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Weekly Legislative Review Agenda
Time: 12:00 p.m.

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1. Call to Order
 - a. Roll Call

2. PQAC Bill Report

3. Public Comment Period

Meeting Adjourned/Closed.

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[Link to Washington State Legislature Bill Information 2024](#)

January 8, 2024 – First day of session.

January 31, 2024 – Policy Committee Cutoff. **Next cutoff**

February 5, 2024 – Fiscal Committee Cutoff.

February 13, 2024 – House of Origin Cutoff.

February 21, 2024 – Policy Committee Cutoff – Opposite House.

February 26, 2024 – Fiscal Committee Cutoff – Opposite House.

March 1, 2024 – Opposite House Cutoff.

March 7, 2024 – Sine die. Last day allowed for regular session under state constitution.

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Bill Tracker			
Bill # / Staff Lead	Short Title	Brief Description	Committee Action (subject to change)
HB 1909 Joshua	Relating to membership of the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission	HB 1909 amends RCW 18.64.001 pertaining to individual eligibility to apply for a seat on the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission (commission). The bill would change the number of seats reserved for public members with no affiliation “with any aspect of pharmacy” from four to three. The fourth public member seat is converted to allow for a public member who “may be an owner, officer, or operator of a pharmacy, but may not be licensed as a pharmacist or pharmacy technician” to apply for the seat.	HB 1909 <i>Sponsors:</i> Representatives Low and Ramel <i>Introduced (House):</i> 1/8/2024, referred to Health Care & Wellness Committee <i>Public Hearing (Health Care & Wellness):</i> 1/9/2024
SB 5776 Joshua	Emergency supply of insulin	SB 5776 adds new sections to chapter 70.330 RCW pertaining to providing one emergency 30-day supply of insulin to patients within a 12-month period. Section 2, subsections 4 through 6 describe how pharmacies must retain applications for and dispense the emergency insulin supply, and Section 3 of the bill explains how manufacturers of insulin must operate to provide the emergency insulin supply to pharmacies for dispensing.	SB 5776 <i>Sponsors:</i> Senators Keiser, Cleveland, Randall, Van De Wege, Conway, Dhingra, and Kauffman <i>Introduced (Senate):</i> 1/8/2024, referred to Senate Health & Long Term Care Committee <i>Public Hearing (Health & Long Term Care):</i> 1/11/2024
HB 2115 Joshua	Prescription labels for medications used for abortion	The bill amends RCWs 18.64.246 and 69.41.050 to allow prescribers to request that the prescription label for abortion medications list the prescriber’s national practitioner identification number or health care facility name instead of the name of the prescriber. For both statutory sections,	HB 2115 <i>Sponsors:</i> Representatives Thai, Slatter, Senn, Chapman, Reed, Ramel, Macri,

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		“abortion medications” is defined as substances used in the course of medical treatment intended to induce the termination of a pregnancy including, but not limited to, mifepristone.	Gregerson, Doglio, Fosse, Riccelli, Wylie, and Reeves <i>Introduced (House): 1/8/2024, referred to Health Care & Wellness Committee Public Hearing (Health Care & Wellness): 1/12/2024</i>
HB 2116 Joshua	Pharmacist prescriptive authority	HB 2116 amends the definition for “Practice of pharmacy” in RCW 18.64.011(28) to grant pharmacists the authority to prescribe and order drugs and devices as authorized by the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission (commission) in rule. The commission is tasked with conducting rulemaking, to be completed by July 1, 2026, to further define prescriptive authority for pharmacists.	HB 2116 <i>Sponsors:</i> Representatives Thai, Slatter, Senn, Reed, Ormsby, Macri, Gregerson, Fosse, and Wylie <i>Introduced (House): 1/8/2024, referred to Health Care & Wellness Committee</i>
SB 5853 Joshua	Extending the crisis relief center model to provide behavioral health crisis services to minors.	Last session, the legislature passed Second Substitute Senate Bill 5120 (chapter 433, Laws of 2023) regulating crisis relief centers. The bill only included adults as the population who can be served in these facilities. SB 5853 adds the ability for a crisis relief center to serve minors and requires that adults and minors be served in separate facilities.	SB 5853 <i>Sponsors:</i> Senators Dhingra and Wagoner <i>Introduced: 1/8/2024, referred to Senate Health & Long Term Care Committee Public Hearing (Health & Long Term Care): 1/11/2024</i>
HB 1889 Haleigh	Allowing persons to receive professional licenses and certifications regardless of immigration or citizenship status	HB 1889 amends RCW 18.130.040 regarding eligibility status for individuals seeking a license as allowed under Title 8 U.S.C. Sec. 1621. The bill states disciplining authorities cannot deny a license solely on the basis of a person’s immigration or citizenship status. This includes licenses under the regulatory jurisdiction of the commission as defined in chapter 18.64 RCW and chapter 18.64A RCW for pharmacist, pharmacy intern, pharmacy technician, and pharmacy assistant licenses.	HB 1889 <i>Sponsors:</i> Representatives Walen, Taylor, Leavitt, Slatter, Ramel, Duerr, Ryu, Ramos, Bateman, Reeves

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			<i>Introduced (House): 1/8/2024, referred to Consumer Protection & Business Committee Public Hearing (Consumer Protection & Business): 1/9/2024</i>
SB 5977 Haleigh	Limited legalization of psilocybin services	SB 5977 adds a new section to RCW 69.50 relating to limited legalization of psilocybin services in Washington state. The bill allows for nonprofit organizations to facilitate psilocybin services in order to promote wellness. The bill allows the nonprofit organizations to purchase, receive, possess, cultivate, deliver, or dispose of psilocybin or psilocybin mushrooms.	HB 5977 <i>Sponsors: Senators Salomon and Rivers Introduced (House): 1/8/2024, referred to Health & Long Term Care Committee</i>

Additional Bills to Watch			
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SB 5804	Opioid overdose reversal medication in high schools	SB 5804 <i>Sponsors: Senators Kuderer and Wellman Introduced (Senate): 1/8/2024, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education Committee Public hearing (Early Learning & K-12 Education): 1/11/2024</i>	
HB 1954	Reproductive health care services and gender-affirming treatment	HB 1954 <i>Sponsors: Representatives Riccelli, Bateman, Ramel, Reed, Simmons, Ormsby, Macri, Doglio, Thai, Lekanoff, and Reeves Introduced (House): 1/8/2024, referred to Health Care & Wellness Committee Public hearing (Health Care & Wellness): 1/12/2024</i>	
HB 2241	Prohibiting puberty blocking medications, cross-sex hormones,	HB 2241 <i>Sponsors: Representative Jacobsen Introduced (House): 1/9/2024, referred to Health Care & Wellness Committee</i>	

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	and gender transition surgeries for minors	

Dead/dormant Bills (relevant if needed to pass the budget)		
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