

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 5562 SB	Title: Students/apprenticeships
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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
Student Achievement Council	4.3	1,457,000	1,457,000	1,457,000	.3	92,000	92,000	92,000	.3	92,000	92,000	92,000
Community and Technical College System	.2	745,000	745,000	745,000	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Total \$	4.5	2,202,000	2,202,000	2,202,000	0.3	92,000	92,000	92,000	0.3	92,000	92,000	92,000

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Student Achievement Council	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Community and Technical College System	.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: 5562 SB	Title: Students/apprenticeships	Agency: 340-Student Achievement Council
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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	4.6	4.0	4.3	0.3	0.3
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	791,000	666,000	1,457,000	92,000	92,000
Total \$	791,000	666,000	1,457,000	92,000	92,000

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.

SB 5562 modifies the definition of "Washington College Grant" (WCG) in RCW 28B.92.030 that relates to maximum WCG amount for apprentices, restricting the amount to only tuition and fees for state-registered apprentices who do not have tuition and fees paid by their program, as the apprenticeship program existed as of July 1, 2022 (Section 1 (5)(g)). .

Section 2(2) shortens the timeline for institutions to grant academic credit for related/supplemental instruction (RSI) by July 1, 2026, and within 1-year of program registration for new programs. SB 5562 also gives WSAC responsibility to ensure the statewide transfer of credit policy and agreement is designed to facilitate the transfer of credit and the evaluation for apprentices participating in approved apprenticeship programs (Section 2 (4)). This would require WSAC to partner with higher education institutions to ensure transfer credit policies and agreements for apprentices are being implemented by institutions.

Section 3 requires institutions of higher education to cooperate with WSAC to adopt statewide transfer and articulation credits for RSI between 2-year and 4-year institutions by July 1, 2026. This would require WSAC to convene higher education partners to develop a transfer and articulation credit framework. This may require the development of a statewide policy to support institutions.

WSAC's role is to provide program administration functions which include:

- * Revise current Washington College Grant for Apprentices program sponsor and apprentice applications
- * Revise program policies
- * Outreach to existing approved sponsors and apprentices to advise of changes in program administration
- * Gather data from approved programs since July 1, 2022
- * Ensure transfer credit policy and agreement for apprentices participating in approved apprenticeship programs
- * Develop and maintain credit transfer articulation for RSI between 2-year and 4-year institutions by July 1, 2026
- * Adopt rules

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.

SB 5562 will require updates to program administration policies for the Washington College Grant for apprentices, as well as collecting data from eligible program sponsors that operated as of July 1, 2022. The bill also requires WSAC take on a role of ensuring transfer credit and agreements extends to students in approved in apprenticeship programs as well as developing and maintaining policies to support credit articulation.

STAFFING

A Program Manager and an Associate Director would be required to implement program changes with the support of a Program Coordinator. A Communications Specialist will support communication and outreach support to apprentices and approved programs regarding changes to the program. A Policy Associate will convene higher education institutions to ensure statewide transfer of credit policy and agreements and develop and maintain statewide policies. An Assistant Director is needed to support data collection and analysis on approved apprenticeship programs that offer tuition and fees support. A Software Developer is needed to revise the application.

Ongoing work includes ensuring statewide transfer credit policy and agreements extends to apprentices and the maintenance of statewide policies for transfer and articulation of credits for RSI between 2-year and 4-year institutions. Note that implementation of this bill will require two years due to the outreach to current program participants, revising program administration, and ensuring the transfer credit policy and agreements for apprentices.

FY26 costs of \$791K for 1.0 FTE Associate Director, 0.5 FTE Policy Associate, 1.0 FTE Program Manager, 0.5 FTE Assistant Director, 1.0 FTE Program Coordinator, 0.3 FTE software developer, and 0.3 Communications Specialist.

FY27 costs of \$666K for 0.5 FTE Associate Director, 0.5 FTE Policy Associate, 1.0 FTE Program Manager, 0.5 FTE Assistant Director, 1.0 FTE Program Coordinator, 0.2 FTE Software Developer, and 0.3 Communications Specialist.

FY28 and ongoing costs of \$46K annually for 0.3 FTE Policy Associate.

