

Shay Bauman

Policy Advisor

Shay Bauman joined the Washington State Board of Health (Board) as a Policy Advisor for the Board's environmental public health/natural environment portfolio on February 1, 2024. Before joining the Board, Shay worked for the Washington State Office of the Attorney General, where she served as a Regulatory Analyst for the Public Counsel Unit. In this role, she represented residential electric, natural gas, solid waste, and water customers in the rulemakings and processes of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC). She has testified before the UTC on the impacts of various infrastructure investments, the Clean Energy Transformation Act, the Climate Commitment Act, and the equitable distribution of energy and non-energy benefits, among other topics. Her work has increased energy efficiency program uptake, reduced negative health impacts from energy production, and reduced energy burdens for Highly Impacted Communities and Vulnerable Populations. She also served on advisory boards to Washington's investor-owned utilities on topics related to conservation, low-income assistance, resource planning, and equity.

Shay was born and raised in Cedar City, Utah, a small town about 40 minutes north of Zion National Park. She received her Bachelor of Science in Economics with a minor in Political Science through Southern Utah University. She later received her Master of Public Administration through the University of Washington with emphases in public financial management and policy analysis.