

# Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

<b>Bill Number:</b> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.
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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
Student Achievement Council	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.								
Eastern Washington University	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.								
Central Washington University	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.								
The Evergreen State College	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.								
<b>Total \$</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## 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
Washington State Health Care Authority	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Social and Health Services	.0	0	0	0	.0	53,000	53,000	53,000	.0	52,000	52,000	52,000
Student Achievement Council	1.0	439,000	439,000	439,000	2.0	878,000	878,000	878,000	2.0	878,000	878,000	878,000
Student Achievement Council	In addition to the estimate above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.											
University of Washington	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.											
Washington State University	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.											
Eastern Washington University	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.											
Central Washington University	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.											
The Evergreen State College	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.											
Western Washington University	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.											
Community and Technical College System	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.											
<b>Total \$</b>	1.0	439,000	439,000	439,000	2.0	931,000	931,000	931,000	2.0	930,000	930,000	930,000

## Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Washington State Health Care Authority	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Social and Health Services	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Student Achievement Council	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
University of Washington	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Washington State University	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Eastern Washington University	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Central Washington University	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
The Evergreen State College	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Western Washington University	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Community and Technical College System	.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>

## Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

NONE

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# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.	<b>Agency:</b> 107-Washington State Health Care Authority
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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:

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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.*

See attached narrative.

### 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.*

See attached narrative.

### 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.*

See attached narrative.

## 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.*

# HCA Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 6300 SSB

HCA Request #: 24-122

Title: College Grant/Public Assist.

## 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.

# HCA Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 6300 SSB

HCA Request #: 24-122

Title: College Grant/Public Assist.

## 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.*

6300 SSB relates to permitting beneficiaries of public assistance programs to automatically qualify as income-eligible for the purpose of receiving the Washington college grant; and amending RCW 28B.92.200 and 28B.92.225.

As compared to 6300 SB, this version makes the following changes that impact the Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA):

- Section 1(5)(F) adds beginning in the 2025-26 academic year students who receive apple health coverage under chapter 74.09 RCW with a family income at or below 210 percent of the federal poverty line are eligible for the Washington college grant.
- Section 2(1) adds HCA as agency that shall send the office of student financial assistance (the office) a list of all individuals receiving benefits under the public assistance programs listed under RCW 28B.92.200(5) and added language that the data-sharing requirement does not preempt federal laws prohibiting disclosure of data.

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Section 1(5) states to be eligible for the Washington college grant, students must demonstrate financial need under RCW 28B.92.205 and receive one or more of the public assistance types listed including (F) beginning in the 2025-26 academic year, apple health coverage under chapter 74.09 RCW with a family income at or below 210 percent of the federal poverty line.

Section 2(1) requires the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) to share data with the office and to the extent allowable under federal law, DSHS and HCA to send the office a list of all individuals receiving benefits under the public assistance programs listed under RCW 28B.92.200 (5) on at least and annual basis.

### 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. Distinguish 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. Distinguish between one time and ongoing functions.*

# HCA Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 6300 SSB

HCA Request #: 24-122

Title: College Grant/Public Assist.

No fiscal impact. HCA will need to enter into a data share agreement with the office to send data as allowable, this can be achieved using existing resources.

HCA assumes the requirement to disclose Apple Health eligibility with DSHS and/or the office, to the extent allowable under federal law, would meet the "required by law" exception under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

## Part III: Expenditure Detail

### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditure

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



## HCA Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 6300 SSB

HCA Request #: 24-122

Title: College Grant/Public Assist.

### **Part V: New Rule Making Required**

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

NONE

# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.	<b>Agency:</b> 300-Department of Social and Health Services
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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
<b>Account</b>					
General Fund-State 001-1	0	0	0	53,000	52,000
<b>Total \$</b>	0	0	0	53,000	52,000

### Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

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.*

This bill relates to permitting beneficiaries of public assistance programs to automatically qualify as income-eligible for the purpose of receiving the Washington College Grant (WCG).

