

# Judicial Impact Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1631 HB	<b>Title:</b> Distracted driving penalties	<b>Agency:</b> 055-Administrative Office of the Courts
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

### Estimated Cash Receipts to:

Account	FY 2018	FY 2019	2017-19	2019-21	2021-23
Counties					
Cities					
<b>Total \$</b>					

### 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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- 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**

A new section would be added to RCW 46.61 to say (1)(a) Any driver who commits a moving violation, as defined by rule pursuant to RCW 46.20.2891, must be assessed an additional monetary penalty that is equal to one-half of the penalty or fine for that moving violation if the driver was dangerously distracted at the time of the violation. (2) would state that the additional monetary penalty imposed under this section must be used only to support programs dedicated to reducing distracted driving and improving driver education on distracted driving.

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

Because the Judicial Information System cannot be configured in the manner envisioned by this bill, it is not possible to forecast changes to cash receipts.

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

The bill as currently written cannot be implemented in JIS. The accounting portion of JIS cannot be automated because the moving violations defined by the Department of Licensing involve crimes and infractions that have varying base penalties. If implemented, the courts would be required to process these using manual calculations and updates. In addition, the majority of cell phone and texting violations issued are not defined as moving violations and would therefore be ineligible for the dangerously distracted driving penalty identified in this bill.

## **Part III: Expenditure Detail**

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