

JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

Bill Number: 5135 ESB	Title: Unlawfully Summoning Police	Agency: 055 – Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)
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Part I: Estimates

☐ **No Fiscal Impact**

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

	FY 2022	FY 2023	2021-23	2023-25	2025-27
Total:					

Estimated Expenditures from:

STATE	FY 2022	FY 2023	2021-23	2023-25	2025-27
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 a civil cause of action for the false summoning of a police officer with the ability to recover economic and noneconomic damages, punitive damages, and reasonable costs and attorneys' fees.

The bill would provide that a person may not be held liable if they summoned the police officer in good faith.

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

This bill would amend RCW 4.24 to create a civil action against a person who unlawfully summons a police officer, allowing for statutory and punitive damages, fees and costs. The bill would provide that a person would not be held liable if they summoned a police officer in good faith.

II.B - Cash Receipt Impact

None.

II.C – Expenditures

This bill may result in additional civil actions in superior courts and courts of limited jurisdiction. There is no data available to estimate the number of civil actions that would result.

Judicial education would be required. This would be managed within existing resources.