Section 1(5) expands eligibility for the WCG program to students who receive Washington Basic Food program benefits under RCW 74.04, Washington Food Assistance Program benefits under RCW 74.08A.120, or those receiving Apple Health coverage under RCW 74.09 with a family income at or below 210 percent of the federal poverty line.

Section 2(1) requires the Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) to enter into a data-sharing agreement (DSA) with the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) and Health Care Authority (HCA) to facilitate the sharing of individual-level data for the Washington College Grant (WCG) program.

At present, it is unclear how eligibility verification would be performed throughout the year. DSHS currently has a DSA in place to provide data to the Office of Student Financial Assistance, to include Aged, Blind, and Disabled (ABD), Housing and Essential Needs (HEN), and Pregnant Women Assistance (PWA) data. This bill expands eligibility to include the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the state-funded Food Assistance Program (FAP). Given the constraints and need for federal Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) approval, adding SNAP and FAP data is not permissible at this time. HCA would need to verify eligibility annually. Although DSHS has access to Apple Health data, the department currently does not have the authority to release those data.

Section 2(2) requires WSAC to issue a certificate validating eligibility for the WCG program to students in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grades whose families are receiving benefits under applicable public assistance programs.

Individual-level outreach to recipients of the SNAP and FAP programs must be facilitated by DSHS in order to remain in compliance with federal regulations. DSHS Economic Services Administration (ESA) continues to pursue permission from federal partners to share individual-level SNAP data consistent with the intent of the bill. Although DSHS has access to Apple Health data, the department currently does not have the authority to release those data.

### 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.*

No cash receipts.

### 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.*

Section 2(2) requires WSAC to issue a certificate validating eligibility for the WCG program to students in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grades whose families are receiving benefits under applicable public assistance programs.

Individual-level outreach to recipients of the SNAP and FAP programs must be facilitated by DSHS in order to remain in compliance with federal regulations. ESA continues to pursue permission from federal partners to share individual-level SNAP data consistent with the intent of the bill. Since approval from federal partners has not yet been granted, this fiscal note assumes ESA will conduct outreach on WSAC's behalf.

Although DSHS has access to Apple Health data, the department currently does not have the authority to release those data, therefore this fiscal note assumes the department will not be conducting outreach on HCA's behalf.

ESA assumes outreach would be achieved via a mailer, which would be performed within existing staffing resources, with additional material and postage costs. Outreach is to be performed beginning in the 2025-26 school year, assumed to be September 2025 (FY 2026).

ESA estimates 56,811 newly-eligible Basic Food recipients will receive mailers regarding WCG eligibility each year. The ESA Management Analytics and Program Statistics (EMAPS) data warehouse reports that 18,937 students in the 10th grade received SNAP/FAP during the 2020-21 school year - this number was multiplied by three to account in total for eligible students in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grade.

ESA estimates a cost of \$0.45 per mailing. This includes costs for postage, envelopes, and tri-fold letters:

- Postage: \$0.31 per mailing - provided by the Department of Enterprise Services
- Tri-Fold Letters: \$0.11 per mailing - provided by the Department of Enterprise Services
- Envelopes: \$0.03 per mailing - provided by the Office of Innovation, Strategy, and Visual Communications
- Total Cost: \$0.45 per mailing

ESA estimates total mailing costs to be \$26,000 in Fiscal Year 2026 and beyond. This is calculated by multiplying the cost of each mailing by the number of recipients:

- \$0.45 per mailing \* 56,811 recipients = \$25,565 total annual mailing costs

ESA estimates translation costs to be \$1,000 in FY 2026. This assumes costs for a 350-word translation, translated into 8 different languages, as well as costs for Visual Communications (VC) staff time at a rate of \$125 per hour:

- Words: 350
- Cost per word: \$0.18
- Cost for translation: 350 words \* \$0.18 per word = \$63 for translation
  
- Additional languages: 8
- Additional translation cost: 8 translations \* \$63 per translation = \$504 translation costs
  
- VC staff hours: 5
- VC staff hourly rate: \$125
- VC staff cost: 5 hours \* \$125 per hour = \$625 VC staff costs
  
- Total translation cost: \$63 translation + \$504 additional translations + \$625 VC staff = \$1,192 total translation costs

