

JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

Bill Number: 2308 HB	Title: Civil Legal Aid	Agency: 055 – Administrative 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
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.

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

This bill would align civil legal aid statutes with current practices

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

Section 1 would direct the Office of Civil Legal Aid (OCLA) to assess civil legal aid system needs.

Section 2 would direct the civil legal aid oversight committee and the Supreme Court's Access to Justice Board to periodically assess the most prevalent civil legal problems experienced by low income people in Washington state and the capacity of the state funded legal aid system to meet the legal needs arising from such problems.

Section 3 would make technical corrections, and clarify the types of civil legal aid that may be provided with legislatively appropriated civil legal aid funds. The bill would explicitly authorize legal aid in disability rights, education/special education, administrative agency decisions, and discrimination cases. The bill would further clarify the funding prohibitions relating to undocumented alien representation, and would authorize such representation in domestic violence, sexual assault, sexual trafficking, and other cases brought by someone who has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty. The bill would authorize Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) representation.

Section 4 would clarify OCLA contracting authority with regard to attorneys and agencies.

No fiscal impact to the courts.