

# Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1185 P 2S HB	<b>Title:</b> Lighting products
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## Estimated Cash Receipts

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Department of Ecology	0	0	120,540	0	0	267,450	0	0	149,324
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>120,540</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>267,450</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>149,324</b>

Agency Name	2023-25		2025-27		2027-29	
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total
Local Gov. Total						
Local Gov. Courts						
Loc School dist-SPI						
Local Gov. Other	No fiscal impact					

## 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
Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Office of Attorney General	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Ecology	.4	0	0	120,540	.9	0	0	267,450	.5	0	0	149,324
Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office	.0	0	0	0	.2	57,389	57,389	57,389	.8	210,874	210,874	210,874
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>120,540</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>57,389</b>	<b>57,389</b>	<b>324,839</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>210,874</b>	<b>210,874</b>	<b>360,198</b>

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	No fiscal impact								
Local Gov. Total									

## Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Office of Attorney General	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Ecology	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	No fiscal impact								
Local Gov. Total									

## Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

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# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1185 P 2S HB	<b>Title:</b> Lighting products	<b>Agency:</b> 014-Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

**Estimated Cash Receipts to:**

NONE

**Estimated Operating Expenditures from:**

NONE

**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.
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- 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.*

Section 1 notes the purpose of this bill is to update Washington's existing mercury-containing lights program and establishes the Legislature's intent to: A) restrict the sale of some mercury-containing lights, B) extend the implementation of the stewardship program for mercury-containing lights, and C) update certain elements of the stewardship program.

Section 22 repeals various sections related to the mercury-containing lights product stewardship program, including the termination and repeal provisions, which will eliminate JLARC's scheduled 2024 sunset review.

### 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.*

No fiscal impact.

This bill makes changes to the current mercury-containing lights stewardship program and removes the sunset provision, thereby removing the review from JLARC's workplan.

JLARC Audit Months: JLARC calculates its staff resources in "Audit Months" to estimate the time and effort to undertake and complete its studies. An "Audit Month" reflects a JLARC analyst's time for a month, together with related administrative, support, and goods/services costs. JLARC's anticipated 2023-25 costs are calculated at approximately \$23,900 per audit month.

## Part III: Expenditure Detail

### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

### III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

### 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
Research Analyst	131,064					
Support staff	110,856					
<b>Total FTEs</b>						0.0

### 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

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1185 P 2S HB	<b>Title:</b> Lighting products	<b>Agency:</b> 100-Office of Attorney General
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

**Estimated Cash Receipts to:**

NONE

**Estimated Operating Expenditures from:**

NONE

**Estimated Capital Budget Impact:**

NONE

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- 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.*

The Attorney General's Office (AGO) Ecology Division (ECY) has reviewed this bill and determined it will not significantly increase or decrease the division's workload in representing the Department of Ecology (Ecology). This bill would extend an existing agency program that will otherwise sunset in 2025. The bill would make changes to RCW 70A.505 requiring Ecology to amend its current rules at WAC 197-910. ECY anticipates no more than 40 hours of Assistant Attorney General (AAG) advice in FY 2025 and FY 2026 on the rule amendments. This bill would prohibit the sale of mercury containing lights starting in 2027, and any lights by legacy mercury light producers that do not participate in the Stewardship Program. We do not anticipate measurable enforcement advice or support needs for this, as there have not been any in the past with regard to producer participation in the 10 year old Stewardship Program. New legal services are nominal, and costs are not included in this request.

### II. B - Cash receipts Impact

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## 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

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1185 P 2S HB	<b>Title:</b> Lighting products	<b>Agency:</b> 461-Department of Ecology
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## Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

### Estimated Cash Receipts to:

ACCOUNT	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
Product Stewardship Programs Account-Non-Appropriated 16T-6		120,540	120,540	267,450	149,324
<b>Total \$</b>		120,540	120,540	267,450	149,324

### Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years	0.0	0.8	0.4	0.9	0.5
<b>Account</b>					
Product Stewardship Programs Account-Non-Appropriated 16T-6	0	120,540	120,540	267,450	149,324
<b>Total \$</b>	0	120,540	120,540	267,450	149,324

### Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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OFM Review: Lisa Borkowski	Phone: (360) 742-2239	Date: 01/28/2024

## 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, Chapter 70A.505 RCW, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) oversees the mercury-containing lights product stewardship (LightRecycle) program, operated and funded by a stewardship organization (SO).

