SENATE BILL NO. 368

EXECUTIVE BUDGET BILL

February 23, 1999, Introduced by Senators NORTH, HOFFMAN, STEIL, MC MANUS and GOUGEON and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to make appropriations for the judicial branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000; to provide for the expenditure of these appropriations; to place certain restrictions on the expenditure of these appropriations; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain officials and employees; to require certain reports; and to provide for the disposition of fees and other income received by the judicial branch.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 PART 1
2 LINE-ITEM APPROPRIATIONS
3 Sec. 101. Subject to the conditions set forth in this bill, the
4 amounts listed in this part are appropriated for the judicial branch
5 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, from the funds indicated
6 in this part. The following is a summary of the appropriations in this

1	part:	
2	JUDICIARY	
3	APPROPRIATION SUMMARY:	
4	Full-time equated exempted positions 583.0	
5	GROSS APPROPRIATION	226,140,800
6	Interdepartmental grant revenues:	
7	Total interdepartmental grants and intradepartmental	
8	transfers	2,304,200
9	ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION	223,836,600
10	Federal revenues:	
11	Total federal revenues	3,124,600
12	Special revenue funds:	
13	Total local revenues	2,434,000
14	Total private revenues	1,716,100
15	Total other state restricted revenues	56,070,700
16	State general fund/general purpose \$	160,491,200
17	Sec. 102. SUPREME COURT	
18	Full-time equated exempted positions 283.0	
19	Supreme court administration118.0 FTE positions \$	13,973,900
20	Judicial institute18.0 FTE positions	2,809,700
21	State court administrative office80.0 FTE	
22	positions	8,675,600
23	Judicial information systems21.0 FTE positions .	4,182,900
24	Direct trial court automation support30.0 FTE	
25	positions	2,496,600
26	Foster care review board12.0 FTE positions	1,198,700
27	Community dispute resolution4.0 FTE positions $$.	2,372,300
28	GROSS APPROPRIATION	35,709,700
29	Appropriated from:	
30	Interdepartmental grant revenues:	
31	IDG from Michigan jobs commission	120,000

1	IDG from MDSP-criminal justice	
2	improvement	1,443,900
3	IDG from MDSP-Michigan justice training	
4	fund	305,500
5	Federal revenues:	
6	DAG, agriculture mediation grant	472,800
7	DOE, special education grant	130,500
8	DOT, national highway safety traffic	
9	administration	217,500
10	DOJ, victims assistance program	50,000
11	HHS, access and visitation grant \ldots	404,900
12	HHS, court improvement project	619,300
13	HHS, title IV-D child support program \dots	427,200
14	HHS, title IV-E foster care program	285,800
15	HHS-TANF	516,600
16	Special revenue funds:	
17	Local-user fees	2,434,000
18	Private revenues	429,500
19	Private-interest on lawyers trust accounts	715,800
20	Private-Michigan justice institute	500,800
21	Community dispute resolution fees	1,638,100
22	Law exam fees	477,200
23	Miscellaneous revenue	227,900
24	State court fund	319,000
25	State general fund/general purpose \$	23,973,400
26	Sec. 103. COURT OF APPEALS	
27	Full-time equated exempted positions 235.5	
28	Court of appeals operations223.5 FTE positions . \$	18,754,800
29	Delay reduction12.0 FTE positions	<u>950,000</u>
30	GROSS APPROPRIATION	19,704,800
31	Appropriated from:	
32	Special revenue funds:	

