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Early Learning

SB 6759

Early Learning Technical Work Group

Update to ELAC

Membership
Timeline
Required Components
Work Plan

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Membership & Reporting

Working group must contain members from:

- Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Department of Early Learning, Thrive by Five Washington and Office of the Attorney General
- Two members of the Early Learning Advisory Council
- Other stakeholders can be appointed by Early Learning Advisory Council

Work group can convene advisory subgroups on specific topics.

Work group is monitored and overseen by the Quality Education Council.



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The final SB 6759 plan must include:

Work group must develop a plan that examine opportunities and barriers to at least TWO options:

- Under the program of basic education; and
- As an entitlement executed by statute or constitutional amendment.



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Required components to the final plan:

- Criteria for eligible children
- Program standards (number of hours per school year, teacher qualifications and transportation requirements)
- Performance measures
- Criteria for eligible providers, including specific recommendations on licensed and/or certified by DEL, and public, private, nonsectarian and sectarian organizations



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Required components to the final plan:

- Governance responsibilities for OSPI and DEL
- Funding required (Early learning teachers, professional development, facilities and technical assistance)
- Timeline for implementation
- ECEAP's role in the new program



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Timeline

- April 1, 2010: OSPI & DEL begin work to convene work group
- May 21, 2010: ELAC appoints members to work group
- June 15, 2010: First meeting
- July 1, 2011: Progress report due to Early Learning Advisory Council and Quality Education Council
- November 1, 2011: Final report with plan due to Quality Education Council and Early Learning Advisory Council
- Nov. – Dec., 2011: Early Learning Advisory Council develops and submits feedback to Quality Education Council
- January 1, 2012: Quality Education Council submits report to Legislature, detailing its recommendation for a comprehensive voluntary program of early learning



Draft Work Plan

June	Confirm membership and leadership Presentations on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•ECEAP•Attorney General Opinion
July	Presentations on : <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Head Start•Similarities and differences between Head Start and ECEAP Decision points: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•6759 will focus recommendations on supporting all 3-4 year olds.•Desire to expand group to increase representation of key voices and issues.
September	September 23 rd , 9-1 pm, WCELI <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Finalize scope of analysis for work plans✓ Presentations on basic education (legal analysis and expenditures), QRIS✓ Discuss outreach and communication plan
October	October 27 th , 9-1 pm, WCELI <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Presentation on national and international PreK models✓ Finalize outreach and communication plan
November	November 18 th , 9-1 pm, WCELI <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Review progress on work plans
December	December 16 th , 9-1 pm, WCELI <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Update to ELAC and QEC



Draft Work Plan

January	DEL & OSPI draft progress report
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Review and make recommendations on progress report✓ Final decisions on key elements of final report✓ Finalize outreach and communication plan
March	DEL & OSPI begin drafting final report
April	Work group reviews and makes recommendations on progress report
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Review & finalize progress report✓ Final decisions on key elements of final report✓ Update outreach and communication plan
June	Final Progress Report submitted to ELAC and QEC Outreach and communication
July	Begin to draft final report
August	Continue to draft final report
September	Work group reviews & finalizes final report
October	Final Report submitted to ELAC and QEC



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Discussion