

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2002

Page 1, line 2, remove the first "and"

Page 1, line 3, after "judges" insert "; to provide an exemption from the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code; and to provide for a legislative council study"

Page 1, line 13, replace "5,659,939" with "5,637,102"

Page 1, line 17, replace "7,667,669" with "7,644,832"

Page 1, line 20, replace "25,143,950" with "24,953,025"

Page 2, line 2, replace "37,234,414" with "37,043,489"

Page 2, line 4, replace "36,040,343" with "35,849,418"

Page 2, line 15, replace "382,650" with "382,650"

Page 2, remove line 16

Page 2, line 17, replace "11,493,326" with "10,854,353"

Page 2, line 19, replace "10,743,326" with "10,104,353"

Page 2, line 20, replace "54,705,850" with "53,853,115"

Page 2, line 22, replace "56,923,671" with "56,070,936"

Page 3, after line 2, insert:

**"SECTION 4. EXEMPTION.** The district courts' appropriation contained in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 2 of the 1999 Session Laws is not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 for up to an amount of \$350,000 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation are available to be used to consolidate and integrate the east central judicial district's case management system with the unified court information system used by the other six judicial districts during the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003.

**SECTION 5. JUDICIAL BRANCH - RECORDS MANAGEMENT.** The judicial branch is encouraged to explore the opportunities of using the electronic document management system services provided by the information technology department for enhanced records management and data storage.

**SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STUDY - CLERK OF COURT.** The legislative council shall consider studying, during the 2001-02 interim, the implementation of the clerk of court unification including a review of the delivery of services by clerks of court and the responsibility for restitution collection and enforcement activities."

Page 3, line 6, replace "ninety-four" with "ninety-one", remove "seven", and overstrike "hundred"

Page 3, line 7, replace "twenty-seven" with "thirty-nine"

Page 3, line 9, replace "eight" with "five" and replace "forty-three" with "sixty-nine"

Page 3, line 15, replace "eighty-seven" with "eighty-four", remove "four", overstrike "hundred", and replace "twenty-two" with "fifteen"

Page 3, line 21, remove the overstrike over "one", remove "two", replace "six" with "nine", and replace "twenty-one" with "eighty-nine"

Renumber accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**Senate Bill No. 2002 - Summary of Senate Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Supreme Court			
Total all funds	\$7,667,669	(\$22,837)	\$7,644,832
Less estimated income			
General fund	<u>\$7,667,669</u>	<u>(\$22,837)</u>	<u>\$7,644,832</u>
District Courts			
Total all funds	\$37,234,414	(\$190,925)	\$37,043,489
Less estimated income	1,194,071		1,194,071
General fund	<u>\$36,040,343</u>	<u>(\$190,925)</u>	<u>\$35,849,418</u>
Judicial Conduct Commission			
Total all funds	\$528,262		\$528,262
Less estimated income	273,750		273,750
General fund	<u>\$254,512</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$254,512</u>
Clerk of District Court			
Total all funds	\$11,493,326	(\$638,973)	\$10,854,353
Less estimated income	750,000		750,000
General fund	<u>\$10,743,326</u>	<u>(\$638,973)</u>	<u>\$10,104,353</u>
Bill Total			
Total all funds	\$56,923,671	(\$852,735)	\$56,070,936
Less estimated income	2,217,821		2,217,821
General fund	<u>\$54,705,850</u>	<u>(\$852,735)</u>	<u>\$53,853,115</u>

**Senate Bill No. 2002 - Supreme Court - Senate Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$5,659,939	(\$22,837)	\$5,637,102
Operating expenses	1,645,411		1,645,411
Equipment	153,250		153,250
Judges retirement	<u>209,069</u>		<u>209,069</u>
Total all funds	\$7,667,669	(\$22,837)	\$7,644,832
Less estimated income	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
General fund	\$7,667,669	(\$22,837)	\$7,644,832
FTE	44.50	0.00	44.50

**Dept. 181 - Supreme Court - Detail of Senate Changes**

	ADJUST FUNDING FOR JUDGES' SALARY INCREASES 1	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$22,837)	(\$22,837)
Operating expenses		
Equipment		
Judges' retirement	_____	_____
Total all funds	(\$22,837)	(\$22,837)
Less estimated income	_____	_____
General fund	(\$22,837)	(\$22,837)
FTE	0.00	0.00

<sup>1</sup> This amendment adjusts the salary increases for Supreme Court judges from an 11 percent increase for the first year and a two percent increase for the second year to approximately a 6.5 percent increase each year of the biennium which results in judges' salaries for the second year of the biennium being the same as the salaries requested in the executive budget.

