

Judicial Impact Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 6554 SB	Title: Assault of utility worker	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.

Check applicable boxes and follow corresponding instructions:

- 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.
- If fiscal impact is less than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete this page only (Part I).
- 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 9.94A.535 to add the ability for the court to impose a sentence outside the standard sentence range for assault of a utility worker or employee of any publicly or privately owned utility company or agency, who is at the time of the act engaged in official duties.

II. B - Cash Receipts Impact

No impact.

II. C - Expenditures

RCW 9.94A.535 (3) would add assault of a utility worker or employee while they are engaged in official duties to be eligible for sentencing outside the standard sentence range. Whenever there is legislation that proposes a possibility of a longer sentence for conviction, there may be an increase in the number of trials. We do not have data on how many assaults were against utility workers. For the costs to in exceed \$50,000, there would need to be 20 cases that would go to trial because of this type of assault.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact