



Judicial Branch—Item 0250 General Fund Reductions to Judicial Branch

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(Dollars in Thousands)

Issues	Proposal	Senate	Assembly	LAO	LAO Comments
311	Adjustment to State Appropriations Limit (SAL)	-\$126,181	-\$56,081	-\$126,181	(A) substituted a smaller inflation adjustment for SAL. LAO suspends SAL adjustment to provide greater ongoing state savings.
313	Reduction of Trial Court Funding—Use of Reserve Funds	-23,000	-92,240	-7,950	Smaller reduction proposed by LAO reflects full SAL suspension in above item.
307	Addressing Trial Court Security Shortfall	20,000	—	—	Trial court security should be assessed after standards change.
303	Defer Funding for Conservatorship and Guardianship Reform Act of 2006	-17,377	—	-17,377	Delays funding for this program by another year. Some trial courts have implemented program with existing resources.
315	Court of Appeals Unallocated Reduction	—	-10,631	-10,631	This reduction was proposed by the Judicial Branch.
314	Supreme Court Unallocated Reduction	—	-1,494	-1,494	This reduction was proposed by the Judicial Branch.
316	Local Assistance Unallocated Reduction	—	-1,012	-1,012	This reduction was proposed by the Judicial Branch.
317	Habeas Corpus Resource Center Unallocated Reduction	—	-778	—	Proposed reduction would likely aggravate the existing backlog of prisoners awaiting counsel for habeas corpus death penalty appeals.
	Special Session Delay of Judgeships	-54,212	-54,212	-54,212	Not in conference.
	Delay of Judgeships until 2008-09	-16,750	-16,750	-16,750	Not in conference.
	Reduction to Judicial Council and Administrative Office of the Court	-4,731	-4,731	-4,731	Not in conference.
	Withdrawal of Judicial Branch workload BCPs	-4,451	-4,451	-4,451	Not in conference.
	Reduction to Office of Court Construction and Management	-1,155	-1,155	-1,155	Not in conference.
Totals		-\$227,857	-\$243,535	-\$245,944	



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LAO Compromise

- Attains overall savings level of about \$246 million targeted by both the Assembly and the Senate. Does not include \$20 million increase for security proposed by the Senate that reduces savings below the targeted level.
- Provides ongoing savings of \$134 million, instead of the \$60 million in ongoing savings in the Senate and Assembly versions. Also includes some one-time reductions approved by both houses.
- As proposed by the Judicial Branch, distributes reductions to the trial courts, state appellate courts, and the Supreme Court.