Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 5036 SB AMH ENVI H2060.2	**Title:** Statewide emissions data

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 Commerce	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Ecology	1.7	0	0	509,920	1.7	0	0	509,920	2.0	0	0	589,731
Total $	**1.7**	**0**	**0**	**509,920**	**1.7**	**0**	**0**	**509,920**	**2.0**	**0**	**0**	**589,731**

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Department of Commerce	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Ecology	.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

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number:	Title:	Agency:
5036 SB AMH ENVI H2060.2	Statewide emissions data	103-Department of Commerce

Part I: Estimates

[X] **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.

Comparing SB 5036 AMH ENVI H2060.2 to SB 5036:

Section 1 revises intent section. The change does not affect the Department of Commerce's (Department) costs.

Section 2

- Requires posting of the emissions inventory. This is current practice, and the change does not affect the Department's costs.
- Clarifies that the report is based on the two preceding years rather than two most recent years. The change does not affect the Department's costs.
- Delays the change to annual reporting until 2030. The change does not affect the Department's costs.
- Requires reporting of emissions by major sector. The change does not affect the Department's costs.

Section 3 requires natural gas distribution companies to submit annual reports of greenhouse gas emissions to the Department of Ecology in order to receive no-cost allowances. The change does not affect the Department's costs.

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.

The Department assumes no impact under the proposed legislation.

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

Revised

Bill Number: 5036 SB AMH ENVI H2060.2	Title: Statewide emissions data	Agency: 461-Department of Ecology

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	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.0
Account					
Model Toxics Control Operating Account-State 23P-1	254,960	254,960	509,920	509,920	589,731
Total $	254,960	254,960	509,920	509,920	589,731

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.

In comparison to SB 5036, 5036 SB AMH ENVI H2060.2 makes the following changes

Section 2 amends RCW 70A.45.20 to update the start date for delivering an annual inventory report to the Legislature to December 31, 2031. It also would require Ecology to analyze and post a summary of greenhouse gas emissions data to the Ecology website by December 31, 2027, and December 31, 2029.

These changes to Section 2 would reduce fiscal impact to Ecology.

In 2020, the State of Washington reenacted RCW 70A.45.020, which establishes greenhouse gas emission reduction limits of 95% below 1990 levels by 2050. RCW 70A.45.005 and RCW 70A.45.020 currently require Ecology to produce a biannual report on the total emissions of greenhouse gasses for the preceding year, and totals in each major source sector. The inventory is built specifically for Washington using a combination of data from the EPA State Inventory Tool and data from Washington state agencies. The report produced by Ecology allows tracking of Washington's progress towards the emissions reduction limits established in RCW 70A.45.020. This bill would increase the frequency of reporting from biennially to annually.

Section 1 would require Ecology to include a commitment to climate policy accountability through consistent tracking and annual reporting.

Section 2 would require Ecology to revise the frequency of the statewide greenhouse gas inventories report from even numbered years to every year. The amended language results in December 31, 2031, as the first of ongoing annual reports.

This section also would require Ecology to post a summary of greenhouse gas emissions data on the Ecology website by December 31, 2027, and December 31, 2029.

The changes in Section 2 reduce fiscal impact by deferring 0.5 FTE staff until July of 2030.

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.

The expenditure impact to Ecology under this bill is estimated to be greater than $50,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 and ongoing to implement the requirements of sections 1 and 2. Ecology assumes costs to implement sections 1 and 2 would be funded by the Model Toxics Control Operating Account.

Under current law, Ecology is required under RCW 70A.45.005 and RCW 70A.45.020 to deliver a state greenhouse gas inventory report to the legislature on even-numbered years. This bill would require Ecology to produce an annual greenhouse gas inventory report. The additional reporting would require increased staff work due to increased reporting volume and shorter timelines. Staff would need to begin work on building strategic workplans and approaches for completing required work prior to the first annual report.

Section 1 would amend RCW 70A.45.020 to include a commitment to climate policy accountability through consistent tracking and annual reporting.

Section 2 would require Ecology to revise the frequency of the statewide greenhouse gas inventories report from even numbered years to every year. It also would require Ecology to post a summary of greenhouse gas emissions data on the Ecology website by December 31, 2027, and December 31, 2029.

Ecology estimates the following positions would be necessary to implement Sections 1 and 2:

Ecology assumes 1.0 FTE Environmental Planner 4 (EP4), in FY 2026 and ongoing, would support accelerated data acquisition, data synthesis, and report writing and revision. Work would include support for development of additional data acquisition, increased collaboration and coordination, and maintenance of agreements. This position would also support senior staff and ensure timely data delivery and quality assurance from external sources on a shorter, more frequent timeline. Additional work would include supporting accelerated authoring and review of reports and supporting final report outreach.

0.5 FTE Environmental Specialist 4 (ES4), in FY 2026 and ongoing, would be necessary to support the additional data collection and quality control work required to produce inventory data on an annual cycle. Work would also include supporting existing staff and establishing and maintaining strategies and workplans for more frequent reports in order to ensure consistent, on-time delivery.

0.5 FTE Environmental Specialist 4 (ES4), in FY 2031 and ongoing, would be necessary to support the additional analytical and modeling work required to produce an annual inventory report. This position would support adjustments to models and analyses on a more compressed timeline, including quality assurance and ongoing methodological improvements to accountability and accuracy.

By deferring the 0.5 Environmental Specialist 4 from beginning in FY 2026 to beginning in FY 2031, the amended language would reduce fiscal impact by $80,081 each year for FY 2026-2030.

SUMMARY:

THE TOTAL EXPENDITURE IMPACT to Ecology under this bill is estimated to be:

FY 2026: $254,960 and 1.7 FTEs
FY 2027: $254,960 and 1.7 FTEs
FY 2028: $254,960 and 1.7 FTEs
FY 2029: $254,960 and 1.7 FTEs
FY 2030: $254,960 and 1.7 FTEs
FY 2031: $334,771 and 2.3 FTEs

Notes on costs by object:

Salary estimates are current biennium actual rates at Step L.
Benefits are the agency average of 33.7% of salaries.
Goods and Services are the agency average of $5,552 per direct program FTE.
Travel is the agency average of $2,398 per direct program FTE.
Equipment is the agency average of $1,074 per direct program FTE.
Agency Administrative Overhead is calculated at the federally approved agency indirect rate of 29.9% of direct program salaries and benefits, and is shown as object 9. Agency Administrative Overhead FTEs are included at 0.15 FTE per direct program FTE, and are identified as Fiscal Analyst 2 and IT App Development - Journey.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
23P-1	Model Toxics Control Operating Account	State	254,960	254,960	509,920	509,920	589,731
		Total $	254,960	254,960	509,920	509,920	589,731

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.0
A-Salaries and Wages	139,008	139,008	278,016	278,016	321,372
B-Employee Benefits	46,846	46,846	93,692	93,692	108,303
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	8,328	8,328	16,656	16,656	19,432
G-Travel	3,597	3,597	7,194	7,194	8,393
J-Capital Outlays	1,611	1,611	3,222	3,222	3,759
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
9-Agency Administrative Overhead	55,570	55,570	111,140	111,140	128,472
Total $	254,960	254,960	509,920	509,920	589,731

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
ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER 4	95,652	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
ENVIRONMENTAL SPEC 4	86,712	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.8
FISCAL ANALYST 2		0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
IT APP DEVELOPMENT-JOURNEY		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total FTEs		1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.0

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

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.