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HEALTH CARE

HB1325 Requires the Health Care Authority to provide reimbursement for up to five sessions of mental health intake and assessment of children from birth through age 5 in home and community settings. Establishes the partnership access line for moms and the mental health referral service for children and teens as ongoing programs.

SB 5189 Allows a health care provider to overcome the presumption of capacity by reasonably determining that the adult has demonstrated an inability to understand and appreciate the nature and consequences of a health care condition or proposed treatment.

HOUSING

**EDUCATION
K-12**

HB 1194 Requires that the first visit after a child is placed outside the home of parent, guardian, or legal custodian must take place within 72 hours of removal, unless the court finds that extraordinary circumstances exist. • Establishes a presumption that if the court previously ordered that visitation between a parent and a child be supervised or monitored, such supervision will no longer be necessary at certain stages of child welfare proceedings.

HB 1227 Modifies the standard used by hospitals, law enforcement, and courts to authorize detention or removal of a child from a parent. • Requires the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to make continuing efforts to place children with relatives and requires such placement unless there is no relative capable of ensuring the basic safety of the child. • Requires the court to release a child to a parent unless the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that removal of the child is necessary to prevent imminent physical harm and that the evidence show a causal relationship between the conditions in the home and imminent physical harm to the child.

HB1363 The bill requires the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to publish on its website links to resources, self-assessments, and best practices for educators and local policymakers to prevent and address secondary traumatic stress in the workforce.

SB 5184 Requires each K-12 public school to establish a contact in each elementary, middle, and high school building to coordinate services and resources for students in foster care. • • Directs existing school district foster care liaisons to train the contact. Tasks the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction with providing best practices for choosing and training contacts

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

FINANCIAL/SMALL BUSINESS

HB 1015 Establishes the Equitable Access to Credit Program (Program) within the Department of Commerce for the purpose of awarding grants to qualified lending institutions to provide access to credit for historically underserved communities.

SB 5226 Concerning the suspension of licenses for traffic infractions.

JUVENILE JUSTICE

HB 1140 Concerning juvenile access to attorneys when contacted by law enforcement.

HB 1203 Requires any local jurisdiction with a law enforcement agency that has at least 10 officers to establish a community oversight board by January 1, 2025.

Public Safety

SB 5067 Impeachment Law Enforcement. Senator Dhingra: Officer Within 10 days of the discovery of any act by an officer that may be potentially exculpatory to a criminal defendant, or within 10 days of the official determination that an officer has engaged in misconduct affecting his or her credibility, the law enforcement 8 agency shall report such incident to the prosecuting authority of any jurisdiction in which the officer may testify as a witness.

SB 5089. Senator Kueshner: Concerning peace officer hiring and certification.

HB 5259. Senator Nobles: Concerning law enforcement data collection. ATG introduced bill.

HB1054 Establishing requirements for tactics and equipment used by peace officers.

HB 1310 Concerning permissible uses of force by law enforcement and correctional officers.

HB1202 Addressing meaningful civil remedies for persons injured as a result of police misconduct, including by allowing for an award of attorney fees in addition to damages and injunctive and declaratory relief.

HB1267 Concerning investigation of potential criminal conduct arising from police use of force, including custodial injuries, and other officer-involved incidents.

HB1071 Concerning bias-based criminal offenses. Adding bias as aggravating factor.

LABOR

SB 5278 Authorizes the Department of Labor and Industries to enforce against a direct contractor unpaid wages owed by a subcontractor.

AGRICULTURE/ FARM WORKERS

HB 1395 Directs the Department of Agriculture (WSDA) to take certain actions to ensure inclusion of historically underrepresented communities in farming and ranching in the development, implementation, and enforcement of food and agriculture laws, rules, regulations, policies, and programs

CAPITAL BUDGET

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REQUEST \$8 million in the state capital budget. The Commission members are leaders in their respective communities who have come together to secure dedicated public funding to support their communities' efforts to take care of their own and build community assets. These communities are over-represented among people who are poor, homeless and ill-housed. State investment in community self-determined assets through a capital fund of \$8 million can begin to capitalize poor communities of color and rural communities with essential housing, healthcare, after school centers, cultural facilities and other assets in their respective communities. Communities of Concern communities know how to best determine the capital assets they need to improve economic well-being and create sustainable neighborhoods of color.