Staff time estimates are rounded to the nearest 0.1 FTE and staff-related and other costs are rounded to the nearest \$1000.

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	791,000	666,000	1,457,000	92,000	92,000
Total \$			791,000	666,000	1,457,000	92,000	92,000

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	4.6	4.0	4.3	0.3	0.3
A-Salaries and Wages	387,000	322,000	709,000	46,000	46,000
B-Employee Benefits	144,000	117,000	261,000	10,000	10,000
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	256,000	223,000	479,000	34,000	34,000
G-Travel	4,000	4,000	8,000	2,000	2,000
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
9-					
Total \$	791,000	666,000	1,457,000	92,000	92,000

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 Director	95,000	0.5	0.5	0.5		
Associate Director	110,000	1.0	0.5	0.8		
Communication Specialist	87,000	0.3	0.3	0.3		
IT Developer	106,000	0.3	0.2	0.3		
Program Associate	75,000	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3
Program Coordinator	58,000	1.0	1.0	1.0		
Program Manager	76,000	1.0	1.0	1.0		
Total FTEs		4.6	4.0	4.3	0.3	0.3

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

Program	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Student Financial Aid (030)	791,000	666,000	1,457,000	92,000	92,000
Total \$	791,000	666,000	1,457,000	92,000	92,000

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 Washington Student Achievement Council will need to adopt administrative rules.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5562 SB	Title: Students/apprenticeships	Agency: 699-Community and Technica College System
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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	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	745,000	0	745,000	0	0
Total \$	745,000	0	745,000	0	0

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.

A bill related to students attending approved apprenticeship programs. Amends RCW 28B.92.30 and 28B.124.030; adds a new section to chapter 28B.77 RCW.

Sec. 1 (5)(g) would remove the cost of tuition and fees from being included into the overall cost of attendance for the purpose of determining the apprentice's Washington College Grant award amount, if the apprentice's program paid the tuition and fees, or equivalent, for the student. Washington Student Achievement Council would be responsible for assessing compliance with this requirement based on apprenticeship programs as they existed as of July 1, 2022.

Sec. 2 (1)(2) removes the six-year timeframe for credit evaluation and replaces it with one-year.

Sec. 2 (4) requires that all credits granted for related supplemental instruction must count towards a degree from an institution of higher education as of July 1, 2026. The institution that grants the credit does not need to be the same institution that grants the degree. The student achievement council must ensure the statewide transfer of credit policy and agreement under RCW 28B.77.210 is designed to facilitate the transfer of credit and evaluation of transcripts for students attending approved apprenticeship programs.

Sec. 3 The student achievement council shall adopt statewide transfer and articulation policies that ensure efficient transfer of credits for related supplemental instruction for students attending approved apprenticeship programs across public two and four-year institution of higher education by July 1, 2026.

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 impact.

II. C - Expenditures

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Sec. 2 (4) currently funded through ESSB 5764 from the 2022 session.

Sec. 3 To ensure efficient transfer of credits for related supplemental instruction for students attending apprenticeship programs across two and four-year institutions of higher education, it is assumed the following staff would need to collaborate with the student achievement council:

0.25 FTE policy associate to assist in developing policies across 2- and 4-year institutions of higher education

0.20 FTE apprenticeship dean at all 20 apprenticeship colleges to work with council in identifying pathways for apprenticeship programs and explore statewide system

Policy Associate (\$142,000 salary and benefits) x 0.25 FTE = \$35,500 FY26 only

Apprenticeship Dean (\$177,000 salary and benefits x 0.20 FTE x 20 colleges = \$708,000 FY26 only

Travel costs = \$1,500 FY26 only

Total costs: \$35,500 + \$708,000 + \$1,500 = \$745,000 FY26 only

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	745,000	0	745,000	0	0
Total \$			745,000	0	745,000	0	0

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	0.5		0.2		
A-Salaries and Wages	550,250		550,250		
B-Employee Benefits	193,250		193,250		
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services					
G-Travel	1,500		1,500		
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
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Total \$	745,000	0	745,000	0	0

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Job Classification	Salary	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Dean, apprenticeships	131,000	0.2		0.1		
Policy Associate	105,000	0.3		0.1		
Total FTEs		0.5		0.2		0.0

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

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