

# 12 Reasons to Support the Washington Health Security Trust (WHST)!

## **Everybody will be covered**

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*Most Americans want universal health coverage\**

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## **WHST coverage is not tied to employment**

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*The WHST would reduce auto insurance medical liability premiums*

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## **Every developed nation except the U.S. provides universal, publicly funded health coverage**

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*The WHST could free up funding for education*

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## **The WHST replaces high insurance premiums with lower individual and employer assessments**

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*The WHST reduces administrative costs*

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## **The WHST could lower L&I costs for businesses**

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*The WHST could alleviate state budget problems*

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## **The WHST lowers health care costs**

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*The WHST lowers malpractice costs*

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**EVERYBODY IN,  
NOBODY OUT.**

## **Write to your legislators!**

It's easy as **1 - 2 - 3**

1. Who you are and why you support the **Washington Health Security Trust (WHST)** (see list on back for suggestions)
2. Your request (or thanks!)
3. Your name and address

**(today's date)**

**Dear Sen./Rep. \_\_\_\_\_,**

**I am a retired teacher with a daughter whose "affordable" insurance has deductibles she cannot afford.**

**I support the Washington Health Security Trust (HB 1026/SB 5701) because**

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**It is important to me that you sign on as a co-sponsor of the WHST bill in the upcoming legislative session.**

**I look forward to your response.**

**Sincerely,**

**Jo Smith**

**1234 Main Street, Seattle WA**

\*<http://thehill.com/policy/healthcare/229959-majority-still-support-single-payer-option-poll-finds>

If your legislators are listed below, write and thank them for their support of the Washington Health Security Trust (HB 1026/SB 5701). If they haven't signed, ask them to become a co-sponsor.

### 2017-2018 Sponsors of the WHST

**HB 1026 Prime Sponsor:** Sherry Appleton (23rd)

**House Co-Sponsors:** Derek Stanford (1st), Marcus Riccelli (3rd), Timm Ormsby (3rd), Beth Doglio (22nd), Laurie Dolan (22nd), Steve Tharinger (24th), Mike Chapman (24th), Jake Fey (27th), Laurie Jinkins (27th), Joe Fitzgibbon (34th), Noel Frame (36th), June Robinson (38th), Mike Sells (38th), Kristine Lytton (40th), Roger Goodman (45th), Gerry Pollet (46th), Sharon Wylie (49th).

**SB 5701 Prime Sponsor:** David Frockt (46th)

**Senate Co-Sponsors:** Bob Hasegawa (11th), Sam Hunt (22nd), Jeannie Darneille (27th), Steve Conway (29th), Maralyn Chase (32nd), Karen Keiser (33rd), Rebecca Saldaña (37th), John McCoy (38th), Kevin Ranker (40th), Patty Kuderer (48th).

Find your legislators at

<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/districtfinder/>

If they are on the House Health Care & Wellness Committee or the Senate Health & Long Term Care Committee, it's especially important to contact them about the WHST. See committee rosters on the next page.

**Bold** = WHST sponsor      *Italics* = WHST supporter

### House Health Care & Wellness Committee

**(3rd) Marcus Riccelli (D)**

(5th) Jay Rodne (R)

(5th) Paul Graves (R, Asst. Ranking Minority Member)

(7th) Jacquelin Maycumber (R)

(9th) Joe Schmick (R, Ranking Minority Member)

(17th) Paul Harris (R)

(20th) Richard DeBolt (R)

**(24th) Steve Tharinger (D)**

(26th) Michelle Caldier (R)

**(27th) Laurie Jinkins (D)**

(34th) Eileen Cody (D, Chair)

(35th) Drew MacEwen (R)

**(38th) June Robinson (D)**

(41st) Judy Clibborn (D)

(43rd) *Nicole Macri (D, Vice Chair)*

(48th) Vandana Slatter (D)

(49th) Monica Stonier (D)

### Senate Health & Long Term Care Committee

(2nd) Randi Becker (R)

(5th) Mark Mullet (D)

(10th) Barbara Bailey (R)

(18th) Ann Rivers (R, Ranking Member)

(24<sup>th</sup>) Kevin Van De Wege (D)

**(29th) Steve Conway (D)**

**(33rd) Karen Keiser (D)**

(47th) Joe Fain (R)

**(48th) Patty Kuderer (D, Vice Chair)**

(49th) *Annette Cleveland (D, Chair)*