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FINAL
FISCAL NOTE

FISCAL IMPACT: State Local Statutory Public Entity Conditional No Fiscal Impact

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Court
Rep. Melton

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Bill Status: Signed into Law
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BILL TOPIC: SUNSET REVIEW COURT SECURITY CASH FUND COMMISSION

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue <i>Continuing revenue</i> Cash Funds	<u>\$2,000,000</u> 2,000,000	<u>\$2,000,000</u> 2,000,000
State Expenditures <i>Continuing expenditures</i> General Fund Cash Funds	<u>\$2,477,567</u> 503,468 1,974,099	<u>\$2,477,567</u> 503,468 1,974,099
FTE Position Change	1.0 FTE	1.0 FTE
Appropriation Required: None, see State Appropriations section.		
Future Year Impacts: Continuation of current revenue and expenditures.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill indefinitely continues the Court Security Cash Fund Commission (Court Security Commission) and the Court Security Cash Fund in the Judicial Department. Under current law, the commission and fund were scheduled to repeal on July 1, 2017.

Background

The Court Security Commission was created in 2007 and has seven members whom serve without compensation and are not reimbursed for expenses. It evaluates grant applications and makes court security grant funding recommendations to the Office of the State Court Administrator, including 68 grant requests in calendar year 2015 and 65 grant requests in 2016. Grant funding in the amount of \$2,167,203 was awarded in 2015 and \$2,143,418 was awarded in 2016. Awarded grant funds are used by counties for court security equipment, training for local security teams, and emergency court security needs. These awards are paid out of the Court Security Cash Fund which is funded by a \$5 surcharge on certain docket and filling fees and gifts, grants, and donations.

State Revenue

By continuing the Court Security Commission and Cash fund, the bill will increase state cash fund revenues beginning in FY 2017-18 by an estimated \$2 million per year. These revenues represent a continuation of the current revenues generated from the \$5 surcharge and gifts, grants, and donations.

State Expenditures

By continuing the Court Security Commission, the bill will increase expenditures in the Judicial Department by \$503,468 General Fund and \$1,974,099 cash funds per year beginning in FY 2017-18. These costs represent a continuation of the current expenses which include 1.0 FTE for a court security specialist, administrative costs, and court security grant funding.

Local Government Impact

This bill increases revenue and expenditures for counties that receive court security grant funding beginning in FY 2017-18 by continuing the grant program. The fiscal note assumes grants of about \$2.1 million will be awarded each year, consistent with current grant awards.

Effective Date

This bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on June 5, 2017.

State Appropriations

No appropriation is needed. The Judicial Department requested and received \$503,468 General Fund and \$1,974,099 Court Security Cash Funds and an allocation of 1.0 FTE in its FY 2017-18 budget request.

State and Local Government Contacts

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