Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 6175 SB	**Title:** Ticket sales

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	13,000	0	0	310,000	0	0	310,000
Department of Licensing	0	0	0	518,000	518,000	2,181,000	0	0	1,544,000
Department of Licensing	In addition to the estimate above,there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.								
Total $	**0**	**0**	**13,000**	**518,000**	**518,000**	**2,491,000**	**0**	**0**	**1,854,000**

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

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27				2027-29				2029-31			
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Administrative Office of the Courts	Fiscal note not available											
Office of Attorney General	.2	0	0	13,000	3.7	918,000	918,000	1,228,000	2.1	304,000	304,000	614,000
Department of Licensing	.9	518,000	518,000	518,000	5.8	0	0	1,663,000	5.3	0	0	1,544,000
Total $	**1.1**	**518,000**	**518,000**	**531,000**	**9.5**	**918,000**	**918,000**	**2,891,000**	**7.4**	**304,000**	**304,000**	**2,158,000**

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

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

FNPID: 75700

FNS029 Multi Agency rollup

NONE

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
Administrative Office of the Courts	Fiscal note not available								
Office of Attorney General	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Office of Attorney General									
Department of Licensing	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Licensing									
Total $	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**

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

Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

NONE

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FNPID: 75700

FNS029 Multi Agency rollup

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 6175 SB	Title: Ticket sales	Agency: 100-Office of Attorney General

Part I: Estimates

☐ **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		13,000	13,000	310,000	310,000
Total $		13,000	13,000	310,000	310,000

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	0.0	0.3	0.2	3.7	2.1
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	0	0	0	918,000	304,000
Legal Services Revolving Account-State 405-1	0	13,000	13,000	310,000	310,000
Total $	0	13,000	13,000	1,228,000	614,000

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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

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☐ Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.

☐ Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

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

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

Section 1: New Section - Findings.

Section 2: New Section - Exclusions - Lists entities this chapter does not apply to.

Section 3: New Section - Limits ability for tickets to be transferable.

Section 4: New Section - Makes it an unfair or deceptive practice for a person to resell a ticket without the permission of the original seller, or operator of the property where the event is being held.

Section 5: New Section - Prohibits speculative ticket sales. Advertisement for speculative ticket is a violation for each ticket listed in the advertisement.

Section 6: New Section - Resellers are prohibited from listing or selling tickets before the initial public sale.

Section 7: New Section - Resellers must notice ticket buyers within eight hours of notice that an event is canceled, rescheduled, delayed or the event venue has changed.

Section 8: New Section - Prohibits knowingly reselling a ticket that was obtained in violation of this act.

Section 9: New Section - Prohibits knowingly purchasing ticket(s) with the intent to resell that exceeds the maximum ticket limit quantity posted by the original seller. Exempts charitable organizations.

Section 10: New Section - Rules on pricing and charges for reselling tickets. Exempts some organizations for this section.

Section 11: New Section - Imposes limits on websites used to resell tickets.

Section 12: New Section - Requirements for a ticket sales licenses administered by the Department of Licensing (DOL) governed by chapter 18.235 RCW. Includes rulemaking and allows DOL to set fees.

Section 13: New Section - Set consequences for providing false information in application for licensure. Requires notification of any changes to business names. Penalty for failure to provide as required.

Section 14: New Section - DOL to set fees at amount to cover costs to administer chapter. Does allow for different fees for nonprofits.

Section 15: New Section - Consumer rights if a reseller fails to deliver a ticket. DOL to enforce collection and oversee consumer claim process.

Section 16: New Section - Sets out civil penalties. DOL may take administrative action to enforce collection.

Section 17: New Section - DOL shall establish a publicly accessible website and prepare an annual report.

Section 18: New Section - Finding that practices covered in this chapter are matters affecting the public interest for purpose of applying the Consumer Protection Act and how that act is applied.

Section 19: New Section - Limits on resellers right to obtain refunds from original ticket seller. Violation of this section is an unfair or deceptive act or practice.

Section 20: New Section - Limits on reseller.

Section 21: New Section - Severability clause.

Section 22: Amends RCW 19.345.010 - Amends definitions.

Section 23: Amends RCW 19.345.020 - Adds specific rules regarding pricing, ticketing and disclosures required for the reseller and rules for complaints.

Section 24: New Section - Section 1-20 are each added to chapter 19.345.

Section 25: New Section - This act will be known as the Washington Access and Venue Equity act (WAVE).