#### Summary by FY

- \$27,000 translation and mailing costs in FY 2026
- \$26,000 mailing costs in FY 2027 and beyond

WSAC suggests that a broader population, including SNAP/FAP recipients with at least a high school degree and 3 or fewer years of college, may also be used to estimate this cost. According to EMAPS data, this population is comprised of 419,010 SNAP/FAP recipients. The estimate for outreach to this population is \$189,000 per year, also calculated by multiplying the cost of each mailing by the number of recipients:

- \$0.45 per mailing \* 419,010 recipients = \$188,555 total annual mailing costs

## 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	53,000	52,000
<b>Total \$</b>			0	0	0	53,000	52,000

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

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years					
A-Salaries and Wages					
B-Employee Benefits					
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services				53,000	52,000
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					
9-					
<b>Total \$</b>	0	0	0	53,000	52,000

**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> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.	<b>Agency:</b> 340-Student Achievement Council
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

### Estimated Cash Receipts to:

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.**

### Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years	0.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	2.0
<b>Account</b>					
General Fund-State 001-1	0	439,000	439,000	878,000	878,000
<b>Total \$</b>	0	439,000	439,000	878,000	878,000

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

### Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

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.*

SSB 6300 is an expansion of the Washington College Grant (WCG) as it will make clients of the Washington Basic Food Program (SNAP), the Washington Food Assistance Program (FAP) and Apple Health coverage recipients with a family income at or below 210 percent of the federal poverty line, as categorically income-eligible for the Washington College Grant program without being required to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA).

The substitute bill differs from the original bill as it expands the demonstration of financial need for Washington College Grant eligibility to include students who participate in SNAP, FAP, or Apple Health, and it requires the Health Care Authority to share program participant data with the Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC).

These three public assistance programs will be phased in as follows:

\* Beginning in the 2025-26 academic year (AY), allows students in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grades who receive SNAP/FAP benefits to automatically qualify as income-eligible for the WCG.

\* Also beginning in the 2025-26 AY, allows individuals who receive Apple Health coverage with a family income at or below 210% of the federal poverty line to automatically qualify as income-eligible for the WCG.

\* Beginning in 2027-28 AY, allows individuals who receive SNAP/FAP benefits to automatically qualify as income-eligible for the WCG.

This bill also requires, to the extent allowable under federal law, the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) and the Health Care Authority (HCA) to enter into a data-sharing agreement with the Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) to provide a list of all individuals receiving benefits under SNAP/FAP and Apple Health coverage. Shared data will be used to confirm students' eligibility for the WCG.

WSAC will be tasked with communicating and notifying eligible clients in these three new programs as well as issuing a certificate to high school students in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grade whose families are receiving SNAP/FAP or Apple Health coverage to validate their financial need eligibility for the WCG.

### 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.*

Cash receipts are indeterminate for any financial aid programs administered by the Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC). Cash receipts would only apply to those individuals who utilize federal and or state financial aid grants. Because the enrollment and utilization rates of those opting to use financial aid grants are unknown, we are unable to anticipate who may owe a repayment of state grants as a result of not meeting satisfactory academic progress and program policy standards.

### 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.*

SSB 6300 expenditures for student grants are indeterminate as the Washington College Grant (WCG) is a Caseload



Forecast Council forecasted program. However, it is assumed that prospective students enrolled in these public benefit programs are already eligible for WCG, as the income requirement for SNAP, FAP and Apple Health coverage are below WCG income requirements. This would not be a newly eligible population. What is unknown is enrollment patterns, selected college sector (type of school), and other financial aid awarded.

The funding needed to cover the necessary staffing and other administrative costs to implement SSB 6300 includes staffing costs as outlined below and additional goods and services of \$48,000 annually (FY25 and ongoing), which would include conducting outreach and for providing certificates to income-eligible high school students.

Staffing costs would be \$391,000 annually (FY25 and ongoing) for 2.0 FTE split between several functions at WSAC:

1.0 FTE – Assistant Director to support messaging and outreach to newly income eligible SNAP/FAP and Apple Health clients in addition to training financial aid offices and support ongoing implementation needs.