This bill would make the following substantive changes to the LightRecycle program:

- Phase out the sale of most mercury-containing lights beginning January 1, 2027.
- Extend the existing product stewardship program for mercury-containing lights beyond its scheduled 2025 sunset and expand the program to include all types of lights beginning in 2027, including lights that do not contain mercury and lights that do not primarily serve an illumination function.
- Eliminate the environmental handling fee that currently applies to the sale at retail of mercury-containing lights, which is used to fund the current stewardship program, and instead requires that producers of lights covered by the stewardship program finance the operations of the program.
- Eliminate the existing \$3,000 per-producer cap on administrative oversight fees due to Ecology beginning in 2025. Instead, the stewardship organization would pay an annual fee to cover Ecology's administrative and enforcement costs.
- Make other changes to the logistical and implementation requirements for light stewardship programs.

Section 2 would amend RCW 70A.230.020 to ban the sale of certain mercury-containing lights beginning January 1, 2027, describe civil penalties that would be deposited into the Model Toxics Control Operating Account (MTCA-Operating), and authorize rule-making.

Section 3 would amend RCW 70A.505.010 to clarify the purpose of the act is to reduce exposure to mercury by phasing out the sale of most mercury-containing lights, and to provide continuing collection of mercury-containing lights that have already entered the marketplace.

Section 4 would amend RCW 70A.505.020 (Definitions) to:

- Allow the number of lights an eligible person can bring in at any one time from 10 to 50.
- Clarify the Environmental Handling Charge (EHC) must be used to fund the program until January 1, 2027, when the sales prohibition begins.
- Add new definitions for CFL lamp, legacy producer, linear fluorescent lamp, market share, and special purpose mercury-containing light.

Section 5 would amend RCW 70A.505.030 to allow a SO to continue to implement its program "as is" until December 31, 2026, except that the EHC amount that funds the program would not increase from January 1, 2024, level. If additional funds would be needed to implement the program, the SO would be required to get those funds from participating producers. Until January 1, 2027, the program would be funded by participant members of the SO. This section would allow Ecology to amend convenience standards when de minimis collections can be demonstrated from collection sites.

Section 6 would amend RCW 70A.505.040, requiring a new or updated product stewardship plan to be submitted by January 1, 2026, for implementation by January 1, 2027. The plan would include new requirements such as a list of current and proposed collection sites (including latitude and longitude for each site), performance goals to be reported on in annual reports, public outreach efforts, including targeted outreach to overburdened communities and vulnerable populations, a contingency plan should the SO falter on its obligations, a safety/response plan for collection site operators, and a periodic survey of public awareness at least every five years. The plan would be updated three years from January 1, 2027, and every five years thereafter.

Section 7 would amend RCW 70A.505.050 to remove the EHC requirement beginning January 1, 2027. Each SO would need to cover the costs of the program with a market share calculation and collect that amount from legacy producers.

Additionally, this section would remove the \$3,000 annual fee from each participating producer after March 1, 2024. Beginning March 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, each SO would be required to pay Ecology an annual fee to cover Ecology's oversight costs. This section would also require the SO to reimburse local governments for demonstrable costs associated with being a part of the collection network.

Section 10 would amend RCW 70A.505.100 to update penalty provisions by allowing a civil penalty of \$1,000 per day or \$10,000 per day for repeated violations and require Ecology to issue warning letters before issuing administrative orders and penalties; Ecology would have the authority to revoke a plan, issue corrective action orders (including for failure of the SO to achieve performance goals and the failure of a legacy producer to respond to a requirement for information), and direct implementation of a contingency plan.