Section 26: New Section - Act takes effect July 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.

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 Department of Licensing (DOL) The Attorney General's Office (AGO) will bill all clients 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:

Department of Licensing will be billed for non-King County rates:
FY 2026: $0.00
FY 2027: $13,000 for 0.1 Assistant Attorney General FTE (AAG) which includes no direct litigation costs.
FY 2028 - FY 2031 and in each FY thereafter: $155,000 for 0.6 AAG which includes direct litigation costs of $2,000.

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 July 1, 2026 (FY 2027).

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 (MA5) 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 MA5.

1. Assumptions for AGO Consumer Protection Division's (CPR) Legal Services include enforcement activity commencing in FY 2028. CPR assumes that enforcement activity in year one following the effective date will involve opening one to

two new investigations and filing one to two lawsuits. Enforcement activity following year one will involve monitoring for compliance and opening one to two new investigations per year, as industry comes into compliance. AGO CPR activities are funded with General Fund-State (GF-S) dollars. There is no appropriate client agency to bill for legal services. CPR enforces the Consumer Protection Act (CPA) against entities who violate RCW 19.86.020, which broadly prohibits unfair or deceptive acts or practices in trade or commerce. CPR's focus is on holding businesses and individuals accountable for conduct that misleads consumers.

CPR total workload hours:
FY 2026: 0 hours
FY 2027: 2,700 hours
FY 2028: 2,880 hours
FY 2029: 1,080 hours
FY 2030: 1,080 hours
FY 2031 and in each FY thereafter: 1,080 hours

CPR total King County workload impact:
FY 2026 – FY 2027: $0.00
FY 2028: $766,000 for 1.5 AAG, 0.8 INV, and 0.5 Paralegal 2 (PL2) which includes direct litigation costs of $113,000
FY 2029 – FY 2031 and in each FY thereafter: $152,000 for 0.3 AAG, 0.8 INV, and 0.1 PL2, which includes direct litigation costs of $21,000

2. Assumptions for the AGO's Licensing & Administrative Law Division (LAL) for the provision of legal services to the Department of Licensing (DOL) based on the enactment of this bill include the creation of a new license type, with three different endorsements (ticket seller, ticket reseller, and ticket resale marketplace) for DOL to issue and regulate. DOL estimates there will be approximately 5,000 new licensees. The effective date of the bill is July 1, 2027, after which it will be unlawful to act as a ticket reseller without obtaining a license from DOL. DOL will have to adopt rules before that date governing the issuance and regulation of licenses. DOL will need to establish a system and promulgate rules to oversee consumers claims against licensed ticket reseller surety bonds. DOL will need to prepare annual reports on enforcement activities against licensed and unlicensed ticket resellers requiring coordination with the AGO since the AGO will represent DOL in administrative enforcement hearings.

DOL will require approximately 90 hours of client advice during FY 2027 to assist with rulemaking and bill implementation. After program launch, legal services will be ongoing for advice and defending orders denying license applications, sanctioning/suspending/revoking licenses, defending unlicensed practice charges, and drafting statements of charges. DOL estimates there will be approximately 15 appeals from license denials or disciplinary actions each year, requiring 60 AAG hours each to provide litigation support to and representation of DOL. Additionally, after program launch in July 2027, DOL will require approximately 10 hours of client advice annually. Discipline is governed by the Uniform Business and Professions Act, chapter 18.235 RCW, which DOL is familiar with, as it governs the licensing and discipline of numerous professions that DOL regulates.

LAL total workload hours:
FY 2026: 0 hours
FY 2027: 90 hours
FY 2028 – FY 2031 and in each FY thereafter: 910 hours

LAL total non-King County workload impact:
FY 2026: $0.00
FY 2027: $13,000 for 0.1 AAG
FY 2028 – FY 2031 and in each FY thereafter: $155,000 for 0.6 AAG which includes direct litigation costs of $2,000

3. The AGO University of Washington Division (UOW) has reviewed this bill and determined it will not significantly increase or decrease the division's workload in representing the University of Washington (UW). The enactment of this

bill will not impact the provision of legal services to the university because it does not appear to apply to institutions of higher education or collegiate athletics. Any advice could be provided within existing resources. New legal services are nominal, and costs are not included in this request.

