

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 5504 SB	Title: Complex care serv./children
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Estimated Cash Receipts

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Washington State Health Care Authority	0	0	772,000	0	0	632,000	0	0	632,000
Washington State Health Care Authority	In addition to the estimate above,there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.								
Total \$	0	0	772,000	0	0	632,000	0	0	632,000

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
Washington State Health Care Authority	3.5	640,000	640,000	1,412,000	3.5	540,000	540,000	1,172,000	3.5	540,000	540,000	1,172,000
Washington State Health Care Authority	In addition to the estimate above,there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.											
Department of Social and Health Services	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Health	.1	29,000	29,000	29,000	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Total \$	3.6	669,000	669,000	1,441,000	3.5	540,000	540,000	1,172,000	3.5	540,000	540,000	1,172,000

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	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
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

Revised

Bill Number: 5504 SB	Title: Complex care serv./children	Agency: 107-Washington State Health Care Authority
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Part I: Estimates

☐ No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

ACCOUNT	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
General Fund-Federal 001-2	386,000	386,000	772,000	632,000	632,000
Total \$	386,000	386,000	772,000	632,000	632,000

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

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	320,000	320,000	640,000	540,000	540,000
General Fund-Federal 001-2	386,000	386,000	772,000	632,000	632,000
Total \$	706,000	706,000	1,412,000	1,172,000	1,172,000

In addition to the estimates above, there are additional indeterminate costs 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.

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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.

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.

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.

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	320,000	320,000	640,000	540,000	540,000
001-2	General Fund	Federal	386,000	386,000	772,000	632,000	632,000
Total \$			706,000	706,000	1,412,000	1,172,000	1,172,000

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 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
A-Salaries and Wages	399,000	399,000	798,000	658,000	658,000
B-Employee Benefits	124,000	124,000	248,000	208,000	208,000
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	45,000	45,000	90,000	72,000	72,000
G-Travel	10,000	10,000	20,000	16,000	16,000
J-Capital Outlays	5,000	5,000	10,000	8,000	8,000
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements	123,000	123,000	246,000	210,000	210,000
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Total \$	706,000	706,000	1,412,000	1,172,000	1,172,000

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 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRA SPECIALIST 3	89,000	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SPECIALIST 3	60,000	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
OCCUPATIONAL NURSE CONSULTANT	140,000	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Total FTEs		3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5

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: **5504 SB**

HCA Request #: 25-066

Title: **Complex Care Serving Children**

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

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.

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HCA Fiscal Note

Bill Number: **5504 SB**

HCA Request #: 25-066

Title: **Complex Care Serving Children**

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.

AN ACT Relating to supporting caregivers who provide complex care services to children with heightened medical needs.

Section 1 adds a new section to chapter 74.09 RCW.

Section 1(1) instructs the Health Care Authority (HCA) to require or provide payment to home health agencies for complex care services provided to clients under 18 years old as a component of the private duty nursing benefit, starting 09/01/2026.

Section 1(2) HCA shall recognize accrediting organizations that have standards that allow home health agencies to train caregivers in accordance with nursing aide and competency evaluation program standards

Section 1(5) Directs HCA to only consider the child's income when determining eligibility for complex care services.

Section 1(6) HCA shall seek a state plan amendment or waiver to implement this rule.

Section 1(7) HCA must submit a report to the governor and legislature, by 09/01/2029, analyzing the effectiveness of the program and assessing the viability of the complex care services payment program

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.

The impact on cash receipts of this bill is indeterminate.

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.

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The fiscal impact is greater than \$50,000, but actual cost is indeterminate.

Apple Health Administrative Costs (Determinate)

\$706,000 (\$320,000 General Fund-State) in Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 and FY2027, and \$586,000 (\$270,000 General Fund-State) per year thereafter.

Eligibility Policy Innovation and Community Support is requesting: 1.0 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Medical Assistance Programs Specialist (MAPS) 3 to implement and oversee the Medicaid coverage program.

- Program development for kids/Lead
- Eligibility System updates/Lead
- Development of training and outreach for the kids program/Lead
- SPA or Waiver Submittal to CMS/Lead WAC changes needed to support new program/Lead

Clinical Quality and Care Transformation (CQCT) 0.5 FTE Occupational Nurse Consultant (ONC), permanent – to manage anticipated increased workload including:

- Program development
- Oversight of training and outreach
- Collaborate with other divisions for SPA or waiver submitted to CMS
- Oversee WAC changes
- Review and approve compliance deliverables
- Updates to billing guide

CQCT is requesting 0.5 FTE ONC, project 2 years: To oversee and develop program in collaboration with all other affected agencies.

