

**Senate Finance Committee
Riders - Article IV**

Adopted

March 27, 2023

Legislative Budget Board



By: Zaffirini

ADOPTED AS AMENDED

**Office of Court Administration
Proposed Funding and Rider
Guardianship Associate Judges
Prepared by LBB Staff, 3/2/2023**

Overview

Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$351,788 in fiscal year 2024 and \$343,640 in fiscal year 2025 in the bill pattern of the Office of Court Administration with a new rider for the purpose of establishing a pilot program for a state-funded specialty guardianship courts throughout the state authorized by House Bill 79, Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 2021.

Required Action

- 1) On page VI-24 of the Office of Court Administration's bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, increase General Revenue appropriations in Strategy A.1.1, Court Administration, by \$351,788 in fiscal year 2024 and \$343,640 in fiscal year 2025.
- 2) On page IV-28 of the Office of Court Administration's bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, add the following new rider:

____. **Guardianship Associate Judges.** Amounts appropriated above to the Office of Court Administration from General Revenue in Strategy A.1.1, Court Administration, include \$351,788 in fiscal year 2024 and \$343,640 in fiscal year 2025 for establishing a pilot program for state-funded specialty guardianship court as authorized by House Bill 79, Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 2021.

The Office of Court Administration shall report the results of using state funds for this purpose to the Senate Finance Committee and House Appropriations Committee by September 1, 2025.

Adopted as Amended

**Judiciary Section, Comptroller's Department
Proposed Funding and Rider
Provide One-time Funding to Stand Up Additional Judicial Capacity
Contingency for House Bill 130**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 3/23/2023

Overview

Increase General Revenue and add a new rider in the bill pattern for the Judiciary Section, Comptroller's Department to provide an estimated \$840,000 each fiscal year in salaries for the judges of six newly established district courts in accordance with Government Code, Section 659.012 contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 130, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, or similar legislation, relating to the creation of additional judicial districts composed of Harris County. Appropriations for salaries are estimated due to variances in pay relating to tenure and are based on the level of funding for district court judges set in statute.

Required Action

1. On page IV-33 of the Judiciary Section, Comptroller's Department bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, in Strategy, District Judge Salaries, by \$840,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$840,000 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue.
2. On page IV-37 of the Judiciary Section, Comptroller's Department bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, add the following rider:

_____. **Contingency for House Bill 130.** Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, District Judge Salaries, include estimated appropriations totaling \$840,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$840,000 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue to provide judicial compensation in accordance with Government Code, Section 659.012, contingent on the enactment of House Bill 130, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, or similar legislation, relating to the creation of additional judicial districts composed of Harris County.

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Article XI

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By: Perry

Supreme Court of Texas
Proposed Rider
Contingency for SB 658 or HB 1763

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/27/2023

Overview

Include a contingency rider in the bill pattern for the Supreme Court of Texas for Senate Bill 658, House Bill 1763, or similar legislation relating to the collection of money from certain attorney accounts delivered to the Comptroller of Public Accounts and their appropriation to the Supreme Court of Texas for programs that provide basic civil legal services.

Required Action

1. On page IV-3 of the Supreme Court of Texas' bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, add the following rider:

_____. **Contingency for SB 658 or HB 1763.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 658, House Bill 1763, or similar legislation, relating to the disposition of money from certain attorney accounts delivered to the Comptroller of Public Accounts as unclaimed property by the Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, monies delivered to the Comptroller of Public Accounts under Property Code Section 74.604 and deposited to the credit of the Judicial Fund No. 573 are appropriated to the Supreme Court of Texas for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2025, for programs that provide basic civil legal services.

By: Perry

**Office of Court Administration (Texas Forensic Science
Commission)**

**Proposed Funding and Rider
Drug Testing and Identification Equipment**
Prepared by LBB Staff, 3/2/2023

Overview

Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 in the bill pattern of the Office of Court Administration with a new rider for the purpose of providing funding for grants to forensic crime labs for the purchase of equipment for drug testing and identification.

Required Action

- 1) On page VI-24 of the Office of Court Administration's bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, increase General Revenue appropriations in Strategy A.1.3, Texas Forensic Science Commission, by \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2025.
- 2) On page IV-28 of the Office of Court Administration's bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, add the following new rider:

____. **Texas Forensic Science Commission Crime Lab Grants.** Amounts appropriated above to the Office of Court Administration from General Revenue in Strategy A.1.3, Texas Forensic Science Commission, include \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue for grants to forensic crime labs for the purchase of equipment for drug testing and identification.

By Senator Hughes

**Supreme Court, Court of Criminal Appeals, Courts of Appeals,
and other Judicial Offices, Article IV
Judicial Base Pay Increase**

Overview

SB 802 increases pay for current and new judges. This rider will fund that increase if SB 802 passes.

