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In the following space note the fiscal effect in dollars of the legislative proposal. If additional space is needed, attach a supplementary sheet. (Please type)

The maximum amount which can be paid from the Unsatisfied Judgment Fund is \$10,000 per person, but not more than \$20,000 per accident. The fiscal effect of the bill would, then, be that figure (at a maximum) multiplied by the number of lawsuits brought in tribal courts which result in judgments that the judge directs to be paid by the Unsatisfied Judgment Fund.

The number of lawsuits, however, is an unknown factor, because at the present time a judgment obtained in a tribal court is not subject to being paid from the fund.

It might be suggested that each of the four tribal jurisdictions be contacted for statistics concerning the number of lawsuits presently brought in tribal court for injuries arising from motor vehicle accidents and in which the defendant was uninsured, however, it is doubtful that such information is available, and even if it were it would be of questionable value since, predictably, many lawsuits are currently not brought because it is known that the defendant is "judgment proof."

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