

Judicial Impact Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 6317 E S SB	Title: Office of superior courts	Agency: 055-Admin Office of the Courts
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

Account	FY 2016	FY 2017	2015-17	2017-19	2019-21
Counties					
Cities					
Total \$					

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

Please see attached Judicial Impact Note (JIN)

II. B - Cash Receipts Impact

II. C - Expenditures

Part III: Expenditure Detail

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

Part II: Narrative Explanation

This bill would create the Office of Superior Courts (OSC) as an office within the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC).

This bill differs from 6317 SSB:

Section 3(4) would be added, saying the duties of the Office of Superior Courts must be carried out within the existing appropriations of the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC).

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

If enacted the bill would:

Section 1(5) – Establish the Office of Superior Courts as an office within the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC).

Section 2 – Create an oversight committee of the Office of Superior Courts, consisting of five members:

- the president of the Association of Superior Court Judges
- the incoming president of the Association of Superior Court Judges
- the immediate past president of the Association of Superior Court Judges
- the chair of the legislative committee of the Association of the Superior Court Judges
- one member of the board of the Association of Superior Court Judges, appointed by the executive committee of the Association

Section 2(3) – Provide that the OSC oversight committee chair and members would not receive compensation for their services as members of the committee, but may be reimbursed for travel and other expenses consistent with statewide rules established by the Office of Financial Management (OFM).

Section 3(2) – Allow the OSC Committee to appoint a director. The director would serve at the pleasure of the OSC oversight committee and would receive a salary established by the OSC oversight committee.

Section 3 – Allow the OSC director to employ staff and enter into contracts to implement and operate the services and activities of the Office of Superior Court Judges per Section 3(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), and (i).

Section 3(4) – Would require the duties of the OSC to be carried out within the existing appropriations of the AOC.

There is no effective date for this bill, so it is assumed to be effective July 1, 2016.

II.B - Cash Receipt Impact

None.

II.C – Expenditures

Indeterminate, but greater than \$50,000 per fiscal year.

Section 3(4) would require that the duties of the Office of Superior Courts be carried out within existing appropriations of the Administrative Office of the Courts. At a minimum, funding for a new director position, staff and contract funding to conduct studies, as would be required in Section 3(3), would need to be identified.