

BILLS

Bill #	Short title	Description	Status	OHY Report alignment
HB 1630/ SB 5625	HMIS consent	Allowing minors to consent to share their personally identifying information in HMIS	Died in regular session	CROSS-CUTTING APPROACH: Data Quality
SHB 1816	Homeless youth info sharing	Technical corrections to the Homeless Youth Act	Delivered to Governor	CROSS-CUTTING APPROACH: Accessible services
SHB 1867	Extended Foster Care	Expands options for enrollment in EFC, allowing youth to re-enroll 1 additional time after exiting; WSIPP study on EFC	Delivered to Governor	NEAR-TERM ACTION/ STABLE HOUSING: Ensure that youth exiting public systems have a safe, stable place to go
SSB 5241	Education of homeless youth and youth in foster care	Requires school districts to have procedures that help on-time graduation of homeless students; requires schools to grant partial credit for coursework completed and consolidate partial credit, unresolved, or incomplete coursework	Signed by Governor, effective 7/23/17	NEAR-TERM ACTION/ EDUCATION: Improve high school graduation rates
SB 5382	Reduced cost Identicards	Changes the cost of an ID for homeless youth under age 18 to equal the cost of production	Signed by Governor, effective 7/23/17	EMPLOYMENT: provide supports that make it possible for youth to get and keep a job CROSS-CUTTING APPROACH: Accessible services
SSHB 1107/ ESSB 5293	Truancy reduction	Makes revisions to school processes, requirements of Community Truancy Boards, and court processes related to truancy. Removes language that allows the court to order a child to a HOPE bed or CRC.	Delivered to Governor	NEAR-TERM ACTION/ FAMILY RECONCILIATION: Expand diversion interventions to prevent youth from entering juvenile detention for status offenses.

BUDGET

Budget item	Description	Status	OHY Report alignment
New OHY funding	Both House and Senate budgets add targeted funding for the OHY.	<p>House: \$4 mil proviso for preventing youth from exiting public systems into homelessness and supporting development of integrated service models, increasing performance outcomes, and providing technical assistance to providers.</p> <p>Senate: \$6 mil proviso for addressing homelessness for minors (\$5.5 mil), teen shelter in Walla Walla (\$250K), preventing youth from exiting public systems into homelessness (\$500K)</p>	<p>NEAR-TERM ACTION/ STABLE HOUSING: Ensure that youth exiting public systems have a safe, stable place to go</p> <p>CROSS-CUTTING APPROACH: Sustainable funding (Move OHY funding to Commerce’s base budget, increase funding to implement performance standards)</p> <p>CROSS-CUTTING APPROACH: Shared statewide goals and outcomes (use a wrap-around and integrated service delivery system)</p> <p>FAMILY RECONCILIATION: Strengthen supports for older adolescents</p>
Young adult housing	Continuation of funding for Young Adult Housing Program (YAHP) and Young Adult Shelter (YAS) funded in 2016 Supplemental Budget (note: Young Adult Housing Program appears as “Youth specific consolidated grant” in budget documents)	<p>Fully funded in House budget (\$1.6 mil for YAHP; \$840k for YAS)</p> <p>Program funding eliminated in Senate budget</p>	STABLE HOUSING: Expand options that meet the needs of youth and communities
Homeless Student Stability Program	Continuation of funding and policy enacted in 2016 session	\$4 million for biennium is reflected in House and Senate budgets; \$2 million/year split between OSPI and Commerce	NEAR-TERM ACTION/ EDUCATION: Fully implement the Homeless Student Stability Program
Washington Youth & Family Fund	Public-private partnership for strategic investments	\$5 million in House budget; \$3 million in Senate budget	STABLE HOUSING: Expand housing options that meet the needs of youth and communities