

Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: HB1366

Bill Subtitle: TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE PRIORITY OF DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE STATE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE FUND; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO CLARIFY THE FUND.

Basic Change :

Representative Hammer

Provides priority funding for the trial court assistants and court reporter payrolls. Allows the CFO of the State to reduce allocations to other State agencies. Provides for a transfer of up to \$4 million from the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund (TBS) to the Administration of Justice Fund by the CFO of the State. If the transfer is made from TBS any residual balance in the Administration of Justice Fund at year end may be transferred back to TBS to reduce the transfer amount.

Revenue Impact :

None

Taxpayer Impact :

None

Resources Required :

None

Time Required :

None

Procedural Changes :

None

Other Comments :

Use of the TBS fund to provide funding to the Administration of Justice Fund would further limit the available cash to advance loans to other State agencies dependent upon general revenue to operate. There is a potential additional use of \$1.3 million in HSC/MCF funding to replace funding currently provided by AOJ funds to state agencies if the AOJ funds are used to cover the payrolls of the trial court assistants and court reporters resulting in a total of \$3.8 million shortfall.

Legal Analysis :

None