



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: HB0710.01: Generally revise laws related to the judiciary

Primary Sponsor: Kathy Love Status: As Introduced

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

### FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2026</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2028</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2029</u> <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures				
Revenues				
Net Impact	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
General Fund Balance	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

### Description of fiscal impact

HB 710 would generally revise laws in relation to the Judiciary. It would allow a supreme court judge or a district court judge to issue a subpoena for a crime involving sexual exploitation of a minor. HB 710 also allocates the Judicial Standards Board from Judicial Branch to the Dept. of Justice.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### Assumptions

##### Judiciary

1. HB 710 Section 1 allows a Supreme Court justice or District Court judge to issue subpoenas requested by an internet crime against children task force officer who has a duty to investigate an offense that involves the sexual exploitation of a minor.
2. Section 2 of HB 710 transfers the Judicial Standards Commission from the Judicial Branch to the Department of Justice for administrative purposes.
3. Allocating the Judicial Standards Commission to Department of Justice, will reduce general fund operating costs for the Judicial Branch.
4. The Judicial Branch incurs costs for outside legal counsel related to Judicial Standards Commission (JSC) investigations.
5. In fiscal year 2024, the Judicial Branch paid \$22,668 to outside counsel for JSC investigations.
6. Personal services costs incurred for the JSC are approximately 15% of one FTE. The branch assumes no reduction related to personal services as the 15% of time will be spent assisting with other boards and commissions duties.
7. By allocating the costs of the JSC to the Department of Justice, the Judicial Branch will no longer incur costs related to outside counsel for JSC investigations.
8. Total general fund cost savings in each fiscal year is estimated at \$22,668.

##### Department of Justice (DOJ)

9. The Department of Justice assumes any existing funding (\$22,668) for the Judicial Standards Commission would be transferred to or appropriated to DOJ.

## Fiscal Analysis Table

## Department of Justice

	<u>FY 2026 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2028 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2029 Difference</u>
<b><u>Fiscal Impact</u></b>				
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>				
Operating Expenses	<u>\$22,668</u>	<u>\$22,668</u>	<u>\$22,668</u>	<u>\$22,668</u>
<b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>	<u><b>\$22,668</b></u>	<u><b>\$22,668</b></u>	<u><b>\$22,668</b></u>	<u><b>\$22,668</b></u>
<b><u>Funding of Expenditures</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	<u>\$22,668</u>	<u>\$22,668</u>	<u>\$22,668</u>	<u>\$22,668</u>
<b>TOTAL Funding of Expenditures</b>	<u><b>\$22,668</b></u>	<u><b>\$22,668</b></u>	<u><b>\$22,668</b></u>	<u><b>\$22,668</b></u>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				
<b><u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	<u>(\$22,668)</u>	<u>(\$22,668)</u>	<u>(\$22,668)</u>	<u>(\$22,668)</u>

## Judiciary

	<u>FY 2026 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2028 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2029 Difference</u>
<b><u>Fiscal Impact</u></b>				
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>				
Operating Expenses	<u>(\$22,668)</u>	<u>(\$22,668)</u>	<u>(\$22,668)</u>	<u>(\$22,668)</u>
<b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>	<u><b>(\$22,668)</b></u>	<u><b>(\$22,668)</b></u>	<u><b>(\$22,668)</b></u>	<u><b>(\$22,668)</b></u>
<b><u>Funding of Expenditures</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	<u>(\$22,668)</u>	<u>(\$22,668)</u>	<u>(\$22,668)</u>	<u>(\$22,668)</u>
<b>TOTAL Funding of Expenditures</b>	<u><b>(\$22,668)</b></u>	<u><b>(\$22,668)</b></u>	<u><b>(\$22,668)</b></u>	<u><b>(\$22,668)</b></u>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				
<b><u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	<u>\$22,668</u>	<u>\$22,668</u>	<u>\$22,668</u>	<u>\$22,668</u>

## STATEWIDE SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2026 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2028 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2029 Difference</u>
<b><u>Fiscal Impact</u></b>				
<b>TOTAL Fiscal Impact</b>	<u><b>0.00</b></u>	<u><b>0.00</b></u>	<u><b>0.00</b></u>	<u><b>0.00</b></u>
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>				
<b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>
<b><u>Funding of Expenditures</u></b>				
<b>TOTAL Funding of Expenditures</b>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				

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<b>TOTAL Revenues</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b><u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)</u></b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>



Sponsor's Initials

3/4/25

Date



Budget Director's Initials

3/3/2025

Date