

Fiscal Note 2025 Biennium

Bill information:								
HB0255 - Generally revise catalytic converter sale laws (Oblander, Greg)								
Status:	As Introduced							
☐Significant Local Gov Impact		□Needs to be included in HB 2	☐ Technical Concerns					
☐ Included in the Executive Budget		☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts	☐Dedicated Revenue Form Attached					

FISCAL SUMMARY

	FY 2024 Difference	FY 2025 Difference	FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference
Expenditures:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

<u>Description of fiscal impact:</u> HB 255 restricts the sale of catalytic converters and make it a crime to illegally transport the same, with up to 1 year imprisonment. The creation of a new crime could increase the caseload for the Office of Public Defender (OPD). The cost per case is addressed in the assumptions below.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Office of Public Defender (OPD)

- 1. The OPD assumes an increase in the number of crimes under Chapter 6, Part 3.
- 2. The OPD assumes each additional case resulting from this increase will incur 7 additional hours of case weight per matter.
- 3. Due to current caseload saturation with existing FTE attorneys, OPD assumes additional case weight hours will be assigned to contract attorneys at a rate of \$71 per hour.

4. The OPD does not have representative data to track the number of cases relevant to this bill and therefore has no way to measure impact except to say that each additional case resulting from HB 255 will generate a cost of 7 additional case weight hours at \$71 per hour or \$497 per case,

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

Date