Office of Legal Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES - FISCAL ESTIMATE

Fiscal Estimate Version ☐ Original ☐ Updated ☐ Corrected						
Administrative Rule Chapter Title and Number						
Administrative Code Chapters PD 2 (Assignment Procedure), 3 (Indigency Criteria), and 6 (Reimbursement of Legal Fees).						
Clearinghouse Rule No. 09-068.						
3. Subject						
State Public Defender Representation in Proceedings under Chapters 51 and 55, Stats.						
4. State Fiscal Effect:						
No Fiscal Effect ■ No Fiscal Effect No Fiscal Effec	☐ Increase Existing Revenues		☐ Increase Costs			
☐ Indeterminate	☐ Decrease Existing Revenues		☐ Yes ⊠ No	May be possible to absorb within agency's budget.		
			☐ Decrease Costs			
5. Fund Sources Affected:			6. Affected Ch. 20, Stats. Appropriations:			
☐ GPR ☐ FED	□ PRO □ PRS □ SEG [☐ SEG-S				
7. Local Government Fiscal Effect:						
No Fiscal Effect ■ No Fiscal Effect No Fiscal	☐ Increase Revenues		☐ Increase Costs ☐ Decrease Costs			
☐ Indeterminate	☐ Decrease Revenues					
8. Local Government Units Affected:						
☐ Towns ☐ Villages ☐ Cities ☐ Counties ☐ School Districts ☐ WTCS Districts ☐ Others:						
9. Private Sector Fiscal Effect (small businesses only):						
No Fiscal Effect	☐ Increase Revenues		☐ Increase Costs			
	☐ Decrease Revenues		☐ Yes ☐ No May have significant			
☐ Indeterminate	☐ Yes ☐ No May have sign economic impa substantial nur small business	act on a nber of	economic impact on a substantial number of small businesses Decrease Costs			
10.Types of Small Businesses Affected:						
11. Fiscal Analysis Summary						

These administrative rules conform to statutory changes that took effect on July 1, 2008, having been implemented as part of the State's 2007-09 biennial budget act. The rules will not have any fiscal effect independent of these statutory changes. The statutory changes eliminated the requirement that a respondent in a chapter 51 proceeding or a chapter 55 proceeding complete a financial application before qualifying for representation through the State Public Defender (SPD).

The estimated fiscal effect of the legislation was summarized in the Legislative Fiscal Bureau's Paper Number 621 (May 8, 2007). This paper (at p. 5) reviewed the average cost for chapter 51 and chapter 55 cases and the estimated number of

additional cases under these chapters in which the SPD would appoint an attorney. The estimated annual cost to the SPD was \$320,500, the amount by which the SPD's budget was increased beginning in fiscal year 2008-2009.

12. Long-Range Fiscal Implications

As noted above, the fiscal effect stems from the statutory changes, not from the administrative rules. The two major factors that may affect the SPD's costs from the statutory changes are 1) the number of chapter 51 and chapter 55 cases and 2) the average costs of providing representation in these cases.

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