

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5655 SB	Title: WA achievers grant program	Agency: 340-Student Achievement Council
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.5
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	143,000	91,000	234,000	182,000	182,000
Total \$	143,000	91,000	234,000	182,000	182,000

In addition to the estimates above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see discussion.

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

The cash receipts and expenditure estimates on this page represent the most likely fiscal impact. Factors impacting the precision of these estimates, and alternate ranges (if appropriate), are explained in Part II.

Check applicable boxes and follow corresponding instructions:

- If fiscal impact is greater than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete entire fiscal note form Parts I-V.
- If fiscal impact is less than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete this page only (Part I).
- Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.
- Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

SB 5655 establishes the Washington Achievers Grant Program as a matching grant program, leveraging state appropriations to expand access to existing Federal TRIO Programs (TRIO) at institutions of higher education for students who do not otherwise qualify. The Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) will administer this program.

The Washington achievers grant program is subject to the amounts appropriated specifically for the Washington achievers grant program.

The Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) will establish a request for proposal (RFP) process to select institutions of higher education that may benefit from the Washington achievers grant program. WSAC must create criteria for evaluating and reviewing the RFPs. WSAC must develop a process for helping institutions of higher education identify eligible students through the Washington application for state financial aid (WASFA) submission.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

Expenditure impacts for this program are indeterminate and based on the level of appropriations and the number of interested colleges.

The Washington Achievers Grant Program will require an RFP process to select institutions based on established criteria. Based on available data provided in the Washington State 2022 TRIO Factbook, produced by the Washington State TRIO Association, there are 33 colleges in the state of Washington who currently administer one or more TRIO programs. These programs receive approximately \$25 million in federal TRIO funding annually.

WSAC would be required to establish the RFP process, manage the entire scope of work, and provide ongoing support to colleges. This will include building an IT solution to process payments and ongoing maintenance.

Using an assumed appropriation level of \$10 million annually for this program, WSAC's staffing needs would be as follows

FY24 costs (one-time): \$143,000 for 0.2 FTE Software Developer, 0.3 FTE Associate Director, and 0.3 Program Associate.

FY25 and ongoing costs: \$91,000 annually for 0.1 FTE Software Developer, 0.1 FTE Associate Director, and 0.3 FTE Program Associate.

Staff time estimates are rounded to the nearest 0.1 FTE and staff-related and other costs are rounded to the nearest \$1000.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
001-1	General Fund	State	143,000	91,000	234,000	182,000	182,000
Total \$			143,000	91,000	234,000	182,000	182,000

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III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.5
A-Salaries and Wages	72,000	41,000	113,000	82,000	82,000
B-Employee Benefits	30,000	24,000	54,000	48,000	48,000
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	40,000	25,000	65,000	50,000	50,000
G-Travel	1,000	1,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
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Total \$	143,000	91,000	234,000	182,000	182,000

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III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA*

Job Classification	Salary	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
Associate Director	101,000	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
IT - Software Developer	101,000	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Program/Policy Associate	69,000	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Total FTEs		0.8	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.5

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

Program	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
Financial Aid & Grant Programs (030)	143,000	91,000	234,000	182,000	182,000
Total \$	143,000	91,000	234,000	182,000	182,000

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

The Washington Student Achievement Council will need to adopt administrative rules to conform with changes in statute.