**Senate Bill No. 2002 - District Courts - Senate Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$25,143,950	(\$190,925)	\$24,953,025
Operating expenses	10,216,933		10,216,933
Equipment	875,150		875,150
Judges' retirement	878,381		878,381
UND - Central legal research	80,000		80,000
Alternative dispute resolution	<u>40,000</u>	_____	<u>40,000</u>
Total all funds	\$37,234,414	(\$190,925)	\$37,043,489
Less estimated income	<u>1,194,071</u>	_____	<u>1,194,071</u>
General fund	\$36,040,343	(\$190,925)	\$35,849,418
FTE	191.50	0.00	191.50

**Dept. 182 - District Courts - Detail of Senate Changes**

	ADJUST FUNDING FOR JUDGES' SALARY INCREASES 1	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$190,925)	(\$190,925)
Operating expenses		
Equipment		
Judges' retirement		
UND - Central legal research		
Alternative dispute resolution	_____	_____
Total all funds	(\$190,928)	(\$190,925)
Less estimated income	_____	_____
General fund	(\$190,925)	(\$190,925)
FTE	0.00	0.00

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**Senate Bill No. 2002 - Clerk of District Court - Senate Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$7,132,966		\$7,132,966
Operating expenses	3,338,737		3,338,737
Equipment	382,650		382,650
Collection of restitution	<u>638,973</u>	(\$638,973)	_____
Total all funds	\$11,493,326	(\$638,973)	\$10,854,353
Less estimated income	<u>750,000</u>	_____	<u>750,000</u>
General fund	\$10,743,326	(\$638,973)	\$10,104,353
FTE	103.00	(7.00)	96.00

**Dept. 184 - Clerk of District Court - Detail of Senate Changes**

	REMOVE FUNDING FOR COLLECTION OF RESTITUTION	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Salaries and wages		
Operating expenses		
Equipment		
Collection of restitution	(\$638,973)	(\$638,973)
Total all funds	(\$638,973)	(\$638,973)
Less estimated income	_____	_____
General fund	(\$638,973)	(\$638,973)
FTE	(7.00)	(7.00)

**Senate Bill No. 2002 - Other Changes - Senate Action**

This amendment also:

- Adds a section allowing the judicial branch to carry over up to \$350,000 of general fund appropriation authority from the 1999-2001 biennium to the 2001-03 biennium to consolidate and integrate the east central judicial district's case management system with the unified court information system (UCIS) used by the other six judicial districts.
- Adds a section that encourages the judicial branch to explore the possibility of using the electronic document management system services provided by the Information Technology Department for enhanced records management and data storage.
- Provides for a Legislative Council study of the implementation of the clerk of court unification including the responsibility for restitution collection and enforcement activities.

The following schedule provides information regarding Supreme Court and district court judges' salaries including current salaries, salaries proposed in the judicial branch budget request, and salaries proposed in the amendment:

	STATUTORY ANNUAL SALARY AUTHORIZED BY 1999 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	PROPOSED ANNUAL SALARY INCLUDED IN THE 2001-03 JUDICIAL BRANCH BUDGET REQUEST			PROPOSED ANNUAL SALARY INCLUDED IN PROPOSED AMENDMENT	
	JULY 1, 2000	JULY 1, 2001	JULY 1, 2002	JULY 1, 2001	JULY 1, 2002	
Supreme Court Chief Justice	\$87,895	\$97,570	\$99,521	\$93,608	\$99,521	
Other Supreme Court justices	\$85,483	\$94,727	\$96,622	\$91,039	\$96,622	
District court presiding judges	\$80,755	\$90,043	\$91,843	\$86,004	\$91,843	
Other district court judges	\$78,887	\$87,422	\$89,171	\$84,015	\$89,171	