## **Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary**

Bill Number: 1217 S HB Title: Residential tenants

## **Estimated Cash Receipts**

NONE

Agency Name	2025	5-27	2027	-29	2029-31			
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total		
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal note not a	Fiscal note not available						
Loc School dist-SPI								
Local Gov. Other								
Local Gov. Total								

## **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
Administrative Office of the Courts	Fiscal n	ote not availa	ble									
Office of Attorney General	1.3	585,000	585,000	585,000	.2	72,000	72,000	72,000	.2	72,000	72,000	72,000
Department of Commerce	.4	504,366	504,366	504,366	.2	68,207	68,207	68,207	.0	0	0	0
Total \$	1.7	1,089,366	1,089,366	1,089,366	0.4	140,207	140,207	140,207	0.2	72,000	72,000	72,000

Agency Name	2025-27				2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal	Fiscal note not available								
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Loc School dist-SPI										
Local Gov. Other			1,808							
Local Gov. Other	In addition to the estimate above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.									
Local Gov. Total			1,808							

## **Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures**

Agency Name	2025-27				2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	
Administrative Office of	Fiscal 1	cal note not available								
the Courts										
Office of Attorney	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	
General										
Department of Commerce	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	
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Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	1 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	Fiscal	Fiscal note not available								
Loc School dist-SPI										
Local Gov. Other	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.									
Local Gov. Total										

## **Estimated Capital Budget Breakout**

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## **Individual State Agency Fiscal Note**

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1217 S HB	Title:	Residential tenants	3		<b>Agency:</b> 100-C Gener		rney
Part I: Estimates	<u> </u>						
No Fiscal Impact							
Estimated Cash Receipts to:	:						
NONE							
<b>Estimated Operating Expen</b>	iditures from:						
		FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-2	29 20	029-31
FTE Staff Years		1.8	0.7	1 1	.3	0.2	0.2
Account							
	001-1	455,000	130,000	585,00	JO 7	72,000	72,000
	Total \$	455,000	130,000	585,00		72,000	72,000
The cash receipts and expend and alternate ranges (if appr			e most likely fiscal i	mpact. Factors i	mpacting the prec	rision of these e	estimates,
Check applicable boxes and	d follow correspo	onding instructions:					
X If fiscal impact is great form Parts I-V.	er than \$50,000 j	per fiscal year in the	current biennium	or in subseque	nt biennia, comp	plete entire fis	scal note
If fiscal impact is less	than \$50,000 per	fiscal year in the cu	rrent biennium or	in subsequent	biennia, comple	te this page or	nly (Part I
Capital budget impact,	complete Part I	V.					
Requires new rule make	king, complete Pa	art V.					
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Agency Approval: Joe	e Zawislak			Phone: 360-586	5-3003 Da	ate: 01/29/20	)25
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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: New section. Legislative findings.

Part I – Residential Landlord-Tenant Act

Section 101: New section. Prohibits a landlord from increasing rent and fees for any type of tenancy during the first 12 months after the tenancy begins and during any 12-month period in an amount greater than seven percent, with exemptions. Allows a tenant to terminate the rental agreement, with notice, if the landlord increases rent and fees above the allowable amount based on an exemption. Provides that landlords in violation of this section are liable to damages and attorneys' fees. Allows a local government to adopt policies, ordinances, or other regulations to enforce the Act.

Section 102: New section. Contains exemptions from the prohibition on rent increases.

Section 103: New section. Specifies the form for rental increase notices that landlords must use.

Section 104: New section. Legislative findings.

Section 105: New section. Requires the Department of Commerce (Commerce) to create an online landlord resource center to distribute information to landlords about available programs and resources. Requires the Attorney General's Office (AGO) to publish model lease provisions regarding rent and fee increases that comply with the chapter. Requires the model lease provisions be published in at least ten languages. Requires the AGO to publish the first version of the model lease provisions by January 1, 2026, and periodically publish new versions as necessary to incorporate changes in law.

Section 106: Amends RCW 59.18.140. Adds a provision requiring a landlord that intends to increase rent and fees by three percent or greater to provide written notice to affected tenants at least 180 days before the effective date of the increase.

Section 107: Amends RCW 59.18.270. Adds a provision limiting the amount a landlord may charge a tenant for move-in fees or security deposits to no more than one month's rent.

Section 108: Amends RCW 59.18.170. Adds a provision prohibiting late fees greater than one and a half percent of the tenant's total rent per month.

Part II – Manufactured/Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act

Section 201: New section. Prohibits a landlord from increasing rent and fees for any type of tenancy during the first 12 months after the tenancy begins and during any 12 month period in an amount greater than seven percent, with exemptions. Allows a tenant to terminate the rental agreement, with notice, if the landlord increases rent and fees above the allowable amount based on an exemption. Provides that landlords in violation of this section are liable to damages and attorneys' fees. Allows a local government to adopt policies, ordinances, or other regulations to enforce the Act.

Section 201: New section. Contains exemptions from the prohibition on rent increases.

Section 203: New section. Specifies the form for rental increase notices that landlords must use.

Section 204: New section. Legislative findings.

Section 205: Amends RCW 59.20.090. Adds a provision requiring a landlord that intends to increase rent and fees by three

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percent or greater to provide written notice to affected tenants at least 180 days before the effective date of the increase.

Section 206: Amends RCW 59.20.170. Adds a provision limiting the amount a landlord may charge a tenant for move-in fees or security deposits to no more than one month's rent. Removes language relating to interest accruing on deposit amounts.

Section 207: Amends RCW 59.20.060. Adds language specifying when a landlord may charge fees for late rent and limits fees to one and a half percent of the tenant's total rent per month.

Section 208: Amends RCW 59.20.030. Adds a definition for "rent" or "rental amount."

Part III – Miscellaneous

Section 301: New section. Emergency clause.

Section 302: New section. Severability clause.

Section 303: New section. Requires Commerce to contract with an independent third party to carry out a social vulnerability assessment of the impacts of the Act. Makes the assessment due to the Legislature by December 1, 2027.

#### 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.

Attorney General's Office (AGO) Consumer Protection Division (CPR) and Policy Division (POL) activities are funded with General Fund-State dollars. No cash receipt impact. There is no client agency to bill for legal services.

#### **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.

Attorney General's Office (AGO) Agency Assumptions:

This bill is assumed effective immediately.

Location of staffing is assumed to be in a King County office building.

Total workload impact in this request includes standard assumption costs for goods & services, travel, and capital outlays for all FTE identified.

Agency administration support FTE are included in the tables. The Management Analyst 5 FTE (MA) is used as a representative classification. An example ratio is for every 1.0 Assistant Attorney General FTE (AAG), the AGO includes 0.5 Paralegal 1 FTE (PL1) and 0.4 MA.

1. Assumptions for the AGO Consumer Protection Division (CPR) Legal Services:

CPR assumes an initial period of investigation and enforcement activity to monitor and encourage compliance, followed by a high degree of compliance with the bill. Specifically with respect to The Manufactured Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act (MHLTA) amendments, CPR assumes potential impacts to the program will be offset by an expected reduction in the number of complaints regarding rental increases in manufactured mobile home lots.

CPR: Total King County workload impact:

FY 2026 and FY 2027: \$94,000 for 0.2 AAG, 0.2 Senior Investigator Analyst FTE (INV), and 0.1 PL1

2. Assumptions for the AGO Policy Division (POL) Legal Services:

The AGO will assign a Policy Analyst FTE (PA) to do research, consultation for the model lease provisions regarding rent and fee increases, and complete and publish the final product. Hard copy version of the model lease will cost \$150,000. Language translation for the top ten spoken languages will cost \$20,000. The AGO will need to periodically update the model lease in response to changes in the law. This estimates that workload for updating will be 10 percent of the initial workload.

POL: Total King County Workload impact:

FY 2026: \$361,000 for 1.0 PA which includes direct costs of \$170,000

FY 2027 and in each FY thereafter: \$36,000 for 0.1 PA which includes direct costs of \$17,000

3. The AGO Agriculture and Health Division (AHD) has reviewed this bill and determined it will not significantly increase or decrease the division's workload in representing the Department of Commerce (Commerce). Nominal AAG hours of advice are anticipated in assisting the client in establishing the on-line landlord resources center under Section 105 and contracting under Section 303 for a social vulnerability assessment. New legal services are nominal, and costs are not included in this request.

#### Total AGO workload impact:

FY 2026: \$455,000 for 0.2 AAG, 0.2 INV, 0.1 PL1, and 1.0 PA which includes direct costs of \$170,000

FY 2027: \$130,000 for 0.2 AAG, 0.2 INV, 0.1 PL1, and 0.1 PA which includes direct costs of \$17,000

FY 2028 and in each FY thereafter: \$36,000 for 0.1 PA which includes direct costs of \$17,000

## 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	455,000	130,000	585,000	72,000	72,000
		Total \$	455,000	130,000	585,000	72,000	72,000

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

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	1.8	0.7	1.3	0.2	0.2
A-Salaries and Wages	194,000	77,000	271,000	26,000	26,000
B-Employee Benefits	57,000	23,000	80,000	8,000	8,000
C-Professional Service Contracts	170,000	17,000	187,000	34,000	34,000
E-Goods and Other Services	32,000	12,000	44,000	4,000	4,000
G-Travel	2,000	1,000	3,000		
Total \$	455,000	130,000	585,000	72,000	72,000

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
Assistant Attorney General-Seattle	139,558	0.2	0.2	0.2		
Management Analyst 5	98,040	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Paralegal 1-Seattle	74,700	0.1	0.1	0.1		
Policy Analyst	110,000	1.0	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.1
Senior Investigator-Seattle	108,156	0.2	0.2	0.2		
Total FTEs		1.8	0.7	1.3	0.2	0.2

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

Program	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Consumer Protection Division (CPR)	94,000	94,000	188,000		
Policy Division (POL)	361,000	36,000	397,000	72,000	72,000
Total \$	455,000	130,000	585,000	72,000	72,000

## 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.

## **Individual State Agency Fiscal Note**

Bill Number: 12	217 S HB	Title:	Residential tenants			Agency:	103-Depart	tment of Commerc
Part I: Estima	ites							
No Fiscal In	npact							
Estimated Cash Ro	eceipts to:							
NONE								
Estimated Operati	ing Evnanditura	e from:						
Estimated Operati	ing Expenditure	5 11 0111.	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-2	7   2	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years			0.5	0.4		0.4	0.2	0.0
Account								
General Fund-Sta		F-4-1 6	286,159 286,159	218,207			68,207 68,207	
		Total \$	200,109	218,207	504	300	00,207	1 0
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If fiscal impa	act is less than \$5	0,000 per f	iscal year in the cu	rrent biennium o	r in subsequen	t biennia, co	omplete this	page only (Part I)
Capital budg	et impact, comple	ete Part IV.						
Requires nev	v rule making, co	mplete Par	t V.					
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Agency Approva	al: Paul Bitar				Phone: 36070	14882	Date: 0	01/28/2025
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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 substitute version of HB 1217 is identical to the original version, with the exception that the substitute version fixes a date applicable to the Office of the Attorney General under Section 105(2)(d). The change in the substitute does not affect Commerce's original estimate of the costs of this bill.

Section 105- The bill requires The Department of Commerce (Department) to establish an online landlord resource portal that hosts resources from two Department programs: the Landlord Mitigation Program (RCW 43.31.605) and the Low-Income Residential Weatherization Program (Chapter 70A.35). The portal would host additional resources from other agencies.

Designing, launching, and maintaining the landlord resource portal would have a fiscal impact.

