

WEIAOB 2025 Legislative Priorities Workgroup Timeline—Sept. 4, 2024

Introduction

During the first two workgroup meetings, participants have discussed the development of a timeline to help the Board evaluate legislative proposals prior to the 2025 legislative session. Based on initial comments, a general timeline is provided below for consideration.

Key Elements

The Board’s process for evaluating legislative proposals must consider the following:

- Both state (i.e., agency, institution, etc.) and external stakeholders (i.e., ICW) must be able to submit proposals for consideration. **The Board must determine:**
 - Which external stakeholders are allowed to submit proposals
 - How external stakeholders will submit proposals (i.e., alternative to decision packages)
- A workgroup will be needed to assist with proposal evaluation prior to the January 2025 Board meeting.
- WSAC staff will utilize the Board’s rubric to conduct an initial evaluation of submitted proposals and summarize them for consideration by the workgroup and full Board.

General Timeline: Evaluation of 2025 Legislative Proposals

The following table contains a general timeline for evaluating 2025 legislative proposals:

Month/Date	Event and Details
September 18, 2024	Fall 2024 Board meeting (9:00–11:00 a.m.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workgroup presents process recommendations to Board for approval • Recommendations include a rubric, timeline, and creating a workgroup to assist with proposal evaluation
October	Proposal solicitation and evaluation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State and external stakeholders submit 2025 proposals • WSAC staff conduct initial review of proposals with rubric • 2024 Board report due to legislature—October 31

November	Workgroup evaluation of proposals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workgroup reviews proposals and WSAC staff summary, then prepares recommendations for full Board
December	Communication to full Board <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WSAC staff send out materials for January 2025 meeting, including workgroup recommendations
January 9, 2025*	Winter 2025 Board meeting (10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.)* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board reviews Governor’s budget and WEIA balance Board votes on final recommendations and communicates them to key legislators/committees

**tentatively scheduled*

Appendix A: Key Dates for WEIAOB 2025 Legislative Strategy

The following table contains an abbreviated summary of key dates in 2024 and 2025 that the workgroup may want to consider as it supports the Board’s determination of 2025 legislative priorities. Please click [here](#) for a more comprehensive list of dates.

Date	Event
September 10, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agency 2025–27 biennial budget requests due to OFM
September 18, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall 2024 WEIAOB meeting (9:00–11:00 a.m.)
October 31, 2024*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2024 WEIAOB report due to legislature
November 5, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Election (new Governor elected)
Mid-December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gov. Inslee’s 2025–27 biennial budget proposals released
January 9, 2025**	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winter 2025 WEIAOB meeting (10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.)**
January 13, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First day of 2025 legislative session (tentative)
January 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Governor’s 2025–27 biennial budget proposals released

**deadline extended from August 1, 2024, by Rep. Slatter and Sen. Nobles*

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