Required Action

At the appropriate place in Article IV, insert the following rider:

Contingency for SB 802. Contingent on the enactment of SB 802 or similar legislation related to the annual base salary of a district judge, the following changes are made in the following bill patterns in Article IV, The Judiciary:

- (a) In the Supreme Court of Texas: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$151,351 in fiscal year 2024 and \$319,349 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$42,689 in fiscal year 2024 and \$90,073 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (b) In the Court of Criminal Appeals: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$151,351 in fiscal year 2024 and \$319,349 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$42,689 in fiscal year 2024 and \$90,073 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (c) In the First Court of Appeals District, Houston: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$125,525 in fiscal year 2024 and \$264,858 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$35,405 in fiscal year 2024 and \$74,704 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (d) In the Second Court of Appeals District, Fort Worth: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$104,642 in fiscal year 2024 and \$220,794 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$29,514 in fiscal year 2024 and \$62,275 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (e) In the Third Court of Appeals District, Austin: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$88,786 in fiscal year 2024 and \$187,338 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$25,042 in fiscal year 2024 and \$52,839 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (f) In the Fourth Court of Appeals District, San Antonio: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$109,927 in fiscal year 2024 and \$231,945 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$31,005 in fiscal year 2024 and \$65,421 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (g) In the Fifth Court of Appeals District, Dallas: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$195,813 in fiscal year 2024 and \$413,166 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$55,229 in fiscal year 2024 and \$116,534 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.

- (h) In the Sixth Court of Appeals District, Texarkana: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$41,197 in fiscal year 2024 and \$86,925 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$11,620 in fiscal year 2024 and \$24,517 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (i) In the Seventh Court of Appeals District, Amarillo: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$58,395 in fiscal year 2024 and \$123,213 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$16,471 in fiscal year 2024 and \$34,753 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (j) In the Eighth Court of Appeals District, El Paso: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$43,861 in fiscal year 2024 and \$92,546 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$12,371 in fiscal year 2024 and \$26,103 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (k) In the Ninth Court of Appeals District, Beaumont: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$58,138 in fiscal year 2024 and \$122,671 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$16,398 in fiscal year 2024 and \$34,599 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (l) In the Tenth Court of Appeals District, Waco: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$47,825 in fiscal year 2024 and \$100,910 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$13,489 in fiscal year 2024 and \$28,462 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (m) In the Eleventh Court of Appeals District, Eastland: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$45,182 in fiscal year 2024 and \$95,334 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$12,744 in fiscal year 2024 and \$26,889 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (n) In the Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$47,825 in fiscal year 2024 and \$100,910 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$13,489 in fiscal year 2024 and \$28,462 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (o) In the Thirteenth Court of Appeals District, Corpus Christi-Edinburg: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$88,786 in fiscal year 2024 and \$187,337 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$25,042 in fiscal year 2024 and \$52,839 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (p) In the Fourteenth Court of Appeals District, Houston: In Strategy A.1.2., Appellate Justice Salaries, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$135,032 in fiscal year 2024 and \$284,918 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$38,086 in fiscal year 2024 and \$80,362 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
- (q) In the Office of the State Prosecuting Attorney: In Strategy A.1.2., State Prosecutor Salary, increase appropriations by an estimated and nontransferable amount of \$16,940 in fiscal year 2024 and \$35,743 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue.
- (r) In the Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council:
 - a. Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$202,633 in fiscal year 2024 and \$427,556 in fiscal year 2025 and increase Interagency Contracts appropriations by \$393,347 in fiscal year 2024 and \$829,962 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy B.1.1., Child Support Courts Program.

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- b. Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$415,800 in fiscal year 2024 and \$877,338 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy B.1.2., Child Protection Courts Program.
- (s) In the Judiciary Section, Comptroller's Department:
 - a. Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$5,049,999 in fiscal year 2024 and \$10,655,498 in fiscal year 2025 and increase Judicial Fund No. 573 appropriations by \$3,509,320 in fiscal year 2024 and \$7,404,668 in fiscal year in Strategy A.1.1., District Judges.
 - b. Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$394,904 in fiscal year 2024 and \$825,519 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy A.1.2., Visiting Judges – Regions.
 - c. Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$22,458 in fiscal year 2024 and \$55,115 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy A.1.3., Visiting Judges – Appellate.
 - d. Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$15,400 in fiscal year 2024 and \$30,940 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy A.1.7., MDL Salary and Benefits.
 - e. Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$41,432 in fiscal year 2024 and \$87,421 in fiscal year 2025 and increase Judicial Fund No. 573 by \$28,792 in fiscal year 2024 and \$60,751 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy B.1.1., District Attorneys: Salaries.
 - f. Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$1,584,598 in fiscal year 2024 and \$3,343,502 in fiscal year 2025 and increase Judicial Fund No. 573 by \$1,101,162 in fiscal year 2024 and \$2,323,451 in Strategy B.1.2., Professional Prosecutors.
 - g. Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$36,344 in fiscal year 2024 and \$76,686 in fiscal year 2025 and increase Judicial Fund No. 573 by \$25,256 in fiscal year 2024 and \$53,290 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy B.1.3., Felony Prosecutors: Salaries.
 - h. In Strategy C.1.1, Constitutional County Judge Supplement, increase appropriations by \$148,995 in fiscal year 2024 and \$314,380 in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and \$446,985 in fiscal year 2024 and \$943,139 in fiscal year 2025 in Judicial Fund No. 573.
 - i. Increase Judicial Fund No. 573 appropriations by \$2,263,800 in fiscal year 2024 and \$4,776,520 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy C.1.2., Statutory County Judge 573 Supplement.
 - j. Increase Judicial Fund No. 573 appropriations by \$175,560 in fiscal year 2024 and \$370,424 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy C.1.3., Statutory Probate Judge Supplement.
 - k. Increase Judicial Fund No. 573 appropriations by \$15,400 in fiscal year 2024 and \$32,494 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy C.1.4., 1st Multicounty Court at Law.
 - l. Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$666,081 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,405,507 in fiscal year 2025 in Strategy D.1.2., County Attorney Supplement.
- (t) In the appropriations for Retirement and Group Insurance in Article IV, The Judiciary:
 - a. In Strategy A.1.1., Retirement Contributions, add estimated appropriations of \$xxxxx in fiscal year 2024 and \$xxxx in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenues and \$xxxx in each fiscal year in Federal Funds
 - b. In Strategy A.1.3., Judicial Retirement System – Plan 2, add estimated appropriations of \$xxxx in fiscal year 2024 and \$xxxx in fiscal year 2025 in General revenue.

