

Regular Session, 2002

HOUSE BILL NO. 200

BY REPRESENTATIVES LEBLANC AND DEWITT

APPROPRIATIONS: Appropriates funds for the expenses of the judiciary

1 AN ACT

2 To appropriate funds to defray the expenses of the Louisiana Judiciary, including the
3 Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, District Courts, Criminal District Court of Orleans
4 Parish, and other courts; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1.A. The sum of Ninety-Five Million One Hundred Sixty-Four Thousand
7 Three Hundred Thirty-Three and No/100 (\$95,164,333) Dollars, or so much thereof as may
8 be necessary, is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of the judiciary, including the
9 Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, the District Courts, the Criminal District Court of Orleans
10 Parish, and other courts.

11 B. The total amount herein appropriated is hereby allocated to provide as follows:

12 **03-8170 SUPREME COURT**

13 **Program Description:** *The Supreme Court has general supervisory jurisdiction*
14 *over all lower courts. It may establish procedural and administrative rules not in*
15 *conflict with law and may assign a sitting or retired judge to any court. The*
16 *Supreme Court has sole authority to provide by rule for appointments of attorneys*
17 *as temporary or ad hoc judges. It considers applications for writs to review*
18 *individual cases, and in addition, has criminal and other appellate jurisdiction. The*
19 *Supreme Court has exclusive original jurisdiction of disciplinary proceedings*
20 *against lawyers, recommendations of the Judiciary Commission for the discipline*
21 *of judges, and fact questions affecting its own appellate jurisdiction. It has inherent*
22 *authority to regulate the legal profession and to promulgate and update the Code*
23 *of Judicial Conduct. The court also provides judicial training through the Judicial*
24 *College and works to improve the administration of justice.*

25 **Mission Statement:** *The mission of the Supreme Court of Louisiana is to protect*
26 *and promote the rule of law, to ensure public trust, to use public resources*
27 *efficiently, to ensure the highest professional conduct, integrity, and competence of*
28 *both the bench and the bar, and to ensure the proper administration and*
29 *performance of all courts under its authority.*

30 **Goal:** To protect the rule of law.

31 **Objective:** To provide a reasonable opportunity for litigants to seek review in the
32 Supreme Court of decisions made by lower tribunals.

1	General Performance Information:			
2		1999	2000	2001
3	Total Filings	3,652	3,565	3,457
4	Total Appeals Filed	43	41	30
5	Total Writs Filed	3,455	3,378	3,230
6	Total Dispositions Rendered	3,290	3,027	3,310

7 **Goal:** To promote the rule of law.

8 **Objective:** To resolve cases in a timely manner.

9	General Performance Information:			
10		1999	2000	2001
11	Percentage of noncriminal case			
12	applications acted on within Supreme			
13	Court standard of 120 days of filing	95.30%	96.07%	93.18%
14	Percentage of criminal case applications			
15	acted on within Supreme Court			
16	standard of 120 days of filing	61.00%	29.40%	19.33%
17	Percentage of pro se post conviction			
18	applications acted on within Supreme			
19	Court standard of 120 days of filing	28.00%	15.72%	15.23%
20	Percentage of bar disciplinary filings			
21	acted upon within Supreme Court			
22	standard of 120 days of filing	94.60%	86.15%	94.20%
23	Percentage of opinions rendered within			
24	Supreme Court standard of 84 days			
25	from argument	63.80%	80.00%	77.78%

26 **Goal:** To ensure the public trust.

27 **Objective:** To facilitate public access to Supreme Court decisions.

28	General Performance Information:			
29		1999	2000	2001
30	Percentage of written opinions available			
31	to the public within 5 days of decision	100%	100%	100%

32 **Objective:** To inform the public of operations and activities.

33	General Performance Information:			
34		1999	2000	2001
35	Number of outreach programs	17	11	11
36	Number of media releases on court decisions	110	94	100
37	Number of media releases on other matters	38	16	18
38	Number of recipients of releases on			
39	court decisions	1,105	4,418	6,500
40	Number of recipients of releases on other			
41	matters	1,090	3,697	3,825

42 **Objective:** To ensure the highest professional conduct, integrity, and competence of
43 the bench.

