

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 1024

As Reported by House Committee On:
Judiciary

Title: An act relating to requirements for issuing salary warrants for judges.

Brief Description: Changing requirements for issuing salary warrants for judges.

Sponsors: Representatives Kirby and Campbell; by request of Board For Judicial Administration.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Judiciary: 1/18/05, 1/25/05 [DP].

Brief Summary of Bill

- Removes the requirement for a judge to provide an affidavit before the judge can be paid.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 8 members: Representatives Lantz, Chair; Flannigan, Vice Chair; Williams, Vice Chair; Priest, Ranking Minority Member; Campbell, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Kirby, Serben and Wood.

Staff: Trudes Tango Hutcheson (786-7384).

Background:

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), among other things, collects statistical data from the courts and may make recommendations to the Chief Justice regarding judges' assignments to improve court efficiency. The Chief Justice may direct any judge to hold court in any county or district where needed.

Before a superior court judge's salary is issued, the judge must provide an affidavit stating that he or she has complied with the Chief Justice's orders regarding assignments in other counties and with the AOC's requests for statistical data.

Summary of Bill:

The requirement for the affidavit before a superior court judge's salary may be issued is eliminated.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Persons Testifying: None.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.