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2025 Legislative Session Update

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Agency Request Legislation



- [SHB 1144](#): Adding an additional superior court judge in Skagit county (Lekanoff)
 - Did not make it out of the House. We are waiting for an update from the prime sponsor and House leadership to see if this bill will be NTIB.
- [2SHB 1174](#): Concerning court interpreters (Peterson)
 - Passed out of the House (66-31-1)
- ~~[HB 1510](#): Including appellate commissioners in the PERS Judicial Benefit Multiplier Program (Hill)~~
 - Did not make it out of Appropriations
- ~~[SSB 5133](#): Concerning departures from the guidelines for caregiver status (C. Wilson)~~
 - Did not make it out of the Senate
- Judicial Officer Personal Information Confidentiality
 - Did not bring bill. Worked with the SOS and their Address Confidentiality Program Manager to clarify and amend the application process for judicial officers.

Conversations for the Interim

PROPOSALS ANTICIPATED FOR NEXT SESSION



- Additional Superior Court Judge(s):
 - Skagit county (SHB 1144)
 - Cowlitz county
 - Yakima county
 - Asotin, Columbia, & Garfield counties
- Adding appellate commissioners to the PERS Judicial Benefit Multiplier Program (HB 1510)
- Adding caregiver status as a mitigating factor for exceptional sentences (SSB 5133)
- Court security – COA Bailiffs
- Other bills that did not pass this session but that have a potentially significant impact on the judiciary

Questions?

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