44	General Performance Information:			
45		1999	2000	2001
46	Average number of hours acquired			
47	through continuing legal education			
48	per judge	27.39	25.90	
49	Number of complaints filed against			
50	judges and justices of the peace	427	479	479
51	Number of complaints against judges			
52	and justices of the peace resolved or			
53	disposed of in calendar year	412	490	490

54 **Objective:** To ensure the highest professional conduct, integrity, and competence of
55 the bar.

56	General Performance Information:			
57		1999	2000	2001
58	Average number of hours acquired through			
59	continuing legal education per lawyer	19.5	19.93	
60	Number of complaints filed against lawyers	2,873	3,008	2,631
61	Number of complaints filed against lawyers			
62	resolved or disposed of in calendar year	1,608	1,637	1,586

1 Payable out of the State General Fund:

2 01 Salaries of Chief Justice and six (6)
3 Associate Justices of the Supreme Court,
4 R.S. 13:102 \$ 722,822

5 02 Salaries and other expenses of the
6 Supreme Court Proper and salary of
7 the Crier of the Supreme Court \$ 6,515,032

8 03 Expenses of Judicial Administrator's
9 Office of the Judiciary Commission
10 provided for in Article V, Section
11 25 of the Constitution of Louisiana and
12 under the provisions of R.S. 13:32 et seq.

13 A. Expenses of Judicial Administrator's
14 Office \$ 2,513,257

15 **Program Description:** *The Judicial Administrator's Office assists the Supreme*
16 *Court in the administration of the state court system. It staffs the Judicial Council*
17 *and the Judiciary Commission. Through the Judicial Council, it performs studies*
18 *and makes recommendations for the creation of new judgeships and for improving*
19 *the administration of justice. The Office provides payroll and other fiscal services*
20 *to the Judiciary, including the administration of a judicial retirement system, and*
21 *supports the Supreme Court and Appellate Court human resource system. The*
22 *Judicial Administrator's Office provides technological services to courts and*
23 *manages the Trial Court Case Management Information System. It also manages*
24 *the ad hoc judgeship system, and monitors cases under advisement. The Office*
25 *provides outreach services to state and local courts, staffs the Committee on Judicial*
26 *Ethics, and performs numerous legal services for the Supreme Court and the*
27 *Judiciary.*

28 B. Expenses of Judiciary Commission \$ 746,303

29 **Program Description:** *The Judiciary Commission of Louisiana is a constitutional*
30 *body established under Article V, Section 25 of the Constitution of 1974 to accept,*
31 *screen, investigate, and prosecute complaints of judicial misconduct. As part of its*
32 *authority, it may recommend to the Supreme Court the censure, suspension, removal*
33 *from office, or involuntary retirement of any judge for ethical misconduct.*

34 C. Court Reporters as required by
35 R.S. 13:981 \$ 250,788

36 D. Dues to National Center for
37 State Courts \$ 126,236

38 04 Expenses of Committee on Professional
39 Ethics and Grievances including
40 disbarment proceedings, R.S. 37:211 et seq. \$ 3,000

41 05 Compensation and expenses of retired
42 judges assigned under Article V,
43 Section 5(A) of the Constitution of
44 Louisiana, be it more or less estimated at \$ 1,235,468

45 06 Law Library of Louisiana for salaries,
46 services, supplies, maintenance, repairs,
47 and equipment \$ 1,399,122

49 **Program Description:** *The Law Library of Louisiana was created by an Act of the*
50 *Legislature in 1855 to serve the legal information needs of the public, the state*
51 *judiciary, and the practicing bar.*

