

JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

Bill Number: 5342 2SSB	Title: Discover Pass Penalty Distribution	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
Counties		50,000	50,000	100,000	100,000
Total:		50,000	100,000	100,000	100,000

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 allow counties with a population of less than 100,000 to retain a portion of infraction revenue from Discover Pass violations.

The bill would make counties ineligible to retain revenue from Discover Pass infraction violations if in the preceding year more than twelve percent of the infractions in that county were dismissed.

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

Section 4(a) – Would provide that for counties with a population of less than 100,000 as of the effective date of this bill, the county treasurer would be required to remit 75 percent of the money received under RCW 79A.80.080(5) (Discover Pass) to the State Treasurer.

Section 4(b) – Would provide that the balance of the money received under subsection 4(a) would be deposited into the county current expense fund and used to support court-related functions.

Section 4(c) – Would provide that an eligible county under subsection 4(a) may not retain any money received under RCW 79A.80.080(5) in the year following any year in which the rate of Discover Pass infractions dismissed in that county exceeds 12 percent.

II.B - Cash Receipt Impact

Based on information received from Washington State Parks, in 2016 the Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Washington State Parks issued citation fines of \$196,436 in 17 counties with populations of less than 100,000. Based on an estimate of \$200,000, 25 percent of the funds would constitute a \$50,000 loss in revenue to Washington State Parks and a \$50,000 revenue increase to the adjudicating counties.

II.C – Expenditures

Local law tables and BARS codes would need to be updated for those counties effected by this bill. Court education would be required. This could be managed within existing resources.