

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 5444 2S SB	Title: Firearm sensitive places
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Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Agency Name	2023-25		2025-27		2027-29	
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	No fiscal impact					
Loc School dist-SPI						
Local Gov. Other						
Local Gov. Total						

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25				2025-27				2027-29			
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Administrative Office of the Courts	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Office of the Secretary of State	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Caseload Forecast Council	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Children, Youth, and Families	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Corrections	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	No fiscal impact								
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other			158,466						
Local Gov. Other	In addition to the estimate above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.								
Local Gov. Total			158,466						

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Administrative Office of the Courts	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Office of the Secretary of State	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Caseload Forecast Council	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Children, Youth, and Families	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Corrections	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	No fiscal impact								
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.								
Local Gov. Total									

Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

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Judicial Impact Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5444 2S SB	Title: Firearm sensitive places	Agency: 055-Administrative Office of the Courts
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Expenditures from:

NONE

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.

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- Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.

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194,002.00

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

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

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

No fiscal impact to the Administrative Office of the Courts as this bill does not affect current AOC or court processes.

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

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

194,002.00

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5444 2S SB	Title: Firearm sensitive places	Agency: 085-Office of the Secretary of State
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

NONE

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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- Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.
- Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

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

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

Current law makes it unlawful to carry weapons in certain public facilities including but not limited to jails, law enforcement facilities, and courtrooms. Weapons means any firearm, explosive, or any weapon of the kind usually known as a slungshot, sand club, or metal knuckles, or any knife, dagger, dirk, or other similar weapon that is capable of causing death or bodily injury and is commonly used with the intent to cause death or bodily injury.

Changes in 2SSB 5444 compared to the previous version (SB 5444).

Changes are made to the definition of restricted areas. In SB 5444, a restricted area included the “premises of a state or local public building”. In the current version (2SSB 5444) a state or local public building is no longer considered a restricted area.

Summary of 2SSB 5444.

This bill would extend the weapons prohibition to include local libraries established or maintained pursuant to RCW 27.12. The Washington State Library was established under RCW 27.04 and transferred to the Office of the Secretary of State (OSOS) in RCW 27.04.900 (2002). This fiscal note addresses the impact of the bill to OSOS and the State Library. The note does not address local libraries authorized under RCW 27.12, which should be addressed in the Local Government Fiscal Note.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

No fiscal impact to OSOS.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

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

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5444 2S SB	Title: Firearm sensitive places	Agency: 101-Caseload Forecast Council
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

NONE

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

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

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

See attached.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

None.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

See attached.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

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

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

2SSB 5444
RESTRICTING THE POSSESSION OF WEAPONS ON
THE PREMISES OF LIBRARIES, ZOOS, AQUARIUMS,
AND TRANSIT FACILITIES
101 – Caseload Forecast Council
February 7, 2024

SUMMARY

A brief description of what the measure does that has fiscal impact.

Section 1 Amends RCW 9A.02.030 (Weapons prohibited in certain places-local laws and ordinances-Exceptions- Penalty) by expanding areas in which it is unlawful for any person to enter when he or she knowingly possess a weapon to include libraries, accredited or certified zoos and aquariums, and transit stations/facilities. Adds exemptions to the restriction. A violation of this provision is a gross misdemeanor.

EXPENDITURES

Assumptions.

None.

Impact on the Caseload Forecast Council.

The Caseload Forecast Council expects that the cost of any signage requirements would be one-time, negligible, and shared with the other tenants in the building.

Impact Summary

This bill:

- Expands an existing gross misdemeanor offense.

Impact on prison and jail beds.

This bill expands the definition of a gross misdemeanor offenses. The Caseload Forecast Council does not collect data on misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor offenses, and, therefore, cannot reliably estimate bed impacts resulting from the bill.

However, as gross misdemeanor offenses are punishable by a term of confinement of 0-364 days in jail, any impact should manifest itself as an increased need for jail beds only.

Impact on local detention and Juvenile Rehabilitation beds.