1	07	Salaries and expenses of transferred	
2		judges assigned under Article V,	
3		Section 5(A) of the Constitution,	
4		be it more or less estimated at	\$ 120,000
5			
6	08	Retirement pay for services rendered by	
7		justices and judges of all courts, as	
8		provided by R.S. 11:1358 and	
9		R.S. 13:103	\$ 2,308,997
10	09	Pensions for widows of justices and	
11		judges of all courts, as provided by	
12		R.S. 11:1371 and R.S. 11:1381, be it	
13		more or less estimated at	\$ 1,290,847
14	10	Judicial College	\$ 140,495
15	Program Description: <i>The Judicial College was established by order of the</i>		
16	<i>Supreme Court in 1976 to provide continuing legal education to Louisiana judges.</i>		
17	11	State contribution to judicial	
18		retirement provided for in Article V,	
19		Section 23 of the Constitution and	
20		R.S. 11:551 et seq., be it more or	
21		less estimated at	\$ 4,037,494
22	12	Civil commitment matters as	
23		required by R.S. 28:54	\$ 143,424
24	13	Funding for statewide operations	
25		of the Louisiana Protective Order	
26		Registry (R.S. 46:2136.2) under the	
27		Case Management Information System	\$ 646,512
28	14	Expenses associated with the operation of the	
29		Families in Need of Services Program (FINS)	\$ 1,756,685
30	Program Description: <i>The mission of the FINS Assistance Program is to assist</i>		
31	<i>local FINS processes by developing and implementing a needs-based allocation</i>		
32	<i>formula; developing, implementing, and mandating the use of a uniform data system</i>		
33	<i>for tracking, managing, and reporting FINS informal cases; developing and</i>		
34	<i>mandating the use of programmatic standards; developing, implementing, and</i>		
35	<i>reporting performance indicators and measures; requiring and monitoring periodic</i>		
36	<i>fiscal reports and financial accountability; and generally supervising and assisting</i>		
37	<i>local FINS processes in other ways.</i>		
38	15	Expenses associated with the operation of the	
39		Truancy Assessment and Service Centers (TASC)	<u>\$ 2,853,800</u>
40	Program Description: <i>Truancy Assessment and Service Centers (TASC) were</i>		
41	<i>established in 1999 as pilot programs through the amendment of Title VII of the</i>		
42	<i>Children's Code, with the addition of Chapter 15. The original TASC initiative was</i>		
43	<i>designed to identify, assess, and intervene to assure that children in kindergarten</i>		
44	<i>through sixth grades attend school regularly. Subsequent legislation has signifi-</i>		
45	<i>cantly expanded the original initiative and provided state funding intended for TASC</i>		
46	<i>projects in planning new centers, implementing previously planned centers and</i>		
47	<i>continuing operations of existing centers.</i>		
48	TOTAL - GENERAL FUND		<u><u>\$ 26,810,282</u></u>

1 16 Administrative expenses of the office
2 of the Clerk of the Louisiana Supreme
3 Court attributable to the selection
4 process of attorney chairman of the
5 Medical Review Panel as provided
6 for in R.S. 40:1299.47 to be paid out
7 of the Patient's Compensation Fund \$ 10,000

8 17 Payable out of the State General Fund
9 from Statutory Dedications, Judges'
10 Supplemental Compensation Fund,
11 R.S. 13:10.3, be it more or less
12 estimated at \$ 4,000,000

13 **Program Description:** *The Judges' Supplemental Compensation Fund was*
14 *established by the Legislature in 1985 to fund salary supplements and salary-related*
15 *expenses to judges and commissioners. The funding source is a non-refundable*
16 *filing fee assessed on civil filings as provided in R.S. 13:10.3.*

17 18 Payable out of the State General Fund
18 from Statutory Dedications, Trial Court
19 Case Management Information Fund, for
20 the Case Management Information System,
21 Article 887(F) of the Code of Criminal
22 Procedure, be it more or less estimated at \$ 1,731,949

23 **Program Description:** *The Case Management Information System (CMIS) was*
24 *created by the Supreme Court in 1993 to provide a statewide information system for*
25 *tracking and managing criminal, civil, juvenile, traffic, and appellate cases as well*
26 *as protective orders. Data is received from courts statewide, transferred to the*
27 *CMIS repository, and made available to courts and executive branch agencies.*
28 *Additional information will also be available from the Department of Public Safety*
29 *& Corrections. CMIS is funded from a court cost assessed on all criminal and*
30 *traffic convictions as provided under C.Cr.P. 887(F).*

31 TOTAL SUPREME COURT \$ 32,552,231

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33 **03-8171 COURTS OF APPEAL**

