been revoked. It also encourages mental health and substance use disorder professionals to discuss voluntary waiver of firearm rights with their patients.

[SB 5568](#): Concerning preemption of municipal laws restricting the open carry of weapons.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Kuderer

Status: Dead (Senate Rules)

Summary of Latest Bill Version: This legislation permits local governments to enact laws and ordinances restricting the open carry of weapons at any public meeting; any building or facility owned or operated by a city, town, county, or other municipality; or any city or municipal park within their respective jurisdictions

[SB 5561](#): Concerning the restoration of the right to possess a firearm.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Dhingra

Status: Dead (House 2nd Reading)

Summary of Latest Bill Version: This legislation revises requirements for restoration of firearm rights lost based on a criminal conviction or finding of not guilty by reason of insanity.

Minor in Possession of Tobacco or Vapor Products: Repeal civil infractions prohibiting the purchase or possession of tobacco products or vapor products by a person under the age of 18.

SB 5129: Concerning the possession of vapor, vapor products, tobacco, and tobacco products by minors.

Prime Sponsor: Sen. Saldaña

Status: Dead (Senate 2nd Reading)

Summary Latest Bill Version: This legislation repeals civil infractions prohibiting the purchase or possession of tobacco products or vapor products by a person under the age of 18. It removes authority of a peace officer or Liquor and Cannabis Board (LCB) enforcement officer to detain a person purchasing or possessing tobacco products or vapor products to determine if they are under the age of 18. It also removes authority of a peace officer or LCB enforcement officer to seize tobacco products or vapor products from a person under the age of 18.

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