

Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents - Budget No. 188
Agency Worksheet - Senate Bill No. 2022

Legislative Council

	Armstrong Executive Budget				Senate Version				Senate Compared to Executive Budget				
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	Increase (Decrease)				
									FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	41.00	\$20,999,305	\$2,023,067	\$23,022,372	41.00	\$20,999,305	\$2,023,067	\$23,022,372	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes													
Salary increase		\$377,323	\$10,765	\$388,088		\$377,323	\$10,765	\$388,088				0	
Health insurance increase		252,222	6,005	258,227		252,222	6,005	258,227				0	
Adds private investigator FTE positions	2.00	362,120		362,120	2.00	362,120		362,120				0	
Adds funding to implement a new compensation strategy		805,000		805,000				0		(\$805,000)		(805,000)	
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		137,781		137,781		137,781		137,781				0	
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		253,594	7,134	260,728		253,594	7,134	260,728				0	
Transfers funding for 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool				0		(131,650)	(2,641)	(134,291)		(131,650)	(\$2,641)	(134,291)	
Adds funding to increase the contract rate paid to attorneys		2,000,000		2,000,000		2,000,000		2,000,000				0	
Adds funding for information technology rate increases		43,971	4,886	48,857		43,971	4,886	48,857				0	
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$4,232,011	\$28,790	\$4,260,801	2.00	\$3,295,361	\$26,149	\$3,321,510	0.00	(\$936,650)	(\$2,641)	(\$939,291)	
One-Time Funding Items													
No one-time funding items				\$0				\$0				\$0	
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	2.00	\$4,232,011	\$28,790	\$4,260,801	2.00	\$3,295,361	\$26,149	\$3,321,510	0.00	(\$936,650)	(\$2,641)	(\$939,291)	
2025-27 Total Funding	43.00	\$25,231,316	\$2,051,857	\$27,283,173	43.00	\$24,294,666	\$2,049,216	\$26,343,882	0.00	(\$936,650)	(\$2,641)	(\$939,291)	
Federal funds included in other funds				\$0					\$0				
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level				4.9%	20.2%	1.4%	18.5%	4.9%	15.7%	1.3%	14.4%	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level				4.9%	20.2%	1.4%	18.5%	4.9%	15.7%	1.3%	14.4%	N/A	N/A
Other Sections in Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents - Budget No. 188													
Section Description		Armstrong Executive Budget		Senate Version									
New and vacant FTE pool				Section 2 provides language regarding the use of funding in the new and vacant FTE pool line item.									
Employee classification				Section 3 adds a new subsection to Section 54-44.3-20 to exempt attorneys employed by the Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents from the employee classification system.									



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MAJOR RELATED LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE COMMISSION ON LEGAL COUNSEL FOR INDIGENTS AS OF CROSSOVER

This memorandum provides information on major related legislation affecting the Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents as of Crossover:

House Bill No. 1417 - This bill eliminates fees for the reimbursement of indigent defense costs and expenses and provides for a Legislative Management study of court fines and fees. This bill also appropriates \$310,000 from the general fund to the Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents to replace revenue from the elimination of indigent defense application fees.

Senate Bill No. 2057 - This bill increases the court administration fee from \$100 to \$200, a portion of which is deposited in the indigent defense fund.

Senate Bill No. 2226 - This bill appropriates \$615,734 from the general fund to the Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents to provide legal counsel services for incarcerated individuals at initial appearances.