Requester Information

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Section 1: Requester Details

Description:

Funding would support three court commissioners and staff in the First, Second, and Third Judicial Districts to address current and projected increased caseload.

Legislative designee contact information:

Name: Gary Syphus

Organization: LFA

Position: Financial Manager

Section 2: Funding Information

How will the appropriation be used?

Category	One-time		Ongoing
Personnel Services	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$1,354,200.00
In-State Travel	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
Out-of-State Travel	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
Supplies and Equipment	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
Technology Purchases	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00

Category	One-time		Ongoing
Infrastructure/Capital Investments	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
Other Charges/Pass Thru	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00

Expenditure Total

One-time 2026	One-time 2027	Ongoing 2027
$0.00	**$0.00**	**$1,354,200.00**

Funding Sources:

General Fund

Amount Requested:

2026 (One-time)	$0.00
2027 (One-time)	$0.00
2027 (Ongoing)	$1,354,200.00

Revenue Total

One-time 2026	One-time 2027	Ongoing 2027
$0.00	**$0.00**	**$1,354,200.00**

Is this a multi-year project?

No

Is this project scalable if the Legislature does not fund the full requested amount?

Yes

A short explanation describing how the project might be scaled?

Funding could be scaled by $451,400 for each respective court commissioner and staff, and depending on other budget decisions, may be scaled to a single court commissioner at about $275,800/commissioner.

Section 3: Agency Information

Subjects:

Safety and Security

Agency:

020 / Courts

Type of entity to receive pass-through funding:

State Government

Grant recipient

No

Requested Direct Award Grant Recipient

Section 4: Performance Outcome Measurement

Who would benefit the most from this request (who is the target audience)?

This would directly benefit the public of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd judicial districts - addressing current high caseload in these areas by accelerating court case processing, and indirectly benefit the public statewide as court caseload processing overall is improved.

What is this project or program intended to accomplish?

Accelerate case processing, address backlog, and increase overall capacity to address projected caseload increases that includes significant shifts to state district courts as a result of recent dissolutions of local justice courts in nearby locales (including Salt Lake County, North Hyde/Logan, and others).

How will the Legislature know whether the project or program achieved its intended purpose?

Court caseload processing in a given district increases proportionally with the increase in the number of commissioners.

Section 5: Other Supporting Documents

Intent Language Documents

Previous Funding Documents

Full Time Employees

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