

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE*

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** Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.*

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to boiler and steam engine operations; amending Chapter 6.420 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

Summary and background of the Legislation:

Chapter 6.420, Steam Engineer and Boiler Operator licensing, was last updated in 2006. Since that update, SDCI has moved this licensing program online. The municipal code needs to be updated to align with this change and legislative format changes. SDCI staff and the Steam License Advisory Board identified sections that need routine updates as well as these substantive changes:

6.420.040 Applications and Examinations

The legislation clarifies the procedure for application, examination, and issuance of licenses for applicant. The legislation requires applications to include an affidavit attesting to the applicant’s training, experience or other credentials unless the application is for a Grade V or Small Power Boiler Operator license; the legislation also requires examination fees to be paid in advance.

6.420.050 Exemptions from license requirements

The legislation adds an exemption from license requirements for individuals installing boilers under the manufacturer’s written instructions and recommendations. Individuals responsible for the daily operation and adjustment of boilers will still be licensed.

Table A for 6.420.070—Qualifications for Steam Engineer and Boiler Operator Licenses

The legislation adds alternate minimum qualifications for Grade I and Grade II Boiler Supervisors.

Table B for 6.420.100—License Requirements for Operation of Low-Pressure Boilers

The legislation makes the following changes:

- Eliminates conflicting language related to BTU inputs between the table and the exemption for licensing of individuals installing low-pressure boilers in 6.420.050 C;
- Removes text in row B1 in order to allow boilers “in battery” (multiple boilers connected to the same header); and
- Corrects alternate licensing requirements in rows D4 and D5 by increasing the number of “checks” by Grade I and Grade II Boiler Supervisors from semiannual to quarterly.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? ___ Yes X No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? ___ Yes X No

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term or long-term costs?

No other fiscal impacts.

Is there financial cost or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?

No other fiscal impacts.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?

This legislation regulates the operation of boilers and steam engines for all departments that operate them.

b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

No, a public hearing is not required for this legislation.

c. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?

No, a publication of notice is not required for this legislation.

d. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

This legislation will affect the operation of boilers and steam engines at any property but is not directed at any specific property.

e. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? What is the Language Access plan for any communications to the public?

No impact on vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities is anticipated.

f. Climate Change Implications

1. Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?

This legislation will have no effect on carbon emissions.

2. Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.

This legislation will have no effect on climate change.

- g. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s)?**

No new initiatives or programmatic expansions are included in this legislation.

List attachments/exhibits below: