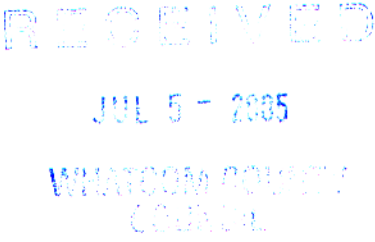


WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

NO. 2005-285

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office	Agenda Date	Assigned to:
Originator:				07/12/05	Intro
Division Head:				07/26/05	Finance/Council
Dept. Head:					
Prosecutor:	R.P.	6-28-05			
Purchasing/Budget:	BB	6/28/05			
Executive:	PR	7-5-05			

TITLE OF DOCUMENT: Ordinance establishing a trial court improvement fund.

ATTACHMENTS: Ordinance

SEPA review required?	() Yes	(X) NO	Should Clerk schedule a hearing?	() Yes	(X) NO
SEPA review completed?	() Yes	(X) NO	Requested Date:		

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE: (If this item is an ordinance or requires a public hearing, you must provide the language for use in the required public notice. Be specific and cite RCW or WCC as appropriate. Be clear in explaining the intent of the action.)

Establishment of a trial court improvement fund for superior and district court staffing, programs, facilities, or services as appropriated by the county council.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

7/26/2005: Committee recommends approval

COUNCIL ACTION:

7/12/2005: Introduced
7/26/2005: Adopted 7-0, Ord. #2005-063

Related County Contract #:

Related File Numbers:

Ordinance or Resolution Number: Ord. #2005-063

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PROPOSED BY: Executive
SPONSORED BY: Consent
INTRODUCED: July 12, 2005

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-063

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A TRIAL COURT IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR
SUPERIOR AND DISTRICT COURT STAFFING, PROGRAMS, FACILITIES, OR SERVICES
AS APPROPRIATED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, The Washington State Legislature passed engrossed second substitute senate bill 5454 this year to provide funding to improve superior and district court staffing, facilities, and services; and

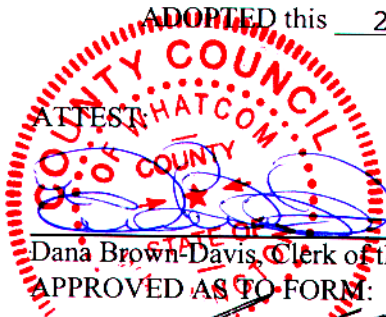
WHEREAS, SB 5454 requires the county to create a trial court improvement account;

NOW, THEREFORE, **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Whatcom County Council that a new fund be hereby established, entitled Whatcom County Trial Court Improvement Fund.

The county treasurer shall make a quarterly deposit of funds to the trial court improvement fund in an amount equal to that received quarterly from the state for district court judge salaries. The purpose of the trial court improvement account shall be to fund improvements to superior and district court staffing, programs, facilities, or services as appropriated from time to time by the Whatcom County Council. Interest earned on funds in the trial court improvement fund shall accrue to the fund.


ADOPTED this 26 day of July 2005.

ATTEST



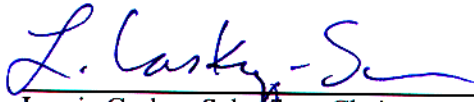
Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

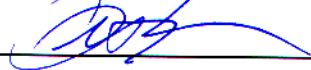
APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Civil Deputy Prosecutor

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Laurie Caskey-Schreiber, Chair
Approved _____ Denied _____


Pete Kremen, County Executive
Date: 7-28-05