34 **Program Description:** *The five courts of appeal, domiciled in Baton Rouge,*
35 *Shreveport, Lake Charles, New Orleans, and Gretna, have supervisory jurisdiction*
36 *over all cases arising within their respective circuits, subject to the general*
37 *supervisory jurisdiction of the Supreme Court. Each court of appeal also has*
38 *appellate jurisdiction over all civil matters, all matters appealed from family and*
39 *juvenile courts, and all criminal cases triable by a jury which arise within its circuit,*
40 *except for those cases appealable directly to the Supreme Court or to the district*
41 *courts.*

42 **Mission Statement:** *The mission of the appellate courts of Louisiana is to provide*
43 *meaningful access to all who seek review under the Courts' appellate and*
44 *supervisory jurisdiction granted by the Louisiana Constitution while protecting and*
45 *promoting the rule of law, preserving the public trust, and using public resources*
46 *efficiently.*

47 **Goal:** To protect the rule of law.

48 **Objective:** To provide a reasonable opportunity for multi-judge review of decisions
49 made by lower tribunals.

50 **General Performance Information:**

51		1999	2000	2001
52	Total appeals filed	4,213	4,556	3,733
53	Total writs filed	6,900	6,089	5,926
54	Total dispositions rendered	9,565	9,135	9,246

1 **Goal:** To promote the rule of law.

2 **Objective:** To resolve cases expeditiously.

3 **General Performance Information:**

4 *Average number of days from lodging of the appeal to argument: Time Standard =*
5 *no more than 175 days Year 1997 Compared to 2001*

6		1997	2001
7	<i>Criminal cases</i>	247	211
8	<i>Civil cases</i>	200	238
9	<i>Total</i>	213	229

10 *Average number of days from argument to rendering of the opinion: Time Standard*
11 *= no more than 70 days*

12	<i>Criminal cases</i>	41	44
13	<i>Civil cases</i>	57	63
14	<i>Total</i>	52	56

15 **Goal:** To preserve public trust.

16 **Objective:** To facilitate public access to the decisions of the courts of appeal.

17 **General Performance Information:**

18		1999	2000	2001
19	<i>Percentage of written opinions available</i>			
20	<i>to the public within 5 days of decision</i>	100%	100%	100%

21 Payable out of the State General Fund:

22	01	Salaries of fifty-three (53) Judges of	
23		the Courts of Appeal, R.S. 13:311	\$ 5,142,119
24	02	Salaries and expenses of operation and	
25		maintenance of the Court of Appeal,	
26		First Circuit	\$ 7,064,064
27	03	Salaries and expenses of operation and	
28		maintenance of the Court of Appeal,	
29		Second Circuit	\$ 3,692,639
30	04	Salaries and expenses of operation and	
31		maintenance of the Court of Appeal,	
32		Third Circuit	\$ 5,478,572
33	05	Salaries and expenses of operation and	
34		maintenance of the Court of Appeal,	
35		Fourth Circuit	\$ 5,520,570
36	06	Salaries and expenses of operation and	
37		maintenance of the Court of Appeal,	
38		Fifth Circuit	\$ <u>3,831,532</u>
39	TOTAL COURTS OF APPEAL		\$ <u>30,729,496</u>

40 **03-8172 DISTRICT COURTS**

41 **Program Description:** *There are forty district courts in Louisiana that have*
42 *general jurisdiction over all matters within their territorial limits, except in those*
43 *judicial districts (the 1st, the 19th, and the 24th Judicial Districts) where family and*
44 *juvenile courts have exclusive jurisdiction over certain types of cases and except in*
45 *Orleans Parish where there are separate courts exercising civil, criminal, and*
46 *juvenile jurisdictions, respectively. In certain cases, the forty general jurisdiction*
47 *courts have concurrent jurisdiction with justices of the peace and parish courts. The*
48 *district courts generally have appellate jurisdiction of criminal cases tried by city,*
49 *parish, municipal, traffic, and mayors' courts, except in certain cases. The district*

courts also have appellate jurisdiction over justices of the peace in parishes where no parish courts exist. The Civil District Court of Orleans Parish has jurisdiction of all civil cases in that parish. The Criminal Court of Orleans Parish has jurisdiction over all criminal cases in the parish. It also has general supervisory jurisdiction over the municipal and traffic courts in Orleans Parish. The Family Court of East Baton Rouge Parish has exclusive jurisdiction of many domestic cases in the parish. The four juvenile courts located in Caddo, East Baton Rouge, Jefferson, and Orleans parishes have exclusive jurisdiction of juvenile cases in their respective parishes.

