

# Judicial Impact Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 6007 SB	<b>Title:</b> Theft of rental property	<b>Agency:</b> 055-Admin Office of the Courts
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## Part I: Estimates

☐ No Fiscal Impact

### Estimated Cash Receipts to:

Non-zero but indeterminate cost. Please see discussion.

### Estimated Expenditures from:

Non-zero but indeterminate cost. Please see discussion.

*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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- ☐ 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.
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- ☐ Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.

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## **Part II: Narrative Explanation**

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

This bill would amend RCW 9A.56.096 to include in the crime of theft of rental, leased, lease purchased, or loaned property, when a person who has control of personal property under a written rental agreement intentionally holds the property beyond the expiration of the rental period without the effective consent of the owner of the property, depriving the owner of the property of its use in further rentals.

It would not be a defense that the person returned the property after the expiration date of the rental agreement if the person fails to pay the rental charge for the time the person held the rental property.

### **II. B - Cash Receipts Impact**

It is unknown how many new theft crimes and associated fines this bill would result in. The fine for the theft of rental property would be determined by the value of the rental property that was not returned or paid for. The maximum fines for theft of rental property range between \$5000 and \$20,000. However, the maximum fines are not always ordered, not all fines are collected in full and fines sometimes take years to collect.

### **II. C - Expenditures**

It is unknown how many new theft crime cases and associated hearings or trials this bill would result in.

For illustrative purposes, there would need to be more than 110 cases each year to exceed \$50,000 in annual court expenditures. This is based on average court costs for these types of cases.

## **Part III: Expenditure Detail**

## **Part IV: Capital Budget Impact**