0.4 FTE – Software Developer to implement technical systems updates in the WSAC online portal systems.

0.4 FTE – Director to liaise with DSHS and Washington Health Care Authority (HCA) and guide implementation of this change.

0.2 FTE – Policy Associate to assist with policy implications related to data sharing and United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) guidelines.

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	0	439,000	439,000	878,000	878,000
<b>Total \$</b>			0	439,000	439,000	878,000	878,000

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

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

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years		2.0	1.0	2.0	2.0
A-Salaries and Wages		209,000	209,000	418,000	418,000
B-Employee Benefits		68,000	68,000	136,000	136,000
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services		160,000	160,000	320,000	320,000
G-Travel		2,000	2,000	4,000	4,000
J-Capital Outlays					
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	439,000	439,000	878,000	878,000

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

**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
Assistant Director	95,000		1.0	0.5	1.0	1.0
Director	141,000		0.4	0.2	0.4	0.4
IT Developer	106,000		0.4	0.2	0.4	0.4
Program Associate	75,000		0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
<b>Total FTEs</b>			2.0	1.0	2.0	2.0

**III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)**

Program	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
Financial Aid and Grant Programs (030)		439,000	439,000	878,000	878,000
<b>Total \$</b>		439,000	439,000	878,000	878,000

**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 would need to revise administrative rules for WCG to conform with changes in statute.

# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.	<b>Agency:</b> 360-University of Washington
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## Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

### Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

### Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.**

### 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.*

Substitute Senate Bill 6300 expands demonstration of financial need for Washington College Grant (WCG) Eligibility to include students who participate in Washington's Basic Food Program, the Food Assistance Program (SNAP), and/or Apple Health for Kids. These students are guaranteed to receive a maximum WCG award amount based on their family income during their high school years, regardless of the income levels reported on FAFSA/WASFA applications in their college years.

For these students, the WCG could be granted without needing to complete a FAFSA or WASFA. The number of eligible students and the number of students that might receive the WCG but not have a completed FAFSA or WASFA is unknown. Therefore, the University of Washington (UW) is unable to determine the potential fiscal impact. This change will result in additional work from the Office of Student Financial Aid that may result in less than \$50,000 in any given fiscal year. Please see the expenditure narrative for additional information.

### 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.*

This substitute bill would further expand the number of public assistance programs (SNAP and Apple Health for Kids) that that recipients would qualify to receive a Washington College Grant and other state aid programs without completing a FAFSA or WASFA. There is already a campus system in place that ensures WCG eligibility, delivers funds to students, and then accurately reports recipient data back to WSAC. The substitute would create a non-application pathway and thus create additional work for higher education financial aid offices, including at the UW.

The UW Office of Student Financial Aid currently has two applications to administer and maintain in our systems to award state aid (the FAFSA and the WASFA). This bill may result in a significant number of students that the UW Office of Student Financial Aid would have to manually award state funds to because they did not have a financial aid application (FAFSA and/or WASFA) on file. This would necessitate a third system to identify students who do not file a FAFSA or WASFA. By not developing additional processes to identify these students, it is possible that students may miss out on federal and institutional aid.

Determinate fiscal impacts are dependent on the number of eligible students who do not have a FAFSA or WASFA on file or have a FAFSA/WASFA on file with the institution, but schools must adjust financial aid to include a full WCG award for those students who are only partially eligible due to more recent family income levels. This could require additional FTE efforts to identify, monitor, report to WSAC, and adjust financial aid offers to the correct maximum grant amount. We anticipate that expenditures are not likely to exceed \$50,000 per fiscal year.

## Part III: Expenditure Detail

### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

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

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

**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> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.	<b>Agency:</b> 365-Washington State University
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

**Estimated Cash Receipts to:**

NONE

**Estimated Operating Expenditures from:**

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.**

**Estimated Capital Budget Impact:**

NONE

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- 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.*

S SB 6300 - College grant/public assist. expands eligibility for the Washington College Grant to include students who participate in Washington's Basic Food Program, the Food Assistance Program (SNAP), and/or Apple Health for Kinds. This bill guarantees that students receiving aid through these programs are will receive the maximum WCG award based on reported family income. These students would not have to complete the FAFSA/WAFSA to be granted the WCG award.

Washington State University estimates that this bill would require additional work and/or systems in order to track eligible students. WSU assumes that these additional costs would be less than \$50,000 but indeterminate given the unknown factors at this time.

### 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.*

This bill would require the WSU Office of Student Financial Services to implement new systems and additional FTE to identify, monitor, report to appropriate entities, and adjust financial aid offers to be in compliance with this bill. Given that it is unknown the number of students who would qualify for the WCG expansion without a FAFSA/WAFSA on file, WSU cannot make a determinate fiscal impact of this bill; it is anticipated that these costs are not likely to exceed \$50,000 per fiscal year.

## Part III: Expenditure Detail

### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

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

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

**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> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.	<b>Agency:</b> 370-Eastern Washington University
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

**Estimated Cash Receipts to:**

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.**

**Estimated Operating Expenditures from:**

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.**

**Estimated Capital Budget Impact:**

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.*

SSB 6300 adds language to increase eligibility for students who receive one or more of the following types of public assistance:

(D) Beginning in the 2027-28 academic year, Washington basic food program benefits under chapter 74.04 RCW;

(E) Beginning in the 2027-28 academic year, Washington food assistance program benefits under RCW 74.08A.120; or

(F) Beginning in the 2025-26 academic year, apple health coverage under chapter 74.09 RCW with a family income at or below 210 percent of the federal poverty line;

Or demonstrate financial need under RCW 28B.92.205

(iv) Beginning in the 2025-26 academic year, be a Washington high school student in the 10th, 11th, or 12th grade who is a member of an assistance unit receiving benefits under the Washington basic food program in chapter 74.04 RCW or the Washington food assistance program established under RCW 74.08A.120

While WSAC will determine eligibility, this bill can have significant impact for our financial aid office. Students meeting the eligibility requirements will automatically be eligible for state aid (WA College Grant) without a FAFSA or WASFA completion. This will require significant systems work to allow for delivery of aid and to submit required quarterly and annual reporting (assuming they have no FAFSA/WASFA). There is also an expectation of increased coaching and counseling for those eligible under this authority to support them in FAFSA or WASFA completion.

### 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.*

EWU may experience an increase in enrollment that would increase revenue from tuition if the new eligibility criteria attracted new students to the college. Students who access the Washington Grant based on the new criteria may not receive all of the aid to which they are entitled if they do not complete the FAFSA.

### 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.*

Substitute SB 6300 expands the types of public assistance programs that demonstrate financial need for eligibility in the Washington College Grant (WCG) program. Students qualifying under these programs would not be required to complete the FAFSA/WASFA applications, which would require system packaging and awarding changes along with processes to track and support this new population.

Though it is unknown how many more students would qualify under these new provisions, EWU anticipates requiring additional staffing to provide FAFSA/WASFA outreach, assist this new population of students in navigating the financial aid process, and to be a resource for qualifying students. Depending on the increase in potential enrollments as the result of this legislation, EWU could need an additional 1 FTE Financial Aid Coaching Specialist at an annual cost of \$56,000 in salary/benefits.

Financial Aid Coaching Specialist 1 FTE salary: \$42,000

Benefits at 33%: \$14,000

Because of the various unknowns in the number of students who may take advantage of these new WCG eligibility requirements, costs to implement this legislation are indeterminate at this time.

## Part III: Expenditure Detail

### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

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

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

**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> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.	<b>Agency:</b> 375-Central Washington University
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

**Estimated Cash Receipts to:**

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.**

**Estimated Operating Expenditures from:**

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.**

**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.*

Substitute Senate Bill 6300 expands eligibility for the Washington College Grant (WCG) to include students who participate in Washington's Basic Food Program, The Food Assistance Program (SNAP, and/or Apple Health for Kids. Students are guaranteed to receive a maximum WCG award amount based on family income during their high school years regardless of income levels reported on the FAFSA/WASFA applications during their college years.

