

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title: Firearm purchase
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Estimated Cash Receipts

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Office of Attorney General	0	0	200,000	0	0	1,717,000	0	0	1,479,000
Washington State Patrol	0	0	3,729,000	9,200,000	9,200,000	33,900,000	0	0	22,600,000
Washington State Patrol	In addition to the estimate above,there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.								
Total \$	0	0	3,929,000	9,200,000	9,200,000	35,617,000	0	0	24,079,000

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	142,900	142,900	142,900	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Office of Attorney General	.9	0	0	200,000	5.4	0	0	1,717,000	4.6	0	0	1,479,000
Washington State Patrol	15.8	0	0	9,253,035	49.0	0	0	20,231,700	47.0	0	0	19,284,346
Washington State Patrol	In addition to the estimate above,there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.											
Department of Licensing	.0	48,000	48,000	48,000	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Fish and Wildlife	4.2	2,807,000	2,807,000	2,807,000	10.0	6,634,000	6,634,000	6,634,000	10.0	6,634,000	6,634,000	6,634,000
Department of Fish and Wildlife	In addition to the estimate above,there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.											
Department of Natural Resources	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Total \$	20.9	2,997,900	2,997,900	12,450,935	64.4	6,634,000	6,634,000	28,582,700	61.6	6,634,000	6,634,000	27,397,346

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.								
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
Washington State Patrol	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Licensing	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Fish and Wildlife	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Natural Resources	.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									
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: 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title: Firearm purchase	Agency: 055-Administrative Office of the Courts
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Part I: Estimates

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No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Expenditures from:

STATE	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
State FTE Staff Years					
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	142,900		142,900		
State Subtotal \$	142,900		142,900		
COUNTY	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
County FTE Staff Years					
Account					
Local - Counties					
Counties Subtotal \$					
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:

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If fiscal impact is greater than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete entire fiscal note for Parts I-V.

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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).

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Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.

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206,559.00

Request # 349-1

Part II: Narrative Explanation

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

The amendment requires hunters’ safety programs administered by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife to provide, at a minimum, instruction that meets the requirements of the firearm safety training requirements of the act. It also permits firearm safety training to be sponsored by tribal law enforcement agencies and exempts tribal law enforcement officers from the firearm safety training requirements, as well as amends the effective date.

II. B - Cash Receipts Impact

II. C - Expenditures

IMPACT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS: \$142,900 for FY26.

Impacts to AOC:

- System changes
- New event/docket codes will be required
- New bench book updates
- New required reporting

There will be a one-time cost of \$7,000 to update forms, manuals and bench books.

System change estimates are 376 hours for preparing requirements, system development and configurations, quality assurance testing, manual updates, and business process documentation. These are the systems that would be affected:

- Judicial Information System (JIS)
- Superior Court Enterprise Justice (SC-EJ)
- Superior Court Case Management System (SC-CMS)
- Enterprise Data Repository (EDR)
- Data Reporting

The estimate included in the judicial impact note is \$135,900 based on 376 staff hours at an average of approximately \$212 per hour across multiple job classifications needed to complete the interface (Business Analyst, System Integrator, Senior System Integrator, IT Supervisor, and Manager).

Explanation of standard costs by object:

Salary estimates are current biennium actual rates at Step L.

Benefits are the agency average of 30.59% of salaries.

Goods and Services are the agency average of \$3,600 per direct program FTE.

Travel is the agency average of \$2,000 per direct program FTE.

Ongoing Equipment is the agency average of \$1,800 per direct program FTE.

One-time IT Equipment is \$4,800 for the first fiscal year per direct program FTE.

Agency Indirect is calculated at a rate of 25.86% of direct program salaries and benefits.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

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

<i>State</i>	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years					
Salaries and Wages	80,000		80,000		
Employee Benefits	24,300		24,300		
Professional Service Contracts					
Goods and Other Services	11,600		11,600		
Travel					
Capital Outlays					
Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
Debt Service					
Interagency Reimbursements					
Intra-Agency Reimbursements	27,000		27,000		
Total \$	142,900		142,900		

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

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Bill # 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title: Firearm purchase	Agency: 100-Office of Attorney General
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Part I: Estimates

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No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

ACCOUNT	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Legal Services Revolving Account-State 405-1	10,000	190,000	200,000	1,717,000	1,479,000
Total \$	10,000	190,000	200,000	1,717,000	1,479,000

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	0.3	1.4	0.9	5.4	4.6
Account					
Legal Services Revolving Account-State 405-1	10,000	190,000	200,000	1,717,000	1,479,000
Total \$	10,000	190,000	200,000	1,717,000	1,479,000

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.

Check applicable boxes and follow corresponding instructions:

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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).

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Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.

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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—Amends RCW 9.41.090. Prohibits a dealer from delivering a firearm to a purchaser or transferee until the purchaser or transferee produces a valid permit to purchase firearms. Establishes duties for the Washington State Patrol (WSP) Firearms Background Check Program (Program) in cases where the applicant has an outstanding warrant or in cases where the applicant has open criminal charges or other circumstances are present.

Section 2—New section. Establishes a process for application to the Program for a permit to purchase firearms. Requires the Program to report annually to the Legislature certain information regarding permit applications.

Section 3—Amends RCW 9.41.1132. Modifies training requirements for firearms purchasers. Sets out what the training must include and who it does not apply to.

Section 4—New section. Requires the WSP to establish a program to provide certifications for firearms safety training programs.

Section 5—Amends RCW 43.43.590. Modifies an account.

Section 6—New section. Allows the WSP to adopt rules and undertake actions necessary for the implementation and administration of sections 2, 4, and 5 of the Act.

Section 7 – New section. Allows local law enforcement agencies taking fingerprints for permit applications to charge a reasonable fee.

Section 8—Amends RCW 9.41.047. Requires the Program to revoke the permit of any person convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity of an offense making the person ineligible to possess a firearm or a person whose charges are dismissed based on incompetency to stand trial.

Section 9—Amends RCW 9.41.070. Provides that a person be disqualified from obtaining a concealed pistol license if the person has failed to produce a certificate of completion from a certified concealed carry firearms safety training program. Requires written notice of a denial of a license. Allows an applicant to seek judicial review of a denial of a license. Requires issuing authorities to annually submit application data to the Program. Requires the Program to annually submit a report to the Legislature regarding licenses.

Section 10—Amends RCW 9.41.075. Requires written notice of a revocation of a license. Allows a person aggrieved by revocation of the person's concealed pistol license to seek review of the denial in superior court. Allows a license holder to seek judicial review of the revocation decision.

Section 11—Amends RCW 9.41.097 to add a reference to Section 2 of the Act.

Section 12—Amends RCW 9.41.0975 to add references to a permit to purchase firearms.

Section 13—Amends RCW 9.41.110. Applies certain requirements of the section to transferees as well as purchasers of firearms. Modifies requirements for recordkeeping of firearms sold.

Section 14—Amends RCW 9.41.129. Modifies the recordkeeping duties of Department of Licensing (DOL) with respect to purchase of firearms.

Section 15—Amends RCW 9.41.270. Requires a person convicted of a certain crime to lose their permit to purchase firearms. Requires the court of conviction to notify the Program of revocation of the permit.

Section 16— Amends RCW 7.105.350. Requires the Program to revoke the permit to purchase firearms of a person subject to an extreme risk protection order.

Section 17—Amends RCW 43.43.580. Repeals legislative intent language related to fees.

Section 18 – Amends RCW 77.32.155. Adds language that training program for hunting licenses must meet requirements of RCW 9.41.1132

Section 19—New section. Severability clause.

Section 20—New section. The act takes effect May 1, 2027, except for Section 6.

Section 21 – New section. The act is null in void if not funded in the budget by June 30, 2025.

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.

Cash receipts are assumed to equal the Legal Services Revolving Account (LSRA) cost estimates. These will be billed through the revolving account to the client agency.

The client agency is the Washington State Patrol (WSP). The Attorney General’s Office (AGO) Criminal Justice Division (CRJ) and Government Compliance & Enforcement Division (GCE) will bill for legal services rendered.

These cash receipts represent the AGO’s authority to bill and are not a direct appropriation to the AGO. The direct appropriation is reflected in the client agency’s fiscal note. Appropriation authority is necessary in the AGO budget.

AGO AGENCY ASSUMPTIONS:

WSP will be billed for King County and non-King County rates:

FY 2026: \$10,000 for 0.1 King County Assistant Attorney General FTE (AAG) and 0.1 King County Paralegal 1 FTE (PL1)

FY 2027: \$190,000 for 0.6 King County AAG, 0.1 non-King AAG, 0.3 King County PL1, and 0.1 non-King County PL1

FY 2028: \$1,063,000 for 3.5 King County AAG, 0.1 non-King County AAG, 1.8 King County PL1, and 0.1 non-King County PL1

FY 2029: \$654,000 for 2.2 King County AAG and 1.1 King County PL1

FY 2030: \$712,000 for 2.4 King County AAG and 1.2 King County PL1

FY 2031: \$767,000 for 2.5 King County AAG and 1.3 King County PL1

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:

Legal services associated with the enactment of this bill will begin on November 1, 2026.

