

# JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

<b>Bill Number:</b> 5488-S AMH	<b>Title:</b> Sentencing Persons Under 21 Years of Age	<b>Agency:</b> 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
<b>Total:</b>					

### Estimated Expenditures from:

STATE	FY 2020	FY 2021	2019-21	2021-23	2023-25
FTE – Staff Years					
<b>Account</b>					
General Fund – State (001-1)					
State Subtotal					
<b>COUNTY</b>					
County FTE Staff Years					
<b>Account</b>					
Local - Counties					
Counties Subtotal					
<b>CITY</b>					
City FTE Staff Years					
<b>Account</b>					
Local – Cities					
Cities Subtotal					
Local Subtotal					
<b>Total Estimated Expenditures:</b>					

*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 authorize courts to impose sentences below the standard range when the defendant's age, lack of sophistication, susceptibility to peer pressure, or other factors related to the youthfulness of the defendant render the defendant less responsible than if the offense had been committed by an adult. The bill would provide that if a person were being sentenced in an adult court for a crime committed as a minor, the court would have full discretion to depart from mandatory sentencing enhancements and take the particular circumstances surrounding the defendant's youth into account.

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

Section 1(15) – Would provide that if an offender is being sentenced in adult court for a crime committed as a minor, the court would have discretion to depart from mandatory sentencing enhancements and to take the particular circumstances surrounding the defendant's youth into account.

Section 2(1)(I)– Would provide that the defendant's age, lack of sophistication, susceptibility to peer pressure, or other factors relating to the defendant's youthfulness at the time of the offense render the defendant less culpable than if the offense had been committed by a fully developed adult.

### **II.B - Cash Receipt Impact**

None.

### **II.C – Expenditures**

Judicial education would be required. Impacts of this bill would be managed within existing resources.