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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This supplemental fiscal estimate relates to SB 170 as affected by Senate Amendment 1 (LRBa0466/1).

SB 170 requires the Director of State Court (DSC) is to prepare a document summarizing SCR 60.04 (4), (5) and (6), as well as the procedure a person must follow in order to review and copy the statement of economic interests filed by a circuit court judge under s. 19.43. In addition the DSC must supply sufficient copies of that document to the clerks of circuit court at no charge.

SB 170, as originally introduced, also required the Clerks of Circuit Court to mail to all of the parties named in a civil action or proceeding a copy of the document supplied by the DSC.

Senate Amendment 1 (LRBa0466/1) does not change the responsibilities of the DSC and, therefore, there is no change to the SB 171 fiscal estimate for the office of the DSC.

Senate Amendment 1 (LRBa0466/1) would require the Clerks of Circuit Court to "provide" the notice prepared by the DSC to the parties to civil actions. There is no requirement the notice be mailed to the parties. This amendment would allow clerks greater flexibility to utilize other methods besides mailing to provide the document to the parties.

For instance, parties filing an action in person at the Clerk of Circuit Courts office could be given the notice to satisfy the bill's requirements. Notices might also be provided to the party responsible for serving documents on other parties and served along with other case documents.

An exact estimate of the cost is difficult to determine. The estimate depends on the extent to which clerks are able to minimize postage costs by using other means of providing the document to parties. Some postage costs will still be incurred. Those costs will be borne by the counties.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications