Judicial Impact Fiscal Note

Bill Number:	1274 S HB	Title:	Juvenile convictions/score	Agency:	055-Administrative Office of the Courts
Part I: Estir	nates				

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

No Fiscal Impact

NONE

Estimated Expenditures from:

STATE	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
State FTE Staff Years	.8	.8	.8	.8	.8
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	193,500	190,000	383,500	380,000	380,000
State Subtotal \$	193,500	190,000	383,500	380,000	380,000
COUNTY	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
County FTE Staff Years					
Account					
Local - Counties	750,000	750,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
Counties Subtotal \$	750,000	750,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
CITY	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
City FTE Staff Years					
Account					
Local - Cities					
Cities Subtotal \$		·			

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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 fo 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

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

This substitute changes the staggered resentencing eligibility criteria slightly by modifying the dates that a person currently incarcerated must serve their sentence to.

The substitute would not make any changes affecting the fiscal impact to the Administrative Office of the Courts or the courts.

II. B - Cash Receipts Impact

None

II. C - Expenditures

The bill would have fiscal impacts for AOC court form updates and for courts to set resentencing hearings upon a motion for relief.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

Minimal fiscal impact to the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). AOC would incur costs of \$3,500 for forms updates if the bill passes. Estimates include costs for approximately 15 hours of Legal Services Senior Analyst time.

AOC STAFF IMPACTS INCLUDE STANDARD COSTS

Explanation of standard costs by object:

Salary estimates are current biennium actual rates at Step L.

Benefits are the agency average of 31.89% of salaries.

Goods and Services are the agency average of \$3,800 per direct program FTE.

Travel is the agency average of \$2,500 per direct program FTE.

One-time IT Equipment is \$4,800 for the first fiscal year per direct program FTE. Ongoing Equipment is the agency average of \$1,600 per direct program FTE.

Agency Indirect is calculated at a rate of 24.73% of direct program salaries and benefits.

SUPERIOR COURT IMPACT

According to an analysis of Department of Corrections (DOC) data, the total eligible population under this bill is between 702 and 856 persons. Based on review of previous bills, it was determined that an accurate estimate of average hearing length would be 30 minutes for agreed resentences and 60 minutes for contested resentences.

Applying these updated resentencing hearing times to the superior court cost formula, the revised the judicial need assessment equals 0.83 FTE with corresponding court costs of \$750,000. This reflects a 60-minute allotment for contested cases (prep time and hearing time) and a 30-minute allotment for uncontested cases (prep time and hearing time). These are averages, so we expect judges across the state to encounter hearings that fall on either side of these time estimates.

This would equal an estimated annual court cost of \$902,000.

State annual cost = \$152,000 (50 percent of salary/100 percent of benefits for judges' compensation)

Counties annual cost = \$750,000

Part III: Expenditure Detail

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

<u>State</u>	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	.8	8.	.8	.8	.8
Salaries and Wages	95,000	95,000	190,000	190,000	190,000
Employee Benefits	57,000	57,000	114,000	114,000	114,000
Professional Service Contracts					
Goods and Other Services	3,500		3,500		
Travel					
Capital Outlays					
Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
Debt Service					
Interagency Reimbursements					
Intra-Agency Reimbursements	38,000	38,000	76,000	76,000	76,000
Total \$	193,500	190,000	383,500	380,000	380,000

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

<u>County</u>	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years					
Salaries and Benefits					
Capital					
Other	750,000	750,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
Total \$	750,000	750,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000

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

City	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years					
Salaries and Benefits					
Capital					
Other					
Total \$					

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

NONE

III. D - FTE Detail

Job Classification	Salary	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Superior Court Judge	152,000	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Total FTEs		0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8

III. E - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

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

NONE

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