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Title

Judicial Branch Budget | 2021-22 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, while acknowledging the impact on the state budget of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Judicial Branch Budget Committee unanimously recommends the approval of the 2021-22 budget change proposals for submission to the state Department of Finance.

Recommendation

The Judicial Branch Budget Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective July 24, 2020, approve the following 2021-22 budget change proposals (not in priority order) for submission to the state Department of Finance on September 4, 2020:

- Proposition 66 Costs in the Courts of Appeal, Trial Courts, and Habeas Corpus Resource Center: \$18.5 million
- Self-Help Centers in Trial Courts--Continuing Funding: \$19.1 million
- Insolvency Resolution for State Court Facilities Construction Fund: \$90 million
- Trial Court and Court of Appeal Facility Operations and Maintenance, Leased Space, and Deferred Maintenance: \$164.8 million
- Inflationary Adjustment for Trial Courts: \$50-\$70 million
- Various Capital Outlay Projects: \$TBD

Previously the Judicial Branch Budget Committee recommended submission to the Department of Finance of two budget change proposals for technology upgrades:

- Judicial Branch Office of Information Security: \$5.1 million
- Virtual Courthouse Critical Needs: \$12.3 million

As contemplated, since the 2020-21 enacted budget includes \$25 million for technology upgrades, the budget committee deleted the above proposals.

Speakers

Hon. David M. Rubin, Chair, Judicial Branch Budget Committee Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Budget Services