

# HOUSE BILL REPORT

## ESHB 2376

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**As Passed House:**  
February 25, 2016

**Title:** An act relating to fiscal matters.

**Brief Description:** Making 2016 supplemental operating appropriations.

**Sponsors:** House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Dunshee and Chandler; by request of Office of Financial Management).

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:**

Appropriations: 1/13/16, 2/22/16, 2/23/16 [DPS].

**Floor Activity:**

Passed House: 2/25/16, 50-47.

<p><b>Brief Summary of Engrossed Substitute Bill</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Makes supplemental changes to operating budget appropriations for the 2015-17 biennium.</li></ul>
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### HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

**Majority Report:** The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 18 members: Representatives Dunshee, Chair; Ormsby, Vice Chair; Cody, Fitzgibbon, Hansen, Hudgins, S. Hunt, Jinkins, Kagi, Lytton, Pettigrew, Robinson, Sawyer, Senn, Springer, Sullivan, Tharinger and Walkinshaw.

**Minority Report:** Do not pass. Signed by 15 members: Representatives Chandler, Ranking Minority Member; Parker, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Wilcox, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Buys, Condotta, Dent, Haler, Harris, MacEwen, Magendanz, Manweller, Schmick, Stokesbary, Taylor and Van Werven.

**Staff:** Charlie Gavigan (786-7340).

**Background:**

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The state government operates on a fiscal biennium that begins on July 1 of each odd-numbered year. A two-year biennial operating budget is adopted every odd-numbered year. Supplemental budgets frequently are enacted in each of the following two years after adoption of the biennial budget. Appropriations are made in the biennial and supplemental budgets for the operation of state government and its various agencies and institutions, including higher education, as well as allocations for the funding of K-12 public schools.

The 2015-17 Biennial Operating Budget appropriates \$38.2 billion from the State Near General Fund (State General Fund and the Education Legacy Trust Account) plus the Opportunity Pathways Account. The total budgeted amount, which includes state, federal, and other funds, is \$78.9 billion.

**Summary of Engrossed Substitute Bill:**

State Near General Fund plus Opportunity Pathways appropriations for the 2015-17 biennium are increased by \$478.4 million; the total budget is increased by \$693.9 million.

Fund transfers and other changes to the original 2015-17 Biennial Operating Budget are also made.

Supplemental appropriation changes by agency can be found in the agency detail document at [leap.wa.gov](http://leap.wa.gov).

**Appropriation:** The bill contains multiple appropriations.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Effective Date:** The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

**Staff Summary of Public Testimony:**

Please refer to the January 13, 2016, and February 22, 2016, hearing recordings.

**Persons Testifying:** (In support of original bill) Alex Hur, Service Employees International Union 925; Dave Gering, Manufacturing Industrial Council; Anna Schilter, Washington Student Association; Dave LaFave, Cowlitz 2 Fire and Rescue and Kelso Fire Department; Robert Wardell, People First; Lauren Simonds, National Association of Mental Illness Washington; Leslie Emerick, Home Care Association of Washington; Gail Birmingham; Kyle Long, Home Care Association of Washington, and Washington State Hospice and Palliative Care Organization; Lindsey Grad, Service Employees International Union 1199NW; Julie Salvi, Washington Education Association; Alia Griffing, Washington Federation of State Employees; Michael Moran, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation; and Merritt Mount, Washington State Community Action Partnership.

(Opposed to original bill) Dan Grimm, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

(Other on original bill ) Laurie Lippold, Partners for Our Children; Melissa Johnson, Community Residential Services Association; Brandi Gonzalez, Washington State Parent Allies Committee; Charlie Thompson, Pierce County Human Services Coalition; Jim King, Washington State Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Association; Gary Smith, Independent Business Association; Lani Todd, Service Employees International Union 775; Emily Murphy, Children's Alliance; Jim Kowalkowski, Davenport School District; Steve Gaub, Wilbur School District; William Wadlington, Creston Schools; Jeff Clare, Washington Association for Children and Families; Anna Nepomuceno, University of Washington-Tacoma and Washington Student Association; Laura Wells, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids; Robin Zukoski, Columbia Legal Services; Seth Dawson, Washington Association for Substance Abuse Prevention; Scott Sigmon, Leading Age Washington; Dave Knutson, Washington Health Care Association; Ellicot Dandy OneAmerica; Arlen Harris, State Board for Community and Technical Colleges; Bob Cooper, Washington State Association of Drug Court Professionals; Pamela Crone, The Mockingbird Society; Marcie Taylor, Community Employment Alliance; Len McComb, Washington State Hospital Association; Josie Ellison, Associated Students of Western Washington University; Jerry Reilly, Age Wave Coalition; Marc Webster, Washington Student Achievement Council; Victoria Lincoln, Association of Cities; Diana Stadden, The Arc of Washington State; Brittany Stadden, People First Pierce County; Donna Patrick, Washington State Developmental Disabilities Council; Noah Seidel, Self Advocates in Leadership; Tim Knue, Washington Association for Career and Technical Education; Seamus Petrie, Washington Public Employee Association; Maria Chiechi, Adult Family Home Council; and Genesee Adkins, University of Washington.

