



SAIL

Self-Advocates in Leadership

A coalition of over 200 people with developmental disabilities interested in shaping public policy.

Self-Advocates in Leadership (SAIL) is a statewide coalition in Washington State of people with developmental disabilities.

SAIL Coalition strives with legislative advocacy to shape public policies that affect the lives of people with developmental disabilities.

SAIL meets the second Tuesday of each month at the SeaTac airport conference center from 1 to 4.

If you are unable to attend in person you can join the meeting using zoom video conferencing with the goal in mind of increasing SAIL membership.

SAIL along with the Arc of Washington and the DDC hosts Advocacy Days each year.

SAIL puts together their own legislative priorities and one pagers each year on the issues that SAIL members think are the most important to share with legislators during the legislative session.

In years past SAIL helped in passing the following legislation: **2004-Present**

2004

HB 2663

First Respectful Language Bill

Focused on using people first language on new and revisited laws.

2005

SHB 1711

Accessible Parking

Removed "disabled" from accessible parking signs.

2006

ESHB 2479

Disability Access Voting

Adds 20 days to the time that accessible voting machines are available for use.

2007

HB 1694

Reauthorization and Strengthening of ACCT (Agency Council on Coordinated Transportation)

ACCT was reauthorized as well as including a complaint process that all of the transit providers had to put into place.

ESHB 1050

Kevin's Law

Transition age students can graduate with their class and then continue with transition services.

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2008

SB 6313

Disability History Month

Designates October as Disability History Month and schools must promote disability history in some way.

2009

HB 1835

Second Respectful Language Bill

Directs the code reviser to come up with a bill to take out the word "mental retardation" and replace it with "intellectual disability" where appropriate.

2010

HB 2490

Third Respectful Language Bill

The code reviser put together this bill that listed over 30 instances in the law where "mental retardation" could be replaced with "intellectual disability".

2011

Morgan Center will close by December 31, 2011.

SB5459

Provided that by 2012, children under 21 will no longer be placed in the RHCs.

2012

SSB 6384

"Employment First" policy whereby individuals with developmental disabilities are given the opportunity to become employed.

2013

SB 5556

Parameters for Endangered Missing Person's Advisory.

2015

HB 2063

Creates savings accounts for people with disabilities.

2016

HB 2403

Creates information about Down Syndrome to give parents/pre-parents who receive a positive diagnosis.

2017

SB 5018

Study of whether wheelchair accessible taxicabs having access to HOV lanes causes excessive traffic in them.

2019

HB 1706

Removes the permit allowing less than minimum wage pay from state agencies who employ people with disabilities.

SSB 5405

Organ Transplants

Covered providers fro I/DD cannot deny organ transplants just because of disability.