Mission Statement: *The mission of the trial courts of Louisiana is to provide access to justice, to meet all responsibilities in a timely and expeditious manner, to provide equality, fairness, and integrity in their proceedings, to maintain judicial independence and accountability, and to reach a fair and just result by adherence to the procedural and substantive law, thereby instilling trust and confidence in the public.*

Goal: To establish a more open and accessible system of justice.

Objective: To encourage responsible parties to make court facilities safe, accessible, and convenient.

General Performance Information:

2001

Percentage of surveyed district court chief judges indicating that their courts needed significant improvements in security **61.4%**

Objective: To give all who appear before the court reasonable opportunities to participate effectively without undue hardship or inconvenience.

General Performance Information:

2001

Percentage of surveyed district court chief judges indicating actions to improve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) **86.4%**

Objective: To ensure that all judges and other trial court personnel are courteous and responsive to the public and accord respect to all with whom they come into contact.

General Performance Information:

2001

Percentage of surveyed district court chief judges indicating that their courts had taken steps within the last two years to ensure the courtesy and responsiveness of their court personnel **95.5%**

Objective: To encourage all responsible public bodies and public officers to make the costs of access to the trial court's proceedings and records -- whether measured in terms of money, time, or the procedures that must be followed -- reasonable, fair, and affordable.

General Performance Information:

1998

Percentage of surveyed court users indicating going to court costs too much **83%**

Goal: To meet all responsibilities to everyone affected by the court and its activities in a timely and expeditious manner.

Objective: To encourage timely case management and processing.

General Performance Information:

2000 2001

Number of parishes reporting criminal disposition data to CMIS **50 61**

Percentage of parishes reporting criminal disposition data to CMIS **78.1% 95.3%**

Percentage of surveyed district court chief judges indicating that their courts had taken steps within the last two years to reduce delays and improve the timeliness of case processing **93.2%**

1	Objective: To enhance jury service.	
2	General Performance Information:	
3		2001
4	<i>Percentage of surveyed district court chief judges indicating</i>	
5	<i>that their court had taken steps within the last two years</i>	
6	<i>to make jury service more convenient or effective</i>	70.5%
7	Goal: To provide due process and equal protection of the law to all who have	
8	business before the court; and to demonstrate integrity in all procedures and decisions.	
9	Objective: To ensure that the jury venire is representative of jurisdiction from which	
10	it is drawn.	
11	General Performance Information:	
12		2001
13	<i>Percentage of surveyed district court chief judges indicating</i>	
14	<i>the use of sources other than just voter registration rolls</i>	
15	<i>to select the jury pool</i>	52.3%
16	Goal: To maintain constitutional independence, while observing the principle of	
17	cooperation with other branches of government.	
18	Objective: To maintain the courts' constitutional independence while observing the	
19	principle of cooperation with other branches of government.	
20	General Performance Information:	
21		1999
22	<i>Percentage of surveyed district court judges believing</i>	
23	<i>improved coordination/communication with the other</i>	
24	<i>branches of government is an issue the judiciary</i>	
25	<i>should address within the next five years</i>	68.0%
26	Objective: To seek, use and account for public resources in a responsible manner.	
27	General Performance Information:	
28		1999
29	<i>Number of district court judges lacking full-time law clerks</i>	54
30	<i>Percentage of those judges lacking full-time law clerks</i>	24.8%
31	Objective: To inform the community of the court's structure and function.	
32	General Performance Information:	
33		2001
34	<i>Percentage of surveyed district court chief judges indicating that</i>	
35	<i>their courts regularly provide public education and public</i>	
36	<i>outreach services</i>	63.6%
37	Objective: To recognize new conditions or emerging events and to adjust court	
38	operations as necessary.	
39	General Performance Information:	
40		1999
41	<i>Percentage of surveyed district court judges indicating better court</i>	
42	<i>technology is an issue the judiciary should address within</i>	
43	<i>the next five years</i>	91.4%
44	<i>Percentage of surveyed district court judges indicating computer</i>	
45	<i>literacy training for judges is an issue the judiciary should</i>	
46	<i>address within the next five years</i>	87.7%
47	<i>Percentage of surveyed district court judges indicating uniform</i>	
48	<i>trial court rules is an issue the judiciary should address</i>	
49	<i>within the next five years</i>	58.8%
50	<i>Percentage of surveyed district court judges indicating expansion of</i>	
51	<i>alternative sanctions and treatment services for juvenile courts</i>	
52	<i>is an issue the judiciary should address in the next five years</i>	76.0%
53	Payable out of the State General Fund:	
54	01 Salaries of one hundred eighty-five	
55	(185) District Judges as provided	
56	by R.S. 13:691	\$ 16,625,706
57	02 Office and travel expenses of District	
58	Judges as provided by R.S. 13:694	\$ 1,239,400

