

JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

Bill Number: 2835 HB	Title: Controlled Substance Possession	Agency: 055 – Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)
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Part I: Estimates

☐ **No Fiscal Impact**

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

	FY 2020	FY 2021	2019-21	2021-23	2023-25
Total:					

Estimated Expenditures from:

STATE	FY 2020	FY 2021	2019-21	2021-23	2023-25
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 reduce violations of RCW 69.50.4013 from a class C felony to a gross misdemeanor.

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

Section 1(22)(a) – Would amend RCW 9.94A.030 by deleting possession of a controlled substance RCW 69.50.4013 from the definition of “drug offense.”

Section 3(5)(c) – Would amend RCW 9.94A.030 removing additional twelve months for offenses committed under RCW 69.50.4013. Statute 9.94A.030 refers to felonies.

Section 5(2) – Would amend 69.50.4013 deleting class C felony and replacing it with gross misdemeanor.

Section 6(1) – Would amend RCW 69.50.430 removing RCW 69.50.4013 as it is no longer a felony.

II.B - Cash Receipt Impact

None

II.C – Expenditures

Indeterminate this bill would require update to the law tables, and court forms. The bill would require judicial officer education. These impacts would be managed within existing resources.

This bill would result in a decrease in caseloads in the superior courts, and an increase in caseloads in the courts of limited jurisdiction. It is unknown how many cases may be impacted by this change, thus fiscal impact is indeterminate.