Location of staffing is assumed to be in non-King County and 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 Criminal Justice Division (CRJ) Legal Services for Washington State Patrol (WSP).

AGO will bill WSP for legal services based on the enactment of this bill.

CRJ expects to provide the programmatic legal services relating to this bill as described below. The AGO has not determined which division would provide the high volume litigation legal services contemplated in the bill. This analysis includes both the legal services that CRJ assumes that it would provide as well as the legal services where it is uncertain which division would provide the work. The proposed bill would take effect on May 1, 2027.

This bill would create a new requirement for an individual to obtain a permit before being able to purchase a firearm. Although the permit to purchase would be in addition to the background check already required in existing law, the requirements for obtaining a permit would be substantially the same or like the existing standards for a background check. One notable additional requirement to obtain a permit is that an individual must first complete a firearms training program that is certified by WSP. A permit would be valid for a period of five years, unless revoked.

Section 4 of the bill would require WSP to establish a program to provide certifications for firearms safety training programs that meet the requirements contained in section 3 of the bill. AGO does not anticipate that this would be a heavily regulated program, AGO assumes that WSP would seek legal advice during the establishment of the program, most of which would occur prior to the effective date of the act, and that the advice would be provided by CRJ as follows: 20 AAG hours in FY 2026, 35 AAG hours in FY 2027, and 10 AAG hours per year beginning in FY 2028. Additionally, AGO assumes most training programs currently in operation would seek certification in FY 2026 and FY 2027, and applicants denied certifications would be entitled to a hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), which would be handled by GCE as described in GCE's FN.

Section 2 of this bill would establish the permitting program within the WSP firearm background check program and sets forth both the requirements for obtaining a permit and the bases upon which a permit could be denied. Subsection 2(7) would require the WSP to provide written notice of the specific grounds upon which a permit was denied. Subsection 2(9) would require that WSP develop a process to verify on an annual basis that permit holders continue to meet the eligibility requirements for a permit, and if no longer eligible, to revoke the permit. Subsection 2(14) would require WSP to provide written notice of a permit revocation.

AGO assumes that WSP would seek legal advice during the establishment of the permitting program and relating to the development of rules for the permitting program. We further assume that the advice would be provided by CRJ mostly prior to the effective date of the act and would generate 25 AAG hours of work in FY 2026, 50 AAG hours of work in FY 2027, and 20 AAG hours per year beginning in FY 2028.

Section 2(15) in this version of the bill provides that an individual whose application for a permit to purchase firearms was denied or whose permit was revoked could file a petition for a writ of mandamus in superior court, as described in RCW 9.41.0975 (as amended in Section 12). Section 12(2) would allow an individual whose application for a permit was denied or whose permit was revoked to seek a writ of mandamus directing WSP to issue a permit to purchase or to reinstate a permit to purchase wrongfully revoked.

Although it is unclear whether the drafters intended for a writ of mandamus to be the sole remedy for a denial or revocation of a permit, for the following reasons we assume it is. If the drafters intended the permit denials and revocations to be reviewable under the APA, all administrative remedies would have to be exhausted before the petition for a writ to superior court could be sought. This would conflict with the language in Section 12, which seems to give any party the right to seek a writ as an initial matter. Also, unlike a court, most constitutional issues could not be decided in an APA action, and we anticipate the denial or revocation of a permit to purchase a firearm could raise constitutional issues. Therefore, for purposes of this fiscal note response, we assume that the drafters intended to foreclose APA review of denials and revocations in favor of a petition for a writ of mandamus to the superior court.

WSP assumes that it would begin issuing permits the second half of FY 2027 and would begin annual permit reviews the second half of FY 2028.

WSP assumes that they would receive approximately 100,000 applications for permits to purchase firearms each fiscal year. This assumption is based on the historic rate of annual concealed pistol permit applications and firearms background checks received by WSP. Like the permit to purchase firearms created by this bill, concealed pistol permits require a background check and are valid for a period of five years. WSP also assumes that there will be some increased number of applications closer to when the permits first become available. Therefore, even though this act takes effect near the end of FY 2027, WSP assumes it would still receive 33,000 permit applications in FY 2027 and that it would receive 200,000 permit applications in FY 2028. WSP assumes that it will receive 100,000 applications for FY 2029 through FY 2031.

Based on information compiled with the assistance of its federal law enforcement partners, during 2024 WSP received approximately 250,000 firearm background check requests. Of those requests, about 3,400 were denied, resulting in a denial rate of approximately 1.35 percent. In 2024, WSP received about 1,700 appeals and experienced an appeal rate of approximately 50 percent of its denials. Of those 1,700 appeals, 546 of them were upheld with the original denial, 32 percent of the appeals. WSP assumes that it would experience similar denial and appeal rates for permits to purchase firearms. Therefore, WSP assumes that in FY 2027, 1.35 percent of the 33,000 applications or 446 applications would be denied, and of those 446 denials, 50 percent or 223 applicants would seek to challenge their denials. For FY 2028, WSP assumes that it would deny 2,700 permit applications, and of those 2,700 denials, 50 percent or 1,350 applicants would seek to challenge their denials. For FYs 2029, 2030, and 2031, WSP assumes that there would be 675 applicants that seek to challenge their denials.

Because some of the conditions that may result in ineligibility to purchase a firearm are temporary in nature and may be subject to correction, WSP assumes that it would create an informal internal appeal or “reconsideration” process, like that created for firearm background check denials. This appears to be allowed under Sections 9(2)(e) and 10(2). WSP further assumes that approximately 85 percent of the applicants seeking reconsideration would either have their issues resolved or choose not seek resolution in the superior court, and that the remaining 15 percent of the denied applicants would pursue a petition for a writ of mandamus as allowed by Section 12 of this bill. Therefore, in FY 2027, 15 percent of 223 denials or approximately 33 denials would be challenged in court. In FY 2028, 15 percent of 1,350 denials or 202 denials would be challenged in court. In FYs 2029 through FY 2031, 15 percent of 675 denials or approximately 101 denials would be challenged in court each FY. We assume that each petition for a writ of mandamus would utilize an average of 30 AAG hours to litigate to completion, resulting in 990 AAG hours (33 x 30) of new work in FY 2027; 6,060 AAG hours (202 x 30) of new work in FY 2028 and 3,030 AAG hours (101 x 30) of new work in each of FY 2029, FY 2030, and FY 2031.

Beginning the second half of FY 2028, WSP would begin annual permit reviews. WSP assumes that denials from annual reviews would occur at a lower rate than upon initial application and that approximately .5 percent of existing permit holders would be revoked on an annual basis.

WSP assumes that the revocations of permits would experience a lower rate of appeals than the initial denials because many of the individuals would have already purchased a firearm by the time their permit was revoked, and that only 15 percent of the revocations would seek reconsideration. Finally, as with the initial denials, WSP assumes that of those requesting reconsideration, the majority would be resolved with the remaining 15 percent seeking to challenge the

revocation in court, as allowed by Section 12 of this bill. Therefore, in FY 2028 an estimated 32,554 issued permits would yield 163 revocations, with approximately 24 of those revocations seeking reconsideration, and approximately four of those seeking to litigate their action in court. In FY 2029 an estimated 229,691 issued permits would yield approximately 1,148 revocations, with approximately 172 of those revocations seeking to appeal, and approximately 26 of those seeking to litigate their actions in court. In FY 2030 an estimated 327,193 issued permits would yield approximately 1,636 revocations, with approximately 245 of those revocations seeking to appeal, and approximately 37 of those seeking to litigate their actions in court. In FY 2031 an estimated 424,207 issued permits would yield approximately 2,121 revocations, with approximately 318 of those revocations seeking to appeal, and approximately 48 of those seeking to litigate their actions in court. As with the denials, we assume that each petition for a writ of mandamus for a revocation action would utilize an average of 30 AAG hours to litigate

CRJ total workload hours:

FY 2026: 45 AAG hours

FY 2027: 1,075 AAG hours

FY 2028: 6,210 AAG hours

FY 2029: 3,840 AAG hours

FY 2030: 4,170 AAG hours

FY 2031: 4,500 AAG hours

CRJ total FTE workload impact for King County rates:

FY 2026: \$10,000 for 0.1 AAG and 0.1 PL1

FY 2027: \$185,000 for 0.6 AAG and 0.3 PL1

FY 2028: \$1,058,000 for 3.5 AAG and 1.7 PL1

FY 2029: \$654,000 for 2.2 AAG and 1.0 PL1

FY 2030: \$712,000 for 2.3 AAG and 1.2 PL1

FY 2031: \$767,000 for 2.5 AAG and 1.3 PL1

2. The AGO Government Compliance & Enforcement Division (GCE) has reviewed this bill and determined it will not significantly increase or decrease the division's workload in representing the WSP. This proposal would create a new requirement for an individual to obtain a permit before being able to purchase a firearm or have one transferred into their possession. Although the permit to purchase would be in addition to the background check already required in existing law, the requirements for obtaining a permit would be substantially the same or like the existing standards for a background check. One notable additional requirement to obtain a permit would be the completion of a firearms safety training program that is certified by WSP.