1	03	Salaries of fourteen (14) Judges of	
2		Civil District Court, Orleans Parish,	
3		as provided by R.S. 13:691	\$ 1,268,446
4	04	Expenses of Judges of Civil District	
5		Court, Parish of Orleans, for salaries	
6		of stenographers, clerks, law books,	
7		stationery, telephone, and like expenses	
8		as provided by R.S. 13:694	\$ 70,000
9	05	Salaries of two (2) Court Reporters	
10		of the Twentieth Judicial District Court,	
11		including retirement contributions, as	
12		provided by R.S. 13:966.1	\$ 83,699
13	06	Clerk of Civil District Court, Orleans	
14		Parish, as provided by R.S. 13:1212(A)	\$ 10,000
15	07	State share of Group, Workers'	
16		Compensation, General Liability,	
17		and Property Insurance Premiums	
18		as provided by R.S. 42:851	\$ 3,481,340
19	08	Salaries of two (2) commissioners of	
20		the Nineteenth Judicial District and	
21		one (1) commissioner of the Fifteenth	
22		Judicial District as provided by	
23		R.S. 13:712 and R.S. 13:715,	
24		respectively	\$ 296,319
25	09	Office expenses for the Judicial	
26		Expense Fund of the Nineteenth Judicial	
27		District Court as provided by	
28		R.S. 13:711-713	\$ 304,868
29	10	Office expenses for the Judicial	
30		Expense Fund of the Fifteenth	
31		Judicial District Court as provided	
32		by R.S. 13:714-716	\$ 197,715
33	11	Law Clerk, Twentieth Judicial District	
34		Court as provided by Act 747 of 1977	\$ 25,800
35		SUBTOTAL	<u>\$ 23,603,293</u>
36	12	Criminal Court - Parish of Orleans	
37		Program Description: <i>The Criminal District Court for the Parish of Orleans has</i>	
38		<i>exclusive jurisdiction of the trial and punishment of all crimes, misdemeanors, and</i>	
39		<i>offenses committed within the parish of Orleans, if the jurisdiction is not vested by</i>	
40		<i>law in some other court. The court, through its magistrate and with assistance from</i>	
41		<i>its commissioners, has the power of committing magistrates in all felony charges</i>	
42		<i>and the power to hold preliminary examinations, with authority to bail or discharge,</i>	
43		<i>or to hold for trial, in all cases before the court. The court has appellate jurisdiction</i>	
44		<i>of all cases tried before the Municipal Court of New Orleans and the Traffic Court</i>	
45		<i>of New Orleans and has general supervisory jurisdiction over these courts.</i>	
46	A.	Salaries of thirteen (13) District Judges of	
47		Criminal Court, Orleans Parish as provided	
48		by R.S. 13:691	\$ 1,177,843

