

JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

Bill Number: 6412 SB	Title: Election Security	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 provide various new requirements for election security.

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

Section 9(1) – Would provide that a person who knowingly destroys, alters, defaces, conceals, or discards a completed voted ballot is guilty of a Class C felony. This would not apply to (a) the voter who completed the ballot; or (b) a county auditor who acts as authorized by law.

Section 9(2) – Would provide that any person entrusted under Section 6(2)(c) of this bill who fails to return another person's completed voted ballot to the proper state or county elections office by the applicable deadline would be guilty of a Class C felony.

Section 10 – Would create a new Class C felony for unlawful possession of another person's voted ballot.

II.B - Cash Receipt Impact

None.

II.C – Expenditures

Indeterminate, but expected to be minimal. There is no data available to estimate the number of new crimes or filings that would result from this bill.

Jury instructions would need to be updated. Judicial education would be required. These impacts would be managed within existing resources.