

# Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1946 S HB	<b>Title:</b> Local board of health/tribes
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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
Department of Health	.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	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	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.								
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 Health	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
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Local Gov. Other	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.								
Local Gov. Total									

## Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

NONE

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# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1946 S HB	<b>Title:</b> Local board of health/tribes	<b>Agency:</b> 303-Department of Health
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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 substitute bill amends laws governing local board of health membership by adding clarity for tribal representation on local boards of health. The Department of Health has no role with regards to the memberships of Local Boards of Health. No Fiscal Impact.

### 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.*

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

Department of Commerce

**Bill Number:** 1946 S HB

**Title:** Local board of health/tribes

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

### Legislation Impacts:

- Cities:
- Counties: Local Boards of Health
- Special Districts: Local Health Jurisdictions (LHJ)
- Specific jurisdictions only:
- Variance occurs due to:

## Part II: Estimates

- No fiscal impacts.
- Expenditures represent one-time costs: Cost to update ordinances
- Legislation provides local option:
- Key variables cannot be estimated with certainty at this time: The total number of tribal officials that will be needed to be added to Local Health Boards and Local Health Districts.

### Estimated revenue impacts to:

None

### Estimated expenditure impacts to:

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

## 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.*

#### **CHANGES BETWEEN THIS VERSION AND PREVIOUS BILL VERSION:**

##### **Sec. 1 (Amends RCW 70.05.030)**

Added language to subsection (1) (e) that would include “an urban Indian organization recognized by the Indian health services” to the list of organizations that must have a tribal representative included on local health boards.

##### **Sec. 2 (Amends RCW 70.05.035)**

Added language to subsection (1) (e) that would include “an urban Indian organization recognized by the Indian health services” to the list of organizations that must have a tribal representative included on local health boards.

##### **Sec. 3 (Amends RCW 70.46.020)**

Added language to subsection (1) (e) that would include “an urban Indian organization recognized by the Indian health services” to the list of organizations that must have a tribal representative included on local health boards.

##### **Sec. 4 (Amends RCW 70.46.031)**

Added language to subsection (1) (e) that would include “an urban Indian organization recognized by the Indian health services” to the list of organizations that must have a tribal representative included on local health boards.

#### **SUMMARY OF CURRENT BILL:**

Overview: Modifies how tribal representatives are selected for local health boards and health districts. Expands the number of tribal representatives from a single representative to “a tribal representative from each tribe and each organization”

##### **Sec. 1 (Amends RCW 70.05.030)**

Removes language from subsection (1) (e) which would remove the appointment authority of tribal representatives to a local health board by the American Indian Health Commission.

Adds language to subsection (1) (e) which would expand the number of tribal representatives to include a representative from each tribe and organization within the local health boards jurisdiction.

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## **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.*

### **CHANGES IN EXPENDITURE IMPACTS BETWEEN THIS VERSION AND PREVIOUS BILL VERSION:**

There would be an indeterminate increase in expenditures because the number of organizational representatives would be increased in the current bill version due to the addition of “urban Indian organization recognized by the Indian health services” to the list of organizations with required representation.

### **EXPENDITURE IMPACTS OF CURRENT BILL:**

This bill would have an indeterminate impact on local government expenditures.

The expansion of local boards of health (LBOH) by this bill would require local governments and local health jurisdictions (LHJ) to pass local ordinances to comply with the new requirements outlined in this bill. The Washington State Association of Local Public Health Officials (WSALPHO) estimated that it would cost \$2,000 for each of the 35 counties and 33 LHJ to update their respective ordinances. WASLPHO estimated the maximum total cost of updating each the counties and LHJs ordinances could cost \$136,000 ( $\$2,000 \times (35 \text{ counties} + 33 \text{ LHJs}) = \$136,000$ ).

Of the 29 federally recognized tribes located in Washington state, there are 20 counties and 17 LHJs that contain a federally recognized Indian tribe's reservation, trust lands, or usual and accustomed areas, or a charitable organization. Using the estimation reported by WSALPHO, the total statewide cost to counties and LHJs to update their ordinances would roughly cost \$74,000 ( $\$2,000 \times (20 \text{ counties} + 17 \text{ LHJs}) = \$74,000$ ).

Additionally, LBOH members are paid a per diem rate for attending public meetings. WSALPHO reported an estimated total cost of per diem member compensation to be between \$100,000 and \$500,000 statewide. This wide range of estimated LBOH per diem expenditures was provided by WSALPHO because the meeting regularity, per diem rates, and size of LBOH varies from county to county and LHJ to LHJ. The Local Government Fiscal Program has determined the large variance in LBOH per diem expenditure estimates and difficulty in predicting actual expenditures across all impacted counties and LHJs, the impact of this bill is indeterminate.

## **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.*

### **CHANGES IN REVENUE IMPACTS BETWEEN THIS VERSION AND PREVIOUS BILL VERSION:**

There were no changes made between versions that would change the impact of the bill.

### **REVENUE IMPACTS OF CURRENT BILL:**

There would no impact on local government revenue.

### **SOURCES:**

Governor’s Office of Indian Affairs (Washington state)  
Washington State Association of Local Public Health Officials  
House Bill Report, HB 1964, Local Government Committee