Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 2074 HB Title: Landowner's lessee/penalties

Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27				2027-29				
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Department of Ecology	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Department of Ecology	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Environmental and Land	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Use Hearings Office									
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 2074 HB	Title:	Landowner's lessee/penalties	Agency:	461-Department of Ecology
Part I: Estimates			•	
X No Fiscal Impact				
Estimated Cash Receipts to):			
NONE				
Estimated Operating Expe NONE	nditures from:			
Estimated Capital Budget I	mpact:			
NONE				
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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.

Under current law, RCW 90.03.600 authorizes Ecology to levy civil penalties for various violations of the water code. The assessment of any civil penalties are assigned to the landowner of record where the violations under chapters 43.83B, 90.22, and 90.44 RCW and rules, permits, and similar documents and regulatory orders of Ecology are adopted or issued pursuant to such chapters that occurred.

This bill would amend RCW 90.03.600 to limit the application of certain civil penalties to protect landowners from incurring penalties based on the actions of the landowner's lessee.

Section 1(2) of the bill would clarify current law to establish that Ecology may not levy a civil penalty on the landowner if the actions of the landowner's lessee are the basis for the violation. In these circumstances, Ecology may levy the civil penalty against the lessee.

There is no fiscal impact from this bill. The bill would change the potential recipient of a civil penalty (to include the landowner's lessee) and does not impact any other actions by Ecology including defining, issuing, reviewing, and/or appealing such a civil penalty.

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.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

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

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

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.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 2074 HB	Title:	Landowner's lessee/penalties	Agenc	y: 468-Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office
Part I: Estimates			•	
X No Fiscal Impact				
Estimated Cash Receipts to	0:			
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Estimated Capital Budget	Impact:			
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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.

This act limits the application of certain civil penalties to protect landowners from incurring penalties based on the actions of the landowner's lessee.

Sec. 1 - Adds ss(2) to 90.03.600, which allows Ecology to levy a civil penalty against only the lessee and not the landowner if lessee's actions are the basis for the noted violation.

No appeals to the ELUHO boards are anticipated as a result of this bill. ELUHO assumes any costs associated with this bill could be absorbed by the agency.

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.

None

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.

None

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

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

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

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

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.