Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 1673 HB	**Title:** Public works board/broadband.

Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Agency Name	2021-23		2023-25		2025-27	
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total
Local Gov. Courts						
Loc School dist-SPI						
Local Gov. Other	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.					
Local Gov. Total						

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2021-23				2023-25				2025-27			
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Department of Commerce	Fiscal note not available											
Total $	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0

Agency Name	2021-23			2023-25			2025-27		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.								
Local Gov. Total									

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2021-23			2023-25			2025-27		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Department of Commerce	Fiscal note not available								
Total $	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

Agency Name	2021-23			2023-25			2025-27		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
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

NONE

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FNS029 Multi Agency rollup

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

Department of Commerce

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Part I: Jurisdiction-Location, type or status of political subdivision defines range of fiscal impacts.

Legislation Impacts:

[X] Cities: Cities can choose to apply for funding

[X] Counties: Counties can choose to apply for funding

[X] Special Districts: Special districts can choose to apply for funding

[ ] Specific jurisdictions only:

[ ] Variance occurs due to:

Part II: Estimates

[ ] No fiscal impacts.

[ ] Expenditures represent one-time costs:

[X] Legislation provides local option: Local governments would have an opportunity to apply for loan or grant funds for emergency public works broadband projects

[X] Key variables cannot be estimated with certainty at this time: It is unknown how many cities, counties, or special districts would choose to apply for emergency funding or how much they would be awarded.

Estimated revenue impacts to:

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

Estimated expenditure impacts to:

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

Part III: Preparation and Approval

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Part IV: Analysis

A. SUMMARY OF BILL

Provide a clear, succinct description of the bill with an emphasis on how it impacts local government .

This bill would amend RCW 43.155.160 to:
- remove the six week requirement that an applicant contacted , in writing, all entities providing broadband service near the proposed project area to ask each broadband service provider's plan to upgrade broadband service
in the project area to speeds that meet or exceed the state's definition for broadband service
- add a requirement for applicants to submit the proposed geographic broadband service area and the proposed broadband speeds to the public works board no later than 30 days prior to submitting the application
- remove the requirement for the Public Works Board to consult with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission for their feasibility assessment
- allow the Public Works Board to make low-interest or interest-free loans or grants to eligible applicants for emergency public works broadband projects for construction , repair, reconstruction, replacement, rehabilitation, or improvement to critical broadband infrastructure that has been damaged by unforeseen events

B. SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE IMPACTS

Briefly describe and quantify the expenditure impacts of the legislation on local governments , identifying the expenditure provisions by section number, and when appropriate, the detail of expenditures. Delineate between city, county and special district impacts.

This bill would have indeterminate impact on local government expenditures .

It is unknown which local governments would apply for emergency funding through the authority established by this bill . Applicants would have administrative costs to prepare the application and other necessary documentation .

Applicants receiving grants or loans would incur costs to construct , repair, replace, rehabilitate, or otherwise improve critical broadband infrastructure that has been damaged by unforeseen events . Funding issued as a loan must be repaid by the local government with any applicable interest applied. There may be potential costs associated with monitoring , auditing, or evaluating the emergency funds for those local governments awarded a loan or grant .

C. SUMMARY OF REVENUE IMPACTS

Briefly describe and quantify the revenue impacts of the legislation on local governments , identifying the revenue provisions by section number, and when appropriate, the detail of revenue sources. Delineate between city, county and special district impacts.

This bill would have indeterminate impact on local government revenues .

It is unknown which local governments would be awarded emergency funding and what amount they would receive .