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Title

Court Interpreters: Allocations and Reimbursements to Trial Courts: Allocation Methodology for Court Interpreters Program Shortfall (Action Required)

Summary

Current projections for the Court Interpreters Program (CIP) indicate that the fund balance has been depleted, and with expenditures exceeding allocations, the fund is insolvent. The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee (TCBAC) recommends approving a one-time allocation of fund balance from the Trial Court Trust Fund (TCTF) to address an anticipated shortfall in the CIP for fiscal year 2019-20, not to exceed the current \$13.5 million estimated amount required to cover cost increases and maintain service levels, while TCBAC continues its development of a methodology that addresses anticipated, ongoing funding shortfalls and reviews existing methodologies.

Recommendation

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective July 1, 2019, authorize a one-time allocation of unrestricted fund balance from the TCTF in an amount not to exceed \$13.5 million to address the projected 2019-20 shortfall.

Speakers

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