Section 11 would amend RCW 70A.505.110 and require Ecology to review SO plans within 120 days of submittal, provide Ecology the authority to amend a plan, and direct the SO to implement the amended plan. This section would clarify that a producer not in compliance with the mercury-light provision would not be allowed to sell any light into Washington.

Section 12 would amend RCW 70A.505.120 to direct funds received from stewardship organizations and producers to the Product Stewardship Programs Account and update the title of the account to the Mercury-Containing Light Product Stewardship Programs Account.

Section 13 would amend RCW 70A.505.130 to require legislative reports concerning the status of the product stewardship program and recommendations for changes to the provisions of this chapter by November 1, 2029, and December 31, 2035. Ecology would be required to seek comments from local governments, communities, and residents and would estimate the recycling rate for other lights, in addition to mercury-containing lights, beginning October 1, 2026. Ecology would be authorized to request data from the SO to make the estimations.

## **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.*

The cash receipts impact to Ecology under this bill is estimated to be greater than \$50,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) FY 2025, FY 2026, and FY 2029, and less than \$50,000 in FY 2027 and FY 2028 for fee revenue collected into the Mercury-Containing Light Product Stewardship Programs Account. No cash receipts are estimated for penalties.

Under current law, one SO implements the mercury lights stewardship plan and submits an annual payment to Ecology of \$3,000 for each of the SO's represented producers. Each year, Ecology refunds the SO for fee payment revenue if Ecology's actual costs incurred for the fiscal year are less than the funds received.

Beginning March 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, each SO would be required to pay Ecology an annual fee to cover Ecology's oversight costs (section 7). The revenue would be deposited in the Mercury-Containing Light Product Stewardship Programs Account (section 12).

Ecology assumes the fee paid in March 2025 would be for FY 2026 costs to implement, administer, and enforce the program and would replace the annual fee currently in effect. The annual fee would be based on estimated costs for the fiscal year during which the fee is billed. Ecology would be required to refund any fees collected in excess of its estimated costs by October 1 after the closing of each state fiscal year.

Cash receipts are assumed to represent the incremental increase in revenue that would be necessary to cover the incremental increase in estimated costs for each fiscal year to implement the bill, beginning in FY 2026. Based on this assumption, revenue estimates are equal to expenditure estimates in the Mercury-Containing Light Product Stewardship Programs Account each fiscal year, beginning in FY 2026.

Section 2 would provide authority for Ecology to impose civil penalties of up to \$1,000 for the first violation and up to \$5,000

for repeated violations. Penalties collected would be required to be deposited in the Model Toxics Control Operating Account.

Section 10 would provide authority for Ecology to impose penalties of up to \$1,000 per violation per day and up to \$10,000 per violation per day for repeated violations or failure to comply with an issued order. Ecology assumes that if a producer or any person violates this chapter, Ecology would initially send a written warning letter to bring them into compliance.

Enforcement actions and penalties are assumed to be limited but unknown and, therefore, are not estimated in this fiscal note.

## 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.*

The expenditure impact to Ecology under this bill is estimated to be greater than \$50,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025, FY 2026, and FY 2029, less than \$50,000 in FY 2027 and FY 2028 to implement the requirements of sections 2, 6, 11, and 13.

RULE-MAKING (Sections 2, 6, 11, and 13 give Ecology rule-making authority)

Ecology assumes that Chapter 173-910 WAC Mercury-Containing Lights Product Stewardship Program would need to be updated to implement new and changing requirements to the existing mercury-containing lights program. Rule-making authority is provided in the bill under existing law.

Based on previous experiences implementing other product stewardship programs and consultations with the agency rules unit and the Attorney General Office (AGO), Ecology assumes an eighteen-month rule-making process would be required. Ecology assumes one public meeting when developing draft rule language with a webinar option and two public hearings for the proposed rule language. Ecology assumes rule-making would begin on October 1, 2024 (FY 2025) and be completed on March 31, 2026 (FY 2026).

