



# Washington Association For Substance Abuse & Violence Prevention 2016 Legislative Report

## Helpful Bills Passed/Enacted

HB 1713, Integrating the treatment systems for mental health and chemical dependency.

HB 2439, Increasing access to adequate and appropriate mental health services for children and youth (see, too, SB 6243).

HB 2520, Concerning the sale of marijuana to regulated cooperatives.

HB 2521, Allowing for proper disposal of unsellable marijuana by a licensed marijuana retail outlet.

HB 2584, Concerning public disclosure of information submitted to the liquor and cannabis board regarding marijuana product traceability and operations.

HB 2730, Concerning the prescription monitoring program.

SB 6219, Concerning vehicular homicide sentencing.

SB 6243 (amended into children's mental health, HB 2439), Regarding a training program for educators and parents concerning students' mental health.

SB 6328, Concerning vapor products in respect to provisions concerning certain child-resistant packaging, definitions related to "vapor product," signage requirements prohibiting vapor product sales to minors, prohibition of the purchase and possession of vapor products by minors, the liquor and cannabis board's enforcement authority over vapor products, preemption of certain local regulation of vapor products, and a requirement for vendor-assisted sales of vapor products in retail establishments. [a mixed impact bill]

SB 6341, Concerning the provision of personal services and promotional items by cannabis producers and processors.

SB 6498, Concerning testimonial privileges for alcohol and drug addiction recovery sponsors.

## **Problematic Bills NOT Enacted**

HB 1438, Permitting cities, towns, and counties to prohibit the production, processing, and sale of marijuana under Initiative Measure No. 502 only by public vote.

HB 2304, Concerning prescriptive authority of naturopaths

HB 2347, Reducing the tax on useable marijuana, marijuana concentrates, and marijuana-infused products

HB 2342, Concerning performance of personal services by members of the liquor industry to retailers [the frequency of grocery store sampling could have been increased]

HB 2368, Creating a temporary pilot program authorizing the issuance of marijuana delivery endorsements to certain retailers

HB 2494 & SB 6486, Concerning penalties for marijuana offenses

HB 2504, Concerning the reduction of the retail spirits license issuance fee

HB 2629, Concerning the possession and transfer of marijuana, marijuana plants, useable marijuana, marijuana-infused products, and marijuana concentrates

HB 2641 & SB 6390, Increasing the number of wineries and microbreweries that may offer wine or beer samples at farmers markets

HB 2693, Establishing a marijuana lounge endorsement to a marijuana retailer's license

HB 2696, Concerning the sale of marijuana plants and seeds for medical purposes

SB 6375, Modifying marijuana club provisions

## **Problematic Bills Enacted**

**NONE!!**

## **Relationships Strengthened**

Already solid relationships were further strengthened with:

- The Liquor Cannabis Board (LCB)
- The Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC)
- Key legislative leaders

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