This bill would establish the permitting program within the WSP firearms background check program and would set forth both the requirements for obtaining a permit and the bases upon which a permit could be denied. Completion of a certified firearms safety training program would be required for issuance of a permit to purchase. A permit to purchase firearms would be valid for a period of five years. The WSP firearms background check program would be authorized to revoke a permit for any reason that would prevent issuance.

An individual who is denied a permit to purchase or a concealed pistol license, or whose permit to purchase or concealed pistol license is revoked, would be authorized to seek relief in superior court by applying for writ of mandamus pursuant to RCW 9.41.0975. Although it is currently unclear which division would handle the litigation arising from denials or revocations of permits to purchase firearms, because the hearings would be held before the superior courts and not before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH), GCE assumes that CRJ would handle the litigation and GCE would not experience any resulting workload increase.

This bill would also require WSP to establish a program to provide certifications for firearms safety training programs that meet the requirements contained in section 3. Based on information from WSP, we assume that this would not be a heavily regulated program. Because this bill would have a delayed effective date of May 1, 2027, we assume that implementation

of the program would occur immediately, and that legal advice sought to implement the program would be provided by CRJ. Once established, we assume that most training programs currently in operation would seek certification within the second half of FY 2027 and in FY 2028. We further assume that applicants denied certification would be entitled to a hearing under the APA, which would be handled by GCE. However, because a denial of a training certification could be cured by amending the instructional components of the program, we assume that GCE would receive no more than one new litigation referral in each of FY 2027 and FY 2028, which would utilize 30 AAG hours in each of those years. Section 6 would authorize the WSP to engage in rulemaking to implement sections 2, 4 and 5 of the bill. GCE assumes most of the rulemaking advice would be provided by CRJ but anticipate we may be asked for some small amount of input.

GCE total workload hours:

FY 2027: 30 AAG hours

FY 2028: 30 AAG hours

GCE total FTE workload impact for non-King County rates:

FY 2027: \$5,000 for 0.1 AAG and 0.1 PL1

FY 2028: \$5,000 for 0.1 AAG and 0.1 PL1

3. The AGO Licensing & Administrative Law Division (LAL) has reviewed this bill and determined it will not significantly increase or decrease the division's workload in representing the Department of Licensing (DOL). The bill impacts WSP and not DOL responsibilities. Therefore, no costs are not included in this request.

AGO total workload hours:

FY 2026: 45 AAG hours

FY 2027: 1,105 AAG hours

FY 2028: 6,240 AAG hours

FY 2029: 3,840 AAG hours

FY 2030: 4,170 AAG hours

FY 2031: 4,500 AAG hours

AGO: Total King County and non-King County workload impact:

FY 2026: \$10,000 for 0.1 King County Assistant Attorney General FTE (AAG) and 0.1 King County Paralegal 1 FTE (PL1)

FY 2027: \$190,000 for 0.6 King County AAG, 0.1 non-King AAG, 0.3 King County PL1, and 0.1 non-King County PL1

FY 2028: \$1,063,000 for 3.5 King County AAG, 0.1 non-King County AAG, 1.8 King County PL1, and 0.1 non-King County PL1

FY 2029: \$654,000 for 2.2 King County AAG and 1.1 King County PL1

FY 2030: \$712,000 for 2.4 King County AAG and 1.2 King County PL1

FY 2031: \$767,000 for 2.5 King County AAG and 1.3 King County PL1

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
405-1	Legal Services Revolving Account	State	10,000	190,000	200,000	1,717,000	1,479,000
Total \$			10,000	190,000	200,000	1,717,000	1,479,000

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	0.3	1.4	0.9	5.4	4.6
A-Salaries and Wages	7,000	130,000	137,000	1,181,000	1,018,000
B-Employee Benefits	2,000	39,000	41,000	350,000	302,000
E-Goods and Other Services	1,000	20,000	21,000	176,000	151,000
G-Travel		1,000	1,000	10,000	8,000
Total \$	10,000	190,000	200,000	1,717,000	1,479,000

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	132,912		0.1	0.1	0.1	
Assistant Attorney General-King County	139,558	0.1	0.6	0.4	2.9	2.5
Management Analyst 5	98,040	0.1	0.3	0.2	1.0	0.9
Paralegal 1	71,148		0.1	0.1	0.1	
Paralegal 1-King County	74,700	0.1	0.3	0.2	1.5	1.3
Total FTEs		0.3	1.4	0.9	5.4	4.6

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

Program	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Criminal Justice Division (CRJ)	10,000	185,000	195,000	1,712,000	1,479,000
Government Compliance & Enforcement Division (GCE)		5,000	5,000	5,000	
Total \$	10,000	190,000	200,000	1,717,000	1,479,000

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.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title: Firearm purchase	Agency: 225-Washington State Patrol
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Part I: Estimates



No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

ACCOUNT	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
General Fund-State 001-1				9,200,000	
Fingerprint Identification Account-State 225-1		759,000	759,000	6,900,000	4,600,000
State Firearms Backgrd Check System Acct-State 24T-1		2,970,000	2,970,000	17,800,000	18,000,000
Total \$		3,729,000	3,729,000	33,900,000	22,600,000

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

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	3.5	28.1	15.8	49.0	47.0
Account					
Fingerprint Identification Account-State 225-1	0	70,722	70,722	1,741,782	1,161,188
State Firearms Backgrd Check System Acct-State 24T-1	2,325,043	6,857,270	9,182,313	18,489,918	18,123,158
Total \$	2,325,043	6,927,992	9,253,035	20,231,700	19,284,346

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

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:

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- ☐ 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.

This version of proposed legislation strikes everything after the enacting clause.

The proposed legislation has an indeterminate fiscal impact to the WSP.

The proposed legislation would enhance requirements relating to the purchase, transfer, and possession of firearms.

Section 1(1) is amended and changes the requirement of dealers from needing to verify that a purchaser or transferee, has proof of completing a recognized firearms safety course, to needing to verify that they hold a permit to purchase a firearm, as described in section 2.

Section 1(3)(a) of this version states WSP shall notify the dealer that the delivery of the firearm must be delayed when the applicants identity or eligibility to purchase and possess a firearm cannot be determined. Disposition records in Washington or elsewhere that reflect open or pending criminal charges, pending criminal charges, pending commitment proceedings or an arrest for a disqualifying offense shall require notification.

Section 1(3)(b) states in any case where WSP has grounds based on criminal information, if the records of disposition have not yet been reported or entered sufficiently to determine eligibility to receive a firearm, WSP shall notify the dealer that delivery of the firearm is delayed in order to confirm existing records in this state or elsewhere, or to confirm the identity of the applicant.

Section 1(4)(a)(iv) states when a person is applying to purchase a firearm, they must include their permit identification number.

New Section 2(1-3) outlines the process of obtaining a permit to purchase firearms from WSP. Included with the permit application, the applicant must also submit a set of fingerprints taken by the local law enforcement agency in which the applicant resides, a certificate of completion for a firearms safety training program within the last five years or proof of exemption as provided in RCW 9.41.1132, the permit application fee, and various personal identification information.

New Section 2(4) states the permit application must contain questions about the applicant's eligibility to possess a firearm under state and federal law and whether the applicant is a United States citizen. If the applicant is not a US citizen, the various requirements are listed for compliance.

New Section 2(5) states a signed application constitutes a waiver of confidentiality and written request, that relevant information to the applicant's eligibility for a permit to purchase a firearm be released by health care facilities to an inquiring court or WSP.

New Section 2(6) requires WSP to issue or deny the completed application within 30 days of filing. If the applicant does not have a valid permanent Washington driver's license or identification card or has not been a resident for the previous consecutive 90 days, WSP will have 60 days to act on the application, unless additional time is necessary to obtain all required information.

New Section 2(7) outlines the reasons why an applicant would be disqualified from receiving a permit. If an applicant is denied, WSP is required to send applicants written notice of the specific grounds on why the application was denied.

