

NCSL Opportunities for Working Families Meeting State Action Plans

Washington

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2008 ACTION PLAN

Team Members

Rep. Jeannie Darnielle
Rep. Mary Lou Dickerson
Rep. Zackary Hudgins
Rep. Marko Liias
Rep. Timm Ormsby
Rep. Brendan Williams

Priority Issue(s): Capitol Infrastructure to Create Jobs in New Economy: Skills Pipeline includes basic education to work readiness

Action Items

- Continue to build apprenticeship programs, expand by industry, such as aerotech and increase utilization of apprenticeships, particularly in green (Rep. Hudgins).
- Develop a K-12 master plan for career and tech education, including skills centers (Rep. Liias).
- Develop robust technical skills training with focus on building trades to back-fill jobs from retiring baby boomers. Explore virtual university concepts, pulling best programs and best practices together (examples, work university, aviation high school) (Rep. Hudgins).
- Research construction revenue sources for K-12 capitol construction with focus on skills center construction (Have staff research).
- Build on electoral strategy for funding capitol infrastructure improvements (Rep. Ormsby).
- Connect with Commerce and Labor Committee and Judiciary and Transportation Committee (Rep. Williams).
- Convene team members, along with team members from previous years, to review action plan and get feedback from them. Arrange for an NCSL staff person to participate in the meeting, to validate their efforts and provide accountability (Rep. Dickerson).

Next Steps

1. Next steps are included within action items and include making contacts with leadership, appropriations and subject matter committee chairs (all).

Responsibilities

- Assignments are listed within action items.

Information and Services

- Elizabeth Kneebone, Brookings Institute material
- Rourke O'Brien presenter slides and web material

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State Contact for NCSL follow-up services and evaluation

- Rep. Jeannie Darnielle (alternate: Rep Dickerson)

NCSL Services

- Keep their feet to the fire to ensure accountability
- Provide speaker for their meeting of team members to motivate and validate their efforts (Include RS).