

Judicial Impact Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 2644 HB	Title: Animal forfeiture	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

This bill would change the timelines in the animal cruelty provisions regarding removal of an animal, and petition for return of a removed animal, to refer to “calendar” days rather than “business” days, and makes other changes to the petition for return process.

The bill would require a removed animal belonging to a person who has successfully petitioned for its return to be made available to the owner, rather than delivered.

The bill would repeal a statutory lien provision that allows a person to recover the cost of caring for an animal removed from the custody of its owner by law enforcement, and to retain the animal for collateral during the pendency of the lien.

Part II.A – Brief Description of what the Measure does that has fiscal impact on the Courts

This bill would amend technical details regarding animal seizure and forfeiture, such as the change in reference to “calendar” days from “business” days.

No fiscal impact to the courts.

II.B - Cash Receipt Impact

No cash receipt impact.

II.C – Expenditures

No expenditure impact.