(In support of proposed substitute bill) Alex Hur, Service Employees International Union 925; Chris Mulick, Washington State University; Jim Bamberger, Office of Civil Legal Aid; Joanne Moore, Office of Public Defense; Len McComb, Washington State Hospital Association; Seth Dawson, National Alliance of Mental Health-Washington; Lindsay Grad, Service Employees International Union Healthcare 1199NW; Matt Zuvich, Washington Federation of State Employees; Annie Blackledge and Deonate Cruz, The Mockingbird Society; Claire Lane, Anti-Hunger and Nutrition Coalition; Christina Wong, Northwest Harvest; Jerry Reilly, Elder Care Alliance; Melanie Smith, Wellspring Family Services; Sheila Babb Anderson, Champion Advocacy Fund; Tonia Morrison, Children's Home Society; Kyle Long, Home Care Association of Washington; Gail Birmingham; Eric Bailey and Mary Jo George, Alliance Nursing, Inc.; Mary Clogston, Association of Advanced Practice Psychiatric Nurses and Washington State Society for Clinical Social Work; Jason Bragg, Washington State Parent Advocacy Committee; Kim Mead, Washington Education Association; Mitch Denning, Alliance of Educational Associations; Hillary Madsen, Columbia Legal Services; and Doug Nelson, Public School Employees Service Employees International Union 1948.

(Opposed to proposed substitute bill) Eric Lohnes, Association of Washington Business; and James McMahan, Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs.

(Other on proposed substitute bill) Laura Wells, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids; Melissa Johnson, Washington State Association of Headstart and Early Childhood Education Assistance Programs; Emily Murphy, Children's Alliance; Katelyn Graham, Associated Students of the University of Washington; Bob Cooper, Washington Association of Colleges for Teacher Education; Becca Kenna Schenk, Western Washington University; Josie Ellison,

Associated Students of Western Washington University; Donna Christensen, State Alliance of Catholic Charities; Genesee Adkins, University of Washington; Stephen Warning, Superior Court Judges Association; Bob Cooper, Washington State Drug Court Association; Melanie Stewart, Pierce County Alliance; Victoria Lincoln, Association of Washington Cities; Michele Thomas, Washington Low Income Housing Alliance; Laurie Lippold, Partners for our Children; Melissa Johnson, Community Residential Services Association; Robin Zukoski, Columbia Legal Services; Brian Carroll, Washington Association for Children and Families; Alex Hur, Statewide Poverty Action Network; Dema Nesterenko, Service Employees International Union 775; Diana Stadden, The Arc of Washington State; Margaret Lee Thompson; Donna Patrick, Developmental Disabilities Council; Noah Seidel, Self Advocates in Leadership; Brittany Stadden, Self Advocates of Washington and People First of Pierce County; Scott Sigmon, Leading Age Washington; Dave Knutson, Washington Health Care Association; John Ficker, Adult Family Home Council; Lee Phillips, Sunrise Services; Alia Griffing, Washington Federation of State Employees; Ken Kanikeberg, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction; Gene Wachtel, Washington Association of Career and Technical Education; Melissa Gombosky, Education Service District 105; Nicholas Lutes, State Board for Community and Technical Colleges; Scott Sigmon, Coastal Conservation Association; Carl Burke, Northwest Sportfishing Industry Association, Fish Northwest, and Puget Sound Anglers; Seamus Petrie, Washington Public Employees Association; Gerry O'Keefe, Washington Public Ports Association; Laura Berg, Washington State Association of Counties; and Scott Richards, The Nature Conservancy.

**Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying:** None.