New Section 2(8) requires WSP to check various national and local databases, including a federal fingerprint check, to ensure there are no open or pending cases that may result in an application denial as outlined in section 2(7).

New Section 2(9) requires WSP to develop procedures to verify on an annual basis that persons with permits to purchase firearms remain eligible. If a person is determined to be ineligible, WSP shall revoke the permit and provide notice to local law enforcement agencies so they can take steps to ensure the permit holder is not illegally in possession of a firearm.

New Section 2(10) outlines the required elements WSP must include on the permit form.

New Section 2(11)(a) states a permit is valid for five years. A person is able to renew their permit, and the renewed permit will take effect on the expiration date of the prior permit.

New Section 2(11)(b) WSP may charge permit application fees that will cover the cost of the permit to purchase firearms program. WSP will transfer fees to the state treasurer for deposit in the state firearms background check system account created in RCW 43.43.590. The applicant is also required to pay the fingerprint processing fee under RCW 43.43.742.

New Section 2(12) requires WSP to mail a renewal notice approximately 90 days before the expiration date of the permit.

New Section 2(14) mandates WSP revoke a permit on the occurrence of any act that would prevent the issuance of a permit. WSP shall send written notice, stating the specific grounds for revocation.

New Section 2(16) requires WSP to submit a report to the state legislature that includes the following information for the preceding year: number of permit applications, applicant demographics, the frequency of denials, the number of appealed denials, how many issued permits were revoked, and the number of revocation cases that went to local law enforcement agencies and how many firearms were recovered in such cases.

Section 3(1) is amended and changes the language from purchase of a firearm to a permit to purchase firearms. (i) Adds the requirement of live-fire shooting exercises on a firing range that show an applicant's safe handling and proficiency with firearms.

Section 3(2) changes that language from proof of minimal requirement training to a certificate of training developed by WSP under section 4 of this act.

Section 3(4) clarifies the language surrounding individuals who upon showing proper identification are not subject to the safety training requirement of this section.

New section 4 mandates WSP to establish a program to provide certifications for firearm safety training programs and requires recertification every five years.

Section 5 is amended and adds that receipts under section 2 of this act must be deposited into the state firearms background check system account and the expenditures from this account may be used for costs incurred in the administration of the permit to purchase program under section 2 of this act. The account must provide reimbursement of the amount appropriated for the initial establishment of the program, by June 30, 2028.

New section 6 allows WSP to adopt rules and take actions necessary for the implementation of sections 2, 4 and 5 of this act.

New section 7 states local law enforcement agencies taking fingerprints may charge a reasonable fee to cover the costs of taking and transmitting the fingerprints.

Section 8 adds language requiring WSP to revoke permits upon receipt of information regarding convicted, committed or incompetency cases.

Section 9(14) states issuing authorities shall submit CPL data to WSP annually, so WSP can submit a comprehensive report to the state legislature annually, providing information regarding concealed pistol license for the preceding year.

Section 11 is amended to require health care providers to share necessary information to courts, law enforcement agencies, or the state to determine a person's eligibility to possess a firearm, permit, or a concealed pistol license (CPL).

Section 12 is amended to add a permits to purchase firearms, to the liability waiver for the state, local government entities, any public or private agency, and the employees of such organizations acting in good faith.

Section 13(16)(a) is amended and adds no firearm may be sold or transferred in violation of any provisions of this chapter unless the purchaser is known to the dealer or presents clear evidence of their identity and their valid permit to purchase firearms.

Section 15 is amended to require the courts to notify certain agencies and the WSP, of the required revocation of any permit to purchase firearms.

Section 16 is amended to require courts to send notice of extreme protection orders to WSP within three days of issuance. Upon receipt, WSP shall determine if the respondent has a permit to purchase and immediately revoke it.

Section 18 adds language that the training program for hunter safety shall at a minimum provide instruction that meets the firearms safety training requirements established in RCW 9.41.1132.

New section 19 states if any provision of this act is held invalid, the remainder of the act is not affected.

New section 20 states this act takes effect May 1, 2027.

New section 21 states if specific funding for the purposes of this act is not provided by June 30, 2025, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and void.

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.

Projected cash receipts are indeterminate as we are unable to determine how many permit applications might be submitted annually.

Section 5 requires the account to provide reimbursement of the amount appropriated for the initial establishment of the program by June 30, 2028. We assume there will be an \$9.2M transfer from the General Fund - State into the 24T Firearms Background Check System Account to cover the initial startup costs before 24T revenue is generated.

The current version of the proposed legislation delays implementation by 6 months from previous versions. This allows for a lower fee while still projecting the account will have sufficient resources to reimburse the initial appropriation. In order to reimburse \$9.2M by June 30, 2028 the fee would need to be adjusted to \$90. To reflect the reimbursement to General Fund - State, we reduced 24T revenue in the cash receipts table by the \$9.2M in FY28.

For illustrative purposes, we assume a \$90 fee per application. For FY27, WSP assumes 33,000 permit applications resulting in cash receipts of \$2.97M. For FY28, WSP assumes 200,000 permit applications resulting in cash receipts of \$18M and for FY29, WSP assumes 100,000 permit applications resulting in cash receipts of \$9M. Our assumption, starting in FY28 which is the first full year of operations, is permit applications will have a 5-year cycle based on renewal requirements. The 5-year renewal cycle will result in 200,000 applications in the first year and 100,000 applications in years 2-5. Bringing the total number of checks in a 5-year period to 600,000 and cash receipts of \$54M.

Section 2(11)(b)(ii) states that an applicant for an original permit must also pay the fingerprint processing fee under RCW 43.43.742. Section 2(8)(b) requires the fingerprint-based background check to be run through the federal database.

Assuming electronic submissions, the WSP will charge \$33.00 for background checks, of which \$12.00 is the FBI fee (\$10.00 passed to the FBI and \$2.00 retained by the WSP). The balance of the fee (\$21.00) is WSP's fee, leaving total revenue to WSP, $\$2 + \$21 = \$23$ per background check.

The estimated annual revenue for the Fingerprint Identification Account in FY 2027 is $33,000 \times \$23 = \$759,000$. The assumed revenue in FY28 is $200,000 \times \$23 = \4.6M . The assumed revenue in FY29 is $100,000 \times \$23 = \2.3M . Using the same methodology above, the 5-year renewal cycle starting in FY28 will result in 200,000 applications in the first year, and 100,000 applications in years 2-5. Bringing the total number of checks in a 5-year period to 600,000 and cash receipts of \$13.8M.

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.

Projected expenditures from the proposed legislation are indeterminate. To illustrate potential expenditure impacts, we are using the same number of checks used in the cash receipts section of this fiscal note.

Section 2 will require a new operating unit within the FBD to meet the required permit application documentation handling, review, verification, and notification processes. This work will be done by 39 FTEs: 1 WMS 3 (Asst. Division Commander), 4 Management Analyst 5s, 4 Program Specialist 4s, 28 Program Specialist 3s, 1 Fiscal Analyst 2, and 1 IT System Administration - Journey. Our plan to stand up the unit uses a phased hiring approach to ensure we have a fully trained and prepared unit for an effective date of May 1, 2027.

The unit will be responsible for receiving completed permit applications, fingerprints, and certificates of completion of a certified firearms safety training program as well as the applicable application fee (\$90). Upon processing the permit application, we would issue the permit per section 2(6) or provide denial notification as outlined in section 2(7). Additionally, per section 2(9) we are required to conduct an annual review of permit holders' eligibility to possess a permit to purchase firearms. During annual review, if a permit holder has an occurrence of any action or condition that would prevent permit issuance, per section 2(14) we will revoke the permit via a written notice. Section 2(11)(a) states that a permit to purchase firearms is valid for a period of five years, at which point permit holders are eligible to renew their permit. Section 2(12) states that within approximately 90 days of their permit expiring, we are to notify permit holders of their opportunity to renew.

Section 2(2)(b) states a person applying for a permit to purchase firearms must submit a complete set of fingerprints taken by the local law enforcement agency in the jurisdiction in which the applicant resides. Section 2(8)(b) requires us to run the fingerprints through the FBI. The FTEs needed are based on application volume. Assuming it's FY28 with 200,000 checks, WSP would need 6.0 FTE Fingerprint Technician 2s, 1.0 FTE Fingerprint Lead Technician, and 1.0 FTE Program Specialist 3.

