

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	0	44,129
General fund	<u>\$23,921,458</u>	<u>\$26,019,861</u>	<u>\$732,914</u>	<u>\$26,752,775</u>
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	<u>\$103,447,981</u>	<u>\$122,329,434</u>	<u>(\$1,006,416)</u>	<u>\$121,323,018</u>
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	<u>\$887,545</u>	<u>\$1,045,967</u>	<u>\$25,703</u>	<u>\$1,071,670</u>
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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$936,405</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$936,405</u>
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	4,665,339	6,038,004
General fund	<u>\$128,256,984</u>	<u>\$150,331,667</u>	<u>(\$247,799)</u>	<u>\$150,083,868</u>
FTE	384.00	396.00	2.00	398.00

Senate Bill No. 2002 - Supreme Court - House Action

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House 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	2,915,259	3,106,685	28,108	3,134,793
Capital assets		866,100		866,100
Total all funds	\$24,019,251	\$26,063,990	\$732,914	\$26,796,904
Less estimated income	97,793	44,129	0	44,129
General fund	<u>\$23,921,458</u>	<u>\$26,019,861</u>	<u>\$732,914</u>	<u>\$26,752,775</u>
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	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages	\$423,170	\$74,147	(\$65,161)		\$432,156
New and vacant FTE pool			272,650		272,650
Operating expenses				\$28,108	28,108
Capital assets					
Total all funds	\$423,170	\$74,147	\$207,489	\$28,108	\$732,914
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0	0
General fund	\$423,170	\$74,147	\$207,489	\$28,108	\$732,914
FTE	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.50

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

	Senate Version	House Changes	Total General Fund
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	0	359,784	359,784
Total	\$200,219	\$423,170	\$623,389

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 Fund	
New FTE positions	(\$65,161)
Funding pool line item	58,645
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

Department 182 - District Courts - Detail of House Changes

	Increases Funding for Salary Equity ¹	Adds Funding for Juvenile Court Positions ²	Transfers Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool ³	Adds Funding for Treatment Courts ⁴	Adjusts Operating Funding ⁵	Adjusts One-Time Funding ⁶
Salaries and wages	\$1,819,586	\$258,852	(\$237,783)	\$259,776		
Operating expenses				113,700	\$647,453	
Capital assets						\$786,700
Judges' retirement						
Total all funds	\$1,819,586	\$258,852	(\$237,783)	\$373,476	\$647,453	\$786,700
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0	0	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

	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages	\$2,100,431
Operating expenses	761,153
Capital assets	786,700
Judges' retirement	
Total all funds	\$3,648,284
Less estimated income	4,654,700
General fund	(\$1,006,416)
FTE	1.50

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

	Senate Version	House Changes	Total 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	0	1,646,296	1,646,296
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.

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.

⁵ Operating funding is adjusted as follows:

	Senate Version	House Changes	Total General Fund
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	168,284	177,985	346,269
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 strategic investment and improvements fund (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.

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

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
Judicial Conduct Commission	\$1,399,862	\$1,555,505	\$36,342	\$1,591,847
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

Department 183 - Judicial Conduct Commission - Detail of House Changes

	Adds Funding for Salary Equity¹	Adds funding for Operating Costs²	Total House Changes
Judicial Conduct Commission	\$32,736	\$3,606	\$36,342
Total all funds	\$32,736	\$3,606	\$36,342
Less estimated income	10,639	0	10,639
General fund	\$22,097	\$3,606	\$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.

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.

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

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
Guardianship and conservatorship		\$936,405		\$936,405
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

Senate Bill No. 2002 - Other Changes - House Action

This amendment also:

- Adds a section to identify \$4,654,700 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.