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Title

Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act | Selection of Pilot Projects (Action Required)

Summary

The Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act Implementation Committee recommends approval of 14 three-year grants for a total of \$48,328,296 to qualified legal services providers and court partners for the administration of pilot projects that provide legal representation and improved court services to low-income parties, regardless of their citizenship or immigration status. The projects would provide legal services consistent with the Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act (as amended by Assem. Bill 2193; Stats. 2022, ch. 486) in civil matters involving housing-related matters, domestic violence and civil harassment restraining orders, probate conservatorships, guardianships of the person, elder abuse, or actions by a parent to obtain legal or physical custody of a child.

Recommendation

The Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act Implementation Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective October 1, 2023, approve 14 grants for a total of \$48,328,296 to qualified legal services providers and court partners for the administration of pilot projects. These grants are awarded for a three-year period beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2026.