1	Court filing/motion fees	1,571,000
2	Miscellaneous revenue	77,800
3	State general fund/general purpose \$	18,056,000
4	Sec. 104. JUSTICES' AND JUDGES' COMPENSATION	
5	Full-time judges positions 611.0	
6	Supreme court justices' salaries7.0 judges \$	975,100
7	Court of appeals judges' salaries28.0 judges	3,588,400
8	District court judges' state base salaries259.0	
9	judges	18,463,700
10	District court judicial salary standardization	11,842,500
11	Probate court judges' state base salaries107.0	
12	judges	7,029,100
13	Probate court judicial salary standardization	4,332,800
14	Circuit court judges' state base salaries210.0	
15	judges	15,637,000
16	Circuit court judicial salary standardization	9,228,000
17	Judges' retirement system defined contributions .	1,800,000
18	OASI, social security	4,002,600
19	GROSS APPROPRIATION	76,899,200
20	Appropriated from:	
21	Special revenue funds:	
22	Court fee fund	6,065,600
23	State general fund/general purpose \$	70,833,600
24	Sec. 105. JUDICIAL AGENCIES	
25	Full-time equated exempted positions 10.0	
26	Judicial tenure commission10.0 FTE positions \$	953,700
27	GROSS APPROPRIATION	953,700
28	Appropriated from:	
29	State general fund/general purpose \$	953,700
30	Sec. 106. INDIGENT DEFENSE - CRIMINAL	
31	Full-time equated exempted positions 54.5	

Appellate assigned counsel administration8.0 FTE 4 positions	18,400 77,600 96,000 34,800 70,000 13,100 78,100
4 positions	96,000 34,800 70,000 13,100
5 GROSS APPROPRIATION	96,000 34,800 70,000 13,100
Appropriated from: Interdepartmental grant revenues: IDG from MDSP-Michigan justice training fund	34,800 70,000 13,100
7 Interdepartmental grant revenues: 8 IDG from MDSP-Michigan justice training 9 fund	70,000
8 IDG from MDSP-Michigan justice training 9 fund	70,000
9 fund	70,000
10 Special revenue funds: 11 Private-interest on lawyers trust accounts 12 Miscellaneous revenue	70,000
Private-interest on lawyers trust accounts	13,100
Miscellaneous revenue	13,100
State general fund/general purpose	
Sec. 107. INDIGENT CIVIL LEGAL ASSISTANCE 15 Indigent civil legal assistance	78,100
15 Indigent civil legal assistance	
16 GROSS APPROPRIATION	<u>37,000</u>
	37,000
17 Appropriated from:	
18 Special revenue funds:	
19 State court fund	37,000
20 State general fund/general purpose \$	0
21 Sec. 108. TRIAL COURT OPERATIONS	
22 Court equity fund reimbursements \$ 69,84	40,400
23 Hold harmless fund reimbursements	00,000
24 GROSS APPROPRIATION	40,400
25 Appropriated from:	
26 Special revenue funds:	
27 Court equity fund	44,000
28 State general fund/general purpose \$ 41,79	96,400
Sec. 109. GRANTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT	
30 Drunk driving caseflow program	00,000
31 Drug caseflow program	00,000

200,000

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16 511,900

Court equity fund reimbursements 69,840,400

Hold harmless fund reimbursement 19 8,000,000

JUSTICES' AND JUDGES' COMPENSATION 20

21 District court judicial salary

22 11,842,500

23 Probate court judges' state base salaries 7,029,100

24 Probate court judicial salary standardization . . 4,332,800

25 Circuit court judicial salary standardization . . 9,228,000

26 GRANTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT

27 Drunk driving caseflow program 2,000,000

200,000

29 112,984,700 Total

30 If it appears to the principal executive officer of a (2)

31 department or branch that state spending to local units of government

will be less than the amount that was projected to be expended under 32

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- 1 subsection (1), the principal executive officer shall immediately give
- 2 notice of the approximate shortfall to the state budget director.
- 3 Sec. 202. (1) The expenditures and funding sources authorized
- 4 under this bill are subject to the management and budget act, 1984 PA
- 5 431, MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594.
- 6 (2) Funds appropriated in part 1 to an entity within the judicial
- 7 branch shall not be expended or transferred to another account without
- 8 written approval of the authorized agent of the judicial entity. If
- 9 the authorized agent of the judicial entity notifies the state budget
- 10 director of its approval of an expenditure or transfer, the state
- 11 budget director shall immediately make the expenditure or transfer.
- 12 The authorized judicial entity agent shall be designated by the chief
- 13 justice of the supreme court.
- 14 Sec. 203. As used in this bill:
- 15 (a) "DAG" means the United States department of agriculture.
- 16 (b) "DOE" means the United States department of education.
- 17 (c) "DOJ" means the United State department of justice.
- 18 (d) "DOT" means the United States department of transportation.
- 19 (e) "FTE" means full-time equated position.
- 20 (f) "HHS" means the United States department of health and human
- 21 services.
- 22 (g) "IDG" means interdepartmental grant.

