FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 04/02/2009

Amendment to: SB 2121

1A. **State fiscal effect:** Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.

	2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium		2011-2013 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures			\$875,094		\$886,000	
Appropriations			\$875,094		\$886,000	

1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium			2011-2013 Biennium			
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).

This bill increases the number of District Court judges from 42 to 44 and provides the necessary appropriation for the new judgeships.

B. **Fiscal impact sections:** *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

The appropriation is for the salaries and wages for two new judges, two court reporter positions and the related operating costs necessary for these positions.

- 3. State fiscal effect detail: For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:
 - A. **Revenues:** Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.

N/A

B. **Expenditures:** Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.

This bill inreases the total number of District Court judges from 42 to 44. Anticipated expenditures include salaries and wages of the two new judges, two new court reporter positions and related operating costs necessary for the new positions.

C. **Appropriations:** Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.

Senate Bill No. 2121 includes an appropriation of \$875,094. The bill as introduced would have given the Supreme Court authority to increase the number of District Court judges to 45 during the 2011-13 biennium. The House amendment removed the authority for the Supreme Court to add a judgeship during the 2011-13 biennium.

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