

FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS

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Legislation Title:

An ordinance relating to the City's criminal code; amending and adding to various sections and subsections in Chapters 3.33, 12A.06, 12A.08, 12A.10, 12A.14, 12A.16, 12A.20, 12A.24, 12A.28, 16.20 and 16.64 and repealing sections 2.20.010 and 2.20.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

Summary of the Legislation:

This legislation changes our criminal code mostly to reflect changes made to corresponding state statutes by the 2014 Legislature. It also incorporates into our criminal code the state statutes concerning contempt of court, bail jumping, purchase or consumption of alcohol by an intoxicated person, and standards of conduct of alcohol servers, private security guards and the provisions of Initiative 594 concerning background checks for firearms sales. It expands the prohibition on possessing or using auto theft tools to include what is commonly known as "ninja rocks" and changes the prohibition on possessing a weapon to define "slung shot" and expressly include a butterfly knife. It changes the name of the crime of Patronizing a Prostitute to Sexual Exploitation. It also repeals the municipal code sections concerning smoking at polling places.

Background:

This ordinance is designed to make changes to Seattle's criminal code to reflect changes made to identical or similar state statutes by the 2014 Legislature and to add to the criminal code crimes defined by state law that are or might be charged by the City Attorney in Municipal Court. It also reflects our experience with a somewhat new type of tool used to break car windows and new types of weapons. It also seeks to more accurately label the crime currently named Patronizing a Prostitute. The current provisions concerning smoking at polling places appear to be inconsistent with the smoking in public ordinances that were revised in 2013.

X This legislation does not have any financial implications.

Other Implications:

- a) Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?
No.
- b) What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation? None seems apparent.
- c) Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?

Some of the provisions would affect the Seattle Police Department as they would be responsible for enforcement.

- d) **What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?** None seems apparent.
- e) **Is a public hearing required for this legislation?** No.
- f) **Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?** No.
- g) **Does this legislation affect a piece of property?** No.
- h) **Other Issues:**