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Judicial Branch Budget: 2020-21 Budget Change Proposals for Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, Superior Courts, Judicial Branch Facilities Program, Habeas Corpus Resource Center, and Judicial Council (Action Required)

Summary

To continue responsible reinvestment in the judicial branch allowing for greater access to justice for California's citizens, the Judicial Branch Budget Committee (JBBC) unanimously recommends submitting these 2020-21 budget change proposals (BCPs) to the State Department of Finance.

Recommendation

The Judicial Branch Budget Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective July 19, 2018, approve the following 2020-21 BCPs (not in priority order) for submission to the State Department of Finance on September 3, 2019:

1. Trial Court Civil Assessment Backfill-\$56.40 million
2. Trial Court Funding Stabilization-\$540.90 million
3. Trial and Appellate Court Facility Operations and Maintenance, Leased Space, and Deferred Maintenance-\$159.10 million
4. Information Technology Modernization-\$9.69 million
5. Digitizing of Documents, Phases 2 and 3-\$17.80 million
6. Court Technology Manager Positions-\$1.52 million
7. Appellate Courts-Court-Appointed Counsel Projects-\$1.63 million
8. Electronic Resources and Collection Rightsizing Adjustment for Appellate Court Libraries-\$0.68 million
9. Appellate Court Security-\$1.20 million
10. Judicial Branch Data Governance-\$0.98 million
11. Statutory Statewide Trial Court Audit Program-State Controller's Office-\$1.60 million
12. Language Access Expansion in the California Courts-\$8.70 million
13. Habeas Corpus Resource Center (HCRC) Case Team Staffing and Establishment of Los Angeles Office-\$11.40 million
14. Stanislaus-New Modesto Courthouse, Buildout Three Shelled Courtrooms-\$9.75 million

Speakers

Hon. David M. Rubin, Chair, Judicial Branch Budget Committee
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