

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 5547 S SB	Title: Nursing pool transparency
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Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25				2025-27				2027-29			
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Washington State Health Care Authority	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Health	.4	55,000	55,000	107,000	.6	0	0	136,000	.7	0	0	144,000
Total \$	0.4	55,000	55,000	107,000	0.6	0	0	136,000	0.7	0	0	144,000

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Washington State Health Care Authority	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
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

Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

NONE

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5547 S SB	Title: Nursing pool transparency	Agency: 107-Washington State Health Care Authority
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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.

See attached narrative.

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.

See attached narrative.

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.

See attached narrative.

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.

HCA Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5547 SSB

HCA Request #: 23-157

Part II: Narrative Explanation

This bill relates to transparency for nursing pools that provide health care personnel to hospitals and long-term care facilities.

The substitute bill makes some minor changes to definitions and requirements but continues to have no fiscal impact to the Health Care Authority (HCA).

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Section 1 – Amends RCW 18.52C.020 Nursing Pools - Definitions. Adds various definitions.

Section 2 – Amends RCW 18.52C.020 Nursing Pools - Registration Required. Adds various registration requirements.

Section 3 – Adds a new section to RCW 18.52C Nursing Pools. Adds various reporting requirements.

Section 4 – Amends RCW 18.52C.040 Nursing Pools - Duties. Adds various credentialing requirements including licensing, certification, training, health requirements, and continuing education standards.

II. B - Cash Receipts Impact

None.

II. C – Expenditures

None.

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

None.

Part V: New Rule Making Require

None.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5547 S SB	Title: Nursing pool transparency	Agency: 303-Department of Health
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.7
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	30,000	25,000	55,000	0	0
Health Professions Account-State 02G-1	0	52,000	52,000	136,000	144,000
Total \$	30,000	77,000	107,000	136,000	144,000

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.

This substitute bill adds long-term care personnel for temporary employment by a nursing pool. Adds long-term care personnel to report to the secretary annually specific information, which the secretary shall produce an annual report. The department assumes no change in fiscal impact as a result of these changes.

Section 2(2): Amends RCW 18.52C.030 (Nursing Pools – Registration required) stating a nursing pool operator shall a) register the pool with the secretary annually and b) disclose corporate structure and ownership, if any, which the secretary shall make publicly available, as part of the annual registration process.

Section 3: Amends RCW 18.52C (Nursing Pools) – requiring nursing pools to report to the secretary annually specified information, which the secretary shall produce an annual report.

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.

Current law RCW 43.70.250 (License fees for professions, occupations, and businesses.) requires that the health professions administered by the Department of Health (department) be fully self-supporting and that enough revenue be collected through fees to fund the cost of administering the program. Currently the Nursing Pool Operator program has a negative fund balance. The department is scheduled to implement a fee increase in June 2023 that will cover current operating costs of \$63,000 per year. Costs associated with implementing this bill will require the department to conduct another fee study and increase the fee to cover the work.

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.

Rulemaking

Section 2 and 3: The department will develop and adopt rules to require nursing pools to register and disclose corporate structure and ownership as part of the annual registration process. The department anticipates utilizing a team of subject matter experts to implement this bill. This team will consist of the program manager and a community engagement specialist to reach disadvantaged communities and engage them in the rulemaking process. This process will include two stakeholder meetings as well as one formal rules hearing, all held virtually, and will take approximately 12 months to complete. The department anticipates providing the rules hearing announcement and materials in both English and Spanish and providing ASL and Spanish interpretation services at the rules hearing.

Costs include staff, associated expenses (including goods and services, travel, intra-agency, and indirect charges), and Office of Attorney General support in the amount of \$4,000.

FY 2024 one-time costs will be 0.2 FTE and \$30,000 (GF-S).