Section 4 mandates us to provide certifications for firearms safety training programs that meet the requirements laid out in section 3. We will require 1 Management Analyst 5 to act as training program certification coordinator and 2 Management Analyst 3s to certify and track the training. This unit will be responsible for establishing program processes that certify, track, and communicate the stats of firearms safety training programs delivered across the state. The coordinator position would also be responsible for maintaining procedures and the overall system function through which trainers apply for certification. Additionally, they would maintain a website listing of certified programs, act as customer support for current and prospective training programs and address general inquiries from the public. Section 4 also mandates us to develop the form and manner of documentation for permit to purchase firearms applicants to provide proof of completion of a certified firearms safety training program or proof of exemption. The certification program would reside under the FBD, alongside

the new operating unit mentioned above. A system would need to be created to track training certification. This task would be outsourced, with an estimated cost of \$250,000 in FY26 and an ongoing maintenance cost of \$9,000 in FY27 and beyond.

Section 9(14) mandates an annual report to the legislature regarding CPL data from the preceding year. WSP assumes a 1.0 FTE Management Analyst 3 will be required to reach out to the over 250 agencies to gather the necessary information to compile the annual report.

Section 2 requires WSP to grant permits based on the listed stipulations. A system would need to be created to receive applications and produce permits. This task would be outsourced, with an estimated cost of \$1,000,000 in FY26 and beyond. In addition to the IT system, we would need to contract with an external project manager and independent quality assurance consultant. We estimate the project manager will be required for 174 hours per month for 22 months and the quality assurance consultant for 40 hours per month for 19 months at a rate of \$175 per hour.

Additional rulemaking will be required as a result of this proposed legislation. The costs associated with legislative rule making are dependent upon the individuals working on the effort and how much of their time is required. This includes the Government and Media Relations staff (30 hours) and the Subject Matter Expert (15 hours). The estimated cost for such rule making will be approximately \$4,712 in FY26.

The Office of the Attorney General (AGO) will be required as a result of this legislation, due to revocations and denials. The AGO estimates they will bill us at an increasing rate as the total number of permits issued increases, becoming stable after five years, resulting in estimated costs of \$10,000 in FY26, \$190,000 in FY27, \$1,063,000 in FY28, \$654,000 in FY29, \$712,000 in FY30 and \$767,000 in FY31.

We base estimated salary expenditures on current levels for the positions requested per published salary schedules, plus proposed increases in ratified collective bargaining agreements and any applicable incentive or assignment pay. We compute estimated benefits expenditures based on federal or state mandated rates plus state provided amounts for health insurance and workers' compensation insurance. We assume that any increases in these rates or amounts will be covered by legislation establishing the increase.

We base our estimate for agency indirect costs on the approved federal indirect cost rate of 31.34%. We apply this indirect cost rate percentage to all categories of expenditures with only two exceptions: capital equipment and the portion of each professional contract in excess of \$25,000. Indirect costs include, but are not limited to, computer and telecommunications support, payroll processing, vendor payments, general accounting, procurement administration, inventory control, and human resource management.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
225-1	Fingerprint Identification Account	State	0	70,722	70,722	1,741,782	1,161,188
24T-1	State Firearms Backgrd Check System Acct	State	2,325,043	6,857,270	9,182,313	18,489,918	18,123,158
Total \$			2,325,043	6,927,992	9,253,035	20,231,700	19,284,346

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

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	3.5	28.1	15.8	49.0	47.0
A-Salaries and Wages	333,697	2,413,961	2,747,658	8,098,714	7,802,874
B-Employee Benefits	107,385	814,821	922,206	2,786,236	2,678,422
C-Professional Service Contracts	1,474,700	1,458,400	2,933,100	2,146,760	2,018,000
E-Goods and Other Services	118,982	598,896	717,878	2,894,881	2,634,784
G-Travel	8,400	67,488	75,888	235,200	225,600
J-Capital Outlays	74,200	402,652	476,852	178,850	171,550
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
9-Indirect Costs	207,679	1,171,774	1,379,453	3,891,059	3,753,116
Total \$	2,325,043	6,927,992	9,253,035	20,231,700	19,284,346

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

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 Division Commander, WMS 3	125,424	0.5	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.0
Fingerprint Lead Technician, 52L	72,084		0.1	0.0	0.8	0.5
Fingerprint Technician 2, 50L	69,396		0.3	0.2	4.5	3.0
Fiscal Analyst 2, 44L	59,844		0.3	0.2	1.0	1.0
IT System Admin Journey, 06ITL	112,536	0.5	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.0
Management Analyst 3, 54L	76,608	0.5	2.3	1.4	3.0	3.0
Management Analyst 5, 64L	98,040	0.5	4.0	2.3	5.0	5.0
Program Specialist 3, 53L	74,724	1.0	16.1	8.5	28.8	28.5
Program Specialist 4, 56L	80,460	0.5	3.0	1.8	4.0	4.0
Total FTEs		3.5	28.1	15.8	49.0	47.0

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.

Rulemaking is required for the new permit to purchase program implementation.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title: Firearm purchase	Agency: 240-Department of Licensing
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Part I: Estimates

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No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	48,000	0	48,000	0	0
Total \$	48,000	0	48,000	0	0

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.

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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.

- Changes from E2SHB AMS LAW S2534.1 1163 to E2SHB AMS WM S2687.3 1163:
The Senate Ways & Means Committee amendment version of HB 1163:
- Extends the effective date.
 - Incorporates the Senate Law & Justice committee amendments.
 - Sets new requirements for WSP regarding delaying firearms deliveries from dealers if identity or eligibility can't be confirmed.
 - Sets new requirements for the Department of Fish & Wildlife related to hunters' safety programs.
 - Allows tribal law enforcement agencies to sponsor firearm safety training and exempts officers from firearm safety training requirements.
 - Provides clarification regarding prohibiting WSP from issuing a permit to purchase if a court order regarding firearms or outstanding arrest warrant exists.

These changes have no additional fiscal impact to DOL from the previous version.

NEW DESCRIPTION:

- Section 1 - Amends RCW 9.41.090
- (3)(A) and (B) Provides requirements for WSP and dealers related to delivery delays due to outstanding warrants

- Section 3 – Amends RCW 9.41.1132
- (4)(A) Amends exemption requirements related to Tribal Police Officer

- Section 18 – Amends RCW 77.32.155
- (1)(2)(3) Adds new requirements for the Department of Fish & Wildlife related to hunters' safety programs

- Section 20 – Effective Date
- Changes the effective date to May 1, 2027.

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.

See attached fiscal note

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 Fiscal Note

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	48,000	0	48,000	0	0
Total \$			48,000	0	48,000	0	0

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years					
A-Salaries and Wages					
B-Employee Benefits					
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	48,000		48,000		
G-Travel					
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
9-					
Total \$	48,000	0	48,000	0	0

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

Agency 240 – Department of Licensing

Bill Number: E2SHB AMS WM Bill Title: Firearm purchase transfer and possession of firearms
S2687.3 1163

Part 1: Estimates

☐ No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts:

There will be no revenue transactions within the Department of Licensing. All fees or revenue resulting from the permitting and licensing will go through Washington State Patrol.

Estimated Expenditures:

Operating Expenditures	Fund	FY 26	FY 27	25-27 Total	27-29 Total	29-31 Total
General Fund	001	48,000	-	48,000	-	-
Account Totals		48,000	-	48,000	-	-

The revenue 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 the fiscal impact is **less than \$50,000** per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete this page only (Part I).
- ☐ 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.
- ☐ Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.
- ☐ Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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Request #	1
Bill #	1163 E2SHB AMS WM S2687.3

Part 2 – Explanation

2.A – Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Changes from E2SHB AMS LAW S2534.1 1163 to E2SHB AMS WM S2687.3 1163:

The Senate Ways & Means Committee amendment version of HB 1163:

- Extends the effective date.
- Incorporates the Senate Law & Justice committee amendments.
- Sets new requirements for WSP regarding delaying firearms deliveries from dealers if identity or eligibility can't be confirmed.
- Sets new requirements for the Department of Fish & Wildlife related to hunters' safety programs.
- Allows tribal law enforcement agencies to sponsor firearm safety training and exempts officers from firearm safety training requirements.
- Provides clarification regarding prohibiting WSP from issuing a permit to purchase if a court order regarding firearms or outstanding arrest warrant exists.

These changes have no additional fiscal impact to DOL from the previous version.

NEW DESCRIPTION:

Section 1 - Amends RCW 9.41.090

- (3)(A) and (B) Provides requirements for WSP and dealers related to delivery delays due to outstanding warrants

Section 3 – Amends RCW 9.41.1132

- (4)(A) Amends exemption requirements related to Tribal Police Officer

Section 18 – Amends RCW 77.32.155

- (1)(2)(3) Adds new requirements for the Department of Fish & Wildlife related to hunters' safety programs

Section 20 – Effective Date

- Changes the effective date to May 1, 2027.

2.B - Cash receipts Impact

There will be no revenue transactions within the Department of Licensing. All fees or revenue resulting from the permitting and licensing will go through Washington State Patrol.

