

Transmittal Update - March 6

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Hello SAM Legislative Network,

A reminder that we **DO NOT** have a legislative network meeting on Monday (3/6/23), due to the legislative transmittal break. Also, we **DO NOT** have a meeting on 3/13/23, as that is the Day of Advocacy on the Hill.

Our next SAM LN zoom meeting will be Monday, March 20.

Now that we have made it through transmittal, it is a good time to do a bill check on all the tracked SAM education bills.

I have attached a final spreadsheet which shows all SAM tracked bills. The <insert> column shows the current status of each bill.

- I have highlighted in green the bills that are moving forward.
- If the bill was tabled in committee or is essentially dead, I have highlighted it in yellow.
- There are a couple that "appear" dead, but they are currently stuck in house appropriations. The bills that have an appropriation attached don't have to meet the transmittal deadline and have until the end of March. So they are **not dead yet** - highlighted in orange.

Here are some highlights for the week ending March 3:

[HB15](#), the inflationary bill was signed by the Governor on Thursday.

[HB367](#), the OPI data modernization bill passed the house, 99-0 vote.

[HB450](#), a school discipline bill (*also known as sock a bully in the nose bill*) passed the house by a 70-30 vote.

[HB690](#), a bill that would define the use of facial recognition technology in schools and cleans up the student data privacy act passed the house on a 100-0 vote. This is a SAM priority bill.

[HB707](#), a bill that would allow the establishment of new HS districts passed the house on a 100-0 vote.

[HB774](#), a bill that would change school levy and board elections to every other year during the general election in November passed the house on a 62-38 vote.

[HB784](#), Superintendent Arntzen's election bill failed to pass the house on a 36-63 vote.

Some companion bills that were acted on:

Both Parent's Rights bills passed on second reading. [SB337](#) and [HB676](#). Out of the two, the Senate Bill does the most harm, so we are hoping that bill does not make it. Good news that the Senate bill (SB337) failed on third reading, something that does not happen very often! It was a 25-25 vote in the Senate. Be prepared that they will try to get language from SB337 into HB676 as that bill did pass third reading.

Both Charter School bills passed on second reading. [HB562](#) and [HB549](#). We appreciate everyone's help on the call to action with HB549.

Both bills related to SB99 from the 2021 session have passed. [HB502](#) and [HB566](#) both address the problems with SB99 (from the 2021 session). HB502 makes things worse and HB566 cleans up the problems with SB99. HB502 passed the house on a 68-32 vote.

News about the early literacy bill ([HB352](#)) and the health insurance trust ([HB332](#)) bill. Both of these bills are still in play in House Appropriations. They have an extended deadline for transmittal, because they are in House Appropriations. The health insurance trust bill was tabled, but it may still be acted on before the end of March.

Please let me know if you have any questions - A reminder that we are not meeting today for our SAM LN23. Our next meeting is March 20 at noon.

Thanks, Rob

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