
DIGEST

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HB 493 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Provides for factors to be considered in the review and recommendation by the Judicial Council of the Supreme Court of La. (the council) relative to laws creating or increasing court costs or fees and provides earlier deadlines for submission of laws to the council for its review and for notification of the council's recommendations to the legislature.

Present law provides that laws providing for a new or increased court cost or fee shall only be enacted if they are first submitted to the council for review and recommendation to the legislature as to whether the court cost or fee is reasonably related to the operation of the courts or court system. Proposed law requires that the review and recommendation include factors such as whether the court cost or fee is reasonably related to the operation of the courts or court system.

Proposed law changes the deadline for submitting a copy of the proposal to the Judicial Council from Jan. 15th of the calendar year in which the proposal is to be introduced to Oct. 15th of the calendar year before the proposal to be introduced. Proposed law changes the deadline for the council to notify the legislature of its recommendation from March 15th to March 1st.

(Amends R.S. 13:62(B))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Provide that the review by the Judicial Council include factors such as whether the court cost is reasonably related to the operation of the courts or court system.