

# JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

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| <b>Bill Number:</b><br>1153 HB | <b>Title:</b><br>Vulnerable Persons / Crimes | <b>Agency:</b><br>055 – Admin Office of the<br>Courts (AOC) |
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

### Estimated Cash Receipts to:

|               | FY 2016 | FY 2017 | 2015-17 | 2017-19 | 2019-21 |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|               |         |         |         |         |         |
|               |         |         |         |         |         |
| <b>Total:</b> |         |         |         |         |         |

### Estimated Expenditures from:

| STATE                                | FY 2016 | FY 2017 | 2015-17 | 2017-19 | 2019-21 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| FTE – Staff Years                    |         |         |         |         |         |
| <b>Account</b>                       |         |         |         |         |         |
| General Fund – State (001-1)         |         |         |         |         |         |
| State Subtotal                       |         |         |         |         |         |
| <b>COUNTY</b>                        |         |         |         |         |         |
| County FTE Staff Years               |         |         |         |         |         |
| <b>Account</b>                       |         |         |         |         |         |
| Local - Counties                     |         |         |         |         |         |
| Counties Subtotal                    |         |         |         |         |         |
| <b>CITY</b>                          |         |         |         |         |         |
| City FTE Staff Years                 |         |         |         |         |         |
| <b>Account</b>                       |         |         |         |         |         |
| Local – Cities                       |         |         |         |         |         |
| Cities Subtotal                      |         |         |         |         |         |
| Local Subtotal                       |         |         |         |         |         |
| <b>Total Estimated Expenditures:</b> |         |         |         |         |         |

*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 clarify and increase penalties, reduce barriers to prosecution, and expand protections for vulnerable persons. The bill would encourage counties to develop written protocols for handling criminal cases involving vulnerable adults.

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

Section 6 – Would amend RCW 9A.56 to add;

(1)(a) – A person is guilty of theft from a vulnerable adult in the first degree if he or she commits theft of property or services that exceeds five thousand dollars in value, other than a firearm as defined in RCW 9.41.010 from a vulnerable adult. The defendant must have known or should have known that the victim was a vulnerable adult.

(1)(b) – Theft from a vulnerable adult in the first degree is a class B felony.

(2)(a) – A person is guilty of theft from a vulnerable adult in the second degree if he or she commits a theft of property or services that exceed seven hundred fifty dollars in value but does not exceed five thousand dollars in value, other than a firearm as defined in RCW 9.41.010 or a motor vehicle, from a vulnerable adult. The defendant must have known or should have known that the victim was a vulnerable adult.

(2)(b) – Theft from a vulnerable adult in the second degree is a class C felony.

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

No revenue impact.

### **II.C – Expenditures**

The law tables would need to be updated resulting from the proposed changes. Court education would be required regarding new terminology (definition of vulnerable adult) and new violations. This could be managed within existing resources.

Impact on the courts is expected to be minimal.