

## CIRCUIT COURTS

Budget Summary						FTE Position Summary				
Fund	2022-23	Act 19		2023-25 Change Over		2022-23	Act 19		2024-25	
	Adjusted Base	2023-24	2024-25	Base Year Doubled	%		2023-24	2024-25	Number	%
GPR	\$115,738,600	\$116,058,400	\$116,184,600	\$765,800	0.3%	543.00	551.00	551.00	8.00	1.5%
PR	232,700	232,700	232,700	0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	N.A.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$115,971,300</b>	<b>\$116,291,100</b>	<b>\$116,417,300</b>	<b>\$765,800</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>543.00</b>	<b>551.00</b>	<b>551.00</b>	<b>8.00</b>	<b>1.5%</b>

### Budget Change Items

**1. STANDARD BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS [LFB Paper 105]**

GPR	-\$2,378,600
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Provide an adjustment to the base of -\$1,189,300 annually associated with full funding of continuing position salaries and fringe benefits.

**2. CIRCUIT COURT BRANCHES FUNDING AND POSITIONS [LFB Paper 106]**

	Funding	Positions
GPR	\$2,303,600	8.00

Provide \$1,107,000 in 2023-24, \$1,196,600 in 2024-25, and 8.0 positions annually for the last four new circuit court branches created under 2019 Act 184. In total, Act 184 created 12 circuit court branches over a three-year period (four judges each in 2021, 2022, and 2023), at the discretion of the Director of State Courts. Position authority includes 4.0 judges and 4.0 circuit court reporters annually (a judge and court reporter each in Clark, Manitowoc, Sawyer, and Wood counties).

Since judgeships are specifically identified in the statutes, modify statutory language to update the number of judicial circuit court branches, by county, to reflect 2019 Act 184. Specifically, increase the statutory number of judicial circuit court branches in Adams, Eau Claire, Vilas, and Waushara counties (added and allocated by the Director of State Courts to begin operation on August 1, 2022), as well as Clark, Manitowoc, Sawyer, and Wood counties (added and allocated by the Director of State Courts to begin operation on August 1, 2023).

[Act 19 Sections: 462 thru 469, 9107(1)&(2), and 9407(1)]

**3. CIRCUIT COURT COST PAYMENTS**

GPR	\$840,800
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Provide \$402,100 in 2023-24 and \$438,700 in 2024-25 in the circuit court cost appropriation for additional support to counties. Under 2019 Act 184, the number of circuit court branches in Wisconsin will increase from 257 to 261 on August 1, 2023. Since the circuit court cost appropriation distributes funding based on the number of branches, increased funding is intended to maintain current per branch funding levels (approximately \$109,700 per branch) in the 2023-25 biennium.