

SB 6362-S2.E - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Modifies provisions regarding basic education funding.

VETO MESSAGE ON E2SSB 6362

March 27, 2018

To the Honorable President and Members,
The Senate of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to Sections 402 and 408, Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6362 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to modifying basic education funding provisions."

Section 402 delays the implementation of state-funded professional learning days. Research shows that time for job-embedded professional learning and collaboration is linked to student success. Limiting practices that improve student achievement goes against the intent of this bill and our goals. For this reason, I am vetoing Section 402.

Section 408 moves forward by one year the requirement for OSPI to develop rules and budgetary procedures to ensure school districts provide separate accounting of state and local revenues to expenditures. The work is underway to design and build the accounting systems required to implement this data transparency within the original timeline for school year 2019-20. Speeding up the development of the system will jeopardize the long-term reliability of the accounting system and suspend the development of all other systems work. For this reason I am vetoing Section 408.

For these reasons I have vetoed Sections 402 and 408 of Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6362.

With the exception of Sections 402 and 408, Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 6362 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Jay Inslee
Governor