1	B.	Office expenses of Judges of Criminal Court,	
2		Orleans Parish and the state's share of group	
3		insurance for the personnel of Criminal Court as	
4		provided by R.S. 13:694 and R.S. 42:851, respectively	\$ 354,055
5	C.	Salaries of thirteen (13) minute clerks as provided	
6		by R.S. 13:1373.1	\$ 237,205
7	D.	Salaries of twenty-six (26) court reporters as	
8		provided by R.S. 13:1373.1	\$ 374,876
9	E.	Salaries of four (4) commissioners of Criminal	
10		Court, Orleans Parish, including related benefits	
11		as provided by R.S. 13:1347	\$ 242,306
12	F.	Office and travel expenses of commissioners as	
13		provided by R.S. 13:1347	\$ 10,000
14	G.	Salaries of four (4) minute clerks, one for each	
15		commissioner as provided by R.S. 13:1347	\$ 60,840
16	H.	Salaries of four (4) court reporters, one for each	
17		commissioner as provided by R.S. 13:1347	\$ 45,865
18	I.	Salaries of Judicial Administrator, and assistants,	
19		including related benefits	\$ 532,175
20	J.	Salaries of thirteen (13) law clerks	\$ 426,118
21	K.	Salaries of four (4) secretaries	\$ 123,147
22	L.	Sanity Commissions	\$ 182,172
23	M.	Board of Jury Commissioners	<u>\$ 261,528</u>
24		SUBTOTAL	<u>\$ 4,028,130</u>
25	13	Juvenile and Family Court Judges	
26	A.	Salaries of fourteen (14) Juvenile Court	
27		Judges as provided by R.S. 13:691	\$ 1,268,446
28	B.	Salaries of four (4) Family Court Judges	
29		as provided by R.S. 13:691	\$ 362,413
30	C.	Office expenses of Juvenile and	
31		Family Court Judges as required	
32		by R.S. 13:694	<u>\$ 100,800</u>
33		SUBTOTAL	<u>\$ 1,731,659</u>
34		TOTAL DISTRICT COURTS	<u>\$ 29,363,082</u>
35	03-8173	OTHER COURTS - SALARIES AND OFFICE EXPENSES AS	
36		REQUIRED BY STATUTE	
37		Program Description: <i>The category includes forty-seven city courts, one municipal</i>	
38		<i>court (New Orleans), one traffic court (New Orleans), and one parish court</i>	
39		<i>(Ascension Parish).</i>	
40		Payable out of the State General Fund:	
41	01	Salaries of sixty-one (61) City Court	
42		Judges as provided by R.S. 13:1875	\$ 1,783,879

1	02	Salaries of four (4) Municipal, four (4)	
2		Traffic and one (1) Parish Court	
3		Judges as provided by R.S. 13:2492,	
4		2501.1, and 2563.5, respectively	\$ <u>283,101</u>

5	TOTAL OTHER COURTS REQUIRED BY STATUTE	\$ <u>2,066,980</u>
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6 **03-8174 OTHER COURTS - SALARIES AND OFFICE EXPENSES NOT**
 7 **REQUIRED BY STATUTE**

8 Payable out of the State General Fund:

9	01	Orleans Parish Juvenile Protective	
10		Care Monitoring Program	\$ 363,516

11 **Program Description:** *The program tracks and monitors child abuse and neglect*
 12 *cases in the Orleans Parish Juvenile Court. It also provides assistance in support*
 13 *of the Families in Need of Services Program.*

14	02	Orleans Parish Juvenile Court Reporters	\$ 59,028
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15	03	For the expenses of the Judges’	
16		Assistance Program	\$ <u>30,000</u>

17 **Program Description:** *The Judges’ Assistance Program provides counseling and*
 18 *other assistance to judges with substance abuse problems.*

19	TOTAL OTHER COURTS NOT REQUIRED BY STATUTE	\$ <u>452,544</u>
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20 Section 2.A. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or his duly authorized and
 21 appointed agent, shall warrant the state treasurer for the allocations herein provided, or for
 22 so much thereof as may be necessary. The aforesaid warrant shall be paid out of the state
 23 general fund, and the state treasurer shall pay said warrant by preference over all other
 24 warrants, except warrants for the salaries of constitutional officers of the state and warrants
 25 for expenses of the legislature, which shall be concurrent with the warrant provided by this
 26 Act.

27 B. The funds drawn as provided herein shall be deposited in the name of the judiciary
 28 in an approved bank that has been selected by the Supreme Court and is located in the state.

