
DIGEST

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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 \$113,436,325 for Fiscal Year 2002-2003, from the following sources: State General Fund \$87,072,480, Interagency Transfers \$20,621,896, 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)	452,544

For the Supreme Court for the Truancy and Assessment Service Center in Rapides Parish	180,192
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For the Supreme Court for reimbursement to Hebert Law Center for document storage	60,000
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For an adjustment of means of finance, swapping TANF for SGF	(1,000,000)
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Less reductions to appropriations as determined by the Judicial Budgetary Control Board	(1,500,000)
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TOTAL	<u>\$92,904,525</u>
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Of the \$92,904,525 appropriated in Sections 1 and 2, \$87,072,480 is from the State General Fund (Direct), \$90,096 is from interagency transfers, \$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 \$9,681,800 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 \$10,850,000 by interagency transfers from the Department of Social Services to the Supreme Court for provision of truancy assessment services (\$2,250,000), 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.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the original bill.

1. Provides that the state general fund appropriations shall be reduced by \$1,500,000 pursuant to a plan adopted by the Judicial Budgetary Control Board.

2. Adds \$180,192 in funding for the Supreme Court for support of the Truancy Assessment and Service Center in Rapides Parish.
3. Adds \$60,000 in funding for the Supreme Court for reimbursement to the Paul M. Hebert Law Center for costs associated with storage of court documents.
4. Reduces the IAT transferred to the Supreme Court from the Office of Addictive Disorders to conform with available funding.
5. Adjusts the means of financing for the Truancy and Assessment Service Centers to swap \$1,000,000 in TANF for State General Fund (Direct).