Medicaid Programs Division is requesting 1.0 FTE ONC. This position would assist in providing monitoring and oversight of the Managed Care Organization (MCO) implementation of this program, be responsible for developing and ongoing analysis of deliverables related to MCO compliance and would analyze agency and MCO data to create the required report to the legislature in Section 7 of the bill.

Medical Care Services (MCS) is requesting 0.5 FTE Medical Assistance Specialist (MAS) 3 to help manage the increase in calls that may require additional education and training provided by MCS customer service staff for billing and how to submit claims via the web portal.

HCA calculates FTE costs at \$706,000 per FY and includes goods and services, travel, and equipment that are calculated on actual program averages per FTE. HCA Calculates the Administrative costs at \$35,000 per 1.0 FTE. This cost is included in Object T based on HCA's federally approved cost allocation plan.

For the indeterminate impact of this bill:

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Apple Health Service-Related Costs (Indeterminate)

The fiscal impact is indeterminate but is expected to be significant.

The bill requires Apple Health to expand service offerings in two areas: reimbursing for complex care services provided by trained family members to Apple Health private duty nursing clients under age 18 and extending complex care eligibility by considering only the client's income for persons under age 18.

The Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) report to the Legislature titled *Addressing Home Care Workforce Shortages: Exploring Paying Parents of Minors to Provide Personal Care* estimates costs for reimbursing complex care services provided by family members to clients with complex care needs. This population contains, but is not the same as, the population of private duty nursing clients with complex care needs. The report assumes that all authorized complex care that is not currently reimbursed will be performed by family members.

HCA considered a number of assumed scenarios for estimating approximate ranges of fiscal impact estimates for current and newly eligible Apple Health clients. These estimates do not include expenditure associated with case management, increased premiums paid to home health organizations due to training expenses for family members of complex needs clients, Apple Health service eligibility changes for current Apple Health complex needs patients and family members due to income changes attributable to complex care provision, and the services other than complex care offered to newly eligible clients, all of which are unknown at this time.

Current Apple Health Clients

The cost of the proposed service expansion for existing clients is indeterminate because actual utilization patterns resulting from the policy are not known. Considering a range of utilization rates from 80 percent to 100 percent, and based on unused authorized hours of complex care and average hourly reimbursement rate statistics from the DSHS report, HCA estimates that potential cost of the proposed policy for current Apple Health clients would be approximately between \$24 million and \$30 million annually, of which \$13 million and \$16 million would be General Fund – State (GF-S) costs, respectively.

Newly Eligible Clients

The cost of the proposed service expansion to new clients is indeterminate because the number of Washingtonians newly meeting the proposed eligibility criteria, the fraction of those newly eligible people who will enroll in the program, and the utilization patterns of these potential clients are currently not known.

Assuming the proportion of the Apple Health client population under age 18 with complex needs is equal to the proportion of the Washington population under age 18 with complex needs, it is estimated that there are approximately 2,000 people with complex needs in Washington under age 18 who are not already enrolled in Apple Health. Based on Kaiser Family Foundation's reported data, indicating that approximately 5.4 percent of the Washington non-Apple Health population between ages zero and eighteen was uninsured in 2023, a range between 2.5 percent and 7.5 percent was considered for newly eligible children who would enroll in the program. With this range, HCA estimates that the potential cost of extending complex care eligibility as proposed by this bill would be approximately between \$7 and \$20 million annually, of which \$4 and \$11 million are expected to be GF-S costs, respectively.

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In summary, this fiscal note is indeterminate because the nature of future program uptake and utilization patterns are currently unknown. The ranges of potential cost estimates presented here are HCA's approximate assessments only to provide readers with a sense of the possible magnitude of this bill's impact.

References

Washington State Department of Social and Health Services Developmental Disabilities Administration (2023, December 31). REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE, Engrossed 2nd Substitute House Bill 1694 Sec 11, Addressing Home Care Workforce Shortages: Exploring Paying Parents of Minors to Provide Personal Care. <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/sites/default/files/DDA/dda/documents/E2SHB%201694%20Sec%2011%20Feasibility%20Study.pdf>

Kaiser Family Foundation (2025). Health Insurance Coverage of Children 0-18. <https://www.kff.org/other/state-indicator/children-0-18/>

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditure

For the known cost portion of this fiscal note:

ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT TITLE	TYPE	FY-2024	FY-2025	FY-2026	FY-2027	FY-2028	FY-2029	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
001-1	General Fund	State	-	-	320,000	320,000	270,000	270,000	-	640,000	540,000
ACCOUNT - TOTAL \$			-	-	706,000	706,000	586,000	586,000	-	1,412,000	1,172,000

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

For the known cost portion of this fiscal note:

