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Trial Court Budget | 2022-23 Assembly Bill 177 Allocation Methodology (Action Required) Summary

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends approval of a new allocation methodology for \$10.3 million ongoing General Fund included in the Budget Act of 2022 to backfill the loss of fee revenue to trial courts due to the repeal of administrative fees authorized by Assembly Bill 177 (Stats. 2021, ch. 257).

Recommendation

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective September 20, 2022, approve a two-year average revenue collection allocation methodology for \$10.3 million ongoing General Fund backfill to the trial courts as outlined below:

- 1. Use the average of 2018-19 and 2019-20 applicable revenue collections of \$10.5 million and \$10.1 million to determine each court's percentage share of the backfill funding;
- 2. Allocate the \$10.3 million proportionally based on the percentages identified;
- 3. Allocate the remaining funds based on the same percentages to reach the total \$10.3 million funding amount; and
- 4. Exclude revenues collected in 2020-21 in the amount of \$7.7 million from the allocation methodology as they are atypical compared to revenue collections prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Speakers

Hon. David M. Rubin, Chair, Judicial Branch Budget Committee Ms. Rebecca Fleming, Vice Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee