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Judicial Branch Budget | 2024-25 Budget Change Proposals for Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, Superior Courts, Habeas Corpus Resource Center, Judicial Branch Facilities Program, and Judicial Council (Action Required)

Summary

To continue responsible reinvestment in the judicial branch and allow for greater access to justice for California's citizens, the Judicial Branch Budget Committee recommends submitting 10 budget change proposals to the California Department of Finance for consideration in the fiscal year 2024-25 Governor's Budget.

Recommendation

The Judicial Branch Budget Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective July 21, 2023, approve the following fiscal year 2024-25 budget change proposals (not in priority order) for submission to the California Department of Finance in September 2023:

1. Statutory Statewide External Audit Program--\$1.3 million General Fund;
2. Courts of Appeal Court-Appointed Counsel Program--\$5.5 million General Fund;
3. Trial Courts and Courts of Appeal Facilities Operations and Maintenance--\$68.0 million General Fund and \$16.1 million Court Facilities Trust Fund reimbursement authority;
4. Trial Court and Appellate Court Facility Modifications--\$47.3 million General Fund and \$11.4 million State Court Facilities Construction Fund reimbursement authority;
5. Capital Outlay Funding 2024-25 through 2028-29--\$128.3 million General Fund;
6. Court-Based Self-Help Centers--Continuation of Operating Funds--\$33.4 million General Fund;
7. Habeas Corpus Resource Center Case Team Staffing and Establishment of Los Angeles Office--\$9.0 million General Fund;
8. Trial Court Inflationary Adjustment--\$73.1 million General Fund;
9. Statewide 50 New Trial Court Judgeships--\$621.1 million General Fund; and
10. Maintaining a Sufficient Pool of Competency-to-Stand-Trial Court Evaluators--\$12.3 million General Fund.

Speakers

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