

JUDICIAL IMPACT FISCAL NOTE

Bill Number: 5263 SB	Title: Personal Injury Defense	Agency: 055 – Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)
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Part I: Estimates

☐ **No Fiscal Impact**

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

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

Estimated Expenditures from:

STATE	FY 2021	FY 2022	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 create a complete defense in a personal injury or unlawful death case when the decedent has been convicted of a class B or A felony which resulted in their cause of death or injury.

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

Section 1 – This bill would make a complete defense to action for damages for personal injury or death when the person injured or killed has been convicted of a class A or class B felony at the time of the commission of the crime.

Section 2 – Would apply retroactively for all claims or causes of action prior to or after the effective date of this section regardless of when the claim arose.

II.B - Cash Receipt Impact

None

II.C – Expenditures

The retroactive portion of this bill (Section 2) has potential to increase court congestion due to the fact the respondents may petition the court to assert this as a defense. There is no data to determine the increase in the number cases but it is not expected to be significant and could be managed within existing resources.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III.A – Expenditures by Object or Purpose

	FY 2021	FY 2022	2021-23	2023-25	2025-27
FTE – Staff Years					
A – Salaries & Wages					
B – Employee Benefits					
C – Prof. Service Contracts					
E – Goods and Services					
G – Travel					
J – Capital Outlays					
P – Debt Service					
Total:					

III.B – Detail:

Job Classification	Salary	FY 2021	FY 2022	2021-23	2023-25	2025-27
Total FTE's						

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

None.

Part V: New Rule Making Required

None.