

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SSB 5664

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Concerning the Lake Washington Institute of Technology.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Shin, Hobbs, Nelson, Rockefeller, Litzow, Chase, Tom, Zarelli, Brown, Kilmer, Delvin and Murray).

**Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development**

**House Committee on Higher Education**

**House Committee on Education Appropriations & Oversight**

**Background:** Lake Washington Technical College officially became part of the community and technical college system on September 1, 1991. Lake Washington Technical College serves as a flexible college, providing multiple entrance points and pathways. The college is a conduit for students to upgrade their skills, transition into a new career, or further their education for other reasons. Available pathways include basic skills transition, high school programs, certificates of proficiency and completion, apprenticeships, associates degrees (technical and transfer), professional and technical direct transfer agreements, an applied baccalaureate degree, incumbent and displaced worker training, and continuing education.

Lake Washington Technical College is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities at the associate degree level and has been granted candidacy at the baccalaureate degree level.

**Summary:** The name of Lake Washington Technical College is changed to Lake Washington Institute of Technology.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	49	0
House	72	24

**Effective:** July 22, 2011.

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