For students qualifying under these programs, the WCG could be awarded without needing to complete a FAFSA or WASFA application. It is unknown how many students would be eligible under this new criteria for that reason CWU is unable to determine, with any certainty, the potential fiscal impact. The expansion of eligibility will create additional workload for CWU's Office of Financial Aid that we estimate will be over \$50,000 annually.

### II. B - Cash receipts Impact

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CWU anticipates an indeterminate revenue gain as students who had not previously considered higher education, may realize more options to obtain a 4-year degree. CWU would expect that each new full-time resident undergraduate student, who is required to live in campus housing would generate additional annual revenues as shown below:

As a scalable example, each full-time resident undergraduate student, living on campus, and eligible under these new WCG guidelines could generate an additional \$25,944 annually (using 2023-2024 academic year rates).

- Tuition and Fees for a full-time undergraduate resident student: (3 quarters at \$3,064/quarter=\$9,192) = \$9,192
- On-campus shared room rate for an academic year: \$8,393
- On-campus meal plan A rate for an academic year: \$8,359

Total revenue = \$25,944/student

### II. C - Expenditures

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Substitute SB 6300 expands the types of public assistance programs that demonstrate financial need for eligibility in the Washington College Grant (WCG) program. Students qualifying under these programs would not be required to complete the FAFSA/WASFA applications, which would require system packaging and awarding changes along with processes to track and support this new population.

Though it is unknown how many more students would qualify under these new provisions, CWU anticipates requiring additional staffing to provide FAFSA/WASFA outreach, assist this new population of students in navigating the financial aid process, and to be a resource for qualifying students. Depending on the increase in potential enrollments as the result of this legislation, CWU could need an additional 1 FTE Financial Aid Coaching Specialist at an annual cost of \$56,000 in salary/benefits.

Financial Aid Coaching Specialist 1 FTE salary: \$42,000  
Benefits at 33%: \$14,000

Because of the various unknowns in the number of students who may take advantage of these new WCG eligibility

requirements, costs to implement this legislation are indeterminate at this time.

### Part III: Expenditure Detail

#### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

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

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

**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> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.	<b>Agency:</b> 376-The Evergreen State College
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

**Estimated Cash Receipts to:**

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.**

**Estimated Operating Expenditures from:**

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.**

**Estimated Capital Budget Impact:**

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.*

SSB 6300 relates to providing automatic eligibility for the Washington College Grant to beneficiaries of public assistance programs.

Section 1(5)(a)(ii) adds the following to the list of programs that would satisfy the requirements for eligibility:

Beginning in 2027-28, Washington basic food program benefits, or Washington food assistance program benefits, or apple health coverage with a family income at 210% below the poverty line.

### 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.*

Evergreen may experience an increase in enrollment that would increase revenue from tuition if the new eligibility criteria attracted new students to the college. Students who access the Washington Grant based on the new criteria may not receive all of the aid to which they are entitled if they do not complete the FAFSA.

### 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.*

There will be costs associated with the implementation of this bill related to the potential need for an additional financial aid counselor to track and advise students who have not completed a financial aid application in the form of a FAFSA if there are a large number of students who enroll under this program. If an additional financial aid counselor becomes necessary, the cost for a 1.0 FTE financial aid counselor would be approximately \$78K in FY 2025 and \$74K in subsequent years.

## Part III: Expenditure Detail

### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

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

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

**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> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.	<b>Agency:</b> 380-Western Washington University
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

**Estimated Cash Receipts to:**

NONE

**Estimated Operating Expenditures from:**

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.**

**Estimated Capital Budget Impact:**

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.*

Brief Summary of First Substitute Bill:

-- Expands demonstration of financial need for Washington College Grant eligibility to include students who participate in three existing public assistance programs: Washington's Basic Food Program, the Food Assistance Program, or Apple Health for Kids.

-- Beginning in 2025-26, a student can demonstrate financial need for the purposes of Washington college grant eligibility through receipt of Apple Health for Kids coverage if their family income is at or below 210 percent of the federal poverty line.

