

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

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| Bill Number: 1843 HB | Title: Students/unemployment ins. |
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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 Administrative Hearings | .0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| University of Washington | .0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Employment Security Department | .0 | 0 | 0 | 30,000 | .0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total \$ | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 30,000 | 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 Administrative Hearings | .0 | 0 | 0 | .0 | 0 | 0 | .0 | 0 | 0 |
| University of Washington | .0 | 0 | 0 | .0 | 0 | 0 | .0 | 0 | 0 |
| Employment Security Department | .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

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| Bill Number: 1843 HB | Title: Students/unemployment ins. | Agency: 110-Office of Administrative Hearings |
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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:

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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.

No fiscal impact. This legislation will not measurably increase the appeal workload for the Office of Administrative Hearings. Any new work is assumed to be nominal and will be provided with existing resources.

The Employment Security Department assumes a small number of claims leading to appeals and that there is no administrative 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.

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.

None

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

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| Bill Number: 1843 HB | Title: Students/unemployment ins. | Agency: 360-University of Washington |
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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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- 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.

House Bill 1843 repeals RCW 50.20.095, thus allowing workers enrolled full-time in academic programs to receive unemployment benefits without having to seek a waiver.

Although HB 1843 removes the benefits exemption for individuals enrolled in academic programs, RCW 50.44.040 still exempts student-employees at higher education institutions from unemployment benefits generally. Our interpretation is that the higher education/student-employee exemption is not impacted by the repeal of RCW 50.20.095. Given that student-employees are still not eligible for unemployment benefits, HB 1843 is unlikely to have a financial impact on the University of Washington.

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

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|-----------------------------|--|---|
| Bill Number: 1843 HB | Title: Students/unemployment ins. | Agency: 540-Employment Security Department |
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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 | | | | | |
| Unemployment Compensation Administration Account-State 119 -1 | 30,000 | 0 | 30,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Total \$ | 30,000 | 0 | 30,000 | 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.

Section 1: This bill repeals RCW 50.20.095 – Disqualification for attending school or institution of higher education; this repeal would remove the automatic disqualification for unemployment insurance (UI) Claimants for attending school or institution of higher education however, claimants would have to meet all other standing requirements such as being able and available and actively seeking employment.

The Employment Security Department (ESD) unemployment insurance benefit system is already programed to not automatically disqualify claimants due to school attendance. Claimants that indicate school attendance in their application are flagged and their claim is adjudicated. Implementing this change would require updating letters, policy guidance, training, and external sources. This work is minimal and can be absorbed with existing resources.

This bill will require one-time minor rulemaking in FY 2026 to update WAC 192-200-030 to reflect statutory repeal.

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.

Of the claims adjudicated in 2024, 3,500 claims were denied due to school attendance. ESD assumes that 10% of those claims – or 350 – would be allowable, with most of the claims remaining denied due to not meeting the other requirements such as being able and available to work. This bill would have an immaterial impact on the trust fund and an insignificant impact to overall employer experience ratings. Therefore, there no impact to cash receipts.

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Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

| Account | Account Title | Type | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | 2025-27 | 2027-29 | 2029-31 |
|-----------------|--|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 119-1 | Unemployment Compensation Administration Account | State | 30,000 | 0 | 30,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Total \$ | | | 30,000 | 0 | 30,000 | 0 | 0 |

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 | 30,000 | | 30,000 | | |
| 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 | | | | | |
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| Total \$ | 30,000 | 0 | 30,000 | 0 | 0 |

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

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