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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Martinez ORIGINAL DATE 1/16/15
 LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Allow AOC Director to Receive Funds SB 106

ANALYST Sánchez

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY15	FY16	FY17		
	100.0	205.0	Recurring	Other State Funds

(Parenthesis () Indicate Revenue Decreases)

Relates to House Bill 89
 Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
 Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 106 amends Section 34-9-3 to allow the Director of the AOC to apply for and receive any public or private funds to carry out its programs, duties or services.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

According to the AOC, there would be a slight increase in revenues received by the judicial branch. The additional anticipated revenue would be for training and certification reimbursements through the court services programs administered by the AOC.

Although the bill does not specify the creation of a new fund, the revenue would have to be deposited into an agency-created fund to be appropriated by the Legislature. The AOC in its response to House Bill 89 indicates that a rough estimate of revenue collected related to training for language access, child welfare and drug court could be about \$205 thousand annually.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

According to AOC, the bill provides the same authority to the AOC as other laws provide to executive departments.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

Senate Bill 106 relates to House Bill 89 and the General Appropriation Act.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

The administrative office of the courts would continue to seek and receive funds through grants and agreements. However, the authority to receive other public money for services rendered by court services programs would remain uncertain.

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