

Judicial Impact Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1037 S HB	Title: Child support	Agency: 055-Admin Office of the Courts
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Part I: Estimates



No Fiscal Impact

The revenue and expenditure estimates on this page represent the most likely fiscal impact. Responsibility for expenditures may be subject to the provisions of RCW 43.135.060.

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact on the Courts

SHB 1037 differs from HB 1037 in Section 6. The previous version would add a new section to RCW 26.19 to read as follows:

(1) The court shall make an adjustment to the standard calculation when the obligor has children not before the court, subject to the provisions in this section and the limitations in RCW 26.19.065. If the court adjusts the standard calculation, it shall use the whole family formula as provided in this section. The only change is in the first sentence where the word "shall" is changed to "may". There is no change in the judicial impact to the courts.

Previous version:

RCW 26.19 would be revised and a new section added.

Section 2 would amend RCW 26.19.011 to modify definitions used by the court when determining child support.

Section 3 would amend RCW 26.19.020, which includes the table setting out the monthly basic support obligation per child. The table would also be simplified by eliminating age distinctions for children.

Section 4 would amend RCW 26.19.065 to clarify guidelines.

Section 5 would amend RCW 26.19.075 to remove criteria for deviations for children from other relationships.

Section 6 would add a new section to chapter 26.19 RCW that would allow for adjustments to the standard support calculation for the children not before the court.

Section 7 would amend RCW 26.19.090. Before determining the parents' obligation for postsecondary educational support, the court shall consider other funding sources when determining the unmet need for support.

The changes to the RCW would not affect the current process. Therefore, it is assumed that the proposed bill would have minimal fiscal impact on the courts statewide.

II. B - Cash Receipts Impact

II. C - Expenditures

Part III: Expenditure Detail

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact