

9th Annual Conference

Washington State Association of Public Facilities Districts

2014 Legislative Round Up

Ocean Shores Convention Center - Ocean Shores, Washington

Monday, April 28, 2014





2014 Legislative Session

What didn't happen?

- No New Transportation Budget
 - No Capital Budget
 - No New Taxes
 - No Termination of Tax Preferences
 - No Workers' Comp Reform
 - No Higher Ed Tuition Increase
 - No Teacher COLA
 - No Teacher Evaluation
 - No New School Construction Revenue
 - No Life Sciences Discovery Fund
- Governor's Veto*



2014 Legislative Wrap-Up

What did happen?

K-12 Education

- McCleary / MSOCs
- Federal Waiver / Teacher Evaluations
- Increase Instructional Hours
- Timber Counties / Rural Schools
- Lottery Revenue

Health Care

- Accountable Collaborative for Health
- Statewide All Payer Claims Database
- Hospital / Physician-owned Clinics
- Mental Health E&T Facilities



2015 Legislative Session Preview

There's a whole lot that can't get ignored . . . again

- McCleary Decision – Supreme Court Edict later this year?
- Transportation
- School Construction
- Implementing the Federal Affordable Health Care Act
- Higher Education Tuition Policy
- Fish Consumption
- Pension Liabilities



4 Year State Budget Outlook - Dollars in Millions

	<u>2013-15</u>	<u>2015-17</u>
Beginning Balance	\$ 156.4	\$ 314.5
Current Law Revenue	\$33,636.8	\$36,328.8
Total Resources	\$33,971.3	\$36,474.6
Appropriations (2014 Supp.)	\$33,656.9	\$36,442.7
Ending Fund Balance	\$ 314.5	\$ 31.9

SOURCE: Washington State, LEAP



State Revenue Outlook

February 2014 Quarterly Forecast

- State Economy is growing . . . Slowly
- Boeing Signing Bonus - \$10,000 per machinist
- State Personal Income Growth is Slowing
- Flat Revenue Growth through the end of this year



PFD Legislation – 15 Year Extension

Advantages

➤ NO FISCAL IMPACT

State Fiscal Notes Measure a 6-year period

➤ Substantial Increased Revenue Distributions to PFDs for 15 Years

Refinance Current Debt

New Facilities

Reserve Funds



PFD Legislation – 15 Year Extension

Disadvantages

- State Operating & Capital Budget Pressures
- Opening PFD Criticism of Financial Management
- Setting Political Precedent for Future Extensions
 - Why now?
 - What for?
 - When will it ever end?



2014 Legislative Elections – House

Current State House, 55-43 Democrats

Targeted Races

Monica Stonier (D)	17 th District	Vancouver
Larry Seaquist (D)	26 th District	Gig Harbor
Open Seat (D)	28 th District	Lakewood-Tacoma
Open Seat (R)	44 th District	Snohomish



2014 Legislative Elections - Senate

Current State Senate, 26-23 Senate Coalition Caucus

Targeted Races

Baumgartner	(R)	6 th District	Spokane
O'Ban	(R)	28 th District	Lakewood/Tacoma
Open Seat	(D)	30 th District	Federal Way
Steve Hobbs	(D)	44 th District	Lake Stevens/Snohomish
Andy Hill	(R)	45 th District	Redmond
Open Seat	(D)*	48 th District	Medina/Bellevue

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Questions? Comments. Editorial Opinions!

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