

Fiscal Analysis

ADDITIONAL JUDGE FOR CLARE/GLADWIN CIRCUIT



Bill/Sponsor **HOUSE BILL 5480 as introduced, Rep. Jim Howell**

House Committee Judiciary

Analysis **Summary**

The bill would amend the Revised Judicature Act to authorize the creation of an additional judgeship for the 55th judicial circuit (Clare and Gladwin counties), which currently has one judge.

Fiscal Impact

The annual cost to the state of each circuit court judgeship is approximately \$157,736 (\$139,919 for judicial salary and standardization payment, \$7,423 for FICA, \$600 for travel, and \$9,794 for retirement contribution for judges enrolled in the defined benefit retirement plan). Local expenses attendant on each judgeship depend on costs of staffing, support services, office space, and supplies.

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