

JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

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| Bill Number: 1988 SHB PL | Title: Vulnerable Youth Guardian | Agency: 055 – Admin Office of the Courts (AOC) |
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

| | FY 2018 | FY 2019 | 2017-19 | 2019-21 | 2021-23 |
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| Total: | | | | | |

Estimated Expenditures from:

| STATE | FY 2018 | FY 2019 | 2017-19 | 2019-21 | 2021-23 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| FTE – Staff Years | | | | | |
| Account | | | | | |
| General Fund – State (001-1) | | | | | |
| State Subtotal | | | | | |
| COUNTY | | | | | |
| County FTE Staff Years | | | | | |
| Account | | | | | |
| Local - Counties | | | | | |
| Counties Subtotal | | | | | |
| CITY | | | | | |
| City FTE Staff Years | | | | | |
| Account | | | | | |
| Local – Cities | | | | | |
| Cities Subtotal | | | | | |
| Local Subtotal | | | | | |
| Total Estimated Expenditures: | | | | | |

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

This bill would authorize a vulnerable youth to petition a court to have a vulnerable youth guardianship established for him/her by filing a petition in juvenile court.

The bill would give jurisdiction to the juvenile divisions of superior courts to appoint a guardian for a consenting vulnerable youth who has been abandoned, neglected or abused either by one or both parents. The bill would provide that a court could determine that a guardian is otherwise necessary because one or both parents cannot provide for the youth such that youth risks physical or psychological harm if the youth is returned to his/her home.

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

Section 4(1) – A vulnerable youth may petition the court that a vulnerable youth guardianship be established for him/her by filing a petition in juvenile court.

Section 4(4) – There would be no fee for filing of a vulnerable youth guardianship petition.

Section 6 – Would provide that if the court may issue an order establishing a vulnerable youth guardianship for the vulnerable youth.

II.B - Cash Receipt Impact

No cash receipt impact.

II.C – Expenditures

There is no data to estimate how many petitions may be filed. Impact on the courts is expected to be minimal.

New docket and cause codes will be required. This can be managed within existing resources.