

# Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1933 HB	<b>Title:</b> Digital electronics/repair
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## Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Agency Name	2023-25		2025-27		2027-29	
	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	2023-25				2025-27				2027-29			
	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	.6	149,000	149,000	149,000	1.9	578,000	578,000	578,000	.0	0	0	0
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>149,000</b>	<b>149,000</b>	<b>149,000</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>578,000</b>	<b>578,000</b>	<b>578,000</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal note not available								
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other									
Local Gov. Total									

## Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Administrative Office of the Courts	Fiscal note not available								
Office of Attorney General	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	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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# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1933 HB	<b>Title:</b> Digital electronics/repair	<b>Agency:</b> 100-Office of Attorney General
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

### Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

### Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years	0.0	1.1	0.6	1.9	0.0
<b>Account</b>					
General Fund-State 001-1	0	149,000	149,000	578,000	0
<b>Total \$</b>	0	149,000	149,000	578,000	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.*

Check applicable boxes and follow corresponding instructions:

- If fiscal impact is greater than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete entire fiscal note form Parts I-V.
- If fiscal impact is less than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete this page only (Part I).
- Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.
- Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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## Part II: Narrative Explanation

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

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

Section 1 - New Section. Legislative findings.

Section 2 - New Section. Adding definitions to new chapter in Title 19 RCW.

Section 3 - New Section. Requiring, effective January 1, 2024, that an original manufacturer of digital electronic products and parts for such products, manufactured for the first time and sold or leased in Washington State on or after January 1, 2021, make available to independent repair providers the parts, tools, and documentation required for repair of such products.

Section 4 - New Section. Requiring authorized repair providers and independent repair providers provide customers a written notice regarding the privacy and security of their products under repair.

Section 5 - New Section. Providing original manufacturers are not required to divulge trade secrets or license intellectual property except as necessary to provide parts, tools, and documentation; providing warranty or recall repair work is not altered by the bill; providing manufacturers need not provide parts, tools, or documentation for modifications of products; exempting certain products from the requirements of the bill.

Section 6 - New Section. Protects original manufacturers and authorized repair providers from liability for damage to digital electronic products caused by independent repair providers.

Section 7 - New Section. Making a violation of the chapter an unfair or deceptive act in trade or commerce and an unfair method of competition under the Consumer Protection Act, RCW 19.86; providing the chapter may be enforced solely by the Attorney General.

Section 8 - New Section. Making Sections 1 through 7, and Section 9 a new chapter in Title 19 RCW.

Section 9 - New Section. Entitled the law the Right to Repair Act.

### 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.*

AGO AGENCY ASSUMPTIONS:

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

### II. C - Expenditures

*Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.*

Attorney General's Office (AGO) Agency Assumptions:

This bill is assumed effective 90 days after the end of the 2024 legislative session.

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

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

Agency administration support FTE are included in the tables. The Management Analyst 5 FTE (MA), is used as a representative classification. An example ratio is for every 1.0 Assistant Attorney General FTE (AAG), the AGO includes 0.5 Paralegal 1 FTE (PL1) and 0.35 MA.

Assumptions for the AGO Consumer Protection Division (CPR) Legal Services.

FY 2025:

AAG duties will include investigating potential violations, drawing conclusions from investigations, drafting Civil Investigative Demands (CID), and discovery requests. PL1 and Paralegal 2 (PL2) duties will include managing documents, drafting CID, discovery requests, and managing responses. Senior Investigator (INV) duties will include interviewing witnesses, reviewing investigative records, and attending to other investigative tasks as assigned.

FY 2026:

AAG duties will include investigating potential violations, drawing conclusions from investigations, drafting CID, discovery requests, engaging in settlement negotiations, and filing lawsuits. PL1 and PL2 duties will include managing documents, drafting CID, discovery requests, managing responses, and assisting with legal pleadings and research. INV duties will include interviewing witnesses, reviewing investigative records, and other investigative tasks as assigned. \$31,000 total direct litigation costs in FY 2026. Depositions to aid in enforcement (\$3,000 each, estimated six depositions = \$18,000); travel expenses for depositions, witness interviews, and other (\$3,000); e-document management costs (\$10,000).

FY 2027:

AAG duties will include investigating potential violations, drawing conclusions from investigations, drafting CID, discovery requests, and engaging in settlement negotiations and filing lawsuits. PL1 and PL2 duties will include managing documents, drafting CID, discovery requests, managing responses, and assisting with legal pleadings and research. INV duties will include interviewing witnesses, reviewing investigative records, and other investigative tasks as assigned. \$16,000 total direct litigation costs in FY 2027. Depositions to aid in enforcement (\$3,000 each, estimated three depositions = \$9,000); travel expenses for depositions, witness interviews, and other (\$2,000); e-document management costs (\$5,000).

CPR: Total King County workload impact:

FY 2025: \$149,000 for 0.3 AAG, 0.3 INV, 0.1 PL1, and 0.3 PL2.

FY 2026: \$335,000 for 0.8 AAG, 0.3 INV, 0.4 PL1, and 0.3 PL2, which includes direct litigation costs of \$31,000.

FY 2027: \$243,000 for 0.5 AAG, 0.3 INV, 0.3 PL1, and 0.3 PL2, which includes direct litigation costs of \$16,000.

### Part III: Expenditure Detail

#### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
001-1	General Fund	State	0	149,000	149,000	578,000	0
<b>Total \$</b>			0	149,000	149,000	578,000	0

**III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose**

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years		1.1	0.6	1.9	
A-Salaries and Wages		100,000	100,000	359,000	
B-Employee Benefits		31,000	31,000	110,000	
C-Professional Service Contracts				47,000	
E-Goods and Other Services		17,000	17,000	58,000	
G-Travel		1,000	1,000	4,000	
J-Capital Outlays					
<b>Total \$</b>	0	149,000	149,000	578,000	0

**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 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
Assistant Attorney General-King Co	139,622		0.3	0.2	0.7	
Management Analyst 5	98,050		0.1	0.1	0.3	
Paralegal 1-King Co	74,704		0.1	0.1	0.4	
Paralegal 2-King Co	82,392		0.3	0.2	0.3	
Senior Investigator-King Co	108,162		0.3	0.2	0.3	
<b>Total FTEs</b>			1.1	0.6	1.9	0.0

**III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)**

Program	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
Consumer Protection Division (CPR)		149,000	149,000	578,000	
<b>Total \$</b>		149,000	149,000	578,000	

**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.*