Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 1201 HB	**Title:** Emergency shelters/pets

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
Military Department	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Total $	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	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	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Military Department	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Total $	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	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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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1201 HB	Title: Emergency shelters/pets	Agency: 245-Military Department

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:

[ ] 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.

House Bill 1201 creates a new section in RCW 38.52.

This bill updates state Emergency Management requirements obligating counties and cities to identify shelters that can accommodate pets and post the information on their website.

Each local or joint local organization for emergency management is required to submit a local comprehensive emergency management plan to the Washington Military Department Emergency Management Division. The local plans are coordinated with the state's comprehensive emergency management plan, and are required to be reviewed pursuant to the schedule created by the Adjutant General. Receiving and reviewing the local plans is part of Emergency Management's regular duties. The bill has no fiscal impact to Military Department.

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.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

Department of Commerce

Bill Number: 1201 HB	**Title:** Emergency shelters/pets

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

Legislation Impacts:

[X] Cities: Approximately $53,000 in costs for cities to assess shelter conditions and designate shelters as pet-accommodating and update local comprehensive emergency management plans.

[X] Counties: Approximately $38,000 in costs for counties to assess shelter conditions and designate shelters as pet-accommodating and update local comprehensive emergency management plans.

[ ] Special Districts:

[ ] Specific jurisdictions only:

[ ] Variance occurs due to:

Part II: Estimates

[ ] No fiscal impacts.

[ ] Expenditures represent one-time costs:

[ ] Legislation provides local option:

[X] Key variables cannot be estimated with certainty at this time: Specific timing of when the updates occur. All comprehensive emeregency management plans are to be reviewed and revised within four years.

Estimated revenue impacts to:

None

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

Description of the bill with an emphasis on how it impacts local government.

This proposed legislation would require that, to the extent practical based on resources and site-specific circumstances, counties and cities must consider the accommodation of persons with pets in emergency shelters, cooling centers, and warming centers in their local comprehensive emergency management plans.

Sec. 2 is a new section added to 38.52 RCW that would include new provisions of for a local comprehensive emergency management plan. The requirements include identifying at least one emergency shelter, cooling center, and warming center that can accommodate persons with pets. Local governments must also make pet emergency preparedness information available on its website.

The bill would take effect 90 days after the bill were signed into law.

B. SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE IMPACTS

Expenditure impacts of the legislation on local governments with the expenditure provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of expenditures. Delineated between city, county and special district impacts.

Cities and counties would have minimal costs of approximately $1,000 to $2,000 per jurisdiction, for up to 40 hours of work by departments of emergency management and supporting staff (sheriff's/police offices, public safety, and human services personnel) to assess shelter conditions and designate shelters as pet-accommodating and update local comprehensive emergency management plans (CEMPs). These costs would include updates to the CEMP when the updates are scheduled to occur, updates to publicly available documents, and work with other local offices to implement this legislation.

According to WAC 118-30, local CEMPs must be reviewed and updated at least every two years, although two-, three-, and four-year updates are commonly performed by local governments. The Local Government Fiscal Note Program assumes that the requirements of this act would be incorporated during the next routine update.

NARRATIVE:
Comprehensive Emergency Management Plans are required of all counties, cities, and towns, however the planning and coordination of these documents can occur at the county-, city-, or joint-level between local governments. As of 2024, there are a total of 95 CEMPs submitted to the Washington State Department of Emergency Management: 39 county plans, 54 individual city plans, and two coalition plans, which comprise 10 cities in east and west Pierce County.

Outreach conducted for this assessment to local departments of emergency management indicate that if there was a simple update with existing shelter information that already had suitable sites for colocation of persons with animals, the workload may take between 8-10 hours of staff time, with minimal time to update the list of local resources available online (city/county website or social media). If additional approvals or policy changes are required, there could be as much as 10-20 hours of staff time, which includes coordination meeting with relevant departments. Variation in cost would be determined by existing work to have a comprehensive list of emergency shelters with potential for animal colocation, or if staff would need to do site visits to make these assessments.

Basic Assessment:
County staff to assess shelters and update CEMP:
Records Clerk, Sheriff's Office: (8.35 hours x $28/hr x 1.43 Benefits Multiplier) = $350
Deputy Sheriff: (2 hours x $42/hr x 1.43 Benefits Multiplier) = $125
Emergency Management Program Manager: (8.35 hours x $40 x 1.43 Benefits Multiplier) = $500

County Costs: $350 + $125 + $500 = $975 x 39 local CEMPs = $38,025

City staff to assess shelters and update CEMP:
Records Clerk, Police Office: (8.35 hours x $28/hr x 1.43 Benefits Multiplier) = $350
Assistant Police Chief: (2 hours x $39/hr x 1.43 Benefits Multiplier) = $100
Emergency Management Program Manager: (8.35 hours x $40 x 1.43 Benefits Multiplier) = $500

City Costs: $350 + $100 + $500 = $950 x 56 local CEMPs = $53,200

Relaying information online about pet accommodating centers/shelters and other pet emergency response best practices was reported to be a de minimis expense that could be incorporated into the workload of local communications staff.

C. SUMMARY OF REVENUE IMPACTS

Revenue impacts of the legislation on local governments, with the revenue provisions identified by section number, and when appropriate, the detail of revenue sources. Delineated between city, county and special district impacts.

This act would not impact local government revenue.

SOURCES:
Washington State Military Department, Emergency Management Division
Thurston County
Municipal Research and Services Center, Emergency Planning
Washington Administrative Code 118-30