The gross misdemeanor offense, ranked as Category D on the juvenile grid, is punishable by Local Sanctions (0-30 days in local juvenile detention). Therefore, increased incidence of this offense would likely impact only local juvenile detention beds.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5444 2S SB	Title: Firearm sensitive places	Agency: 307-Department of Children, Youth, and Families
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

NONE

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

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

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

SB5444 compared to 2SSB5444:

Subsection (1)(g) changes the accredited or certification entities from the "American zoo and aquarium association" to the "association of zoos and aquariums or the zoological association of America". This section does not apply to employees of a zoo, aquarium, or animal sanctuary, while engaged in their employment if the weapon is owned by the zoo, aquarium, or animal sanctuary and maintained for the purpose of protecting its employees, animals, or the visiting public.

Sec. 1 (1)(h) is removed that states the premises of a city's, town's, county's, or other municipality's neighborhood, community, or regional park facilities at which children and youth are likely to be present and at which appropriate signage has been posted notifying the public that weapons are not permitted on the park facility's premises. Also in these areas within its boundaries where children are likely to be present and post appropriate signage at reasonable intervals on the perimeter of the park facility's premises to notify the public that weapons are prohibited within the park facility. Which includes, but not limited to, fields, sports courts, or sports facilities; swimming or wading pools; swim beaches or water play areas; tee centers, community centers or performing arts centers; skateboard parks; or other recreational facilities likely to be used by children.

Sec. 1 (1)(j) is removed that states the premises of a state or local public building, defining a "state or public building" as a building or part of a building owned, leased, held, or used by the governmental entity of a city, town, county, or other municipality or by the state of Washington, if state or local public employees are regularly present for the purposes of performing their official duties and that is not regularly used, and not intended to be used, by state or local employees as a place of residence.

Sec. 1 (13) Subsection (1)(g) Inserted language to the bill identifying Subsection (1)(f), (g), and (h) of this section is not applicable to the activities of color guards and honor guards affiliated with the United States military, Washington state national guard, or Washington department of veterans' affairs related to burial or interment ceremonies including, but not limited to, any staging and logistical requirements of the color guard or honor guard.

SB 5444:

This bill expands weapons prohibited areas in which it is unlawful for a person to enter when he or she knowingly possesses a weapon. A violation of this provision is a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 1(14) identifies subsection (1)(f),(g) and (h) of this section does not apply to a person licensed to carry a concealed firearm pursuant to RCW 9.41.070.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

None

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

This bill has no fiscal impact. This bill expands weapons prohibited areas in which it is unlawful for a person to enter when he or she knowingly possesses a weapon. A violation of this provision is a gross misdemeanor. Juveniles who commit the offense could spend up to 30 days in local juvenile detention, not a juvenile rehabilitation facility. Additionally, JR has policies and procedures in place to restrict the possession of fi rearms or deadly weapons while on facility ground.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

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

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5444 2S SB	Title: Firearm sensitive places	Agency: 310-Department of Corrections
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

NONE

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

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

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

Substitute Senate Bill (2SSB) 5444 differs from the Senate Bill (SB) 5444 as the subsections of Section 1(1)(h) and Section 1(1)(j) have been removed. The following impact from the original bill remains unchanged in the substitute:

Section 1(1)(f-h) amends RCW 9.41.300 (weapons prohibited in certain places-local laws and ordinances-exceptions-penalty) by expanding areas in which it is unlawful for any person to enter when he or she knowingly possess a weapon. A violation of this provision is a gross misdemeanor.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

None.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

The DOC assumes this bill will have no fiscal impact.

The 2SSB 5444 expands the definition of a gross misdemeanor offenses. The Caseload Forecast Council does not collect data on misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor offenses, and, therefore, cannot reliably estimate bed impacts resulting from the bill.

However, as gross misdemeanor offenses are punishable by a term of confinement of 0-364 days in jail, any impact should result in an increased need for jail beds only.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

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

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

Department of Commerce

Bill Number: 5444 2S SB	Title: Firearm sensitive places
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Part I: Jurisdiction-Location, type or status of political subdivision defines range of fiscal impacts.

Legislation Impacts:

- Cities: \$117,984 in one-time law enforcement training costs, and could incur indeterminate gross misdemeanor costs.
- Counties: Same as above except \$40,482 in one-time training costs.
- Special Districts:
- Specific jurisdictions only:
- Variance occurs due to:

Part II: Estimates

- No fiscal impacts.
- Expenditures represent one-time costs: One-time law enforcement training costs.
- Legislation provides local option:
- Key variables cannot be estimated with certainty at this time: Number of future gross misdemeanor violations.

Estimated revenue impacts to:

None

Estimated expenditure impacts to:

Jurisdiction	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
City		117,984	117,984		
County		40,482	40,482		
TOTAL \$		158,466	158,466		
GRAND TOTAL \$					158,466

In addition to the estimates above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see discussion.

Part III: Preparation and Approval

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Part IV: Analysis

A. SUMMARY OF BILL

Description of the bill with an emphasis on how it impacts local government.

This fiscal note compares 2SSB 5444 to SB 5444.

CHANGES BETWEEN THIS VERSION AND PREVIOUS BILL VERSION:

The second substitute version of the bill reduces the number of locations at which it would be a gross misdemeanor for any person to enter while knowingly possessing a firearm, and it makes exceptions.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT BILL:

Sec. 1 amends RCW 9.41.300.

Sec. 1 (1) (f-h) would add the following places to the list of where it is unlawful for any person to enter when the person knowingly possesses a firearm: a public library; zoos and aquariums; and a transit station or transit facility including all passenger facilities, structures, stops, shelters, bus zones, and other properties that are owned, leased, held, or used by a transit authority for the purpose of providing public transportation services.

Sec. 1 (12) makes exceptions to who may carry a firearm.

Sec. 1 (14) clarifies that nothing in this subsection applies to the lawful concealed carry of a firearm by a person who has a valid concealed pistol license.

Sec. 1 (16) states that any person violating subsection (1) or (2) of this section is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

B. SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE IMPACTS

Expenditure impacts of the legislation on local governments with the expenditure provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of expenditures. Delineated between city, county and special district impacts.

CHANGES IN EXPENDITURE IMPACTS BETWEEN THIS VERSION AND PREVIOUS BILL VERSION:

The second substitute version of the bill removes parks from the list of places at which firearms would be prohibited. As such, the second substitute version of the bill reduces cities' and counties' total expenditure impacts compared to the original version of the bill because cities and counties would no longer be required to purchase and post signs in parks.

EXPENDITURE IMPACTS OF CURRENT BILL:

Cities and counties would experience one-time law enforcement training costs totaling \$158,466, and could experience indeterminate costs if gross misdemeanor violations increase as a result of increasing the number of places that prohibit firearms. The number of violations that will occur, however, cannot be predicted in advance, so the expenditure impact of gross misdemeanor violations is indeterminate.

The Local Government Fiscal Note Program's 2024 Criminal Justice Cost Model estimates that the law enforcement, prosecution, and defense costs of a gross misdemeanor violation are \$5,711 per incident.

One-time law enforcement training costs would increase by \$117,984 for cities and \$40,482 for counties. Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs estimates all law enforcement officers would require 15 minutes of training to discuss the new definitions, locations and prescribed penalty along with the continuance of existing exceptions for concealed carry with a proper concealed pistol license. According to the 2023 Association of Washington Cities' Salary Survey, the weighted average hourly salary (including benefits and overhead) is \$71 for police officers and \$72 for sheriffs. According to the 2022 Crime in Washington Report, there are 6,647 city law enforcement officers and 2,249 law enforcement officers.

-- Cities' training impact: 0.25 (15 minutes of one hour) x \$71 per hour x 6,647 officers = \$117,984.

-- Counties' training impact: 0.25 (15 minutes of one hour) x \$72 per hour x 2,249 officers = \$40,482.

C. SUMMARY OF REVENUE IMPACTS

Revenue impacts of the legislation on local governments, with the revenue provisions identified by section number, and when appropriate, the detail of revenue sources. Delineated between city, county and special district impacts.

CHANGES IN REVENUE IMPACTS BETWEEN THIS VERSION AND PREVIOUS BILL VERSION:

The second substitute version of the bill would not impact local governments' revenue.

REVENUE IMPACTS OF CURRENT BILL:

The proposed legislation would not impact local governments' revenue.

SOURCES:

Association of Washington Cities

SB 1004 (2023) Local Government Fiscal Note

Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs

Washington State Association of Counties