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Senate Bill 1091 (as introduced)

Committee: Appropriations

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| FY 2005-06 Year-to-Date Gross Appropriation | \$255,381,900 |
| Changes from FY 2005-06 Year-to-Date: | |
| 1. Justices and Judges Compensation. This includes compensation and defined contribution and FICA increases for seven part-time probate judges who convert to full time as of 1/2/2007. | 960,200 |
| 2. Rent Increases. This includes rent for an office outside of Lansing for a Supreme Court justice and increases for offices for various agencies. | 53,300 |
| 3. Court of Appeals Projected Collections. This reflects an increased in projected fee collection the Court of Appeals. It is also included in the Governor's recommended supplemental for FY 2005-06. | 150,000 |
| 4. Program Reductions. These include: \$83,300 in supreme court administration; \$18,000 for the judicial institute; \$48,400 for the State Court Administrative Office; \$21,200 for judicial information systems; \$5,900 for the foster care review board; \$6,000 for drug treatment courts; \$140,000 for COA operations; \$7,300 for the judicial tenure commission; \$29,600 for the appellate public defender program; \$5,200 for appellate assigned counsel administration; and \$130,000 for court equity fund reimbursements, all GF/GP funds. | (500,000) |
| 5. Pending Changes to the Number of Judgeships. Legislation is pending in both houses that would add six new circuit judgeships as of January 1, 2007. The total annual cost for these additional judgeships would be approximately \$944,640. The FY 2006-07 impact would be \$719,070. The Governor's recommendation does not include funding to support the cost of new judgeships. | 0 |
| 6. Federal Funding Shortfall. Drug court funding includes \$1.8 million in federal Byrne dollars, which was not included in the president's FY 2006-07 budget. In the current fiscal year, the funding was restored by Congress. | 0 |
| 7. Economic Adjustments. | 2,203,300 |
| Total Changes..... | \$2,866,800 |
| FY 2006-07 Governor's Recommendation..... | \$258,248,700 |

Changes from FY 2005-06 Year to Date:

1. **Disciplinary Action.** The Governor removed language prohibiting the judicial branch from taking disciplinary action against an employee for communicating with a member of the legislature or his or her staff. (Sec. 204)
2. **Direct Trial Court Automation Support Program.** The Governor added language to include development of future versions of case management systems as part of the costs of the direct trial court automation support program. (Sec. 301)
3. **Court of Appeals Delay Reduction.** The Governor deleted language requiring the judiciary to use \$312,500 from court of appeals operations for the purpose of delay reduction, \$225,000 from an increase in COA filing fees and \$87,500 from an increase in COA motion fees. (Sec. 307)
4. **Transcript Fee Reimbursement.** The Governor deleted language requiring that funds appropriated for transcript fee reimbursement be disbursed to counties to compensate for costs incurred in the event of a statutory increase in court transcript fees. (Sec. 317)

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