Judicial Impact Fiscal Note

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Bill Number: 2178 S HB	Title: Sex offenses/comm. custody	Agency:	055-Administrative Office of the Courts
Part I: Estimates		·	
No Fiscal Impact			
Estimated Cash Receipts to:			
NONE			
Estimated Expenditures from:			
NONE			
Estimated Capital Budget Impact:			
NONE			
Subject to the provisions of RCW 43.1 Check applicable boxes and follow If fiscal impact is greater than Parts I-V.		m or in subsequent biennia	a, complete entire fiscal note fo
Capital budget impact, compl	ete Part IV.		
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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact on the Courts

This would amend and add section to Chapter 9.94A RCW (Sentencing Reform Act of 1981) relating to establishing a pathway off lifetime community custody for individuals with sex offense convictions.

Section 1 would add a new section directing that sex offenders who are risk level I upon release from confinement shall be discharged after 5 years from community custody if they meet eligibility requirements and have not committed a disqualifying event. The framework for discharging individuals remains between the Department of Corrections and the Indeterminate Sentencing Board, but is modified in the substitute bill.

Section 3 amends RCW 9.94A.670 (Special Sex Offender Sentencing Alternative) and directs the court to hold a supervision termination hearing within the presumed expiration hearing of community custody to determine if the individual should be released from community custody.

II. B - Cash Receipts Impact

None

II. C - Expenditures

This bill would have minimal impact to the Administrative Office of the Courts for forms updates required by the bill.

There would be an indeterminate impact to the courts. According to DOC, there are 693 Special Sex Offender Sentencing Alternative (SSOSA) cases. Not all would be up for immediate evaluation under the bill. The supervision termination hearing is meant to be held within 60 days of the presumed termination date of community custody. AOC does not have statistics on when each of the 693 current SSOSA cases will require review. Each, individual hearing is estimated to last approximately 60 minutes and would cost about \$900 per hearing.

STATE: \$200 per hearing, state share of superior court judge (50% salary, 100% benefits)

COUNTY: \$700 per hearing

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Expenditure By Object or Purpose (State)

NONE

III. B - Expenditure By Object or Purpose (County)

NONE

III. C - Expenditure By Object or Purpose (City)

NONE

III. D - FTE Detail

NONE

III. E - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B1 - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose (State)

NONE

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IV. B2 - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose (County)

NONE

IV. B3 - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose (City)

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

None