2023 Funded Board Leg Agenda Items

Career Bridge Modernization – Request for $1.55M
- Project funding of $1.4M and 2 project FTEs.
- No ongoing funding & subject to IT oversight.

Clean Technology Workforce Advisory Committee – Request for $1M
- Funding for $904K, including a transition to retirement study in FY24.
- Included in the passage of Governor’s request bill – HB 1176/SB 5247.

Integrated Data Sharing – Request for $302K
- Funded FTE request at an additional $184K for biennium.
- Contracting funds not included in final budget.
2023 Agenda Items **Not Funded**

**Digital Literacy & IT Equity**
- Requested $6M in Year 1 (set up), $9M/annually by Year 3.
- Partnership of Workforce Board, WSU Global Campus, ESD, & SBCTC.

**Job Skills Program Expansion**
- Requested funding for $29M over 2 years.

**Staff Support for WEIAOB**
- Request for $367K/biennium.
- Majority of staffing moved to WSAC (ESB 5534).
- Funding limited to $5K/year for developing and updating the WEIAOB funding dashboard.
- Pre-ETS for Blind/Low-Vision Youth (DSB) – $644K requested.
  - Funded for $400K.

- AmeriCorps Stipend (ESD) – Request for $12M/year.
  - Budget funded $8M for biennium.

- WIT Replacement (ESD) – Request was for a Variable rate based on bidders.
  - Budget funded $11.6M.
Unemployment Insurance Backlog (ESD) – Request for $34M.
- Funded: Federal funding reduction – $21M.
- Funded: Dedicated team for overpayment waivers – $12M.
- Not funded: Services for barriers customers – $2.9M.

Expansion of EcSA (ESD/WWA) – $39.6M/biennium request.
- Funded: Additional $5.3M for expanded services for +200% FPL.
- Funded: $2.9M for business navigators at the WDCs.
- Not Funded: Expansion of original EcSA model (under 200% FPL).
Long-Term Care (LTC) Workforce
- Continued funding for Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) LTC Registered Apprenticeship – $1.2M FY24, and $1.1M FY25.
- LTC Practice & Culture Transformation – Continued funding at $564K & $573K FY24-25.
- Campaign for Nursing Careers (E2SSB 5582) – $256K for FY24.

Education/training for community-focused occupational therapists via PNWU – $250K/biennium.

Healthcare labor-management partnership grants – $2M for FY24-25, ongoing.

BH Workforce (2SHB 1724) consultation – $84K for biennium.
Collective Impact: Workforce Board Wins

Some examples of initiatives that moved the state forward – supported and/or championed by the Workforce Board...

- Industry Skill Panels
- Centers of Excellence
- Opportunity Partnership Program (SBCTC + WDCs)
- Lifelong Learning Accounts (LiLAs)
- Upskill-Backfill Grants (TAP Accelerator)
- Make it in Washington project
- Future of Work Task Force
- WAVE Scholarship
- Graduation: A Team Effort (GATE – dropout prevention/retrieval)
- NGA Work-Based Learning Policy Academy (led to Career Connect WA)

Healthcare-Specific Items

- Health Workforce Council
- Health Workforce Sentinel Network
- Behavioral Health Workforce Advisory Committee (2016-23)

What’s next on the horizon for this collective impact Board?
Options to consider may include (but not limited to...)

- Continued exploration of a credential transparency policy group and demonstration projects (using SHB 1821 as a base).
- Digital Equity decision package – refine & gather support.
- Job Skills Program expansion – Reintroducing the JSP decision package.
- Supporting efforts to grow the childcare workforce and career pathway opportunities.
- Long-term care workforce – Report to the Gov/Leg on Aug. 1, 2023 will have ideas for policy opportunities – Board engagement is welcome!

Other ideas? Write them on a sticky note!