

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 5541 SB	Title: Future fund pilot project
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Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

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
Office of State Treasurer	.0	0	0	1,000,000	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Office of State Treasurer	In addition to the estimate above,there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.											
Washington State Health Care Authority	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Health	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	1,000,000	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Office of State Treasurer	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Washington State Health Care Authority	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Health	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
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: 5541 SB	Title: Future fund pilot project	Agency: 090-Office of State Treasurer
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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
Account					
State Treasurer's Service	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	0	0
Account-State 404-1					
Total \$	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	0	0

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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- ☐ 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.

Senate Bill 5541 establishes the Washington Future Fund pilot project (pilot project) in the Office of the State Treasurer (OST), in which eligible Washingtonians may apply to have a \$25,000 grant transferred to a designated institution on their behalf for one of three eligible expenditures: homeownership, entrepreneurship, and post-secondary education.

Section 3 creates the pilot project and outlines eligibility criteria, the requirements of project participants, and the grant allocation process. Section 3(2) requires the OST to:

- Contract with a third-party vendor to operate the pilot project;
- Contract with the University of Washington (UW) to evaluate the impact of the grant on project participants' economic and financial stability, perceptions, and decision making via longitudinal interviews and analysis of resulting qualitative data;
- Disperse one grant on behalf of each project participant to the designated institution identified on the application; and
- Submit a final report to the legislature by June 30, 2027.

Section 3(2) also permits the OST to adopt rules necessary to implement the pilot project. Section 3(4) requires the Health Care Authority (HCA) to assist the OST and third-party vendor to verify if an applicant meets the eligibility criteria related to Medicaid enrollment.

Section 4 expands the allowable uses of the state treasurer's service fund to include administering the pilot project and study established under this act.

Section 5 directs the OST, the HCA, and the Department of Health (DOH) to enter into a memorandum of understanding to establish information practices necessary to carry out the purposes of this act by September 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.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

The legislative intent is for all expenditures associated with this bill to be funded with the state treasurer's service account, therefore assumed costs of the OST.

The total cost of the grants is assumed to be a one-time expenditure of \$1,000,000 in FY 2026. The bill provides that the grants are \$25,000. The legislative intent of the bill is for 40 grants to be dispersed no later than January 2026.

Costs to implement the pilot project outlined in Section 3 include contracting with a third-party vendor to operate the pilot project, including processing applications, determining eligibility based on the criteria provided in the bill, facilitate the selection process in a transparent and accountable manner and share administrative data with the OST. The cost to contract with the third-party vendor is assumed to be non-zero but indeterminate because we cannot know which vendors will bid or their proposed budget.

Costs also include contracting with the University of Washington to assist the OST on project design and implementation, evaluate the impact of the grants on project participant's economic and financial stability, perceptions, and decision making by performing baseline and follow-up interviews, work with OST to draft the final legislative report, and additional tasks necessary to complete the pilot project. According to staff at the UW, the cost of this contract is indeterminate, because it

is unknown at this time the number of FTEs would be required to perform this work, how much time would be required of existing faculty to consult on project design and additional overhead costs.

Further, costs include the HCA and DOH to collaborate with the OST verify eligibility based on their place of birth and historical and current Medicaid status.

- According to staff at the HCA, they anticipate the bill will not have a fiscal impact on the agency. However, they did note that there may be challenges verifying the historical Medicaid status of applicants who were born before 1990, due to the information being stored on archived files within the Department of Health and Human Services ACES system.
- According to staff at the DOH, statute provides a fee structure for the DOH system used to research vital records, the Washington Health and Life Event System (RCW 70.58A.560) However, the total cost to verify place of birth is non-zero but indeterminate because the number of applications that need to be verified is unknown.

Finally, costs for OST facilitation and any additional administrative responsibilities are assumed to be de-minimus and will be absorbed within the OST's 2025-27 budget.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
404-1	State Treasurer's Service Account	State	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	0	0
Total \$			1,000,000	0	1,000,000	0	0

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 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years					
A-Salaries and Wages					
B-Employee Benefits					
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services					
G-Travel					
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services	1,000,000		1,000,000		
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
9-					
Total \$	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	0	0

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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

Bill Number: 5541 SB	Title: Future fund pilot project	Agency: 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

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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.

New Section - Section 2 (1): The Health Care Authority (HCA) is to designate a regional nonprofit to improve the health equity of their communities as part of Sec. 1115 Medicaid demonstration project number 11-W-00304/0.

New Section – Section 3 (4): HCA and any successor agency is responsible for implementing the Medical Assistance Program under RCW 74.09 and Title XIX of the Federal Social Security Act and Children’s Health Insurance Program. HCA, along with the third-party vendor, will verify if an applicant is an eligible applicant.

New Section – Section 5: The Office of the State Treasurer (OST), The Department of Health (DOH), and HCA will enter into a memorandum to establish information sharing by September 30, 2025.

No fiscal impact. HCA’s current software provides the ability to communicate with other agencies, and the work to identify eligible applicants can be absorbed with current staffing.

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.

No fiscal impact.

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

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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

Bill Number: 5541 SB	Title: Future fund pilot project	Agency: 303-Department of Health
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☒ 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 instructs the state treasurer to conduct a study on wealth inequity in the state and explore how a baby bond grant program may address the inequities. Since the bill specifically outlines that the grant may not be considered as an asset or income for purposes of public assistance or financial aid eligibility, there would be no fiscal impact to The Department of Health.

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

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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.