



Action Alerts

Click on the links below to learn more about bills currently being reviewed in the state legislature. You can "take action" on these most pressing bills by following the links below.

No featured action alerts this week.



This Week in the Legislature

Moving From Policy Bills to Budget Reconciliation

In the week ahead, the Legislature will undergo yet another transition. The cutoff for policy bills to pass out of committee was this past Wednesday. The cutoff for bills to pass out of the fiscal and transportation committees is April 4, this coming week. Then the session will be down to brass tacks: getting the final bills passed and then focusing on budget.

This past week, the Senate passed its operating budget and the House is about to pass theirs. What happens next is that they have several weeks of floor action to finish the policy bills while the leadership negotiates the final budgets, reconciling the differences between the House and Senate. There are three budgets: operating, capital and transportation, so this process is quite complicated.

Because of this timing, there are no featured legislative Action Alerts in this newsletter. Issue Chairs describe some of the budget issues they see as well as policy recommendations in their respective weekly updates. Please check out the issues in which you have the most interest from the list below.

Thank you for supporting the League's priorities!

There are several other ways you can follow the hearings and legislative process:

- Via TVW (Washington State's public affairs [TV network](#)), and
- On the Washington State Legislature [website](#).

Check out the weekly updates for each issue (below) for information on how to testify, and how to sign on PRO or CON to proposed legislation.



The 2023 Legislative Issues

LWWWA Legislative Issues From the 2023 Washington State Legislative Session

Click on an issue to learn more about session results on bills the League supported and "This Week's Updates" to read the issue chair's report on this past week. When a "⚠️" appears next to an update, it indicates there are actions to take for this week. Click on the "⚠️" to be taken to our Action Alerts page.

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 Money in Politics | [Issue overview](#) | [Read this week's update](#)
 Education | [Issue overview](#) | [Read this week's update](#)
 Redistricting | [Issue overview](#) | [New task force underway - see updates](#)

Environment

Climate Crisis and Energy | [Issue overview](#) | No updates this week
 Forests | [Issue overview](#) | [Read this week's update](#)
 Growth Management | [Issue overview](#) | [Read this week's update](#)
 Solid Waste Management | [Issue overview](#) | [Read this week's update](#)
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Calendar and Events

- The League of Women Voters of Washington's [Biennial Convention](#) will be May 4-7, in Pasco, WA

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