Sec. 303- The Bill requires the Department contract with a third-party to conduct a Social Vulnerability Impact assessment, measuring the following consequences of the bill: measuring impacts to existing tenancies, measuring impacts to the social vulnerability of immutable characteristic subpopulations and/or housing cost-burdened subpopulations, evaluating impacts on new or transitioning renters due to the bill's rent caps, assessing impacts on other rental markets such as short-term or vacation rentals, and evaluating impacts on state-owned or state-funded or state-run housing units.

Staffing and procurement for this project and contracting for third-party services would have a 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.

No cash receipts.

#### 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.

Sec. 105- Requires the landlord resource portal be implemented. Analysis assumes that it will be hosted on The Department of Commerce's (Department) existing website within the existing page hierarchy.

Design and implementation of portal

FY26- 0.10 FTE Commerce Specialist 4 FY27- FY31 No impact

Maintenance of portal

FY26-FY31 No impact

Sec. 303- Requires the Department to contract with a third-party for the Social Vulnerability Assessment. Requires submission of the assessment by December 1, 2027. Analysis assumes that no budget appropriations will be provided to cover the expense of the Social Vulnerability Assessment based on bill as written.

Project management of the Social Vulnerability Assessment

FY26-FY28 0.25 Management Analyst 4 FY26-FY28 0.10 WMS3 FY29-FY31 No impact

Estimated procurement cost based on bill's requirements

The Department is unsure whether the timeline for the study due date will allow for meaningful data analysis to determine the impacts of the bill. Variables include deliverables in the study and required consultant hours. For illustrative purposes, the Department identified a recent consultant contract with a comparable scope and timeframe and adjusted it based on inflationary factors. The best estimate is \$300,000 - \$350,000. However, the exact cost is indeterminate.

#### Cost Narrative

0.10 FTE Commerce Specialist 4 (209 hours) for FY26 to help design, test, and implement the creation of the new portal to be incorporated into the existing website for the Department of Commerce.

0.25 FTE Management Analyst 4 (522 hours) for FY26 through FY28 to implement and oversee the contract with a third party for the Social Vulnerability Assessment.

0.10 FTE WMS Band 3 (209 hours) for FY26 through FY28 to monitor the progress and review the results of the Social Vulnerability Assessment.

Salaries and Benefits:

FY26: \$59,638

FY27-FY28: \$47,786

**Professional Service Contracts:** 

FY26: \$200,000 FY27: \$150,000

Goods and Other Services:

FY26: \$6,450 FY27-FY28: \$4,350

Travel: FY26- \$450 FY27-FY28: \$350

Intra-agency Reimbursements:

FY26: \$19,621

FY27-FY28: \$15,721

Note: Standard goods and services costs include supplies and materials, employee development and training. Attorney General costs, and agency administration. Intra-agency administration Reimbursement-Agency administrations costs (e.g., payroll, HR, IT are funded under a federally approved cost allocation plan.

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Summary of Total Costs:

FY26: \$286,159 FY27: \$218,207 FY28: \$68,207

## 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	286,159	218,207	504,366	68,207	0
		Total \$	286,159	218,207	504,366	68,207	0

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

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.2	
A-Salaries and Wages	45,329	36,450	81,779	36,450	
B-Employee Benefits	14,309	11,336	25,645	11,336	
C-Professional Service Contracts	200,000	150,000	350,000		
E-Goods and Other Services	6,450	4,350	10,800	4,350	
G-Travel	450	350	800	350	
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements	19,621	15,721	35,342	15,721	
9-					
Total \$	286,159	218,207	504,366	68,207	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
Commerce Specialist 4	88,794	0.1		0.1		
Management Analyst 4	88,794	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	
WMS Band 3	142,511	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Total FTEs		0.5	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.0

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

Program	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Housing Division (400)	286,159	218,207	504,366	68,207	
Total \$	286,159	218,207	504,366	68,207	