The following staff needs are identified for this rule-making:

A rule administrative coordinator would oversee the rule-making process to comply with the Administrative Procedures Act; prepare rule development and communication plan; prepare and file CR-101; coordinate with interested parties; file CR-102 and hold two public hearings with webinars access; work with economist on economic analysis; work with technical staff to finalize rule language; and file the CR-103 for adoption. This is estimated to require 0.10 FTE Regulatory Analyst 3 (RA-3) each year in FY 2025 and FY 2026.

A rule-making lead would provide technical support to rule coordinator, identify interested parties, coordinate interested party meetings and public outreach, draft rule language, write rule-related documents such as responsiveness summaries and rule development documents, update enforcement guidance documents, prepare information for the economic analysis, and respond to stakeholder questions. Ecology assumes we would perform an Environmental Justice Assessment in FY 2025 as required under the HEAL Act, Chapter 70A.02 RCW. This is estimated to require 0.40 FTE EP-4 each year in FY 2025 and FY 2026.

Communications lead would coordinate an outreach strategy and media engagement. This would require 0.05 FTE Communications Consultant 5 (CC-5) each year in FY 2025 and FY 2026.

Website developer would coordinate with the rule-making lead on a public website for the rule-making process. This would require 0.07 FTE Communications Consultant 3 (CC-3) each year in FY 2025 and FY 2026.

An outreach coordinator would organize public meetings, prepare informational materials, and respond to stakeholder

questions throughout the rule-making process. This would require a Community Outreach & Environmental Education Specialist 3 (COEES-3) 0.10 FTE each year in FY 2025 and FY 2026.

Economic research staff would complete economic and regulatory analysis in support of the rule as required by law. This is estimated to require 0.20 FTE of an Economic Analyst 3, and 0.05 FTE of a Regulatory Analyst 2 in FY 2026.

One public meeting would be held in FY 2025 and two public hearings would be held in FY 2026. Cost estimates include facility rental costs, estimated at \$1,000 per meeting for a total of \$1,000 in FY 2025 and \$2,000 in FY 2026 in Object E.

The Attorney General's Office (AGO) assumes no more than 40 hours of an Assistant Attorney General (AAG) advice in FY 2025 and FY 2026 would be needed to provide legal support for rule-making. New legal services are nominal, and costs are not included in this fiscal note.

#### PLAN AND ANNUAL REPORT REVIEW AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (Sections 6,11, and 13)

Sections 6 and 11 would require new or updated plans submitted by January 1, 2026, for implementation in calendar year 2027 and would be updated three years from January 1, 2027, and every five years thereafter to incorporate new plan elements outlined in the bill. Ecology would be required to review and approve the plan to see if it adequately addresses required components within 120 days of receipt of a complete plan. Ecology assumes the next plan update would be submitted by January 1, 2029 (FY 2029), and every five years thereafter. Ecology assumes one SO would implement the program on behalf of all participating manufacturers. Ecology currently receives and reviews plans under the current law and does not assume an increased workload, except as described below.

This bill would require the SO to include outreach targeted to overburdened communities and vulnerable populations identified by the department under Chapter 70A.02 RCW. Ecology assumes it would have to provide information to the SO regarding overburdened communities and vulnerable populations and estimates 0.20 FTE Environmental Planner 3 each year in FY 2026 and FY 2029, and every five years thereafter to do this work.

Section 6 would also require a SO to submit an annual report to Ecology by June 1 of each year. Ecology already receives and reviews one annual report from the mercury-lights stewardship organization and does not anticipate any new or additional work associated with the annual report review under this bill.

Section 13 would Ecology to seek comments from local governments, communities, and residents and would estimate the recycling rate for other lights, in addition to mercury-containing lights, beginning October 1, 2026. Ecology would be authorized to request data from the SO to make the estimations. Ecology assumes that with the data we would receive from the SO to determine the recycling rate for all lights, this would be a nominal effort, and costs are not included in this fiscal note.

Ecology assumes additional technical assistance would be required to support all lighting products, including stewardship organizations, retailers, producers, recyclers, and members of the public, and routine site visits to collection sites and processors. Ecology estimates this would require 0.20 FTE EP-4 in FY 2026 and ongoing each fiscal year thereafter.

