



Aerospace Futures Alliance 2023 Legislative Agenda

Talent & Training

Priorities:

Unlock tools for employers to directly invest in the training and upskilling of current and future workers.

Support a statewide career connected learning system that provides real-world aviation skills and classroom learning for young people

Actions:

- Propose SB 5721 – Authorizing a business and occupation tax credit to incentivize private sector investment in advanced aerospace manufacturing training and education.
- Support SB 5305 - Establishing the office of career connect Washington
- Support \$3.2 million for Career Connected Learning grants and administration
- Support \$2.5 million for the new office of CCL
- Support the \$60 million State Board for Community & Technical Colleges high demand proposal, funded in the Governor's budget

Sustainable Aviation

Priorities:

Incentivize research, development, production, and sale of Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) and hydrogen fuel cells in Washington state.

Streamline the permitting process for clean energy production facilities.

Actions:

- Support HB 1216 – Concerning clean energy siting
- Support SB 5447 – Promoting the alternative jet fuel industry in Washington
- Support SB 5091 – Creating and expanding tax incentives for the research, development, production, and sale of hydrogen fuel cells in Washington state.

Infrastructure

Priorities:

Support funding for airport infrastructure and aviation hangars

Actions:

- Support HB 1318 – Concerning retail sales tax exemptions for certain aircraft maintenance and repair
- Support HB 1395 – Concerning the distribution of aircraft fuel tax revenue

- Support HB 1243 – Concerning municipal airport commissions
- Support \$10 million in annual funding for airport infrastructure
- Support \$5 million in annual funding over 10-years for general aviation hangars

Business Competitiveness

Priorities:

Expand tax incentives for new-to-Washington companies adding jobs and for existing companies to retain or grow job.

Develop a central resource for aerospace business recruitment, retention, and expansion.

Actions:

- Support SB 5269 – Concerning Washington state manufacturing
- Support HB1040 – Establishing an aviation and aerospace advisory committee
- Support HB 1531 – Promoting economic development of the aerospace industry through a committee empowered to advise on industry issues other than the siting of commercial airports

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