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Measure Description:

Increases certain filing fees, motion fees, settlement conference fees, trial fees, fees for writs of garnishment and marriage solemnization fees.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Judicial Department

Analysis:

The measure increases most fees charged by courts for filings, motions, settlement and trial fees. Generally, the fees are increased by 5%. A percentage of the revenue from these fees is transferred to the State Court Technology Fund. The bill increases this percentage from 4.75% to 8.85%.

The process of publishing a new fee schedule, updating court documents to reflect the fee changes, providing training and materials to court staff and litigants, is anticipated to have a minimal expenditure impact to the Judicial Department. The measure provides an additional \$2.94 million to the State Court Technology Fund to use for technology services.