#### LEGISLATIVE REPORT (Section 13)

Section 13 would require Ecology to submit a report to the appropriate committees of the Legislature by November 1, 2029, and by December 31, 2035. The report would address the status of the product stewardship program and recommendations for changes to the provisions of the chapter. The legislative report requirement in the existing law expired in 2014, so this would be a new requirement.

Preparation of the report for submittal to the appropriate committee(s) of the Legislature would require the following for each legislative report:

An Environmental Planner 4 (EP-4) would draft the report, coordinate agency and OFM review, incorporate recommended edits, publish the final report, and submit the report to the Legislature. Assuming similar efforts are needed for each report, the estimated workload is 0.15 FTE EP-4 in FY 2029 and 0.05 FTE in FY 2030.

An Environmental Planner 5 (EP-5) would provide internal policy and technical review and edits for each draft report. The estimated workload is 0.03 FTE EP-5 in FY 2029 and 0.02 FTE FY 2030.

A Communications Consultant 5 (CC-5) would review the report for content clarity and key messages. The estimated workload is 0.03 FTE CC-5 in FY 2029 and 0.02 FTE in FY 2030.

A Communications Consultant 2 (CC-2) would review the report for plain talk and accessibility. The estimated workload is 0.03 FTE CC-2 in FY 2029 and 0.02 FTE in FY 2030.

An Environmental Planner 5 (EP-5) would advise the report writer on legislative report requirements and coordinate with the agency's Governmental Relations Office. The estimated workload is 0.03 FTE EP-5 in FY 2029 and 0.02 FTE in FY 2030.

THE TOTAL EXPENDITURE IMPACT to Ecology under this bill is estimated to be:

- FY 2025: \$120,540 and 0.8 FTEs
- FY 2026: \$232,244 and 1.6 FTEs
- FY 2027: \$35,206 and 0.2 FTEs
- FY 2028: \$35,206 and 0.2 FTEs
- FY 2029: \$114,118 and 0.8 FTEs.

Notes on costs by object:

Salary estimates are current biennium actual rates at Step L.

Benefits are the agency average of 34.1% of salaries.

Goods and Services are the agency average of \$6,048 per direct program FTE and include \$1,000 in FY 2025 and \$2,000 in FY 2026 for rule-making facility rental costs.

Travel is the agency average of \$2,205 per direct program FTE.

Equipment is the agency average of \$1,286 per direct program FTE.

Agency Administrative Overhead is calculated at the federally approved agency indirect rate of 29.8% of direct program salaries and benefits, and is shown as object 9. Agency Administrative Overhead FTEs are included at 0.15 FTE per direct program FTE, and are identified as Fiscal Analyst 2 and IT App Development - Journey.

## Part III: Expenditure Detail

### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
16T-6	Product Stewardship Programs Account	Non-Appropriated	0	120,540	120,540	267,450	149,324
<b>Total \$</b>			0	120,540	120,540	267,450	149,324

**III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose**

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years		0.8	0.4	0.9	0.5
A-Salaries and Wages		64,731	64,731	143,899	81,020
B-Employee Benefits		22,073	22,073	49,069	27,627
E-Goods and Other Services		5,354	5,354	11,496	5,261
G-Travel		1,588	1,588	3,462	1,918
J-Capital Outlays		926	926	2,018	1,120
9-Agency Administrative Overhead		25,868	25,868	57,506	32,378
<b>Total \$</b>	0	120,540	120,540	267,450	149,324

**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
COM OUTRCH & ENV ED SP 3	67,717		0.1	0.1	0.1	
COMM CONSULTANT 2	64,439					0.0
COMM CONSULTANT 3	71,149		0.1	0.0	0.0	
COMM CONSULTANT 5	93,349		0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
ECONOMIC ANALYST 3	95,627				0.1	
ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER 3	86,716				0.1	0.1
ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER 4	95,650		0.4	0.2	0.4	0.3
ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER 5	105,612					0.0
FISCAL ANALYST 2			0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
IT APP DEV-JOURNEY			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
REGULATORY ANALYST 2	88,798				0.0	
REGULATORY ANALYST 3	100,521		0.1	0.1	0.1	
<b>Total FTEs</b>			0.8	0.4	0.9	0.5

**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.*

Section 2(4) would authorize Ecology to adopt rules to implement, administer, and enforce the requirements of this section.

