

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 5149 SB	Title: Early childhood court prg.
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Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Agency Name	2025-27		2027-29		2029-31	
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal note not available					
Loc School dist-SPI						
Local Gov. Other						
Local Gov. Total						

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27				2027-29				2029-31			
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Administrative Office of the Courts	Fiscal note not available											
Office of Attorney General	.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
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal note not available								
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other									
Local Gov. Total									

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Administrative Office of the Courts	Fiscal note not available								
Office of Attorney General	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Children, Youth, and Families	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal note not available								
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other									
Local Gov. Total									

Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5149 SB	Title: Early childhood court prg.	Agency: 100-Office of Attorney General
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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

The cash receipts and expenditure estimates on this page represent the most likely fiscal impact. Factors impacting the precision of these estimates, and alternate ranges (if appropriate), are explained in Part II.

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.
- ☐ 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.

1. The Attorney General's Office Children, Youth and Families Division (CYF) has reviewed this bill and determined it will not significantly increase or decrease the division's workload in representing the Washington State Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF). The enactment of this bill will nominally impact the provision of legal services to DCYF. Dependency cases in the early childhood court program have more frequent hearings than dependency cases that are not in the program. RCW 2.30.100(2)(d). Based on experience, CYF estimates that these additional court hearings increase AAG workload by 12 hours per case per FY and Paralegal 2 (PL2) workload by six hours per case per FY. In Spokane County, the early childhood court coordinator drafts the orders which reduces the PL2 workload by 2 hours per case per FY. DCYF estimates that this bill will result in only 5 more cases entering the early childhood court program each year and about 2 of these cases will be in Spokane. The increased legal services workload for advising and representing DCYF associated with this bill's early childhood court eligibility criteria and coordination/provision of prevention services by courts and community coordinators is indeterminate. If enacted, the bill would create conflicting eligibility requirements (for example, Section 2 subsections (1)(a) and (3) conflict with Section 2 subsection (1)(b); Section 1 subsection (2) and Section 2 subsection (3) conflict with Section 2 subsections (1)(a) and (b)). It is unknown which eligibility criteria individual early childhood courts would seek to apply or the number of courts that would coordinate or provide prevention services through their early childhood court programs. Therefore, the additional legal services created by these parts of the bill are indeterminate. New legal services are nominal, and costs are not included in this request.

2. The AGO Social & Health Services Division (SHO) has reviewed this bill and determined it will not increase or decrease the division's workload. The enactment of this bill will not impact the provision of legal services to the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) or the Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA). Neither agency is involved directly with the work of the early childhood court program. Therefore, no costs are included in this request.

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.

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: 5149 SB	Title: Early childhood court prg.	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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- ☐ 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.

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Section 1: adds a new section to RCW 2.30.100 and 2021 c 285 s, acknowledging Early Childhood Court (ECC) funding is available through September 2027 and courts need clarification that they may use this funding for ECCs. The new section also acknowledges the legacy of historical and impacts of ongoing systemic racism by promoting “family integrity and dignity while supporting healthy outcomes through equitable and culturally sensitive practices.”

Section 2(1)(a)- revises RCW 2.30.100 and 2021 c 285 s amending language allowing the courts to serve the needs of infants, toddlers, and young children up to six years of age at the time of dependency. This revision will increase eligibility for ECCs by expanding the age cap from three to six years of age

Section 2(3) amends language to RCW 2.30.100 and 2021 c 285 s, with language added allowing ECCs to provide coordination, resources, and services through its early childhood court program or community coordinator to families with child(ren) under six who are at risk of becoming the subject of a dependency case under RCW 13.34.

There is no fiscal impact to DCYF. DCYF estimates that there could be a small increase in the number of children, but believe it can be absorbed within current resources.

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.

N/A

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.