

ESSB 5925 - H AMD TO CRJ COMM AMD (H-3668.1/26) **2158**

By Representative Walsh

WITHDRAWN 03/04/2026

1 On page 5, line 28 of the striking amendment, after "statutes."
2 insert the following:

3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 36.27
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) A county prosecuting attorney is authorized to investigate
6 possible violations of the United States Constitution, Washington
7 state Constitution, state statutes, ethical standards, or other
8 impropriety by the office of the attorney general.

9 (2) In conducting an investigation under this section, a county
10 prosecuting attorney may issue civil investigative demands, prior to
11 institution of a civil proceeding, for documents, oral testimony, and
12 answers to written interrogatories when the prosecuting attorney
13 believes a person or entity:

14 (a) May be in possession, custody, or control of any original or
15 copy of any book, record, report, memorandum, paper, communication,
16 tabulation, map, chart, photograph, mechanical transcription, or other
17 tangible document or recording, wherever situate, which he or she
18 believes to be relevant to the subject matter of an investigation of a
19 possible violation under subsection (1) of this section; or

20 (b) May have knowledge of any information which the prosecuting
21 attorney believes relevant to the subject matter of such an
22 investigation.

23 (3) A demand issued under this section is subject to the
24 requirements and procedures applicable to civil investigative demands
25 issued under section 1 of this act."

EFFECT: Authorizes county prosecutors to investigate potential
violations of the state and federal constitutions, state statutes,

ethical standards, or other impropriety by the Office of the Attorney General. Authorizes the county prosecutor to issue civil investigative demands when conducting such investigations.

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