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Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd.:

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Subject: Code of Governmental Ethics are applicable to judges

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Provides that certain provisions of the Code of Governmental Ethics are applicable to judges. (gov sig)

<u>Proposed law</u> adds certain provisions of the Code of Governmental Ethics are applicable to judges relative to ethical standards for public servants, financial disclosure requirements and mandatory ethics education of appointed and elected judges and for related matters.

EXPENDITURES	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW					
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Agy. Self-Gen. Ded./Other	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

<u>Proposed law</u> may result in a negligible increase in SGF expenditures for the Department of Civil Service - Ethics Administration. To the extent judges fail to file or fail file in a timely manner Tier 2 reports, Ethics Administration may realize an increase in SGF expenditures.

Ethics Administration reports that there should be no material impact with the increase in those required to receive ethics educational training. Appointed and elected judges will be able to take the training online or attend a live seminar. The number of certified letters that will be required informing persons of noncompliance with the mandated training requirements is not known. If the number of certified letters is substantial, additional funding for postage and paper will be required.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

<u>Proposed law</u> may result in an indeterminable increase in revenue to Ethics Administration if a judge violates any provision of <u>present law</u>. It is unknown the number of judges that may fail to complete one hour of ethics education training, file or file late, and ultimately be required to pay penalties. The Board of Ethics may impose fines for violating the provisions of <u>present law</u>; however, the board cannot predict the amount of additional fines that may be imposed pursuant to <u>proposed law</u>. Penalties and fines imposed for the violation of these provisions are considered income not available and accrue to the State General Fund.

<u>Senate</u> 13.5.1 >=	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u> \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}	House 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}	Evan	Brasseaux
13.5.2 >=	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}	6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase	Evan Brassea Staff Director	