2.C – Expenditures

Information Services:

The agency will use appropriated funds to hire contract programmers to accomplish this work or to support current staff implementing this legislation within the required timeline. Appropriated funds may also be used to hire agency temporary staff to support permanent staff assigned to this legislative effort.

Any change requires a process to ensure changes are correctly applied to the system. This involves Project Managers that manage the team that completes the update, business analyst that documents and reviews the system changes, architect services that analyzes how the update could have an effect on other systems or DOL processes, developers who create the change, and testers and quality assurance teams that ensure the update is working correctly.

What DOL Will Implement:

- Update the WSP SAFE Interface to accept Permit to Purchase Identification Number.
- Update the Firearms System to display Permit to Purchase Identification Number on Individual Records in the Purchase History section.
- Add the Permit to Purchase Identification Number to the ACCESS (SWITCH) Interface.
- Add two new firearm types (Long Gun and Shot Gun) to the Firearms Database.
- Add Permit to Purchase Identification Number to the Firearms Database.
- Create 2 new reports to display data related to the new firearm types.
- Update WSP and ACCESS interface control documents.

Cost Category	Description	Rate	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	Total Cost
TESTER	Test to verify individual components meet requirements; ensure that other business transactions have not been impacted.	\$ 27,144	16,300	-	-	-	-	-	16,300
BUSINESS ANALYST	Determine business requirements; translate requirements into what changes are needed to various systems including account codes, inventory codes, testing considerations, etc.	\$ 19,836	4,000	-	-	-	-	-	4,000
SECURITY AND ARCHITECT SERVICES	Create the conceptual model that defines the structure, behavior and framework of a computerized system including a breakdown of the system into components, the component interactions and interfaces (including with the environment, especially the user), and the technologies and resources to be used in the design.	\$ 19,836	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,000
DEVELOPERS	Modify programming and coding to all major systems	\$ 22,968	16,100	-	-	-	-	-	16,100
TRAINER	Trains business partners and employees in new system processes and capabilities.	\$ 27,144	5,400	-	-	-	-	-	5,400
PROJECT CONTINGENCY	Office of the Chief Information Officer designated rate of 10%	\$ 27,394	4,400	-	-	-	-	-	4,400
Totals			48,200	-	-	-	-	-	48,200

These figures are calculated and rounded to 100th value

*Note - Rounding used in subsequent tables.

Part 3 – Expenditure Detail

3.A – Operating Budget Expenditures

Operating Expenditures	Fund	FY 26	FY 27	25-27 Total	27-29 Total	29-31 Total
General Fund	001	48,000	-	48,000	-	-
Account Totals		48,000	-	48,000	-	-

3.B – Expenditures by Object or Purpose

Object of Expenditure	FY 26	FY 27	25-27 Total	27-29 Total	29-31 Total
Goods and Services	48,000	-	48,000	-	-
Total By Object Type	48,000	-	48,000	-	-

Part 4 – Capital Budget Impact

None.

Part 5 – New Rule Making Required

None.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title: Firearm purchase	Agency: 477-Department of Fish and Wildlife
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Part I: Estimates

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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	1.8	6.5	4.2	10.0	10.0
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	722,000	2,085,000	2,807,000	6,634,000	6,634,000
Total \$	722,000	2,085,000	2,807,000	6,634,000	6,634,000

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

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:

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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).

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Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.

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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.

Differences between E2SHB 1163-S2.E AMS LAW S2534.1 and E2SHB 1163-S2.E AMS WM S2687.3:

- Section 18 is a new section that directs the Department of Fish and Wildlife to incorporate firearms safety training into any program established by the director to train people in the safe handling of firearms, conservation, and sporting/hunting behavior, amending RCW 77.32.155.
- Section 20 (Section 19 in previous version) changes the effective date of this act, except for section 6, from November 1, 2026 to May 1, 2027.

Section 2 describes the requirements to attain a firearms purchase permit through the Washington State Patrol firearms background check program. The application must include:

1. A completed permit application.
2. A set of fingerprints taken by local law enforcement.
3. A certificate of completion of a certified firearms safety training program within the last five years or proof of exemption
4. The permit application fee.

The application must also include the applicant's full name, place and date of birth, residential and mailing addresses, driver's license or state ID number, physical description, race, gender, optional phone number and email address, and electronic signature.

Section 3 adds live-fire shooting exercises at a firing range to the minimum requirements of a certified firearms safety program.

Section 9 references the existing fee for renewing concealed pistol licenses as outlined in RCW 9.41.070 of the concealed pistol renewal fee, three dollars shall be deposited in the limited fish and wildlife account and used primarily for printing and distributing a pamphlet on firearm laws and safety, and then to support volunteer instructors in the basic firearms safety training program. The pamphlet will be given to each license applicant.

Section 18 directs the Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) to include firearms safety training to any program established by the director to train people in the safe handling of firearms, conservation, and sporting/hunting behavior.

Section 20 sets the effective date of this act, except for section 6, to May 1, 2027.

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.

The combination of changes in Sections 3 and Section 18 lead to costs as follows:

Section 18 directs the Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) to include firearms safety training to any program established by the director to train people in the safe handling of firearms, conservation, and sporting/hunting behavior.

WDFW runs a Hunter Education program, created by the director to train current and future hunters on firearms, outdoor safety, wildlife management, and hunter responsibility. The program offers an average of 650 courses per year; around 300 of those courses include a live fire training component. The Hunters Education program offers both in-person and hybrid course options and is taught by volunteer instructors. The average length of each course is 10 hours.

Section 3 adds live-fire shooting exercises at a firing range to the minimum requirements of a certified firearms safety program. WDFW assumes that volunteer instructors would still teach the 10 hours of base hunter's education curriculum and that WDFW Enforcement officers would become certified National Rifle Association instructors to teach the 8 hour live-fire section and 8 hours of additional curriculum content required as a result of this bill that includes topics like suicide prevention, techniques for avoiding a criminal attack, and how to manage a violent confrontation.

To update the Hunters Education curriculum to include the firearm safety requirements listed in RCW 9.41.1132, WDFW would contract with an external vendor, updating both hybrid and in-person curriculum. Based on current vendor pricing, the department assumes costs for this contract would be \$100,000 in FY26 and \$60,000 in FY27, ongoing, to maintain online records and update curriculum annually in order to keep up with firearm and other relevant legislation.

The Department assumes an additional 16 hours would be added to the course length to cover 8 hours of live-firing exercises and 8 hours to teach the additional curriculum. Each course would be staffed by 2 enforcement officers to cover that portion of instruction. WDFW would hire 6 new Enforcement officers, one for each region, to teach the program full-time and assumes that all 170 current Enforcement officers would become NRA certified to teach the remaining courseload (around 3 courses per officer per fiscal year). This work would be in addition to existing duties and overtime for officers. The 6 new enforcement officers would be hired by January 1, 2027.

The cost to certify all 170 current officers at \$500 per certification would be \$46,000 in FY26 to begin certifying around half of the enforcement officers, \$41,000 in FY27 to certify the rest, and \$3,000 in FY28, ongoing, to account for officer turnover. WDFW assumes all current officers would attend the certification courses as overtime, costing \$400,000 in FY26 and \$333,000 in FY27.

The total staffing cost for enforcement officers to teach all 650 courses effective May 2027, would be \$904,000 in FY27, and \$1,809,000 in FY28, ongoing.

WDFW assumes it would need to rent space at a firing range for the 350 courses that do not currently include a live fire training component. WDFW assumes the cost to rent space at a firing range would average \$1,000 per course, \$58,000 in FY27 and \$350,000 in FY28, ongoing. Additionally, to add live-fire shooting exercises, the Department assumes 10 rounds of ammunition per student at \$1 per round, \$54,000 per FY starting FY27, ongoing.

As a result of this bill, students won't be able to purchase a firearm until the firearm safety course is completed so WDFW assumes \$24,000 in costs to purchase 30 rifles and 30 shotguns (averaging \$500 each) for the live-fire portion of the course, \$32,000 for 12 safes to store the firearms at various regional facilities, \$14,000 for 12 locking cabinets to store class ammunition, and \$12,000 for 30 firearm cases.

WDFW also assumes indeterminate AGO costs in navigating the addition of suicide prevention, techniques for avoiding a criminal attack, and how to manage a violent confrontation into the curriculum as required in RCW 9.41.1132 since 50% of the students in the Hunters Education program are under the age of 18.

Section 20 sets the effective date of sections 3 and 18 to May 1, 2027, leading to a ramp up in costs starting in FY27.

SUMMARY: The expenditure impact to WDFW under this bill is \$722,000 in FY26, \$2,085,000 in FY27, and \$3,317,000 in FY28 and ongoing.

