

JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

Bill Number: 2881 HB	Title: Virtual Item Gambling	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
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

The bill would create the crime of unlawful operation of a platform that facilitates an unauthorized gambling activity which is a class C felony.

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

A new section would be added to RCW 9.46 that would state that (1) a person would be guilty of operating a platform that facilitates an unauthorized gambling activity if the person operates a platform, including an internet web site, that charges customers a fee for a service or product on which customers may transfer virtual items with or without a charge, if the person knows or, based on the totality of the circumstances, could reasonably be expected to know, that third parties use the platform to engage in an unauthorized gambling activity involving the wager or transfer of virtual items. (2) A violation of this section would be a class C felony.

There is no data to predict how many people would be in violation of the RCW and charged. However, it would require 75 per year to reach the threshold of \$50,000 fiscal impact. There will be some new codes that will need to be developed at AOC but this will be done within existing resources.

II.B - Cash Receipt Impact

Indeterminate

II.C – Expenditures