Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 2606 HB	Title: Office of privacy and data protection	Agency: 163-Washington Technology Solutions

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.

Legislative Contact:	Martha Wehling	Phone: 360-786-7067	Date: 01/20/2026
Agency Preparation:	Samuel Hecker	Phone: 3604078835	Date: 01/23/2026
Agency Approval:	Nenita Ching	Phone: 360-407-8878	Date: 01/23/2026
OFM Review:	Val Terre	Phone: (360) 280-3073	Date: 01/26/2026

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.

Revise the duties, performance measures, reporting requirements, and responsibilities of the Office of Privacy and Data Protection (OPDP) within Washington state government. The bill updates the statute to clarify the office's role in privacy reviews, training, policy coordination, and support to state agencies, local governments, and the public. It also updates the content and frequency of required reports to the Legislature.

Section 1 of the bill reiterates the primary duties of OPDP.

Section 1(3)(e) adds that OPDP participate with state agencies in the review of major projects involving personally identifiable information including the use of artificial intelligence.

Section 1(5) requires by December 1, 2016, and every four years thereafter, a performance report that includes the following:

Section 1(5)(a) improvement of privacy and data protection policies and practices by state agencies and local governments following OPDP's trainings;

Section 1(5)(b) extent of coordination efforts with national and international privacy and data protection experts and access equity;

Section 1(5)(c) data on contacts and inquiries from the public including referrals;

Section 1(5)(d) results of evaluation of OPDP trainings;

Section 1(5)(e) results of technical assistance requests by agencies and local governments;

Section 1(5)(f) report on continuing education activities and certifications;

Section 1(5)(g) asks the number of privacy threshold analyses and privacy impact assessments completed.

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.

HB2606 updates language around the duties, performance measures, reporting requirements, and responsibilities of the OPDP within Washington state government. The bill updates the statute to clarify the office's role in privacy reviews, training, policy coordination, and support to state agencies, local governments, and the public. It also updates the content of required reports to the Legislature and includes the addition of artificial intelligence projects where personal identifiable information is used.

There is minimal fiscal impact on WaTech. It is assumed WaTech can absorb the costs for this proposed bill within existing resources if the workload of other enacted legislation does not exceed current staffing levels.

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.