

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY STATE FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT  
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION  
2017 R EGULAR SESSION**

**MEASURE**

2017 BR NUMBER **0301**

**HOUSE** BILL NUMBER **515**

RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDMENT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT/TITLE** **An ACT relating to the Judicial Branch.**

**SPONSOR** **Representative Meade**

**NOTE SUMMARY**

FISCAL ANALYSIS:  IMPACT       NO IMPACT       INDETERMINABLE IMPACT

LEVEL(S) OF IMPACT:     STATE       LOCAL       FEDERAL

BUDGET UNIT(S) IMPACT: **Administrative Office of the Courts**

FUND(S) IMPACT:  GENERAL  ROAD  FEDERAL  RESTRICTED AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_  OTHER

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>FISCAL ESTIMATES</b>	<b>2016-2017</b>	<b>2017-2018</b>	<b>ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			Indeterminable
<b>NET EFFECT</b>			(Indeterminable)

( ) indicates a decrease/negative

**MEASURE’S PURPOSE:** The purpose of this measure is to increase the number of Circuit Judges in the 28th and 54th Judicial Circuits to establish Family Court judgeships contingent on an appropriation in the 2018-2020 biennium.

**PROVISIONS/MECHANICS:** Section 1 amends KRS 23A.045 to remove the 28th and 54th Judicial Circuits from the list of judicial circuits entitled to three Circuit Judges.

Section 2 amends KRS 23A.050 to add the 28th and 54th Judicial Circuits to the list of judicial circuits entitled to four Circuit Judges.

Section 3 stipulates that Sections 1 and 2 shall take effect July 1, 2018 and is contingent upon an appropriation to the Judicial Branch.

**FISCAL EXPLANATION:** Upon receipt of certification by the Supreme Court to alter judicial districts, the impact of this legislation is estimated to be around \$800,000, but is not anticipated to be an actual cost until FY 2019. Please note that this estimate may change to an unknown degree as it is subject to costs that may vary over time.

**DATA SOURCE(S):** **Administrative Office of the Courts**

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