OBJECT	OBJECT TITLE	FY-2024	FY-2025	FY-2026	FY-2027	FY-2028	FY-2029	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
A	Salaries and Wages	-	-	399,000	399,000	329,000	329,000	-	798,000	658,000
B	Employee Benefits	-	-	124,000	124,000	104,000	104,000	-	248,000	208,000
E	Goods and Other Services	-	-	45,000	45,000	36,000	36,000	-	90,000	72,000
G	Travel	-	-	10,000	10,000	8,000	8,000	-	20,000	16,000
J	Capital Outlays	-	-	5,000	5,000	4,000	4,000	-	10,000	8,000
OBJECT - TOTAL \$		-	-	706,000	706,000	586,000	586,000	-	1,412,000	1,172,000

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

For the known cost portion of this fiscal note:

FTE JOB TITLE	SALARY	FY-2024	FY-2025	FY-2026	FY-2027	FY-2028	FY-2029	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SPECIALIST 3	89,000	-	-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	-	1.0	1.0
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SPECIALIST 3	60,000	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-	0.5	0.5
OCCUPATIONAL NURSE CONSULTANT	140,000	-	-	2.0	2.0	1.5	1.5	-	2.0	1.5
FTE - TOTAL		-	-	3.5	3.5	3.0	3.0	-	3.5	3.0

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

HCA Fiscal Note

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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.

NONE

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5504 SB	Title: Complex care serv./children	Agency: 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:

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.

This proposed legislation requires the Health Care Authority (HCA) to require or provide payment to home health agencies providing private duty nursing through the Medically Intensive Children's Program (MICP) to enrollees. While the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) does serve some MICP children through the Fostering Well-Being Program, services for these youth are provided by the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) and through Apple Health. DSHS assists DCYF in records review and consultation services, and the department does not anticipate any workload impact from this legislation. Therefore, there is no fiscal impact to DSHS from this bill.

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.

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.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5504 SB	Title: Complex care serv./children	Agency: 303-Department of Health
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Part I: Estimates

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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	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	29,000	0	29,000	0	0
Total \$	29,000	0	29,000	0	0

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

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Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.

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Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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OFM Review: Amy Hatfield	Phone: (360) 280-7584	Date: 02/10/2025

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 5504 directs the Health Care Authority (HCA) to pay home health agencies for caregivers who provide complex care services to children with heightened medical needs.

Section 1(1)(b): Adds a new section to chapter 74.09 RCW (medical care) requiring the caregiver to complete 75 total hours of instruction offered by a home care agency.

Section 1(1)(c): Adds a new section to chapter 74.09 RCW (medical care) requiring complex care services are provided by the caregiver as delegated by a registered nurse.

Section 1(1)(d): Adds a new section to chapter 74.09 RCW (medical care) requiring a caregiver who is providing complex care services to be employed by a home health agency.

Section 1(3): Adds a new section to chapter 74.09 RCW (medical care) stating a caregiver providing complex care services, who has successfully completed the training, may change employers without having to repeat the training course.

Section 1(4): Adds a new section to chapter 74.09 RCW (medical care) requiring the home health agency that employs the caregiver providing complex care services to assume all costs of training the caregiver and may not require reimbursement.

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.

Health Systems Quality Assurance (HSQA)

Rulemaking

The department will develop and adopt rules to WAC 246-335 (In-Home Services Agencies). The department anticipates utilizing a team of subject matter experts to implement this bill. This team will consist of the program manager and a community engagement specialist to identify underreached communities and engage them in the rulemaking process. This process will include two meetings with interested parties as well as one formal rules hearing, all held virtually, and will take approximately 12 months to complete. The department anticipates providing the rules hearing announcement and materials in both English and Spanish and providing ASL and Spanish interpretation services at the rules hearing.

Costs include staff, associated expenses (including goods and services, intra-agency, and indirect charges), and Office of Attorney General support in the amount of \$4,000.

FY 2026 one-time costs will be 0.2 FTE and \$29,000 (GF-S)

Total Costs to Implement this bill:

FY 2026 one-time costs will be 0.2 FTE and \$29,000 (GF-S)

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	29,000	0	29,000	0	0
Total \$			29,000	0	29,000	0	0

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	0.2		0.1		
A-Salaries and Wages	13,000		13,000		
B-Employee Benefits	5,000		5,000		
C-Professional Service Contracts	1,000		1,000		
E-Goods and Other Services	9,000		9,000		
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	1,000		1,000		
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Total \$	29,000	0	29,000	0	0

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
HEALTH SERVICES CONSULTANT 4	88,000	0.2		0.1		
Total FTEs		0.2		0.1		0.0

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

Program	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
HEALTH SYSTEMS QUALITY ASSURANCE (060)	25,000		25,000		
DOH ADMINISTRATION (090)	4,000		4,000		
Total \$	29,000		29,000		

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 department will adopt rules to WAC 246-335 (In-Home Services Agencies) as necessary to implement this bill.