4. The AGO Revenue Division (REV) has reviewed this bill and determined it will not significantly increase or decrease the division's workload in representing the Department of Revenue (DOR). The enactment of this bill will not impact the provision of legal services to DOR and DOR will likely not be impacted by this bill. The requirements on ticket sales won't impact the amount of taxes collected and remitted on ticket sales. Any legal services needed by REV can be handled with existing resources. New legal services are nominal, and costs are not included in this request.

5. The AGO Washington State University Division (WSU) has reviewed this bill and determined it will not significantly increase or decrease the division's workload in representing Washington State University (WSU). The enactment of this bill will not impact the provision of legal services to the university because it does not appear to apply to institutions of higher education. New legal services are nominal, and costs are not included in this request.

AGO total workload hours:
FY 2026: 0 hours
FY 2027: 2,790 hours
FY 2028: 3,790
FY 2029 – FY 2031 and in each FY thereafter: 1,990 hours

AGO total workload impact:
FY 2026: $0.00
FY 2027: $13,000 for 0.1 AAG
FY 2028: $921,000 for 2.1 AAG, 0.8 INV, and 0.5 PL2 which includes direct litigation costs of $115,000
FY 2029 – FY 2031 and each FY thereafter: $307,000 for 0.9 AAG, 0.3 INV, and 0.1 PL2 which includes direct litigation costs of $23,000

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	0	0	0	918,000	304,000
405-1	Legal Services Revolving Account	State	0	13,000	13,000	310,000	310,000
		Total $	0	13,000	13,000	1,228,000	614,000

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years		0.3	0.2	3.7	2.1
A-Salaries and Wages		10,000	10,000	767,000	400,000
B-Employee Benefits		3,000	3,000	200,000	104,000
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services				254,000	106,000
G-Travel				7,000	4,000
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 $	0	13,000	13,000	1,228,000	614,000

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	139,634		0.1	0.1	0.6	0.6
Assistant Attorney General King County	146,616				0.9	0.3
Management Analyst 5	100,001		0.1	0.1	0.5	0.3
Paralegal 1	74,750		0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3
Paralegal 1 King County	78,483				0.5	0.2
Paralegal 2 King County	86,561				0.3	0.1
Senior Investigator King County	113,636				0.6	0.3
Total FTEs			0.3	0.2	3.7	2.1

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

Program	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Consumer Protection Division (CPR)				918,000	304,000
Licensing & Administrative Law Division (LAL)		13,000	13,000	310,000	310,000
Total $		13,000	13,000	1,228,000	614,000

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: 6175 SB	Title: Ticket sales	Agency: 240-Department of Licensing

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				518,000	
Business and Professions Account-State 06L-1				1,663,000	1,544,000
Total $				2,181,000	1,544,000

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	0.0	1.8	0.9	5.8	5.3
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	0	518,000	518,000	0	0
Business and Professions Account-State 06L-1	0	0	0	1,663,000	1,544,000
Total $	0	518,000	518,000	1,663,000	1,544,000

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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☐ Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.

☒ Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

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

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

Section 12 requires individuals or entities that engage in commercial ticket resale, or provide a platform for resale, for events taking place in Washington to be licensed with DOL before operating. DOL is required to establish a ticket sellers license to ensure oversight of both ticket resale marketplaces and commercial ticket resellers and may revoke a ticket reseller's license for 1-5 years for violations. Rules and licensing fees to be established by DOL.

Section 13 allows DOL, in cases of false information being used for licensure, to deny a license application or revoke, suspend or impose a $1,000 fine per violation for existing licenses. DOL may fine licensees $1,000 per violation if they do not notify DOL in writing within 30 days of a change to their business name, address, or other primary contact information.

Section 14 requires DOL to set licensing fees to cover the cost of program administration and allows DOL to establish a reduced/tiered fee schedule for nonprofit or small organizations in rule to promote access.

Section 15 requires DOL to mandate licensed ticket resellers to hold a surety bond of $25,000 or greater as collateral for consumer compensation if the reseller doesn't deliver tickets or if a reseller violated their contract and terms for ticket buyers at the time of purchase. DOL is required to enforce collection, oversee the consumer claim process, and establish rules regarding the required bond amount and consumer claim process. DOL may adjust the bond amount up to $100,000 based on the reseller's sales volume and consumer complaints.

Section 16 permits the greater of either a daily fine of $1,000 per ticket listed, advertised, sold, or resold, or an amount equal to 3 times the total ticket price of each ticket listed, advertised, sold, or resold in violation. DOL may take administrative action to enforce collection, and consumers who have purchased tickets with Section 5 or 10 violations can bring civil action for damages.

Section 17 requires DOL to establish a publicly accessible website to report violations and requires DOL to prepare an annual report on enforcement actions, penalty collections, and overall effectiveness of chapter in reducing violations.

Section 20 establishes violations for each count of selling or distributing a ticket or any form of access credential to more than 1 purchaser, or duplicating or altering the ticket to further resale with violations subject to civil penalties such as license suspension, revocation, or surety bond claims.

Section 26 sets an effective date of July 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.

Please 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.

Please 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	0	518,000	518,000	0	0
06L-1	Business and Professions Account	State	0	0	0	1,663,000	1,544,000
		Total $	0	518,000	518,000	1,663,000	1,544,000

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years		1.8	0.9	5.8	5.3
A-Salaries and Wages		141,000	141,000	862,000	782,000
B-Employee Benefits		49,000	49,000	308,000	280,000
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services		328,000	328,000	493,000	482,000
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 $	0	518,000	518,000	1,663,000	1,544,000

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
Investigator 3	91,458		0.2	0.1	1.0	1.0
Investigator 4	96,143		0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3
Management Analyst 3	78,912		1.0	0.5	0.5	
Professional Licensing Representative 1	58,587		0.3	0.2	1.8	1.8
Professional Licensing Representative 2	71,472		0.2	0.1	2.2	2.2
Total FTEs			1.8	0.9	5.8	5.3

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.

New rulemaking will be required to adopt rules and regulations for the profession and set fees.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Agency 240 – Department of Licensing

Bill Number: SB 6175 Bill Title: Concerning Ticket Sales

Part 1: Estimates

☐ **No Fiscal Impact**

Estimated Cash Receipts:

Partially Indeterminate; please see narrative

Revenue	Fund	FY 26	FY 27	25-27 Total	27-29 Total	29-31 Total
Business and Professions	06L	-	-	-	1,663,000	1,544,000
General Fund	001	-	-	-	518,000	-
Account Totals		**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,181,000**	**1,544,000**

Estimated Expenditures:

Operating Expenditures	Fund	FY 26	FY 27	25-27 Total	27-29 Total	29-31 Total
General Fund	001	-	518,000	518,000	-	-
Business and Professions	06L	-	-	-	1,663,000	1,544,000
Account Totals		**-**	**518,000**	**518,000**	**1,663,000**	**1,544,000**

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.

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☐ Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.

☒ Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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Part 2 – Explanation

This bill requires the Department of Licensing (DOL) to establish a ticket resellers license for commercial ticket resellers and ticket resale marketplaces.

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

Section 12 requires individuals or entities that engage in commercial ticket resale, or provide a platform for resale, for events taking place in Washington to be licensed with DOL before operating. DOL is required to establish a ticket sellers license to ensure oversight of both ticket resale marketplaces and commercial ticket resellers and may revoke a ticket reseller's license for 1-5 years for violations. Rules and licensing fees to be established by DOL.

Section 13 allows DOL, in cases of false information being used for licensure, to deny a license application or revoke, suspend or impose a $1,000 fine per violation for existing licenses. DOL may fine licensees $1,000 per violation if they do not notify DOL in writing within 30 days of a change to their business name, address, or other primary contact information.

Section 14 requires DOL to set licensing fees to cover the cost of program administration and allows DOL to establish a reduced/tiered fee schedule for nonprofit or small organizations in rule to promote access.

Section 15 requires DOL to mandate licensed ticket resellers to hold a surety bond of $25,000 or greater as collateral for consumer compensation if the reseller doesn't deliver tickets or if a reseller violated their contract and terms for ticket buyers at the time of purchase. DOL is required to enforce collection, oversee the consumer claim process, and establish rules regarding the required bond amount and consumer claim process. DOL may adjust the bond amount up to $100,000 based on the reseller's sales volume and consumer complaints.

Section 16 permits the greater of either a daily fine of $1,000 per ticket listed, advertised, sold, or resold, or an amount equal to 3 times the total ticket price of each ticket listed, advertised, sold, or resold in violation. DOL may take administrative action to enforce collection, and consumers who have purchased tickets with Section 5 or 10 violations can bring civil action for damages.

Section 17 requires DOL to establish a publicly accessible website to report violations and requires DOL to prepare an annual report on enforcement actions, penalty collections, and overall effectiveness of chapter in reducing violations.

