STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2002 - Summary of House Action

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
Supreme Court	•			
Total all funds	\$24,019,251	\$26,063,990	\$732,914	\$26,796,904
Less estimated income	97,793	44,129	866,100	910,229
General fund	\$23,921,458	\$26,019,861	(\$133,186)	\$25,886,675
FTE	45.50	44.50	0.50	45.00
District Courts				
Total all funds	\$104,278,299	\$123,148,432	\$3,648,284	\$126,796,716
Less estimated income	830,318	818,998	4,654,700	5,473,698
General fund	\$103,447,981	\$122,329,434	(\$1,006,416)	\$121,323,018
FTE	334.00	341.00	1.50	342.50
Judicial Conduct Commission				
Total all funds	\$1,399,862	\$1,555,505	\$36,342	\$1,591,847
Less estimated income	512,317	509,538	10,639	520,177
General fund	\$887,545	\$1,045,967	\$25,703	\$1,071,670
FTE	4.50	4.50	0.00	4.50
Guardianship and				
Conservatorship				****
Total all funds	\$0	\$936,405	\$0	\$936,405
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0
General fund	\$0	\$936,405	\$0	\$936,405
FTE	0.00	6.00	0.00	6.00
Bill total				
Total all funds	\$129,697,412	\$151,704,332	\$4,417,540	\$156,121,872
Less estimated income	1,440,428	1,372,665	5,531,439	6,904,104
General fund	\$128,256,984	\$150,331,667	(\$1,113,899)	\$149,217,768
FTE	384.00	396.00	2.00	398.00

Senate Bill No. 2002 - Supreme Court - House Action

	Base	Senate	House	House
	Budget	Version	Changes	Version
Salaries and wages	\$12,363,778	\$13,419,705	\$432,156	\$13,851,861
New and vacant FTE pool	8,740,214	8,671,500	272,650	8,944,150
Operating expenses Capital assets	2,915,259	3,106,685 866,100	28,108	3,134,793 866,100
Total all funds	\$24,019,251	\$26,063,990	\$732,914	
Less estimated income	97,793	44,129	866,100	
General fund	\$23,921,458	\$26,019,861	(\$133,186)	
FTE	45.50	44.50	0.50	45.00

Department 181 - Supreme Court - Detail of House Changes

	Increases Funding for Salary Equity ¹	Adds Funding for Administrative Assistant Position ²	Transfers Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool ³	Increases Funding for Operating Costs ⁴	Adjusts Funding for Cloud-Based Storage Fees⁵	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages New and vacant FTE pool	\$423,170	\$74,147	(\$65,161) 272,650	000 400		\$432,156 272,650
Operating expenses Capital assets				\$28,108		28,108
Total all funds	\$423,170	\$74,147	\$207,489	\$28,108	\$0	\$732,914
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0	866,100	866,100
General fund	\$423,170	\$74,147	\$207,489	\$28,108	(\$866,100)	(\$133,186)
FTE	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50

¹ Funding is added as follows for Supreme Court salary equity:

	Senate	House	Total
	<u>Version</u>	<u>Changes</u>	<u>General Fund</u>
Supreme Court justices salaries increase of 11.1 percent and chief justice salary increase of 12.1 percent	\$200,219	\$63,386	\$263,605
Pay plan 3 percent salary adjustment	<u>0</u>	359,784	359,784
Total	\$200.219	\$423.170	\$623,389
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² Funding of \$74,147 is added by the House to increase a part-time administrative assistant position to a full-time position.

³ Funding of \$65,161 for an increased administrative assistant position is removed from the Supreme Court salaries and wages line item and funding of \$272,650 is added for the judicial branch 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool line item as follows:

	General
	<u>Fund</u>
New FTE positions	(\$65,161)
Funding pool line item	<u>58,645</u>
Supreme Court net savings	(\$6,516)
Funding pool line item from district courts	214,005
Net impact on Supreme Court	\$207,489

⁴ Funding of \$28,108 from the general fund is added by the House to provide a total of \$56,217 for increased miscellaneous operating costs.

Senate Bill No. 2002 - District Courts - House Action

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
Salaries and wages	\$79,576,340	\$90,711,201	\$2,100,431	\$92,811,632
Operating expenses	24,524,619	27,531,341	761,153	28,292,494
Capital assets		4,742,216	786,700	5,528,916
Judges' retirement	177,340	163,674		163,674
Total all funds	\$104,278,299	\$123,148,432	\$3,648,284	\$126,796,716
Less estimated income	830,318	818,998	4,654,700	5,473,698
General fund	\$103,447,981	\$122,329,434	(\$1,006,416)	\$121,323,018
FTE	334.00	341.00	1.50	342.50

⁵ One-time funding for cloud-based storage fees is adjusted by the House to provide the funding from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF). The Senate provided the funding from the general fund.

