



No workforce has more at stake in the decisions made by elected officials. Take action on these important legislative priorities.

- **Why Do You Deserve a Raise?**



We keep Washington running, but many are unaware of who we are and the sacrifices we've made. 6000+ WFSE members wrote letters and got Governor Inslee to agree to an across-the-board wage increase for state employees. Let the Legislature know why they need to fund our contracts with these raises in place. [Share your story](#)

- **Don't break the juvenile support system—keep Naselle Youth Camp open**



The Washington State House of Representatives released its proposed budget and it has slated Naselle for closure. In addition to taking away over 100 good union jobs from a rural community, this closure would take away a vital part of the continuum of care for the juvenile support system. Closing Naselle will have devastating consequences for our community. [Write a letter](#)

- **Pass SB 5082 – Bring Back the Productivity Board**



Before the program was cut following the Great Recession, state employees who submitted a cost-saving idea to the board were compensated financially with a portion of the savings. Historically, every \$1 paid out to a state employee was offset by \$10 in savings. [Write a letter.](#)

- **Pass SB 5844 – Protect Higher Ed Trades Work**



As you've probably noticed, the cost of everyday goods has gone up dramatically. The same is true for materials needed to maintain our higher education institutions. Unfortunately, the bid limit (the maximum amount that schools can spend on maintenance projects by in-house staff) has not been increased in over 10 years. Senate Bill 5844 would provide a modest increase in the bid limit to reflect inflation and protect the work performed by WFSE members. [Write a letter.](#)

- **Pass HB 1837 – Protection from Repetitive-Motion Injuries**



The legislature is considering a bill (HB 1837) that would allow Labor and Industries to adopt regulations to prevent repetitive motion injuries. We are gathering member stories to help pass this legislation. [Share your story](#)

- **Pass HB 1153 – Increasing Language Access in Schools**



Though there is no shortage of professionally credentialed interpreters in Washington, school districts rely on students, family members, and unqualified staff to interpret for parents with limited English proficiency (LEP). This bill would create more good-paying jobs for our interpreter members and help LEP parents in Washington actively support their children academically. [Write a letter](#)