-- Beginning in 2027-28, a student can demonstrate financial need for the purposes of Washington College Grant eligibility through receipt of Washington basic food program benefits of Washington food assistance benefits.

EFFECT OF CHANGES MADE BY HIGHER EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
(First Substitute):

-- Clarifies that Apple Health for kids eligibility is limited to recipients with incomes at or below 210 percent of the federal poverty line.

-- Provides staggered implementation dates for certification of eligibility via basic food benefits and Apple Health for kids.

-- Requires HCA to share eligibility data with WSAC for the purposes outlined in the bill.

Fiscal Impact Analysis:

This bill would expand the eligibility for the Washington College grant for those that qualify for certain public assistance programs. This could potentially increase the workload for our Financial Aid office staff, as more students may be eligible under these provisions. However, it is hard to predict how many students may be eligible only under these provisions, and not otherwise eligible.

Students that qualify for the Washington College grant under the public assistance provisions require a very manual process to identify and award, as these students are not currently required to complete a FAFSA/WASFA. It requires back-and-forth coordination with WSAC (monthly), as they identify these students, and we then manually package their financial aid award. Currently we have very few students that qualify under these provisions, however, if the criteria are expanded, this may result in a larger group of students that would require manual entries/overrides to process state financial aid.

We are unable to quantify the potential increase in Washington College Grant receipts without knowing the number of new students who would be eligible under the proposed legislation. However, it is clear that every incoming student who does not complete the FAFSA creates additional manual work for our Financial Aid office personnel.

### 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.*

It is unclear how many students would bypass the FAFSA process due to the potential expanded eligibility for Washington College Grants. If the eligibility requirements are essentially the same under the existing public assistance program criteria (i.e., the same student population), then there would be no additional fiscal impact. What is clear is that every incoming student who does not complete the FAFSA creates additional manual work for our Financial Aid office personnel.

**Part III: Expenditure Detail**

**III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures**

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

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

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

**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> 6300 S SB	<b>Title:</b> College grant/public assist.	<b>Agency:</b> 699-Community and Technica College System
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

**Estimated Cash Receipts to:**

NONE

**Estimated Operating Expenditures from:**

**Non-zero but indeterminate cost 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.*

This bill would expand the eligibility criteria for the Washington College Grant to include students who participate in Washington's Basic Food Program, the Food Assistance Program, or Apple Health for Kids.

Eligibility would be phased in as follows:

- Beginning in 2025-26, a student can demonstrate financial need for the purposes of Washington College Grant eligibility through receipt of Apple Health for Kids coverage.
- Beginning in 2027-28, a student can demonstrate financial need for the purposes of Washington College Grant eligibility through receipt of Washington basic food program benefits or Washington food assistance benefits.

### II. B - Cash receipts Impact

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No cash receipts impact.

### 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.*

Indeterminate expenditure impact.

While there are processes in place to administer and maintain the awarding of financial aid based on state and federal financial aid applications, this bill would expand the number of public assistance programs used to determine eligibility to receive a Washington College Grant without completing state or federal financial aid application. The substitute would create an additional non-application pathway and create additional work for higher education financial aid offices. This may result in a significant number of students that the financial aid offices would have to manually award state funds to because they did not have a state or federal financial aid application on file. This could require additional FTE efforts to identify, monitor, report to the Washington Student Achievement Council, and adjust financial aid offers to the correct maximum grant amount.

Fiscal impacts are dependent on the number of eligible students who do not have a state or federal financial application on file. The number of eligible students that might receive a Washington College Grant, but not have completed a state or federal financial aid application, is unknown.

The following example is provided as an illustration of potential costs:

If an additional 0.5 FTE Financial Aid Advisor was required at each college to handle the workload, the costs would be:  
0.5 FTE X \$78,000 Financial Aid Advisor (Salary and Benefits) = \$39,000 per college (rounded)  
\$39,000 per college X 34 colleges = \$1,326,000 college system total

## Part III: Expenditure Detail

### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

<b>Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.</b>
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**III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose**

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

**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.*