## 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
No impact.

## 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:	1217 S HB	Title:	Residential ten	ants
Part I: Juri	sdiction-Location	on, type or	status of polit	tical subdivision defines range of fiscal impacts.
Counties: Special Distr	ricts: sdictions only: Sea		es at the local lev	rel would need to amend their codes, if in conflict.
No fiscal im	pacts.			
X Expenditure	es represent one-time	costs: Ord	linance adoption	and accompanying analysis.
X Legislation	provides local option	: Local go this act.		the option to adopt policies, ordinances, or other regulations to enforce
X Key variable	es cannot be estimate	d with certai	inty at this time:	The number of local governments that will adopt rent stabilization ordinances.
Estimated reve	nue impacts to:			
None				
Estimated expe	enditure impacts to:			

Jurisdiction	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
City	1,808		1,808		
TOTAL \$	1,808		1,808		
GRAND TOTAL \$					1,808

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

## Part III: Preparation and Approval

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Agency Approval: Alice Zillah	Phone:	360-725-5035	Date:	01/27/2025
OFM Review: Marie Davis	Phone:	(360) 890-1163	Date:	02/02/2025

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FNS060 Local Government Fiscal Note

# Part IV: Analysis A. SUMMARY OF BILL

Description of the bill with an emphasis on how it impacts local government.

This note is on 1217 SHB and compares it to 1217 HB.

#### CHANGES BETWEEN THIS VERSION AND THE PRIOR VERSION OF THE BILL:

This version of the bill extends the deadline for the Office of the Attorney General to publish the first version of model lease provisions (regarding rent and fee increases) from January 1, 2025, to January 1, 2026.

This change does not affect the fiscal impacts discussed below.

#### SUMMARY OF CURRENT BILL:

This bill establishes rent stabilization policies in the state of Washington. These policies would limit rent, and fee increases to seven percent during any 12-month period and prohibits rent and fee increases during the first 12 months of a tenancy for tenants subject to the Residential Landlord-Tenant Act and the Manufactured/Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act with certain exemptions for public housing authorities, public development authorities, and certain nonprofit entities described in Sec. 102. A local government may adopt policies, ordinances, or other regulations to enforce the bill.

Sec. 301 contains an emergency clause which takes effect immediately.

#### 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.

This legislation provides cities and counties an option to adopt policies, ordinances, or other regulations to enforce the legislation. Currently, there are five cities that regulate tenancies: Seattle, Auburn, Burien, Tacoma, and Olympia. These cities will need to review their codes to determine if they are in conflict with the legislation. The Local Government Fiscal Note Program's (LGFN) cost model estimates the average professional compensation at the local level to be \$72.33 per hour, including benefits and overhead. Costs to local governments would depend upon the staff time required for each affected local government to review their code. For illustrative purposes, the city of Olympia estimates city staff would need up to 5 hours for code review at a total cost of \$1,808.25 as follows:

 $72.33 \times 5 \text{ hours } \times 5 \text{ cities} = 1,808.25$ 

Additional staff costs would be required if the code needed to be amended as follows:

The typical cost to adopt an ordinance per jurisdiction ranges from \$675 for a simple ordinance to \$6,775 for a complex ordinance. These costs include costs for draft ordinances, advisory commission meeting and recommendation, finalized ordinance, publication of ordinance, and general public information. The LGFN program has determined this ordinance to be complex. However, since there is currently no requirement to adopt new ordinances under this legislation, these costs are speculative and indeterminate for those jurisdictions that do not currently regulate tenancies.

Note: These cost estimates are for only one meeting or staff report, more complex ordinances would likely require more meetings and potentially more staff reports. There would be further costs associated with enforcing or executing the ordinance. These costs are indeterminate.

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#### 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.

This legislation would not impact local government revenues.

**SOURCES** 

Association of Washington Cities (AWC)

City of Olympia

Local Government Fiscal Note Program (LGFN) 2025 Unit Cost Model

Municipal Research and Services Center (MRSC)

Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC)

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