

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 6089 E SB	Title: Electrical inspector reqs.
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Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

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

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 Labor and Industries	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0

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
Department of Labor and Industries	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

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

Bill Number: 6089 E SB	Title: Electrical inspector reqs.	Agency: 235-Department of Labor and Industries
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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.
- 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 relates to removing engineering school experience as a minimum requirement to be an electrical inspector, amending RCW 19.28.321, and creating a new section.

The differences between ESB 6089 and SB 6089 include but are not limited to:

- Adding section 2 stipulating that:
 - o The Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) and the association of Washington cities must work with cities that issue their own electrical permits and perform their own electrical inspections to identify appropriate pathways to qualify as an electrical inspector in this state.
 - o L&I shall submit a report to the legislature with its findings and recommendations, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036 by December 15, 2024.
 - o This section expires June 30, 2025.

Section 1 amends RCW 19.28.321 changing the qualification requirements for electrical inspectors by removing engineering school experience as a minimum requirement.

Section 2 adds a new section stipulating that:

- L&I and the association of Washington cities must work with cities that issue their own electrical permits and perform their own electrical inspections to identify appropriate pathways to qualify as an electrical inspector in this state.
- L&I shall submit a report to the legislature with its findings and recommendations, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036 by December 15, 2024.
- This section expires June 30, 2025.

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.

Section 1 has no fiscal impact to the agency as it is just changing qualifications. The requirements of section 2 will be done within existing resources.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

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

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

None

Part V: New Rule Making Required

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

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

Department of Commerce

Bill Number: 6089 E SB

Title: Electrical inspector reqs.

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

Legislation Impacts:

Cities: Building and/or permitting staff would assist the Department of Labor and Industries and the Association of Washington Cities with an electrical inspector legislative report.

Counties:

Special Districts:

Specific jurisdictions only: Approximately 30 cities that issue electrical permits and perform their own electrical inspections.

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.

This bill relates to removing electrical engineering school experience as a minimum requirement to be an electrical inspector as well as authorizing a study on appropriate pathways to qualify as electrical inspector in the state.

Sec. 1 would amend section 19.28.321 RCW such that the alternative requirement for a certified electrical inspector to have training from a college of electrical engineering. The amended requirement would only include having four years of journey level experience as an electrician in the electrical construction trade installing and maintaining electrical wiring and equipment.

Sec. 2 would be a new section authorizing the Department of Labor and Industries to work in consultation with the Association of Washington Cities and cities that issue their own electrical permits and perform their own electrical inspections, to identify new pathways to qualify as an electrical inspector.

This act would go into effect 90 days after the adjournment of the session in which it is passed.

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.

There would be no city expenditure impact associated with this act.

Section 1 of this legislation would have no impact as it only modifies the minimum requirements to become an electrical inspector that is certified by the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I).

Section 2 of this legislation would have no costs or de minimis costs for city building and permitting department staff to assist with the report established in this section. As there is no funding component to Sec. 2 any city staff that would assist L&I and the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) would be doing so in a volunteer capacity.

There may be de minimis costs for staff to prepare information for meetings or to transmit information to L&I or AWC in support of the report. Volunteers from city building and/or permitting departments would be participating in any meetings with L&I and AWC within the existing capacity of their position. These meetings, the frequency of which is not currently known, would likely carry de minimis costs, unless travel was essential to their involvement. The L&I fiscal note for this bill does not indicate meeting times or frequencies.

The number of cities and the number of city staff that would assist in the report is not currently known. According to L&I there are 30 cities that issue permits and perform inspections within their local city limits. This figure includes those cities with properties served by Tacoma Power which also issues their own permits and inspections. This includes the Pierce County portion of Federal Way, Fife, Fircrest, Tacoma, University Place, as well as portions of unincorporated Pierce County.

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.

There would be no local government revenue impact associated with this act.

SOURCES:

Department of Labor and Industries, City Electrical Permits & Inspections
Department of Labor and Industries, FN E SB 6089 (2024)
Municipal Research and Services Center, Building Code/Permit Administration
Tacoma Power