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Executive Summary

The Judicial Branch Budget Committee assists the Judicial Council on the branch budget. The committee reviews and makes recommendations annually to the council on submitted budget change proposals. Additionally, the committee reviews and makes recommendations on the use of statewide emergency funding for the judicial branch and acts on other assignments as referred by the council. The Judicial Branch Budget Committee is also assigned oversight responsibility for the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee. This report summarizes the committee's activities since the last Judicial Council internal committee written report, which was submitted for the council's September 20, 2024, business meeting.

Overview of Committee Meetings

The Judicial Branch Budget Committee met once between the September 20 and November 15, 2024, Judicial Council meetings.

On October 11, 2024, the committee considered the following Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommendations: (1) increased transcript rate allocations for fiscal year (FY) 2024–25 for court reporters in the trial courts, (2) an allocation methodology for additional FY 2024–25 grant funds to current Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Pilot Program recipients, (3) allocations for Cycle 3 Firearm Relinquishment Grant awards for FY 2024–25 through FY 2025–26, and (4) final one-time adjustments for FY 2023–24 year-end fund balances for the trial courts.