

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 6246

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As of February 25, 2016

**Title:** An act relating to fiscal matters.

**Brief Description:** Making 2016 supplemental operating appropriations.

**Sponsors:** Senators Hill and Hargrove; by request of Office of Financial Management.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Ways & Means: 1/11/16, 2/24/16.

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

**Staff:** Steve Jones (786-7440)

**Background:** The operating expenses of the state government and its agencies and programs are funded on a biennial basis by an omnibus operations budget adopted by the Legislature in odd-numbered years. In subsequent legislative sessions, a supplemental budget is adopted, making various modifications to agency appropriations. State operating expenses are paid from the state general fund and from various dedicated funds and accounts.

**Summary of Bill:** The bill as referred to committee not considered.

**Summary of Bill (Proposed First Substitute):** The 2015-17 biennial appropriations for the various agencies and programs of the state are modified. For detailed information, please see the website of the Senate Ways & Means Committee: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/Senate/Committees/WM/Pages/default.aspx>.

**Appropriation:** Various

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

**Effective Date:** The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

**Staff Summary of Public Testimony:** Please refer to the February 24, 2016 recording of the public hearing.

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**Persons Testifying:** PRO: Doug Nelson, PSE/SEIU 1948; Becca Kenna-Schenk, Western Washington University; Chris Mulick, Washington State University; JoAnn Taricani, University of Washington; David Buri, Eastern Washington University; Genessee Adkins, University of Washington; Gerry O'Keefe, Washington Public Ports Association; Lisa Thatcher, Port of Tacoma; Jim Hedrick, Port of Everett; Seth Dawson, National Alliance on Mental Illness, NAMI WA.; Len Mc Comb, Washington State Hospital Association; Annie Blackledge, Lamar Campbell, The Mockingbird Society; Kyle Long, Maxim Healthcare, Home Care Association of WA; Sheri Smith, Avail Home Health, Inc. / Administrator; Nick Federici, Pioneer Human Services; Sophia Byrd McSherry, Office of Public Defense; Eric Lohnes, Association of Washington Business.

CON: Kim Mead, President of Washington Education Association; Ken Kanikeberg, Office Superintendent of Public Instruction; Bruce Wishart, Sierra Club / Puget Soundkeeper; James McMahan, WA Assoc Sheriffs and Police Chiefs; Alex Hur, SEIU 925; Tom McBride, Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys; Josh Weiss, WA ST Association of Counties; Edna Fund, Lewis County Commissioner; Bud Blake, Thurston County Commissioner; Callie Dietz, Administrative Office of the Courts; Victoria Lincoln, Association of WA Cities; Tracey Burrows, Municipal Research & Services Center.

OTHER: Laura Wells, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids; Melissa Johnson, Washington State Association of Headstart & ECEAP Programs; Jennifer Jennings-Shaffer, Natasha Fecteau, Ruvine Jimenez, Children's Alliance; Melissa Gombosky, ESD 105; Bob Cooper, Washington Association of Colleges for Teacher Education; Kristin Wiggins; Eleanor Valentin; Josie Ellison, Associated Students of Western Washington University; Nicholas Lutes, State Board for Community and Technical Colleges; Jeff Beulac, Student Governmental Liaison, The Evergreen State College; Seamus Petrie, Washington Public Employees Association; Abby Moore, Regional Support Networks; Joe Valentine, North Sound Regional Support Network; Lindsey Grad, SEIU Healthcare 1199 NW; Matt Zuvich, WFSE; Kate White Tudor, Washington Academy of Physician Assistants; Ann Christian, Washington Council for Behavioral Health; Laurie Lippold, Partners for Our Children; Robin Zukoski, Columbia Legal Services; Tonia Morrison, Washington State Parent Allies Coalition; Melissa Johnson, Community Residential Services Association; Kate Baber, Washington Low Income Housing Alliance/Homelessness Policy & Advocacy Specialist; Janelle Rothfolk, Catholic Community Services of Western Washington; Meg Martin, Interfaith Works Community Shelter/Program Director; Kira Zylstra, All Home; Diana Stadden, The Arc Of WA; Melanie Smith, Wellspring Family Services; Pete Subkoviak, SEIU 775; Claire Lane, Anti-Hunger & Nutrition Coalition; Jerry Reilly, ElderCare Alliance; Sean Graham, Washington State Medical Association; Tacy Reading, Food Lifeline; Lee Phillips, Sunrise Services, Inc.; Noah Seidel, Self Advocates in Leadership; John Ficker, Adult Family Home Council; Tom McBride, Amerigroup; Hillary Madsen, Columbia Legal Services; Ivanova Smith, People First of Washington; James King, WA St HVACR Assn; Melanie Stewart, Pierce County Alliance.

**Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying:** No one.