Section 6(2) would require Ecology to establish rules for plan content.

Section 6(5) would authorize Ecology to adopt rules for reporting requirements.

Section 11(5) would require Ecology to adopt rules to implement this chapter. This section is related to Ecology's review and process of approving stewardship plans.

Section 13(1) would authorize Ecology to adopt rules necessary to implement, administer, and enforce this chapter.

Ecology assumes an eighteen-month moderately controversial rule-making process would be required. Ecology assumes rulemaking would begin October 1, 2024 (FY 2025) and be completed March 31, 2026 (FY 2026).



# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1185 P 2S HB	<b>Title:</b> Lighting products	<b>Agency:</b> 468-Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office
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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	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.8
<b>Account</b>					
General Fund-State 001-1	0	0	0	57,389	210,874
<b>Total \$</b>	0	0	0	57,389	210,874

### 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.*

Section 2 -- Beginning January 1, 2026, manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers may not knowingly sell compact fluorescent lamps and linear fluorescent lamps containing mercury. Some exemptions are listed. Violations are punishable by civil penalty of up to \$1,000 for first violation or \$5,000 for repeat violations. Authorizes the Department of Ecology to implement and enforce the requirements. Penalties are appealed to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB).

Section 11 – The Department of Ecology may impose a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation per day, or issue a compliance order. Ecology may impose a civil penalty of up to \$10,000 per violation per day on a person for repeated violations or failure to comply with a compliance order. Ecology must provide written warning before imposing penalties for first violations. Persons may appeal the penalty or corrective action order to the PCHB.

Section 17 – Amends the PCHB’s jurisdiction statute, ch. 43.21B RCW, to include appeals of penalties imposed under the mercury light disposal statute (70A.505.100) and the mercury statute (70A.230.020)

Section 18 – Violation of the mercury light statute, other than fluorescent lamp labeling requirements, is subjected to civil penalty not more than \$1,000 for each first violation and \$5,000 for each repeat violation. The PCHB may have new authority under HB 2039.

Section 19 – Requires recycling of end of life lights and prohibits the disposal of lights in most solid waste and recycling containers the way disposal of mercury containing lights is prohibited. The PCHB may have new authority under HB 2039.

### 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.*

ELUHO estimates 6 low complexity appeals per year resulting from this bill.

ELUHO assumes ELUHO’s work on these appeals begins in January 2027 following the enforcement process by the Department of Ecology.

ELUHO estimates each appeal resulting from this bill will require approximately 150 hours of Administrative Appeals Judge (AAJ) work to complete (50 pre-hearing hours + 100 hearing and post-hearing hours) x 6 appeals. This estimate is based on a current analysis of AAJ work.

150 hours/appeal x 6 appeals = 900 AAJ hours per FY, ongoing.

Assume New AAJ FTE: The PCHB will need approximately 0.5 FTE for an AAJ with knowledge of environmental law to assist with these new cases, based on the estimated number of AAJ hours per year. RCW 43.21B.005(2) authorizes the ELUHO director to appoint such AAJs to assist the PCHB. The AAJ 0.5 FTE will not serve as a member of the Boards, but will conduct legal research and writing, mediate cases, draft Board memos and materials, and perform other legal duties

to assist the Board.

Beginning in FY25 an AAJ will make \$117,840 per year, plus related benefits estimated at \$34,945 per year, at projected benefits rates. The agency needs 0.5 FTE AAJs in Jan 2027, so the salary would be \$117,840 x .5 FTE = \$58,920, per FY, ongoing. Related benefits would total \$17,472, per FY, ongoing.

Assume additional Paralegal FTE: Paralegals provide support for all three Boards, including managing all Board cases and court filings, providing support for Board members, AAJs, and Board meetings, and providing administrative support for ELUHO office functions. We assume 0.5 Paralegal 1 (P1) FTE for every 1.0 AAJ FTE. The bill will require approximately 0.25 FTE P1 to manage the additional cases and support the AAJ FTE.

