

# Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1438 HB	<b>Title:</b> Housing permit approval
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## Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Agency Name	2025-27		2027-29		2029-31	
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total
Local Gov. Other	Fiscal note not available					
Local Gov. Total						
Local Gov. Courts						
Loc School dist-SPI						

## Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27				2027-29				2029-31			
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Department of Commerce	.2	64,112	64,112	64,112	.2	64,112	64,112	64,112	.2	64,112	64,112	64,112
Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>64,112</b>

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	Fiscal note not available								
Local Gov. Total									

## Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Department of Commerce	.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	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	Fiscal note not available								
Local Gov. Total									

# Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

NONE

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# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1438 HB	<b>Title:</b> Housing permit approval	<b>Agency:</b> 103-Department of Commerce
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## Part I: Estimates

☐ No Fiscal Impact

### Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

### Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<b>Account</b>					
General Fund-State 001-1	32,056	32,056	64,112	64,112	64,112
<b>Total \$</b>	32,056	32,056	64,112	64,112	64,112

### 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.

Section 1(2) of HB 1438 amends RCW 36.70B.080 (the Local Project Review Act) to require issuance of residential building permits for development in urban growth areas, which were prepared, stamped, and signed by a licensed engineer or architect, one business day following expiration of the applicable permit time review period, per RCW 36.70B.080(1)(d)

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.

Section 1(2) of HB 1438 amends RCW 36.70B.080 to require issuance of residential building permits for development in urban growth areas, which were prepared, stamped, and signed by a licensed engineer or architect, one business day following expiration of the applicable permit time review period, per RCW 36.70B.080(1)(d). The Department of Commerce (Department) assumes local governments will need guidance and technical assistance to implementing this new requirement. Existing Department guidance (developed after the adoption of SB 5290, Chapter 338, Laws of 2023) will need to be updated.

0.2 FTE Commerce Specialist 2 (416/hours) FY26-FY31 to update guidance, complete outreach to local governments and provide technical assistance, and assist in local government implementation. This staff will also provide support to permitting technical assistance staff.

Salaries and Benefits:  
FY 26-31 \$19,982 each fiscal year

Goods and Other Services: In addition to the standard Goods and Services associated with additional FTEs, the Department assumes Assistant Attorney General (AAG) support will be needed to review guidance developed on this new requirement. This includes assuming a rate of \$165/hour for 20 hours in FY26-FY31.  
FY26-FY31 \$5,500 each fiscal year

Intra-Agency Reimbursement:  
FY26-FY31 \$6,574 each fiscal year

Total Cost:  
FY 26-31 \$32,056 each fiscal year

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
001-1	General Fund	State	32,056	32,056	64,112	64,112	64,112
Total \$			32,056	32,056	64,112	64,112	64,112

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

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
A-Salaries and Wages	14,585	14,585	29,170	29,170	29,170
B-Employee Benefits	5,397	5,397	10,794	10,794	10,794
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	5,500	5,500	11,000	11,000	11,000
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	6,574	6,574	13,148	13,148	13,148
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<b>Total \$</b>	<b>32,056</b>	<b>32,056</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>64,112</b>

### 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 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Commerce Specialist 2	72,924	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<b>Total FTEs</b>		<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>

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

Program	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Local Government Division (600)	32,056	32,056	64,112	64,112	64,112
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>32,056</b>	<b>32,056</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>64,112</b>	<b>64,112</b>

## 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 Department assumes that WAC 365-196 will need to be updated to reflect changes under the proposed legislation in the Local Project Review Act.

# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1438 HB	<b>Title:</b> Housing permit approval	<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:

NONE

### 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.

The bill does not appear to affect any matters subject to the Growth Management Hearings Board’s jurisdiction. Therefore, the Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office (ELUHO) does not anticipate any impacts as a result of the bill.

Secs. 1, 3, and 4 are nonsubstantial renumberings of parts of RCW 36.70B.080.

Sec. 2 adds a new subsection to RCW 36.70B.080 requiring local jurisdictions to approve project applications if the jurisdictions fail to meet the permit processing deadlines established in RCW 36.70B.080, if the overdue applications are for one or more residential dwelling units in an urban growth area, and the application included plans stamped by a licensed professional engineer or architect, and the jurisdiction does not identify, in writing, serious public health or safety issues that prevent approval of the project.

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.*