JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

Bill Number:	Title: Intrastate Food Safety				Agency: 055 – Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)			
6318 SSB								
Part I: Estimates							(4.00)	
☐ No Fiscal Impact								
Estimated Cash Receipts to:								
	FY 2018	FY 2	019	2017-19		2019-21	2021-23	
Total:								
Estimated Expenditures from								
STATE	FY 2018	FY 2	019	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								
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Cities Subtotal								
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Total Estimated Expenditures:								
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Date:

Part II: Narrative Explanation

This bill would create the Food Safety and Security Act to protect the public from adulteration, misbranding, and false advertisement of food in intrastate commerce under RCW 15.

The bill would establish administrative processes, and provide that violations of Sections 201 through 205, 501, 503, and 505 would be classified as misdemeanors

The bill would allow the Washington state Department of Agriculture (AGR) to bring actions to enjoin violations of the chapter in Thurston County Superior Court or a court of competent jurisdiction.

This bill differs from SB 6318:

Section 507 clarifies penalties related to violations of Sections 201 through 205, 501, 503, and 505.

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

Section 502(1) – Would provide that regardless of other remedies at law, the Department of Agriculture may bring an action to enjoin violation of this bill or the rules adopted under it in the Superior Court of Thurston County or in a court of competent jurisdiction.

Section 507(1) – A person who knowingly violates any of the Sections 201 through 205, 501, 503, or 505 of this bill would be guilty of a misdemeanor, subject to a penalty of not more than \$200.

Section 507(2) – A person who knowingly violates any of the Sections 201 through 205, 501, 503, or 505 of this bill following a first offense is guilty of a misdemeanor subject to a penalty of imprisonment for not more than thirty days or a fine of not more than \$500, or both.

Section 507(3) – A person who knowingly violates any of the Sections 201 through 205, 501, 503, or 505 of this bill with intent to defraud or mislead would be guilty of a misdemeanor subject to a penalty of imprisonment for not more than ninety days or a fine of not more than \$1,000, or both.

II.B - Cash Receipt Impact

None.

II.C – Expenditures

Indeterminate. Primary responsibility for administration and enforcement would rest with the Washington state Department of Agriculture.

The Department of Agriculture would be permitted to bring actions to enjoin violations of the provisions of this bill in Thurston County Superior Court or in a court of competent jurisdiction. This impact is indeterminate. It is unknown how many actions would be filed by the Department of Agriculture.

Law tables for both Superior Courts and Courts of Limited Jurisdiction would need to be updated for the newly classified misdemeanors. This would be managed within existing resources.