Department 182 - District Courts - Detail of House Changes

Salaries and wages Operating expenses Capital assets Judges' retirement	Increases Funding for Salary Equity ¹ \$1,819,586	Adds Funding for Juvenile Court Positions ² \$258,852	Transfers Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool ³ (\$237,783)	Adds Funding for Treatment Courts ⁴ \$259,776 113,700	Adjusts Operating Funding ⁵ \$647,453	Adjusts One- Time Funding ⁶ \$786,700
Total all funds Less estimated income	\$1,819,586 0	\$258,852 0	(\$237,783) 0	\$373,476 0	\$647,453 0	\$786,700 4,654,700
General fund	\$1,819,586	\$258,852	(\$237,783)	\$373,476	\$647,453	(\$3,868,000)
FTE	0.00	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Salaries and wages Operating expenses Capital assets Judges' retirement	Total House Changes \$2,100,431 761,153 786,700					
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund FTE	\$3,648,284 4,654,700 (\$1,006,416)					

¹ Funding is added as follows for district courts salary equity:

	Senate	House	Total
	<u>Version</u>	<u>Changes</u>	General Fund
District court judges salaries increase of 7.7 percent	\$1,641,973	\$173,290	\$1,815,263
Pay plan 3 percent salary adjustment	<u>0</u>	<u>1,646,296</u>	<u>1,646,296</u>
Total	\$1,641,973	\$1,819,586	\$3,461,559

² Funding of \$258,852 from the general fund is added by the House for 1 new FTE administrative assistant position and to increase a part-time administrative assistant position to a full-time position.

⁵ Operating funding is adjusted as follows:

	Senate <u>Version</u>	House <u>Changes</u>	Total <u>General Fund</u>
Credit card processing and bank fees	\$200,000	(\$200,000)	\$0
Interpreters	60,000	65,500	125,500
Family mediation program	0	138,200	138,200
Guardian ad litem program	470,000	465,768	935,768
Miscellaneous operating adjustments	<u>168,284</u>	<u>177,985</u>	<u>346,269</u>
Total	\$898.284	\$647.453	\$1.545.737

⁶ One-time funding is increased by \$786,700 to provide a total of \$1,586,700 for courtroom audio and video equipment. The House is providing \$4,654,700 from SIIF for one-time funding items, including a case management system, clerk filing software, court records access system, courtroom audio and video equipment, and Cass County courtroom equipment. The Senate provided \$3,868,000 from the general fund for these items.

³ Funding of \$237,783 from the general fund added by the Senate for new FTE position salaries and wages is removed and \$214,005 is added to the Supreme Court new and vacant FTE pool line item resulting in a net savings of \$23,778.

⁴ Funding of \$373,476 from the general fund is added for three new treatment courts. The Senate did not include funding for new treatment courts.

Senate Bill No. 2002 - Judicial Conduct Commission - House Action

Judicial Conduct Commission	Base Budget \$1,399,862	Senate Version \$1,555,505	House Changes \$36,342	House Version \$1,591,847
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$1,399,862 512,317 \$887,545	\$1,555,505 509,538 \$1,045,967	\$36,342 10,639 \$25,703	\$1,591,847 520,177 \$1,071,670
FTE	4.50	4.50	0.00	4.50

Department 183 - Judicial Conduct Commission - Detail of House Changes

Judicial Conduct Commission	Adds Funding for Salary Equity ¹ \$32,736	Adds funding for Operating Costs ² \$3,606	Total House Changes \$36,342
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$32,736 10,639 \$22,097	\$3,606 0 \$3,606	\$36,342 10,639 \$25,703
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ Funding of \$32,736, including \$22,097 from the general fund and \$10,639 from other funds, is added for a pay plan adjustment of 3 percent. The Senate did not include additional funding for a pay plan adjustment.

Senate Bill No. 2002 - Guardianship and Conservatorship - House Action

Guardianship and conservatorship	Base Budget	Senate Version \$936,405	House Changes	House Version \$936,405
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$0 0 \$0	\$936,405 0 \$936,405	\$0 0 \$0	\$936,405 0 \$936,405
FTE	0.00	6.00	0.00	6.00

Senate Bill No. 2002 - Other Changes - House Action

This amendment also:

- Adds a section to identify \$5,520,800 from SIIF for various one-time appropriations.
- Amends sections relating to the salaries of Supreme Court justices and district court judges.
- Adds a section to authorize the judicial branch to charge a fee as a service charge for the acceptance of a payment made by a credit or debit card.

² Funding of \$3,606 from the general fund is added by the House to provide a total increase of \$19,384 for miscellaneous operating costs, including \$7,213 from the general fund and \$12,171 from other funds.