

**WASHINGTON STATE  
WORKFORCE TRAINING AND EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
MEETING NO. 164  
JULY 25, 2012 RETREAT**

**THE 2012-2016 STATE INTEGRATED WORKFORCE PLAN FOR THE  
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT AND WAGNER-PEYSER ACT**

Funds under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) will be available to the state on July 1, 2012, for services to youth (\$16,959,549), adults (\$15,738,264), and dislocated workers (\$22,715,887). To qualify for these and Wagner-Peyser Act funds (\$14,673,520), the Governor must submit a state plan to the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) by September 15, 2012. The plan is posted at <http://www.wtb.wa.gov/Documents/Draft2012-16StateIntegratedWorkforcePlan.pdf>

The Workforce Board and the Employment Security Department (ESD) are jointly responsible for developing the State Integrated Workforce Plan for WIA Title I-B and the Wagner-Peyser Act. The Workforce Board, in consultation with ESD is responsible for recommending Governor approval of the plan. This five-year plan covers the period from July 1, 2012, to June 30, 2016. Workforce Board and ESD staff developed this plan using DOL's plan format (Training and Employment Guidance Letter No. 21-11 and OMB #1205-0398).

Section I of the plan describes the goals, objectives, and strategies in *High Skills, High Wages 2008-2018* and it provides web links to the economic, demographic and performance accountability chapters in *High Skills, High Wages 2008-2018*. Section II describes the role of the Workforce Board serving as the state's Workforce Investment Board for purposes of WIA. Section II also provides, in detail, a description of the state's WIA operating systems and policies supporting *High Skills, High Wages* strategies. It describes services to targeted populations, covers Wagner-Peyser agricultural outreach, and includes requests for three waiver extensions. Section III is an Assurances check list referencing program policy documentation via electronic links. The Assurances check list is to be signed by the Governor. The plan was broadly distributed during the month of June 2012 and comments received during this public review process were considered in the development of the final plan.

The plan includes the federal targets for WIA Title I-B as approved by the Workforce Board at its June 28, 2012 Board meeting.

Please note that Section I of the WIA and Wagner-Peyser State Plan references the goals, objectives, and strategies in *High Skills, High Wages 2008-2018*. Once the Workforce Board adopts the 2012-2022 edition of *High Skills, High Wages*, the Workforce Board will request to DOL a State Integrated Workforce Plan modification so that we can feature the newest strategic goals, objectives and strategies for our state's workforce development system.

**Board Action Requested:** Approval of Recommended Motion

## **RECOMMENDED MOTION**

**WHEREAS,** The Governor designated the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board as the State Workforce Investment Board under the Workforce Investment Act;

**WHEREAS,** The Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board and the Employment Security Department are jointly responsible for developing the State Integrated Workforce Plan for the Workforce Investment Act and the Wagner-Peyser Act;

**WHEREAS,** The State Integrated Workforce Plan for the Workforce Investment Act and the Wagner-Peyser Act is an important planning and operations guide for two key programs in our state's workforce development system;

**WHEREAS,** The 2012-2016 State Integrated Workforce Plan for the Workforce Investment Act and the Wagner-Peyser Act has identified program plans that are consistent with the state's strategic plan for the workforce development system;

**WHEREAS,** The plan was broadly distributed for public comment during the month of June 2012, and comments received during this public review process were considered in the development of the final plan; and

**WHEREAS,** At the Board's June 28, 2012 meeting the Board authorized Board staff to adjust the proposed targets as necessary based on the public review process prior to the submittal of the targets to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** The Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board recommends to the Governor the approval of the 2012-2016 State Integrated Workforce Plan for the Workforce Investment Act and the Wagner-Peyser Act.