Health Technology Solutions

Section 2 and 3: Configuration in department's Healthcare Enforcement and Licensing Modernization System (HELMS) will require 96 hours from the integration vendor at a rate of \$262.50 per hour. Work will include the initial vendor

configuration and agency staff time for ongoing maintenance of two new reports, eight new user defined fields, and support

FY 2025 costs will be \$25,000 (GF-S)

FY 2026 and ongoing, costs will be \$4,000 (02G)

Office of Customer Service (OCS)

Section 2 and 3: Currently there are 455 active nursing pools all of which have automatic renewals. This bill would require nursing pools to disclose corporate structure and ownership, if any, as well as disclosing other specific information outlined in section 3 of the bill. Disclosure of this information will require OCS staff to manually register them annually. The department assumes 100% of the 455 active nursing pools will register in FY 2025. The growth rate of nursing pools is 6.1%, therefore the department assumes that registrations will grow 6.1% each year starting in FY 2026. Initial OCS work will include updating nursing pool operator applications, as well as configuration, testing, implementation, training, and updates of the nursing pool operator application in HELMS. Ongoing OCS work will include manual processing all registrations.

FY 2025 costs will be 0.5 FTE and \$52,000 (02G)

FY 2026 costs will be 0.6 FTE and \$55,000 (02G)

FY 2027 costs will be 0.6 and \$61,000 (02G)

FY 2028 and ongoing, costs will be 0.7 FTE and \$65,000

Annual Report

Section 3: The department will produce an annual report to be made available on the department's website. The annual report will include all information provided by nursing pools during the registration process. The department assumes that the annual report will be provided by September of each year starting in FY 2026 and will include data from the previous fiscal year. The department assumes work will include pulling data, analyzing, formatting, interpreting, providing narrative, and uploading to website.

FY 2026 costs will be 0.1 FTE and \$9,000 (02G)

FY 2027 and ongoing, costs will be \$3,000 (02G)

Discipline

Section 2: The department does not anticipate any new nursing pools as a result of this bill and therefore does not anticipate an increase in complaints as a result of this bill. Based on this information, the department assumes no fiscal impact.

TOTAL COST TO IMPLEMENT THIS BILL

FY 2024: 0.2 FTE and \$30,000 (GF-S)

FY 2025: 0.5 FTE and \$25,000 (GF-S); \$77,000 (02G)

FY 2026: 0.6 FTE and \$68,000 (02G)

FY 2027: 0.6 FTE and \$68,000 (02G)

FY 2028 and ongoing: 0.7 FTE and \$72,000 (02G)

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
001-1	General Fund	State	30,000	25,000	55,000	0	0
02G-1	Health Professions Account	State	0	52,000	52,000	136,000	144,000
Total \$			30,000	77,000	107,000	136,000	144,000

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29	
FTE Staff Years	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.7	
A-Salaries and Wages	16,000	32,000	48,000	84,000	90,000	
B-Employee Benefits	6,000	14,000	20,000	36,000	38,000	
C-Professional Service Contracts	1,000	25,000	26,000			
E-Goods and Other Services	5,000	3,000	8,000	9,000	8,000	
J-Capital Outlays	1,000		1,000			
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements	1,000	3,000	4,000	7,000	8,000	
Total \$		30,000	77,000	107,000	136,000	144,000

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 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
EPIDEMIOLOGIST 2 (NON-MEDICAL)	98,592				0.1	
Fiscal Analyst 2	53,000		0.1	0.1		0.1
FORMS & RECORDS ANALYST 1	45,852		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
HEALTH SERVICES CONSULTANT 1	55,872		0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3
HEALTH SERVICES CONSULTANT 2	66,420		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
HEALTH SERVICES CONSULTANT 4	82,896	0.1		0.1		
Health Svcs Conslt 1	53,000				0.1	0.1
MANAGEMENT ANALYST 4	82,896	0.1		0.1		
Total FTEs			0.2	0.5	0.4	0.7

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.

Sections 2 and 3: The department will adopt rules in Title 246.845 WAC (Nursing Pool) as necessary to implement this bill.