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- 1 (h) "MDSP" means the Michigan department of state police.
- 2 (i) "OASI" means old age survivor's insurance.
- 3 (j) "TANF" means temporary assistance for needy families.
- 4 Sec. 204. (1) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1,
- 5 there is appropriated an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 for federal
- 6 contingency funds.
- 7 (2) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
- 8 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 for state restricted
- 9 contingency funds.
- 10 (3) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
- 11 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for local contingency
- 12 funds.
- 13 (4) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
- 14 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for private
- 15 contingency funds.
- 16 (5) A transfer of contingency funds within the judicial branch
- 17 shall not be made by the authorized agent of the judicial entity unless
- 18 approved by both appropriations committees. If the state budget
- 19 director does not approve contingency fund transfers adopted by both
- 20 appropriations committees under this section, the state budget director
- 21 shall notify the appropriations committees of his or her action within
- 22 15 days.

23 **JUDICIAL BRANCH**

- 24 Sec. 301. (1) The direct trial court automation support program of
- 25 the state court administrative office shall recover direct and overhead
- 26 costs from trial courts by charging for services rendered. The fee
- 27 shall cover the actual costs incurred to the direct trial court
- 28 automation support program in providing the service. A report of
- 29 amounts collected in excess of funds identified as user service charges
- 30 in part 1 shall be submitted to the state budget director and

- 1 to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on judiciary and
- 2 general government, respectively, 30 days before expenditure by the
- 3 direct trial court automation support program.
- 4 (2) From funds appropriated in part 1, the direct trial court
- 5 automation support program of the state court administrative office
- 6 shall provide to the state budget director, the senate and house
- 7 appropriations committees, and the senate and house fiscal agencies
- 8 before January 1 of each year, a detailed list of user service charges
- 9 collected during the immediately preceding state fiscal year.
- 10 Sec. 302. Funds appropriated within the judicial branch shall not
- 11 be expended by any component within the judicial branch without the
- 12 approval of the supreme court.
- 13 Sec. 303. Of the amount appropriated in part 1 for the judicial
- 14 branch, \$325,000.00 is allocated for circuit court reimbursement under
- 15 section 3 of 1978 PA 16, MCL 800.453, and \$186,900.00 is allocated for
- 16 court of claims reimbursement under section 6413 of the revised
- 17 judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.6413.
- 18 Sec. 304. The judicial branch shall cooperate with the auditor
- 19 general regarding audits of the judicial branch conducted pursuant to
- 20 section 53 of article IV of the state constitution of 1963.
- 21 Sec. 305. To avoid the overexpenditure of funds appropriated under
- 22 this bill, the supreme court shall report quarterly to the state budget
- 23 director and to the judiciary subcommittee of the house and senate
- 24 appropriations committees regarding the status of the accounts set
- 25 forth in part 1.
- 26 Sec. 306. Funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used to pay
- 27 directly or by reimbursement the annual dues for membership in the
- 28 state bar of Michigan of a judge, justice, or other employee of the
- 29 judicial branch.
- 30 Sec. 307. (1) The chief financial officer of a funding unit for a

- 1 court, in cooperation with the local court, shall provide to the state
- 2 treasurer and state court administrative office by January 1, 2000
- 3 audited accounts of all money due and owing the court as of September
- 4 30, 1999. Where audited accounts are not available, the chief
- 5 financial officer of a funding unit for a court may provide estimates
- 6 as long as they are clearly marked as "estimated".
- 7 (2) The state treasurer shall report to the legislature a
- 8 compilation of the estimated accounts receivable of all courts and
- 9 cumulative totals by March 1, 2000. This report is a public record.
- 10 Sec. 308. If sufficient funds are not available from the court fee
- 11 fund to pay judges' compensation, the difference between the
- 12 appropriated amount from that fund for judges' compensation and the
- 13 actual amount available after the amount appropriated for trial court
- 14 reimbursement is made shall be appropriated from the state general fund
- 15 for judges' compensation.

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