



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2023 Biennium

Bill # SB0140

Title: Revise laws relating to the judiciary

Primary Sponsor: Regier, Keith

Status: As Introduced

- Significant Local Gov Impact
 Needs to be included in HB 2
 Technical Concerns
 Included in the Executive Budget
 Significant Long-Term Impacts
 Dedicated Revenue Form Attached

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2022</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2023</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2024</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2025</u> <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
General Fund	(\$2,083)	(\$2,083)	(\$2,083)	(\$2,083)
Revenue:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance:	<u>\$2,083</u>	<u>\$2,083</u>	<u>\$2,083</u>	<u>\$2,083</u>

Description of fiscal impact: This bill revises laws related to certain Judicial appointments; provides a direct appointment process for the Governor to appoint District Court Judges and Supreme Court Justices to fill Judicial vacancies; repeals the Judicial Nomination Commission and provides an immediate effective date.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

- In accordance with 3-1-1004, MCA, the members of the Judicial Nomination Commission are entitled to travel expenses, paid at state allowed rates, while engaged in judicial nomination duties.
- The Judicial Nomination Commission incurred \$2,083 of travel expenses in FY 2020. This bill repeals the Judicial Nomination Commission which would provide an estimated savings to the Judicial Branch of \$2,083 per year.

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<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>				
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Expenses	(\$2,083)	(\$2,083)	(\$2,083)	(\$2,083)
TOTAL Expenditures	<u>(\$2,083)</u>	<u>(\$2,083)</u>	<u>(\$2,083)</u>	<u>(\$2,083)</u>
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>				
General Fund (01)	(\$2,083)	(\$2,083)	(\$2,083)	(\$2,083)
TOTAL Funding of Exp.	<u>(\$2,083)</u>	<u>(\$2,083)</u>	<u>(\$2,083)</u>	<u>(\$2,083)</u>
<u>Revenues:</u>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL Revenues	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u>				
General Fund (01)	<u>\$2,083</u>	<u>\$2,083</u>	<u>\$2,083</u>	<u>\$2,083</u>

NO SPONSOR SIGNATURE

Sponsor's Initials

2/2/21

Date

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Budget Director's Initials

2/1/21

Date