29 C. Any funds herein allocated to the judiciary, any portion of the funds previously
 30 appropriated to the judiciary, other revenue of the judiciary or its agencies, and interest
 31 earnings, are hereby appropriated and may be used to defray the expenses of the judiciary;
 32 however, all funds remaining unexpended or unencumbered shall be returnable to the state
 33 general fund on or before September 1, 2003.

34 D. For Fiscal Year 2002-2003, any surpluses occurring in the appropriations made
 35 in this Act may be transferred from one agency or line-item to another during the fiscal year

1 in accordance with the rules of the Judicial Budgetary Control Board, or as approved by the
2 Supreme Court.

3 E. The adjustment to be made in the salaries of judicial employees and the number
4 of authorized positions of the judiciary shall be as decided by the judicial agency affected,
5 subject to the approval of the Judicial Budgetary Control Board or as approved by the
6 Supreme Court.

7 F. The program descriptions, general performance indicators, objectives, goals, and
8 mission statements contained in this Act are not part of the law and are not enacted into law
9 by virtue of their inclusion in this Act. The missions, goals, and objectives contained in the
10 Act are derived from performance standards established by Section 10 of Part 6 General
11 Administrative Rules of the Supreme Court of Louisiana.

12 Section 3. The sum of Eleven Million Four Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Seven
13 Hundred Forty-Three and No/100 (\$11,468,743.00) Dollars, be it more or less estimated at,
14 is hereby appropriated out of the State General Fund by Interagency Transfers to the Supreme
15 Court from the Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Addictive Disorders for the
16 maintenance and enhancement of drug courts.

17 Section 4. The sum of Nine Million Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand and No/100
18 (\$9,850,000.00) Dollars is hereby appropriated out of the State General Fund by Interagency
19 Transfers to the Supreme Court from the Department of Social Services to be allocated as
20 follows: Truancy Assessment and Service Centers (\$1,250,000) for continued support of
21 TASC services as provided in Chapter 15 of Title 7 of the Louisiana Children's Code; Court
22 Appointed Special Advocates (\$3,600,000) for continued expansion and improvement of
23 CASA services statewide; and Drug Courts (\$5,000,000) for eligible drug court services
24 which shall include treatment, assessment, training, and other supportive services, except drug
25 court administration costs. Provided, however, that where such funds originate as federal
26 TANF funding, expenditures of such monies shall be restricted to services for clients eligible
27 for TANF-funded truancy assessment and services, court appointed special advocate services,
28 and drug court services as specified in the Louisiana State TANF Plan.

1 Section 5. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2002; if vetoed by the governor
2 and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2002,
3 or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

DIGEST

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LeBlanc HB No. 200

Abstract: Provides for expenses of the Louisiana Judiciary, including the Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, District Courts, Criminal Court of Orleans Parish, juvenile and family courts, and other courts.

Appropriates total funding of \$116,483,076 for Fiscal Year 2002-2003, from the following sources: State General Fund \$89,422,384, Interagency Transfers \$21,318,743, and Statutory Dedications \$5,741,949.

Sections 1 and 2 appropriate funding for the ordinary expenses of the judicial branch of government as follows:

(1)	Louisiana Supreme Court	\$32,552,231
(2)	Courts of Appeal	30,729,496
(3)	District Courts	23,603,293
(4)	Criminal Court, Parish of Orleans	4,028,130
(5)	Juvenile and Family Courts	1,731,659
(6)	Other Courts (Required by Statute)	2,066,980
(7)	Other Courts (Not Required by Statute)	<u>452,544</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$95,164,333</u>

Of the \$95,164,333 appropriated in Sections 1 and 2, \$89,422,384 is from the state general fund, \$4,000,000 is from the Judges’ Supplemental Compensation Fund, \$1,731,949 is from the Trial Court Case Management Fund, and \$10,000 is from the Patient’s Compensation Fund.

Section 3 appropriates \$11,468,743 by interagency transfers from the Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Addictive Disorders to the Supreme Court for the maintenance and enhancement of drug courts.

Section 4 appropriates \$9,850,000 by interagency transfers from the Department of Social Services to the Supreme Court for provision of truancy assessment services (\$1,250,000), court appointed special advocate services (\$3,600,000) and drug court services (\$5,000,000), all as specified in the state TANF plan.

Effective July 1, 2002.