Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 2007 S HB Title: Cash assistance time limits

Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25				2025-27			2027-29				
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Department of Social and Health Services	.3	1,060,000	1,060,000	1,060,000	.3	2,234,000	2,234,000	2,234,000	.3	2,234,000	2,234,000	2,234,000
Department of Children, Youth, and Families	Fiscal n	ote not availab	le									
Total \$	0.3	1,060,000	1,060,000	1,060,000	0.3	2,234,000	2,234,000	2,234,000	0.3	2,234,000	2,234,000	2,234,000

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name 2023-25			2025-27		2027-29				
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Department of Social and	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Health Services									
Department of Children, Fiscal note not available									
Youth, and Families									
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

NONE

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 2007 S HB	Title:	Cash assistance tir	me limits			300-Departn Health Servi	nent of Social and
Part I: Estimates							
No Fiscal Impact							
Estimated Cash Receipts to:							
NONE							
Estimated Operating Expenditur	es from:						
Estimated Operating Expenditur	es from:	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	20	025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years		0.0	0.6		0.3	0.3	0.3
Account							
General Fund-State 001-1		0	1,060,000	1,060,0	00	2,234,000	2,234,000
	Total \$	0	1,060,000	1,060,0	00	2,234,000	2,234,000
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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 expanding time limit exemptions (TLEs) applicable to cash assistance programs.

Section 1(4) amends RCW 74.08A.010 to expand the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) hardship TLE criteria to include cases in which a recipient qualifies for an exemption from WorkFirst activities. This differs from a prior version of the bill that expanded these criteria to include cases in which termination or denial of cash assistance would result in financial distress for the recipient's family.

Section 2 provides an effective date of July 1, 2024.

Section 3 adds a standard null and void clause, requiring for funding to be provided by June 30, 2024.

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.

TANF is a lidded block grant, therefore all implementation costs in this fiscal note are assumed to be General Fund-State.

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 expands TANF hardship TLE criteria to include cases in which a recipient qualifies for an exemption from WorkFirst activities, effective July 1, 2024.

Estimates in this fiscal note are calculated using February 2024 caseload and expenditure forecast data.

- Caseload Impacts

ESA estimates an average of 83 monthly TANF cases in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025, and 124 average monthly TANF cases in FY 2026 and beyond are anticipated to remain on the caseload due to the expansion of hardship TLE criteria. Using the monthly per capita payment amount of \$657.61 calculated in the February 2024 forecast, ESA estimates the following annual impacts:

- FY 2025

- TANF Cases: \$655,000 for 83 monthly cases

- WorkFirst Services: \$53,000

- FY 2026 and beyond

- TANF Cases: \$979,000 for 124 monthly cases

- WorkFirst Services: \$78,000

- Workload Impacts

Assuming Community Services Division (CSD) staff touch times 60 minutes per initial application for 124 cases in FY 2025,

38 minutes per change-of-circumstance three times annually per case, and 24 minutes per case management touch on a quarterly basis for WorkFirst cases, ESA estimates the following workload impacts:

- FY 2025
 - \$62,000 and 0.3 FTE
- FY 2026 and beyond
 - \$60,000 and 0.3 FTE

The Technology Innovation Administration (TIA) also anticipates workload costs associated with Automated Client Eligibility System (ACES) enhancements necessary to implement this proposal, estimated to be:

- FY 2025
 - \$53,000 and 0.3 FTE staff costs
 - \$237,000 contractor costs
- This assumes a total of 1,130 contractor hours, at an hourly rate of \$210 this is higher than prior estimates due a different vendor being procured to complete this work
- Contracted staff include: Application Architect (ACES), Application Developers (ACES), Application Architect (eJAS), and Application Developers (eJAS)
- FN Summary by FY
- FY 2025: \$1,060,000 and 0.6 FTE
- FY 2026 and beyond: \$1,117,000 and 0.3 FTE

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	1,060,000	1,060,000	2,234,000	2,234,000
		Total \$	0	1,060,000	1,060,000	2,234,000	2,234,000

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years		0.6	0.3	0.3	0.3
A-Salaries and Wages		59,000	59,000	44,000	44,000
B-Employee Benefits		42,000	42,000	66,000	66,000
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services		268,000	268,000	76,000	76,000
G-Travel					
J-Capital Outlays		4,000	4,000		
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services		685,000	685,000	2,046,000	2,046,000
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements		2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
9-TZ-ISSD					
Total \$	0	1,060,000	1,060,000	2,234,000	2,234,000

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
IT BUSINESS ANALYST - SENIOR	121,109		0.3	0.2		
SPECIALIST						
PUBLIC BENEFITS SPECIALIST 3	69,400		0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
SOCIAL SERVICE SPECIALIST 2	82,513		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total FTEs			0.6	0.3	0.3	0.3

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.