Section 20 establishes violations for each count of selling or distributing a ticket or any form of access credential to more than 1 purchaser, or duplicating or altering the ticket to further resale with violations subject to civil penalties such as license suspension, revocation, or surety bond claims.

Section 26 sets an effective date of July 1, 2027

2.B - Cash receipts Impact

Per RCW 43.24.086, industry licensing fees must fund the cost of administering professional and business licensing programs. Fee increases drive cash receipt to satisfy this requirement.

Beginning July 1, 2027, this bill would require licensure for commercial ticket resellers and ticket resale marketplaces. Ticket resellers must pay a fee, determined by DOL, that is sufficient to pay the costs of administering the registration program. Any fees or fines imposed by this bill would be deposited in the Business Professions Account (06L).

Cash receipts are indeterminate due to an unknown quantity of tickets listed, advertised, sold, or resold in violation, which would incur the greater of either a daily fine of $1,000, or an amount equal to 3 times the total ticket price of each ticket listed, advertised, sold, or resold in violation.

Startup costs are paid with General Fund until the profession has the opportunity for licenses to be implemented for sufficient time to recuperate the actual start up expenditures. After such time, a revenue transfer will be conducted to pay back the General Fund and maintain self-sufficiency as required.

It is assumed that once licenses are available, license fees will be set at a rate to maintain operations costs and build a fund balance sufficient to repay the General Fund by fiscal year 2029. This is shown in fiscal year 2029 as a decrease in revenue for the Business and Professions Account (06L) and an increase in revenue for the General Fund (001) one-time in the amount of $518,000.

Fund Name	FUND #	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
Business and Professions License Revenue	06L			1,150,000	1,031,000	772,000
Business and Professions Transfer	06L				(518,000)	
General Fund	001				518,000	

2.C – Expenditures

Startup expenditures are reflected in the General Fund (001) as there is no other appropriate revenue source until licenses are established. Once licenses have been established on July 1, 2027, operating expenditures are reflected in the Business and Professions Account (06L). Per RCW 43.24.086, the cost of administering professional and business licensing programs must be funded by those industry's licensing fees. See cash receipts impact section for more information on how this new profession will maintain compliance with RCW 43.24.086 for the General Fund expenditures.

This bill is projected to have ongoing fiscal impacts on operations.

Quantity	Position	Job description	Ongoing or Project	Estimated Hire/ End Date
1.5	Professional Licensing Representative 1	Review, process, and issue incoming online and paper applications for new applicants and renewals for current licensees. Verify accuracy and completeness of application materials, reaching out to applicants to ask for further documentation and/or payments. Provide information to the public via phone and email regarding licensing requirements and procedures, answer questions via phone and	Ongoing	5/1/2027

		email from licensees, process payments, and assist in resolving licensing-related issues.		
0.25	Professional Licensing Representative 1	Process incoming cases, draft legal documentation for unlicensed activity.	Ongoing	7/1/2027
0.2	Professional Licensing Representative 2	Supervise PLR1 staff, workload assignment including application processing, incoming and outgoing phone calls, emails, and agency correspondence, coach and mentor staff, and assist customers via phone and email to answer complex license requirement questions and other misc. questions. Subject matter expert for Cosmo and Tattoo programs. Provides input to system updates for legislative changes and system bugs.	Ongoing	5/1/2027
1.0	Professional Licensing Representative 2	Process complaint intakes, evaluate for relevancy, provide consumer guidance and direction to the Attorney General Office consumer complaints division.	Ongoing	5/1/2027
1.0	Professional Licensing Representative 2	Process incoming cases, review for accuracy and actionable items, draft legal documentation, collaborate with the Attorney General Office to ensure consistency.	Ongoing	7/1/2027
1.0	Management Analyst 3	Implementation of new chapter, rule writing to support new licensing program, coordinate functional system requirements, and assuring project timelines, meeting with industry and stakeholder groups to communicate new requirements and clarify changes. Communication internally and externally concerning new license. Documentation of new licensing procedures.	Project	7/1/26 - 6/30/28
1.0	Investigator 3	Conduct investigations associated with filed complaints connected to consumer complaints and/or business entities.	Ongoing	5/1/2027
0.25	Investigator 4	Supervise and provide escalated regulatory support.	Ongoing	5/1/2027

Goods and Services:
Certified mailing and regular mailing, form creation and form translation. $13,360 FY27; $27,500 ongoing.

As identified in the Attorney General Office's fiscal note, DOL will have increased attorney general costs and estimates the below, funded by Business and Professions Account (06L).

