2024 Regular Legislative Session

Veteran / Military Bills

Bill Number	Title	Sponsor
ESHB 1862 C 141 L 24 Effective 10/1/2024	Disabled veteran assist./tax Provides a business and occupation tax exemption for amounts received from sales on a military reservation by a nonprofit that operates an adaptive recreational facility that serves disabled veterans and members of the armed forces. Provides a retail sales and use tax exemption for sales on a military reservation by a nonprofit that operates an adaptive recreational facility that serves disabled veterans and members of the armed forces.	Leavitt
SHB 1905 C 353 L 24 Effective 7/1/2025	Equal pay/protected classes (Companion Bill SB 5894 Nobles) Amends the Equal Pay and Opportunities Act to prohibit an employer from discriminating in compensation and career advancement opportunities against similarly employed employees based on the employee's age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, race, creed, color, national origin, citizenship or immigration status, honorably discharged veteran or military status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability.	Mena
HB 1917 C 53 L 24 Effective 6/6/2024	Physician assistant compact (<i>Companion Bill SB 5815 Muzzall</i>) Adopting the physician assistant compact. Exempts certain information and data relating to physician assistant multistate licenses and applications from the Public Records Act.	Leavitt
<u>SHB 1939</u> C 176 L 24 Effective 6/6/2024	Social work compact Adopting the social work licensure compact.	Orwall
HB 1943 C 178 L 24 Effective 6/6/2024	National guard ed. Grants Expands eligibility for the Washington National Guard Postsecondary Education Grant to the spouse or dependent of a Washington National Guard member. Extends eligibility for the Washington National Guard Postsecondary Education Grant from five years or 125 percent of the published length of the student's program to six years or 150 percent of the published length of the student's program.	Leavitt
HB 2004 C 89 L 24 Effective 6/6/2024	Military student early reg. Requires institutions of higher education that provide early course registration to allow students who are eligible veterans, national guard members, active duty military members, and their spouses, domestic partners, and dependents early course registration.	McEntire
<u>2SHB 2014</u>	Definition of veteran	Volz

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C 146 L 24 Effective 6/6/2024	<i>(Companion Bill SB 5871 Lovick)</i> Standardizes requirements relating to qualifying discharges for the purpose of establishing eligibility for various benefit programs for veterans. Provides a definition of "qualifying discharge."	
EHB 2088 C 370 L 24 Effective 6/6/2024	Crisis teams/liability Provides covered entities and personnel with immunity from civil liability for negligent acts and omissions while providing: (1) specified crisis care services under clinical supervision to persons experiencing a behavioral health crisis, if the act or omission is done or omitted in good faith within the scope of the individual's employment responsibilities; (2) transportation of patients to specified services.	Orwall
HB 2111 C 67 L 24 Effective 6/6/2024	Subsidized child care (Companion Bill SB 5941 C. Wilson) Reorganizes existing statutory language pertaining to the Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) program, and references WCCC eligibility requirements established in Department of Children, Youth, and Families rules. Removes dates indicating deadlines that are in the past and no longer applicable as well as other outdated references. Changes a reference from "immigration" status of an applicant or consumer's child to "citizenship" status.	Nance
<u>SB 5180</u> C 317 L 24 Effective 6/6/2024	Out-of-state teachers Adopts the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact (Compact) and its provisions.	Hunt
<u>SSB 5803</u> C 24 L 24 Effective 6/6/2024	National guard recruitment (Companion Bill HB 1869 Leavitt) Establishes the Washington National Guard member referral incentive program, which provides a referral bonus of no more than \$500 to Washington National Guard members who make a successful referral.	Conway
<u>SB 6238</u> C 334 L 24 Effective 6/6/2024	Property tax/veteran widows Updating thresholds for the property tax exemption for widows and widowers of honorably discharged veterans. (There are 3 income thresholds and 3 levels of grants provided. Bill is effective for taxes collected in 2025.)	Dozier