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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. The committee reviews and makes recommendations on the use of statewide emergency funding for the judicial branch; reviews and makes recommendations on the Innovations Grant Program; and acts on other assignments as referred to it by the council.

Overview of Committee Meetings

The Judicial Branch Budget Committee met twice since the May Judicial Council meeting the Judicial Branch Budget Committee.

On May 28, 2020, the committee met by video conference. During that meeting the committee finalized its recommendation on the 2021-22 budget change proposal development process.

2021-22 Budget Change Concepts

As its final step in consideration of 2021-22 Budget Change Concepts, the Budget Committee was provided an update of the current fiscal condition of the state budget as of the May Revision

to the 2020-21 Governor's Budget. In addition, staff provided an overview of technology concepts as recommended by the Judicial Council Technology Committee.

The Budget Committee approved a recommendation to the Judicial Council of California for submission to the state's Department of Finance of six high priority needs to be developed into budget change proposals. In addition, the Budget Committee recommended two technology proposals to be developed into budget change proposals should \$25 million proposed for modernization of trial courts in Governor's 2020-21 May Revision not remain in the budget act. This recommendation is included in report item 20-052.

Innovations Grants

The Budget Committee also heard requested changes from various grantees on the innovation grants program and received a status report on the grant program.

In addition, there is an informational item for the third quarter report on the Court Innovations Grant program on the agenda as item 20-097. This report summarizes activities of the Judicial Council's Court Innovations Grant Program during the third quarter of fiscal year 2019-20.

There will be continued updates provided.

On July 23, 2020, the committee will meet by video conference. During that meeting the committee will hear a presentation on the enacted state budget and be provided an educational presentation on the Language Access Program.

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