A P1 makes \$69,072 (assumed Range 51, Step L) per year, with related benefits estimated at \$26,567 per year. The agency needs a 0.25 P1 FTEs so salary would be \$69,072 x 0.25 FTE = \$17,268 per FY, ongoing. Related benefits would total \$6,642 per FY, ongoing.

Goods and services for the total 0.75 FTE are estimated at \$4,036 per year beginning Jan 2027, ongoing. Goods and services include communications, payroll processing, training, and other staff costs. Estimates include some travel at the low cost per diem rates totaling \$1,099 per year. Also included is one time equipment costs for furniture and computers totaling \$4,188 in Jan 2027.

Assume office space needed: Currently, ELUHO leases space on the top floor of the State Parks building, Parsons Plaza, with lease expiring in FY26. We assume the ELUHO office will move to a state-owned facility and offices will be needed for the additional 0.5 AAJ FTE. The 0.25 P1 FTE would need additional cubicle space.

### 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	0	0	0	57,389	210,874
<b>Total \$</b>			0	0	0	57,389	210,874

#### III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years				0.2	0.8
A-Salaries and Wages				38,439	152,376
B-Employee Benefits				12,066	48,228
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services				2,139	8,072
G-Travel				557	2,198
J-Capital Outlays				4,188	
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
9-					
<b>Total \$</b>	0	0	0	57,389	210,874

#### 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 Appeals Judge	117,840				0.1	0.5
Paralegal 1	69,072				0.1	0.3
<b>Total FTEs</b>					0.2	0.8

**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.*

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

Department of Commerce

**Bill Number:** 1185 P 2S HB

**Title:** Lighting products

**Part I: Jurisdiction**-Location, type or status of political subdivision defines range of fiscal impacts.

## Legislation Impacts:

- Cities:
- Counties:
- Special Districts:
- Specific jurisdictions only:
- Variance occurs due to:

## Part II: Estimates

- No fiscal impacts.
- Expenditures represent one-time costs:
- Legislation provides local option:
- Key variables cannot be estimated with certainty at this time:

### Estimated revenue impacts to:

None

### Estimated expenditure impacts to:

None

## Part III: Preparation and Approval

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## **Part IV: Analysis**

### **A. SUMMARY OF BILL**

*Description of the bill with an emphasis on how it impacts local government.*

Sec. 1 establishes that it is the intent of the legislature to restrict the sale of some mercury-containing lights; include other types of lights in the state's stewardship program; and modernize key elements of the state's stewardship program for lighting products.

Sec. 2 modifies RCW 70A.230.020. Effective January 1, 2027, a manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer may not knowingly sell at retail a light, as defined in RCW 70A.505.020 if the light contains mercury. The provisions this section do not apply to: (a) A special purpose mercury-containing light, as defined in RCW 70A.505.020; (b) The products specified in RCW 70A.230.110; or (c) The sale or purchase of mercury-containing lights as a casual or isolated sale as defined in RCW 82.04.040.

A violation of this section is punishable by a civil penalty.

### **B. SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE IMPACTS**

*Expenditure impacts of the legislation on local governments with the expenditure provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of expenditures. Delineated between city, county and special district impacts.*

The legislation would have no expenditure impacts for local government. The penalties established by the bill for the sale of lights containing mercury are civil penalties and thus do not impact local government law enforcement, prosecutors, or defense attorneys.

### **C. SUMMARY OF REVENUE IMPACTS**

*Revenue impacts of the legislation on local governments, with the revenue provisions identified by section number, and when appropriate, the detail of revenue sources. Delineated between city, county and special district impacts.*

The legislation would have no revenue impacts for local government.

Please note that court impacts, including judicial costs, clerk costs, and court fees are described in fiscal notes prepared by the Administrative Office of the Courts. Local government fiscal notes include city and county expenditures for law enforcement investigations and arrests, indigent defenders, prosecutors, and jail costs.