

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

April 2, 2025
01:00 PM

Hearing Room H-174

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Janeen Sollman, Co-Chair
Sen. Lew Frederick
Sen. Suzanne Weber

Rep. Ricki Ruiz, Co-Chair
Rep. Boomer Wright
Rep. Dwayne Yunker

MEMBER(S) EXCUSED:

Rep. Susan McLain
Rep. Hoa Nguyen

STAFF PRESENT:

Kim To, Legislative Fiscal Office
Lizzie Lohrer, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS:

Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

00:00:30 [Meeting Called to Order](#)
00:00:31 Representative Ruiz, Presiding Co-Chair
00:00:44 Kim To, Legislative Fiscal Office
00:01:44 Co-Chair Ruiz

00:01:56 [SB 5525 Higher Education Coordinating Commission - Prioritizing Affordability](#)
00:02:06 Ben Cannon, Executive Director, Higher Education Coordinating Commission
00:26:27 Co-Chair Sollman
00:27:08 Mr. Cannon
00:28:01 Co-Chair Sollman
00:29:15 Mr. Cannon
00:29:34 Co-Chair Sollman
00:31:03 Mr. Cannon
00:32:13 Rep. Wright
00:32:56 Mr. Cannon
00:33:51 Rep. Yunker

00:34:57 Juan Báez-Arévalo, Director, Office of Student Access and Completion, Higher Education Coordinating Commission

01:01:51 Mr. Cannon

01:02:10 Rep. Wright

01:02:19 Mr. Báez-Arévalo

01:03:33 Sen. Frederick

01:04:22 Co-Chair Sollman

01:04:56 Mr. Báez-Arévalo

01:05:42 Co-Chair Sollman

01:06:52 Mr. Cannon

01:07:36 Mr. Báez-Arévalo

01:08:44 Sen. Weber

01:09:35 Mr. Báez-Arévalo

01:12:06 Mr. Cannon

01:13:58 Co-Chair Ruiz

01:14:07 Co-Chair Sollman

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01:15:15 Co-Chair Ruiz

01:15:24 Sen. Frederick

01:16:11 Sen. Weber

01:16:22 Sen. Frederick

01:16:36 Co-Chair Ruiz

01:17:00 Sen. Frederick

01:17:10 Co-Chair Ruiz

01:17:15 **Meeting Adjourned**