

FISCAL NOTE

May 15, 2017

COST / (SAVINGS)

Fund (s)	2016-17	2017-18
General Fund	See "FISCAL IMPACT"	See "FISCAL IMPACT"

SUMMARY: This bill would amend Title 42 (Judiciary) to add additional judgeships to the Pennsylvania Courts of Common Pleas.

ANALYSIS: Senate Bill 222 would add eight additional judgeships to the Pennsylvania Courts of Common Pleas, including the following:

Judicial District	Number of Judgeships	
Seventh – Bucks County	2	
Ninth – Cumberland County	1	
Twenty-Second – Wayne County	1	
Twenty-Seventh – Washington County	1	
Thirty-Second – Delaware County	1	
Thirty-Eighth – Montgomery County	1	
Forty-Third – Monroe County	1	
Total	8	

These new judgeships would be established on January 2, 2020 and would be filled by the 2019 municipal election.

This act would be effective immediately upon passage.

FISCAL IMPACT: Judiciary would incur a cost of \$1.2 million in Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20 and an annualized cost of \$2.4 million in FY 2020-21 in personnel costs for the eight additional judgeships established under this act.

Implementation Costs	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21
	January - July	Full Year
Personnel Costs	\$294,500	\$294,500
Number of Additional Judgeships	8	8
Total	\$1,178,000	\$2,356,000