FY 2026: $0

FY 2027: $13,000 for 0.1 Assistant Attorney General FTE (AAG), which includes no direct litigation costs.

FY 2028 – ongoing: $155,000 for 0.6 AAG, which includes direct litigation costs of $2,000

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:

- Create a new Ticket Seller business profession POLARIS.
- Create two endorsements for new profession and require at least one for licensure.
- Create ability for applicants to submit applications for new, renewal and reinstatement applications and account maintenance change requests electronically or with paper application.
- Add functionality vary surety bond requirement.
- Update system to allow staff to process applications, issue licenses with endorsements, perform compliance activities, and manage surety claim process.
- Create new tiered fees.
- Add new profession to standard notifications.
- Update scanners to route paper applications to licensing system.

This work will be done prior to license revenue starting July 1st, 2027, and is reflected in General Fund (001) expenditures in full.

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.	$ 26,100	-	67,900	-	-	-	-	67,900
BUSINESS ANALYST	Determine business requirements; translate requirements into what changes are needed to various systems including account codes, inventory codes, testing considerations, etc.	$ 17,300	-	12,100	-	-	-	-	12,100
PROJECT MANAGER	Manage schedule and contracts	$ 35,000	-	21,000	-	-	-	-	21,000
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.	$ 19,800	-	7,900	-	-	-	-	7,900
DEVELOPERS	Modify programming and coding to all major systems	$ 23,400	-	4,700	-	-	-	-	4,700
TRAINER	Trains business partners and employees in new system processes and capabilities.	$ 29,000	-	20,300	-	-	-	-	20,300
PROJECT CONTINGENCY	WaTech designated rate of 10%	$ 27,470	-	13,400	-	-	-	-	13,400
COMMERCIAL OFF SHELF PRODUCT	Modification by provider.		-	134,033	-	-	-	-	134,033
Totals			**-**	**281,333**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**281,300**

These figures are calculated and rounded to 100th value

Support Services:

Agency Administrative Overhead is included at a rate of 24.8 percent of the direct program costs. This funding received covers agency-wide functions such as vendor payments, contract administration, financial management, mail processing, equipment management, help desk support, and technical assistance to DOL employees. These indirect costs are shown under object E.

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	-	518,000	518,000	-	-
Business and Professions	06L	-	-	-	1,663,000	1,544,000
Account Totals		**-**	**518,000**	**518,000**	**1,663,000**	**1,544,000**

3.B – Expenditures by Object or Purpose

Object of Expenditure	FY 26	FY 27	25-27 Total	27-29 Total	29-31 Total
FTE Staff Years	0.0	1.8	1.0	5.8	5.3
Salaries and Wages	-	141,000	141,000	862,000	782,000
Employee Benefits	-	49,000	49,000	308,000	280,000
Goods and Services	-	328,000	328,000	493,000	482,000
Total By Object Type	**-**	**518,000**	**518,000**	**1,663,000**	**1,544,000**

3.C – FTE Detail

Staffing	Salary	FY 26	FY 27	25-27 Total	27-29 Total	29-31 Total
Professional Licensing Representative 1	58,587	0.0	0.3	0.2	1.8	1.8
Professional Licensing Representative 2	71,472	0.0	0.2	0.1	2.2	2.2
Management Analyst 3	78,912	0.0	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.0
Investigator 3	91,458	0.0	0.2	0.1	1.0	1.0
Investigator 4	96,143	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3
Total FTE		**0.0**	**1.8**	**1.0**	**5.8**	**5.3**

Totals may differ due to rounding.

Part 4 – Capital Budget Impact

None.

Part 5 – New Rule Making Required

New rulemaking will be required to adopt rules and regulations for the profession and set fees.

Multiple Agency Ten-Year Analysis Summary

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6175 SB	Ticket sales

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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
Office of Attorney General	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Department of Licensing Partially Indeterminate Impact	0	0	1,150,000	1,031,000	772,000	772,000	772,000	772,000	772,000	772,000	6,813,000
Total	**0**	**0**	**1,150,000**	**1,031,000**	**772,000**	**772,000**	**772,000**	**772,000**	**772,000**	**772,000**	**6,813,000**

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Revenue Transfer	001				518,000							518,000
Total				**1,150,000**	**1,031,000**	**772,000**	**772,000**	**772,000**	**772,000**	**772,000**	**772,000**	**6,813,000**
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