

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 584

2021 Regular Session

Zeringue

APPROPRIATIONS: Appropriates funds for the expenses of the judiciary for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

DIGEST

Appropriates funds for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 for the ordinary operating expenses of the judicial branch of government with total funding of \$183,642,214 from the following sources: \$164,008,439 out of the State General Fund (Direct); \$9,392,850 out of Interagency Transfers; and \$10,240,925 from statutory dedications out of the Judges' Supplemental Compensation Fund and the Trial Court Case Management Fund. Appropriations from State General Fund (Direct) shall be reduced by \$7,126,155 pursuant to a plan adopted by the Judicial Budgetary Control Board or as approved by the La. Supreme Court.

Funding for the ordinary operating expenses of the judicial branch of government is provided in the original bill as follows:

	<u>FY 21 EOB</u>	<u>FY 22 REC</u>
Louisiana Supreme Court	\$ 75,803,765	\$ 84,839,823
Courts of Appeal	47,672,641	50,466,469
District Courts	39,465,851	41,811,498
Criminal Court, Parish of Orleans	6,353,696	6,754,357
Juvenile and Family Courts	2,588,425	2,716,735
Other Courts (Required by Statute)	3,242,164	3,417,084
Other Programs	675,187	762,403
Total Funding	<u>\$ 175,801,729</u>	<u>\$ 190,768,369</u>

Effective July 1, 2021.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the original bill:

1. Add requirement that appropriations from State General Fund (Direct) contained in this Act be reduced by a total amount of \$9,626,155 pursuant to a plan adopted by the Judicial Budgetary Control Board or as approved by the La. Supreme Court.
2. Make technical changes.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Add provisions to direct the Judicial Budgetary Control Board and the Legislative Auditor to create a uniform budget template containing itemized revenues and expenditures for use by district courts, city courts, municipal courts, and traffic courts. Requires budget development with public participation. Budgets are due by November 1, 2021, and must be posted on a website when the supreme court adopts its budget request for the ensuing year.
2. Make technical changes.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the reengrossed bill

1. Appropriated \$2,500,000 from State General Fund (Direct) which reduces the State General Fund reduction to the Judiciary from \$9,626,155 to \$7,126,155.
2. Replaced Section 4 with language specifying the development of a uniform budget document which would show itemized revenues and expenditures for district courts, city courts, municipal courts, and traffic courts.