Updating curriculum and maintaining online records:

FY26: \$100,000

FY27: \$60,000 per FY, ongoing

NRA instructor certification:

FY26: \$46,000

FY27: \$41,000

FY28: \$3,000 per FY, ongoing

Additional officers/supplies & equipment:

FY27: \$450,000 for 3.0 FTE Enforcement Officers

FY28: \$1,151,000 for 6.0 FTE Enforcement Officers per FY, ongoing

Existing officers overtime pay to become certified and teach 3 courses per year:

FY26: \$400,000 for 1.8 FTE Enforcement Officers

FY27: \$777,000 for 3.5 FTE Enforcement Officers

FY28: \$888,000 for 4.0 FTE Enforcement Officers per FY, ongoing

Renting firing ranges:

FY27: \$58,000

FY28: \$350,000 per FY, ongoing

Ammunition for live-firing exercises:

FY27: \$54,000 per FY, ongoing

Firearms and firearm storage:

FY27: \$82,000

AGO Costs:

FY26: Indeterminate cost

Additionally, an infrastructure and program support rate of 32.37% is included and is calculated based on WDFW's federally approved indirect rate in Object T.

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	722,000	2,085,000	2,807,000	6,634,000	6,634,000
Total \$			722,000	2,085,000	2,807,000	6,634,000	6,634,000

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

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	1.8	6.5	4.2	10.0	10.0
A-Salaries and Wages	327,000	998,000	1,325,000	2,904,000	2,904,000
B-Employee Benefits	73,000	239,000	312,000	714,000	714,000
C-Professional Service Contracts	146,000	159,000	305,000	826,000	826,000
E-Goods and Other Services		179,000	179,000	568,000	568,000
G-Travel					
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements	176,000	510,000	686,000	1,622,000	1,622,000
9-					
Total \$	722,000	2,085,000	2,807,000	6,634,000	6,634,000

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

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
Fish & Wildlife Enforcement Officer		1.8	6.5	4.2	10.0	10.0
Total FTEs		1.8	6.5	4.2	10.0	10.0

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: 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title: Firearm purchase	Agency: 490-Department of Natural Resources
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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.

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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.

This bill has no fiscal impact to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Changes between E2SHB AM 1163 and E2SHB AMS S2:

Section 2(7a) (ii) removes RCW subsections from text.

Section 2 (7a) (iii) changed text to, states an outstanding warrant for applicant’s arrest from any court of competent jurisdiction for a felony or misdemeanor making a person ineligible to possess a firearm under RCW 9.41.040.

Section 3 (4a) (iii) removes ((or)) and (iv) adds or to the end.

Section 3(4a) (v) adds Tribal police officer.

Section 18 added RCW 77.32.155 and 2017 c 255 s 1; amending this section to includes training requirements for hunting license, United State military, Current or retired general authority Washington peace officers, and includes the commission shall develop nonmonetary incentives available to individuals who commit to serving as an instructor. Can include additional hunting opportunities for instructors.

Section 19, NEW section adds that any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

These modifications do not change the fiscal impact to the DNR.

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.

None

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

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.

None

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

Department of Commerce

Bill Number: 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title: Firearm purchase
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Part I: Jurisdiction-Location, type or status of political subdivision defines range of fiscal impacts.

Legislation Impacts:

- ☒ Cities: Indeterminate expenditure impact resulting from new firearms safety training program requirements, new concealed pistol license application and reporting requirements
- ☒ Counties: Same as above, but for counties
- ☐ Special Districts:
- ☐ Specific jurisdictions only:
- ☐ Variance occurs due to:

Part II: Estimates

- ☐ No fiscal impacts.
- ☐ Expenditures represent one-time costs:
- ☐ Legislation provides local option:
- ☒ Key variables cannot be estimated with certainty at this time: Whether local law enforcement agencies may incur costs as a result of sponsoring firearms training programs, and what these costs might be; WSP firearms safety training program certification and recertification details; number of local law enforcement sponsored firearms safety training programs statewide; additional staff time that may be necessary to comply with new concealed pistol license application and reporting requirements

Estimated revenue impacts to:

None

Estimated expenditure impacts to:

Non-zero but indeterminate cost 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 analyzes the local government impact of E2SHB 1163 AMS WM S2687.3, comparing it to the impact of E2SHB 1163.

CHANGES BETWEEN THIS BILL VERSION AND PREVIOUS BILL VERSION:

The amended engrossed second substitute bill would correct the reference to the process by which people aggrieved by the denial or revocation of a permit to purchase firearms, a purchase application for a firearm, or a concealed pistol license could seek relief of the denial or revocation. Additionally, the amended engrossed second substitute bill would add tribal police officers, armed private investigators and armed security guards to the existing list of people who would be exempt from the firearms safety training requirement of section 3. Finally, the amended engrossed second substitute bill would require hunters' safety programs administered by the Department of Fish and Wildlife provide, at minimum, instruction that meets the firearms safety training requirements of the proposed legislation.

These changes would not affect the local government expenditure or revenue impacts below.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT BILL:

Section 2 of the proposed legislation would add a new section to chapter 9.41 RCW, outlining the application requirements for a permit to purchase firearms, and the process the Washington State Patrol (WSP) must follow in assessing such applications. Applicants would be required to submit a complete set of fingerprints taken by local law enforcement in the jurisdiction where the applicant lives, as well as a certificate of completion of a certified firearms safety training program within the last five years.

Section 3 would amend RCW 9.41.1132, requiring applicants for permits to purchase firearms to submit a certificate of completion of a certified firearms safety training program within the last five years. This section would add a requirement that a certified firearms safety training program must include live-fire shooting exercises on a firing range. Certified firearms safety training programs must be sponsored by a federal, state, tribal, county or municipal law enforcement agency, or certain other specified entities. Certain people, including law enforcement officers, tribal police officers, armed forces members, armed private investigators and armed security guards, would be exempt from the firearms safety training program requirement of this section.

Section 4 would add a new section to chapter 43.43 RCW, requiring WSP to establish a certification program for firearms safety training programs, and requiring that firearms safety training programs apply for recertification every five years.

Section 7 would add a new section to chapter 9.41 RCW, allowing local law enforcement agencies taking fingerprints for an applicant for a permit to purchase firearms to charge a reasonable fee to recover the costs of taking and transmitting the fingerprints.

Section 9 would amend RCW 9.41.070, adding the requirement that in order to be issued a concealed pistol license by a local law enforcement agency, a person must provide a certificate of completion from a certified concealed carry firearms safety training program within the last five years. This training would be required to be from a conceal carry firearms safety training program certified under section 4 of the proposed legislation that includes live-fire shooting exercises on a firing range.

The amendments in this section would add a new requirement that local law enforcement agencies send written notices of denial that provide specific details regarding the grounds for denial, the specific statute under which the application was denied and information on the procedure for an applicant to request that the issuing authority reconsider the denial of the application.

Additionally, the amendments in this section would require agencies that issue concealed pistol licenses to submit

aggregate license application data annually to WSP, beginning no later than one year after the proposed legislation goes into effect.

Section 10 would amend RCW 9.41.075, adding the requirement that law enforcement agencies must revoke concealed pistol licenses if they discover a person has become ineligible for such a license after it was issued.

The amendments in this section would also add a new requirement that when revoking a person's concealed pistol license, local law enforcement agencies must provide a written notice of the revocation that provides details regarding the grounds for revocation, the specific statute under which the license was revoked and information on the procedure for the license holder to request that the agency reconsider the revocation.

Section 20 specifies that, except for section 6 of the bill, the proposed legislation would take effect May 1, 2027.

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.

The proposed legislation would require indeterminate ongoing local law enforcement costs.

Section 3 would require that applicants for a permit to purchase firearms provide a certificate of completion of a certified firearms safety training program, which must include live-fire shooting exercises on a firing range. The Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) indicates that this could create additional ongoing costs for local law enforcement agencies depending on how these programs are structured. If agencies could charge a fee to participants in agency-sponsored programs, or agency-sponsored programs use non-law enforcement trainers, there would likely not be law enforcement cost impacts, but these implementation details are unknown. Accordingly, whether the requirements of section 3 would have an expenditure impact on local law enforcement agencies, and what the magnitude of that impact might be, is unknown.

Section 4 would require the Washington State Patrol (WSP) to establish a certification program for firearms safety training programs, and require that firearms safety training programs apply for recertification every five years. While the requirements of the WSP certification and recertification processes are unknown, WASPC indicates that if these processes were to include similar requirements to those that apply to the firearms safety training programs mandated by I-1639 (2019), recertification could require up to 40 hours of staff time every five years for programs sponsored by local law enforcement agencies. According to WASPC, during the I-1639 process, this time included updating program curriculum and presentation materials, and undergoing a legal review process with local prosecuting attorneys. WASPC anticipates that similar activities could be required to recertify local law enforcement sponsored firearms safety training programs under the provisions of the proposed legislation.

