

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

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| Bill Number: 5826 SB | Title: Utility bills/CCA charges | Agency: 215-Utilities and Transportation Commission |
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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 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Account | | | | | |
| Public Service Revolving Account-State 111-1 | 0 | 39,699 | 39,699 | 0 | 0 |
| Total \$ | 0 | 39,699 | 39,699 | 0 | 0 |

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.

Sec. 1 establishes the understanding of electric and gas utilities may need to increase rates due to implementation of the Climate Commitment Act and the Commissioner may allow for recovery of those costs. It states the Legislatures intent to require the Commission and utilities to list all approved charges related to CCA costs on customer bills.

Sec. 2 adopts a new section in RCW 80.28 allowing the Commission to approve a tariff schedule with rates or charges to recover the costs of implementing CCA and requires the utility to include those rate increases or charges as a line item on a customer's billing statement.

Sec. 3 establishes the need for this to take effect immediately.

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 at this time.

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.

Simple Rulemaking to adopt new section in RCW 80.28

Sec. 2 requires the Commission to adopt a new section in RCW 80.28 to allow Investor-owned Utilities (IOU's) to recover costs of implementing CCA and require those costs be identified as line items on customer billing statements.

FY2025 - \$39,699 total cost

(Administrative Law Judge, 0.06 FTE; Deputy Director | Regulatory Services, 0.02 FTE; Director | Regulatory Services, 0.02 FTE; Policy Advisor, 0.02 FTE; Deputy Asst. Director | Regulatory Services, 0.02 FTE; Regulatory Analyst 2, 0.03 FTE; Regulatory Analyst 3, 0.04 FTE; Asst. Director Policy, 0.02 FTE)

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

| Account | Account Title | Type | FY 2024 | FY 2025 | 2023-25 | 2025-27 | 2027-29 |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 111-1 | Public Service Revolving Account | State | 0 | 39,699 | 39,699 | 0 | 0 |
| Total \$ | | | 0 | 39,699 | 39,699 | 0 | 0 |

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

| | FY 2024 | FY 2025 | 2023-25 | 2025-27 | 2027-29 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| FTE Staff Years | | 0.2 | 0.1 | | |
| A-Salaries and Wages | | 25,703 | 25,703 | | |
| B-Employee Benefits | | 8,996 | 8,996 | | |
| C-Professional Service Contracts | | | | | |
| E-Goods and Other Services | | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| G-Travel | | | | | |
| 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 \$ | 0 | 39,699 | 39,699 | 0 | 0 |

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 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Administrative Law Judge | 119,604 | | 0.1 | 0.0 | | |
| Asst. Director, Policy | 119,808 | | 0.0 | 0.0 | | |
| Deputy Asst. Director Regulatory Services | 115,440 | | 0.0 | 0.0 | | |
| Deputy Director Regulatory Services | 122,724 | | 0.0 | 0.0 | | |
| Director, Regulatory Services | 139,908 | | 0.0 | 0.0 | | |
| Policy Advisor | 104,004 | | 0.0 | 0.0 | | |
| Regulatory Analyst 2 | 86,208 | | 0.0 | 0.0 | | |
| Regulatory Analyst 3 | 97,596 | | 0.0 | 0.0 | | |
| Total FTEs | | | 0.2 | 0.1 | | 0.0 |

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.

Sec. 2 requires the Commission to adopt a new section in RCW 80.28 to allow IOU's to recover costs of implementing CCA and require those costs be identified as line items on customer billing statements.