Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 5207 S SB	**Title:** Media service subscriptions

Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Agency Name	2025-27		2027-29		2029-31	
	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	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	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Office of Attorney General	2.4	806,000	806,000	806,000	1.2	398,000	398,000	398,000	1.2	392,000	392,000	392,000
Total $	**2.4**	**806,000**	**806,000**	**806,000**	**1.2**	**398,000**	**398,000**	**398,000**	**1.2**	**392,000**	**392,000**	**392,000**

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	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									
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	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Office of Attorney General	.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	No fiscal impact								
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other									
Local Gov. Total									

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Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

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Judicial Impact Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5207 S SB	**Title:** Media service subscriptions	**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

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:

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☐ 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 bill removes software and games from definition of “electronic media” and “electronic media service”; modifies definition of “subscription”; and clarifies when cancellation takes effect and how to calculate refund due.

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

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5207 S SB	Title: Media service subscriptions	Agency: 100-Office of Attorney General

Part I: Estimates

☐ **No Fiscal Impact**

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	2.4	2.4	2.4	1.2	1.2
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	403,000	403,000	806,000	398,000	392,000
Total $	403,000	403,000	806,000	398,000	392,000

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.

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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.

Section 1 – New Section. Definitions. Removed software and games from the definitions of "electronic media" and "electronic media service." Amended the definition of "subscription."

Section 2 – New Section. Any electronic media service that fails to issue a subscription refund as prescribed is in violation of this chapter.

Section 3 – New Section. Refund for subscription requirements. Cancelations are effective at end of the month following when cancellation occurred.

Section 4 – New Section. Sets out violations of this chapter for failures to disclose refund schedule and cancellation fees or failures to timely disburse refunds due to consumers.

Section 5 – New Section. Chapter does not prohibit automatic renewals or the consumer's ability to waive a refund.

Section 6 – New Section. Chapter does not serve as a private right of action.

Section 7 – New Section. Practices in this chapter affect the public interest for purposes of the Consumer Protection Act (CPA).

Section 8 – New Section. Sections 1 through 7 are a new chapter in title 19 RCW.

This bill is assumed effective 90 days after the end of the 2025 legislative session.

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.

Attorney General's Office (AGO) Consumer Protection Division (CPR) requires General Fund-State dollars. No cash receipt impact. There is no client agency to bill for legal services.

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.

Attorney General's Office (AGO) Agency Assumptions:

This bill is assumed effective 90 days after the end of the 2025 legislative session.

Location of staffing is assumed to be in a King County office building.

Total workload impact in this request includes standard assumption costs for goods & services, travel, and capital outlays for all FTE identified.

Agency administration support FTE are included in the tables. The Management Analyst 5 FTE (MA) is used as a representative classification. An example ratio is for every 1.0 Assistant Attorney General FTE (AAG), the AGO includes 0.5 Paralegal 1 FTE (PL1) and 0.4 MA.

1. Assumptions for the AGO Consumer Protection Division (CPR) Legal Services for the Attorney General's Office (AGO):

CPR enforces the Consumer Protection Act (CPA) with respect to conduct that is made unlawful under RCW 19.86.020, which broadly prohibits unfair or deceptive acts or practices in trade or commerce. CPR focus is on representations and failures to disclose terms and conditions. This bill adds a new per se violation the CPA but prohibits private enforcement. CPR assumes enforcement to ensure compliance will be a priority for the AGO. CPR assumes litigation will be necessary to enforce industry compliance. CPR assumes industry compliance will increase because of litigation enforcement efforts. AAG support is needed to investigate potential violations, draw conclusions from investigations, draft Civil Investigative Demand (CID) and discovery requests, engage in settlement negotiations, and file lawsuits. Senior Investigator FTE (INV) support is needed to interview witnesses, review investigative records, and other investigative tasks as assigned.

FY 2026 and FY 2027: CPR assumes one new investigation, and may file up to one new lawsuit, in each of the first two years. CPR assumes 1,800 AAG hours (1.0 AAG) in each year (50% investigation and 50% litigation), and 900 Senior Investigator Analyst FTE (INV) hours (0.5 INV) in each year (75% investigation and 25 % litigation).

FY 2028 and FY 2029: CPR assumes enforcement activity will decline as industry comes into compliance, and is more willing to compromise, in response to successful enforcement. CPR assumes up to one new investigation in each FY and may file one new lawsuit in FY 2028. CPR assumes litigation begun in FY 2026 and FY 2027 will resolve during FY 2028 and FY 2029. CPR assumes 900 AAG hours (0.5 AAG) in each year (50% investigation and 50% litigation), and 360 INV hours (0.2 INV) in each year (75% investigation and 25 % litigation).

FY 2030 and in each FY thereafter: CPR assumes enforcement activity will shift from litigation to compliance monitoring and investigation as industry continues to come into compliance, and is more willing to compromise, in response to successful enforcement. CPR assumes one new investigation in each FY and will file no new lawsuits. CPR assumes 900 AAG hours (0.5 AAG) in each year (100% investigation) and 360 INV hours (0.2 INV) in each year (100% investigation).

Total AGO estimated hours:
FY 2026 and FY 2027: 1,800 AAG hours and 900 INV hours
FY 2028 and FY 2029: 900 AAG hours and 360 INV hours
FY 2030 and in each FY thereafter: 900 AAG hours and 360 INV hours

CPR: Total King County workload impact:
FY 2026 and FY 2027: $403,000 for 1.0 AAG, 0.5 INV, and 0.5 PL1, which includes direct litigation costs of $15,860
FY 2028: $202,000 for 0.5 AAG, 0.2 INV, and 0.3 PL1, which includes direct litigation costs of $15,860
FY 2029 and each FY thereafter: $196,000 for 0.5 AAG, 0.2 INV, and 0.3 PL1, which includes direct litigation costs of $10,500

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
001-1	General Fund	State	403,000	403,000	806,000	398,000	392,000
		Total $	403,000	403,000	806,000	398,000	392,000

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	2.4	2.4	2.4	1.2	1.2
A-Salaries and Wages	265,000	265,000	530,000	254,000	254,000
B-Employee Benefits	79,000	79,000	158,000	76,000	76,000
C-Professional Service Contracts	9,000	9,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
E-Goods and Other Services	46,000	46,000	92,000	44,000	38,000
G-Travel	4,000	4,000	8,000	6,000	6,000
Total $	403,000	403,000	806,000	398,000	392,000

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

Job Classification	Salary	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Assistant Attorney General-King County	139,558	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.5	0.5
Management Analyst 5	98,040	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2
Paralegal 1-King County	74,700	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3
Senior Investigator-King County	108,156	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.2
Total FTEs		2.4	2.4	2.4	1.2	1.2

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

Program	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Consumer Protection Division (CPR)	403,000	403,000	806,000	398,000	392,000
Total $	403,000	403,000	806,000	398,000	392,000

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.