Additionally, WASPC indicates that local law enforcement sponsored firearms safety training programs would likely need to be updated annually to reflect changing firearms rules and regulations. WASPC estimates these updates could require up to four hours of staff time annually.

According to the 2025 Local Government Fiscal Program Criminal Justice Cost Model, the average annual salary, plus benefits and overhead, for a commissioned local law enforcement officer is \$74. If 40 hours of staff time was required for the five-year recertification of local law enforcement sponsored firearms safety training programs, the average cost of that recertification would be \$2,960 per program. If four hours of staff time was required annually to update local law enforcement sponsored firearms safety training programs to reflect new firearms rules and regulations, the average cost of those updates would be \$296 per program per year.

40 hours of commissioned officer time for five-year recertification X \$74 average hourly salary plus benefits and overhead
= \$2,960

4 hours of commissioned officer time for annual updates X \$74 average hourly salary plus benefits and overhead = \$296

The WSP certification and recertification program details, and the total number of local law enforcement sponsored firearms safety training programs statewide is unknown, however, so the total statewide expenditure impact of certification and recertification is unknown.

Additionally, the provisions of the bill regarding concealed pistol licenses (CPLs) could create indeterminate new local government expenditures. Section 9 of the proposed legislation would require that local law enforcement agencies annually submit aggregated CPL application data to WSP, beginning no later than one year after the effective date of the bill. This new reporting requirement could require additional staff time from local law enforcement agencies, however it is unknown what the specific WSP reporting requirements for local agencies might be or how much staff time this reporting may require, so any resulting local government expenditure impact is indeterminate.

Section 9 would also require that applicants provide a certificate of completion from a certified concealed carry firearms safety training program within the last five years in order to be eligible for a CPL and would require local law enforcement agencies to provide unsuccessful applicants with a written denial notice that provides specific details regarding the grounds for denial, the specific statute under which the application was denied and information on the procedure for an applicant to request that the issuing authority reconsider the denial of the application. Section 10 would require that local law enforcement agencies revoke a person's CPL if the agency discovers a person has become ineligible after receiving their license. Additionally, when a law enforcement agency revokes a person's CPL, the agency would be required to provide a written notice of the revocation that provides details regarding the grounds for revocation, the specific statute under which the license was revoked and information on the procedure for the license holder to request that the agency reconsider the revocation.

Taken together, these three new requirements could require additional staff time to provide the required denial and revocation notices, and to revoke additional CPLs if law enforcement agencies discover that existing licensees have not provided a certification of completion within the last five years from a certified concealed carry firearms safety training program.

The King County Sheriff's Office indicates that it already provides written notices that would meet the new requirements of section 10 when it revokes a person's CPL, but it is unknown whether CPL revocations at law enforcement agencies statewide would also meet these new requirements. It is also unknown how much additional staff time may be necessary to comply with the new requirements of sections 9 and 10 of the proposed legislation, so any resulting local government expenditure impact is indeterminate.

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.

The proposed legislation would have no impact on local government revenues.

SOURCES:

House bill report for SHB 1163, 2025

King County Sheriff's Office

Local government fiscal note for HB 1902, 2024

Local Government Fiscal Note Program Criminal Justice Cost Model, 2025

Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs



Multiple Agency Ten-Year Analysis Summary

Bill Number	Title
1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Firearm purchase

This ten-year analysis is limited to the estimated cash receipts associated with the proposed tax or fee increases.

Estimated Cash Receipts

	Fiscal Year 2026	Fiscal Year 2027	Fiscal Year 2028	Fiscal Year 2029	Fiscal Year 2030	Fiscal Year 2031	Fiscal Year 2032	Fiscal Year 2033	Fiscal Year 2034	Fiscal Year 2035	2026-35 TOTAL
Administrative Office of the Courts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Office of Attorney General	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Washington State Patrol Partially Indeterminate Impact	0	3,729,000	22,600,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	22,600,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	116,729,000
Department of Licensing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Department of Fish and Wildlife	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Department of Natural Resources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	3,729,000	22,600,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	22,600,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	116,729,000



Ten-Year Analysis

Bill Number 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title Firearm purchase	Agency 055 Administrative Office of the Courts
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Estimates

☒ **No Cash Receipts** ☐ **Partially Indeterminate Cash Receipts** ☐ **Indeterminate Cash Receipts**

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Ten-Year Analysis

Bill Number 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title Firearm purchase	Agency 100 Office of Attorney General
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Estimates

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Ten-Year Analysis

Bill Number	Title	Agency
1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Firearm purchase	225 Washington State Patrol

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Estimates

☐ No Cash Receipts
 ☒ Partially Indeterminate Cash Receipts
 ☐ Indeterminate Cash Receipts

Estimated Cash Receipts

Name of Tax or Fee	Acct Code	Fiscal Year 2026	Fiscal Year 2027	Fiscal Year 2028	Fiscal Year 2029	Fiscal Year 2030	Fiscal Year 2031	Fiscal Year 2032	Fiscal Year 2033	Fiscal Year 2034	Fiscal Year 2035	2026-35 TOTAL
Fingerprint Background Check Fee	225		759,000	4,600,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	4,600,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	23,759,000
General Fund	001			9,200,000								9,200,000
Permit to Purchase Firearm Fee	24T		2,970,000	8,800,000	9,000,000	9,000,000	9,000,000	9,000,000	18,000,000	9,000,000	9,000,000	83,770,000
Total			3,729,000	22,600,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	22,600,000	11,300,000	11,300,000	116,729,000
Biennial Totals			3,729,000	33,900,000	22,600,000	33,900,000	22,600,000	116,729,000				

Narrative Explanation (Required for Indeterminate Cash Receipts)

Projected cash receipts are indeterminate as we are unable to determine how many permit applications might be submitted annually.

Section 5 requires the account to provide reimbursement of the amount appropriated for the initial establishment of the program by June 30, 2028. We assume there will be an \$9.2M transfer from the General Fund - State into the 24T Firearms Background Check System Account to cover the initial startup costs before 24T revenue is generated.

The current version of the proposed legislation delays implementation by 6 months from previous versions. This allows for a lower fee while still projecting the account will have sufficient resources to reimburse the initial appropriation. In order to reimburse \$9.2M by June 30, 2028 the fee would need to be adjusted to \$90. To reflect the reimbursement to General Fund - State, we reduced 24T revenue in the cash receipts table by the \$9.2M in FY28.

For illustrative purposes, we assume a \$90 fee per application. For FY27, WSP assumes 33,000 permit applications resulting in cash receipts of \$2.97M. For FY28, WSP assumes 200,000 permit applications resulting in cash receipts of \$18M and for FY29, WSP assumes 100,000 permit applications resulting in cash receipts of \$9M. Our assumption, starting in FY28 which is the first full year of operations, is permit applications will have a 5-year cycle based on renewal requirements. The 5-year renewal cycle will result in 200,000 applications in the first year and 100,000 applications in years 2-5. Bringing the total number of checks in a 5-year period to 600,000 and cash



Ten-Year Analysis

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Narrative Explanation (Required for Indeterminate Cash Receipts)

receipts of \$54M.

Section 2(11)(b)(ii) states that an applicant for an original permit must also pay the fingerprint processing fee under RCW 43.43.742. Section 2(8)(b) requires the fingerprint-based background check to be run through the federal database.

Assuming electronic submissions, the WSP will charge \$33.00 for background checks, of which \$12.00 is the FBI fee (\$10.00 passed to the FBI and \$2.00 retained by the WSP). The balance of the fee (\$21.00) is WSPs fee, leaving total revenue to WSP, $\$2 + \$21 = \$23$ per background check.

The estimated annual revenue for the Fingerprint Identification Account in FY 2027 is $33,000 \times \$23 = \$759,000$. The assumed revenue in FY28 is $200,000 \times \$23 = \$4.6M$. The assumed revenue in FY29 is $100,000 \times \$23 = \$2.3M$. Using the same methodology above, the 5-year renewal cycle starting in FY28 will result in 200,000 application the first year, and 100,000 applications in years 2-5. Bringing the total number of checks in a 5-year period to 600,000 and cash receipts of \$13.8M.

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Ten-Year Analysis

Bill Number 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title Firearm purchase	Agency 240 Department of Licensing
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Estimates

☒ **No Cash Receipts** ☐ **Partially Indeterminate Cash Receipts** ☐ **Indeterminate Cash Receipts**

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Ten-Year Analysis

Bill Number 1163 E 2S HB AMS WM S2687.3	Title Firearm purchase	Agency 477 Department of Fish and Wildlife
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Estimates

☒ **No Cash Receipts** ☐ **Partially Indeterminate Cash Receipts** ☐ **Indeterminate Cash Receipts**

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Ten-Year Analysis

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Estimates

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