

DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PUBLIC DEFENDER, AND CIRCUIT COURTS

Omnibus Motion
[LFB Paper 270, 271, and 545]

Motion:

Move to modify the Governor's recommendations related to the District Attorney, Public Defender, and Circuit Courts, as follows:

District Attorney

1. *Pay Progression [Paper #270 -- Revised]*. For the District Attorney and State Public Defender adopt Alternative 2 to provide a 2% annual increase on January 1, 2020 and 2021 for DA pay progression funding totaling \$273,600 GPR in 2019-20 and \$817,400 GPR, in 2020-21, and SPD pay progression funding totaling \$300,300 GPR in 2019-20 and \$903,100 GPR in 2020-21. [This alternative modifies funding provided in the bill by -\$54,000 GPR in 2019-20 and -\$154,400 GPR in 2020-21.]

2. *Additional Assistant District Attorney Positions [Paper #271]*. Adopt Alternative A1, B1, B2, and B3 to provide \$2,498,400 GPR and -\$608,200 PR in 2019-20, \$2,986,400 GPR and -\$632,500 PR in 2020-21, and 34.0 GPR and -7.5 PR positions annually, to provide additional prosecutors to District Attorney Offices across the state. New GPR positions would have an anticipated start date of October 1, 2019. Of the 34.0 positions, DA position authority in Buffalo County increases by 0.1 position to equal 0.6 position. [These alternatives create no change to the bill.]

3. *Adopt the following District Attorney backpage item:*

a. *Standard Budget Adjustments, Item #1.*

Public Defender

1. *Private Bar Rate and Cost to Continue [Paper #545]*. Adopt Alternative A1 to provide \$9,031,500 GPR in 2019-20 and \$16,621,700 GPR in 2020-21 to fund the cost to continue and private bar rate increase to \$70 per hour. The rate increase to \$70 per hour would begin with cases appointed on or after January 1, 2020. [This alternative creates no change to the bill.]

2. *Public Defender backpage items:*

a. *Standard Budget Adjustments, Item #1.*

b. *Interpreter Funding, Item #5.*

Circuit Courts

1. *Circuit Court Aid Payment.* Provide \$1,200,000 GPR in 2019-20 and \$2,400,000 GPR in 2020-21 in the circuit court costs appropriation (s. 20.625(1)(cg)) for court appointments made at county expense.

Note:

This motion would address the budget items relating to the District Attorney, Public Defender, and Circuit Courts in the 2019-21 budget bill. Department of Justice pay progression will be addressed in conjunction with other DOJ items.

[Change to Base: \$14,323,100 GPR and \$509,000 PR in 2019-20 and \$24,825,200 GPR and \$287,200 PR in 2020-21 and 33.6 GPR and -10.5 PR positions annually]

[Change to Bill: \$1,146,000 GPR in 2019-20 and \$2,245,600 GPR in 2020-21]