By Hinojosa

Office of Court Administration, Article IV
Contingency Rider
Emergency Detention Proceedings by Judges or Magistrates

Overview

The following action adds a new rider that directs \$2.0 million general revenue for the 2024-2025 biennium to be appropriated for the costs for judges or magistrates, contingent upon the passage of Senate Bill 1433, 88th Legislature, Regular Session.

Required Action

On page IV-____ of Office of Court Administration bill pattern, add the following new rider:

____. **Contingency Appropriation: Emergency Detention Proceedings by Judges or Magistrates.** Contingent upon passage of SB 1433 or similar legislation by the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, to allow the application for emergency detention proceedings under the Texas Health and Safety Code §573.012(h) to be submitted electronically, an amount not to exceed \$2.0 million for the 2024-2025 biennium from the General Revenue Fund shall be appropriated to the Office of Court Administration. These funds shall be used for the direct costs of judges or magistrates who preside over emergency detention hearings conducted upon the electronic submission of an application.

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Not Adopted

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By: Hinojosa

Office of Court Administration, Article IV
Proposed Funding and Rider
Costs for Court Text Reminder Program

Overview

Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 in the bill pattern of the Office of Court Administration with a new rider for the purpose of providing and maintaining funding for the court text reminder program established by House Bill 4293, Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 2021.

Required Action

- 1) On page VI-23 of the Office of Court Administration's bill pattern in House Bill 1, increase General Revenue appropriations in Strategy A.1.2, Information Technology, by \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024.
- 2) On page IV-28 of the Office of Court Administration's bill pattern in House Bill 1, add the following new rider:

Costs for Court Text Reminder Program. Amounts appropriated above to the Office of Court Administration from General Revenue in Strategy A.1.2, Information Technology, include \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 for developing and maintaining the court text reminder program established by House Bill 4293, Eighty-Seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 2021.



By: Zaffirini

Office of Court Administration
Proposed Funding and Rider
Guardianship Associate Judges
Prepared by LBB Staff, 3/2/2023

Overview

Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$3,898,866 in fiscal year 2024 and \$3,809,241 in fiscal year 2025 in the bill pattern of the Office of Court Administration with a new rider for the purpose of providing state funds for the establishment of specialty guardianship courts throughout the state authorized by House Bill 79, Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 2021.

Required Action

- 1) On page VI-24 of the Office of Court Administration's bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, increase General Revenue appropriations in Strategy A.1.1, Court Administration, by \$3,898,866 in fiscal year 2024 and \$3,809,241 in fiscal year 2025.
- 2) On page IV-28 of the Office of Court Administration's bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, add the following new rider:

Guardianship Associate Judges. Amounts appropriated above to the Office of Court Administration from General Revenue in Strategy A.1.1, Court Administration, include \$3,898,866 in fiscal year 2024 and \$3,809,241 in fiscal year 2025 for establishing 11 specialty guardianship courts throughout the state authorized by House Bill 79, Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 2021.



By: Zaffirini

Office of Court Administration
Proposed Funding and Rider
Costs for Court Text Reminder Program
Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/27/2023

Overview

Increase General Revenue appropriations by \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 in the bill pattern of the Office of Court Administration with a new rider for the purpose of providing and maintaining funding for the court text reminder program established by House Bill 4293, Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 2021.

Required Action

- 1) On page VI-24 of the Office of Court Administration's bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, increase General Revenue appropriations in Strategy A.1.2, Information Technology, by \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024.
- 2) On page IV-28 of the Office of Court Administration's bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, add the following new rider:

____. **Costs for Court Text Reminder Program.** Amounts appropriated above to the Office of Court Administration from General Revenue in Strategy A.1.2, Information Technology, include \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 for developing and maintaining the court text reminder program established by House Bill 4293, Eighty-Seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 2021.