

**NON-EXECUTIVE AGENCY  
FISCAL NOTE**

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: February 11, 2025

Agency Submitting: Administrative Office of the Courts

<b>Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2024-25</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2025-26</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2026-27</b>	<b>Effect on Future Biennia</b>
1st District Payroll and Training (Expense)			\$161,452	\$600,119
2nd District Crim/Civ Payroll and Training (Expense)			\$316,904	\$1,200,237
2nd District Family Payroll and Training (Expense)			\$161,452	\$600,119
6th District Payroll and Training (Expense)			\$161,452	\$600,119
8th District Crim/Civ Payroll and Training (Expense)			\$1,591,519	\$6,015,186
8th District Family Payroll and Training (Expense)			\$1,297,215	\$4,812,150
10th District Payroll and Training (Expense)			\$161,452	\$600,119
11th District Payroll and Training (Expense)			\$161,452	\$600,119
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$4,012,898</b>	<b>\$15,028,168</b>

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

This bill creates 25 new district court judgeships across the six of the judicial districts in the state, effective January of 2027. These judgeships will be filled at the general election in 2026 along with all existing district judgeships. The costs herein contemplated include salary and fringe, as well as required training funds for all new judges.

This bill also sets up a population trigger, effective January 2026, that would automatically require an additional civil/criminal judge and family court judge in the 2nd and 8th Judicial Districts, for Washoe and Clark Counties respectively, whenever the population of those counties increases by 40,000 persons as certified by the Governor in each even number year per NRS 360.285. The required judges would be elected at the next general election. The cost for each new Judge so created is currently estimated at \$310,259 in the first year and \$300,759 in all subsequent years. The two judicial districts contemplated in this part of the bill may decline the additional judges. Due to these factors, the Supreme Court has not included any estimate for the impact created by this provision of the bill. If after January 2026, the population increases by an amount meeting the threshold, additional funds will be sought through the Interim Finance Committee to provide for the salaries, benefits, and training of those additional new judges.

The cost for each District Court's respective judgeships has been broken out on the fiscal note, including a breakout between Criminal/Civil and Family seats. The Supreme Court Administrative Office of the Court only handles payroll, human resources, and training functions for the District Judges. Any additional costs that would be associated with each judgeship would be borne by their respective District Courts or counties.

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**COST ESTIMATE FOR AB66**

**NUMBER OF JUDGES PER BILL:**

District	Current	New	Total New	REQUIRED TRAINING
1st	2	3		1 ALL
2nd	9	11		2 NJC ONLY
2nd	7	8		1 ALL
6th	1	2		1 ALL
8th	32	42		10 NJC ONLY
8th	26	34		8 ALL
10th	1	2		1 ALL
11th	1	2		1 ALL
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>25</b>	

**COST FOR 1 NEW JUDGE  
W/POPULATION TRIGGER**

TRAINING	14,044.48
SALARY & FRINGE	296,214.88
<b>1ST YEAR TOTAL</b>	<b>310,259.36</b>
TRAINING	4,544.48
SALARY & FRINGE	296,214.88
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300,759.36</b>

	FY27		NEXT BIENNIUM
TRAINING	310,212.00	TRAINING	217,424.00
SALARY & FRINGE*	3,702,686.00	SALARY & FRINGE	14,810,744.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,012,898.00</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,028,168.00</b>

\*6 MONTHS OF SALARY & FRINGE CALCULATED IN NEBS AS OF 1/30/2025

ANNUAL SALARY & FRINGE CALCULATION - USED FOR NEXT BIENNIUM  
7,405,372.00

**ESTIMATED REQUIRED TRAINING:**

	INDIVIDUAL COST	# OF JUDGES	TOTAL	
NJC - GENERAL JURISDICTION	5,000.00	25	125,000.00	REQUIRED FOR ALL NEW JUDGES
NJC - ETHICS	4,000.00	25	100,000.00	REQUIRED FOR ALL NEW JUDGES
NCJFCJ	3,000.00	13	39,000.00	REQUIRED FOR NEW FAMILY JUDGES ONLY
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,000.00</b>		<b>264,000.00</b>	REQUIRED TRAINING FOR NEW JUDGES (FY27)

	INDIVIDUAL COST	# OF JUDGES	TOTAL	
ELECTIVE EDUCATION:	2,500.00	25	62,500.00	ADDITIONAL EDUCATION AFTER INITIAL MANDATORY TRAININGS (NEXT BIENNIUM)

**ESTIMATED DISTRICT JUDGES CONFERENCE BASED ON PAST CONFERENCE:**

	INDIVIDUAL COST	# OF JUDGES	TOTAL	
LODGING*	944.48	25	23,612.00	
AIRFARE	450.00	18	8,100.00	ACCOUNTS FOR 8TH JD TO TRAVEL TO RENO
MEALS*	400.00	25	10,000.00	
CAR RENTAL	250.00	18	4,500.00	ACCOUNTS FOR 8TH JD TO TRAVEL TO RENO
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,044.48</b>		<b>46,212.00</b>	

COST PER DISTRICT - 1ST YEAR				
District		SALARY & FRINGE	TRAINING	TOTAL
1st		148,107	13,344	161,452
2nd Crim/Civ		296,215	20,689	316,904
2nd Family		148,107	13,344	161,452
6th		148,107	13,344	161,452
8th Crim/Civ		1,481,074	110,445	1,591,519
8th Family		1,184,860	112,356	1,297,215
10th		148,107	13,344	161,452
11th		148,107	13,344	161,452
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3,702,686</b>	<b>310,212</b>	<b>4,012,898</b>

COST PER DISTRICT - NEXT BIENNIUM				
District		SALARY & FRINGE	TRAINING	TOTAL
1st		592,430	7,689	600,119
2nd Crim/Civ		1,184,860	15,378	1,200,237
2nd Family		592,430	7,689	600,119