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LB 631

Revision: 00

FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)					
	FY 2013-14		FY 2014-15		
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	
GENERAL FUNDS	86,946		87,603		
CASH FUNDS					
FEDERAL FUNDS					
OTHER FUNDS					
TOTAL FUNDS	86,946		87,603		

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.

This bill would change provisions relating to garnishment.

The Supreme Court states that this bill would significantly increase the workload of county court staff. The following table summarizes the Court's estimated impact:

	FY2013-2014	FY2014-2015	FY2013-2014	FY2014-2015
ITEMS	Number of Pos	Number of Positions		
Records Clerk	2.00	2.00	46,261	46,832
Benefits			40,685	40,771
TOTAL	2.00	2.00	86,946	87,603

See the Supreme Court's response following for additional details.

The Supreme Court notes that county expenditures could increase as they are required to provide operating expenses and equipment.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES					
LB: LB <mark>631</mark>	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Supreme Court (005)			
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COMMENTS: The Supreme Court estimate of fiscal impact from LB 631 includes 2 additional FTE's (Records Clerks) to accommodate the projected increase in workload from the provisions of the bill. The premise for the increased costs appears reasonable, however, the detail shown in the agency fiscal note reflects Benefits costs for the 2 FTE's that equate to 88% of the Salary cost for these positions, which seems unusually high.

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TOTAL FUNDS

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: (2)		Supreme Court				
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	ESTIMATE PROVIDI	ED BY STATE AGENO	CY OR POLITICAL S	UBDIVISIO:	N	
FY 20 EXPENDITURES		013-14 <u>REVENUE</u>	EXPENDITUE	FY 2014-15 EXPENDITURES REVENUE		
GENERAL FUNI	OS 86,946		87,603			
CASH FUNDS						
FEDERAL FUND	os		·			
OTHER FUNDS						

87.603

<u>Return by date specified or 72 hours prior to public hearing, whichever is earlier.</u> Explanation of Estimate:

86.946

LB 631 is estimated to increase General Fund expenditures related to the requirements to collect and return a \$25.00 fee for financial institutions. In 2012, according to the Supreme Court case management system, 135,348 garnishments were processed in county court. It is estimated that 40% of those or 54,139 relate to financial institutions. These requirements would significantly increase the workload of county court staff, particularly in those courts that process a high volume of garnishments. As a result, it is estimated that additional personnel would be needed. Included is the cost equivalent to 2 additional Records Clerk positions which would be available to support county courts, either on site or remotely, with the increased workload. County expenditures will also increase as they are required to provide operating expenses and equipment.

M	AJOR OBJECT	S OF EXPENDI	TURE	
Personal Services:				
POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS 13-14 14-15		2013-14 EXPENDITURES	2014-15 EXPENDITURES
Records Clerk			46,261	46,832
Benefits			40,685	40,771
Operating				
Travel				
Capital outlay				
Aid				
Capital improvements				
TOTAL	. 2.0	2.0	86,946	87,603