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## Action Alerts

*Please take action as individuals and not as representing the League of Women Voters.  
Thank you for taking action!*

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### Priority Actions

No priority actions to take this week because the Legislature will be negotiating final budgets among themselves. Please see the "This Week in Legislature" section below for more information. Click the button below to complete our other actions.

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## This Week in the Legislature

The final cut-off for this year's Legislative session was last week, on Friday, March 1. When you receive this newsletter, there will be only Monday through Thursday (March 4 through 7) remaining of the legislative session.

During this intense week, which is dedicated to decision-making on the floor, only the three supplemental budgets (Operating, Capital and Transportation) will be considered, along with any additional policy actions necessary to implement the budget; and the Initiatives that the Legislature has chosen to respond to.

At this stage of the session, there is little we can influence; so there are no priority Action Alerts this week.

Our final newsletter, with a wrap-up and summary of the session, will come out later. You will not see any issue on Sunday next week; but watch for it during the week that follows.

The Lobby Team wants everyone who took action to know how much we appreciate your support for the League's priorities—your support does make a difference! The more our legislators hear from us, the more impact we have. So, we send a *profound* thank you to all who stepped up in response to our action alerts.

Are you interested in becoming an Issue Chair for next year? We provide training and ongoing mentoring for new Issue Chairs. If you are passionate about any of our issues, please contact [Cynthia Stewart](#), Lobby Team Chair, to talk about the possibilities. We need help on a number of issues!

Thank you for your interest and for your help.

You can also participate in the Monday morning ACT meetings, at which speakers talk in more depth about specific issues. [Register here](#).



## Breaking Down the Legislature

This is the final week of the 2024 Legislature. As noted in "This Week in the Legislature", the agenda is quite limited. The legislators will be busy behind the scenes negotiating the final floor votes for the supplemental budgets and other matters that they have chosen to hear.

As a recap, here's where we've been (weeks are rounded) in this 2nd session of the biennium:

- Weeks 1 to 3.5—Committee work for policy bills in the chamber of origin
- Weeks 3.5 to 4—Committee work continued for fiscal bills
- Week 4 to 5—Passage of bills in house of origin
- Week 5 to 6—Committee work for bills passed by the opposite chamber
- Week 6 to 7—Committee work for fiscal bills from the opposite chamber
- 4 days, Week 7—Passage of bills from the opposite chamber
- 4 days, Week 8—Final passage of final budgets and initiatives (if any)

This is a very time-limited, intense process. Legislators must work very hard to get their bills passed in any supplemental session, but this year there were more bills introduced than ever before, making the time constraints even harder.

If you have questions about the legislative process or would like a speaker for your organization, please contact [Cynthia Stewart](#), Lobby Team Chair.



## The 2024 Legislative Issues

### LWWA Legislative Issues From the 2024 Washington State Legislative Session

Click on an issue overview to learn more about the bills the League is following and "This Week's Updates" to read the issue chair's report on this past week. When a "⚠️" appears at the end of an issue, it indicates there are actions to take for this week. Click on the "⚠️" to be taken to our Action Alert page.

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