LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEARS 2024 AND 2025

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TYLER, TEXAS
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TWELFTH COURT OF APPEALS (232) TYLER, TEXAS

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Administrator's Statement

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Administrator's Statement For Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025 88th Legislature

Texas' intermediate appellate courts have weathered serious challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic and the 2020 ransomware attack, but these challenges will continue into the foreseeable future. The courts have not been fully funded since 2015 yet have dutifully risen to the task as can be seen by the dramatic decline in the number of cases pending in the courts of appeals. Respectfully, additional funding is now necessary to ensure the efficient administration of justice going forward.

The core function of Texas intermediate appellate courts is to process, review, and decide by written opinion appeals from trial courts in civil and criminal cases. Population growth across the State and the magnitude of annual case filings, in concert with an ever-increasing number of case types requiring expedited review, make clear that the courts of appeals need sufficient resources to manage their busy dockets and provide the high quality of justice to which the citizens of Texas are entitled. Although case filings decreased in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic, filings have, not surprisingly, returned to pre-pandemic levels as of June 2022 and are expected to continue to increase as trial courts resume full operations. The Annual Statistical Report for 2021 reported that family violence cases increased at the highest rate over the past five years. We anticipate a rise in other types of litigation as well that will result in a surge of appeals over the next biennium.

The courts of appeals, collectively, began in the 79th and 80th Legislative Sessions to work toward a zero-based budget model referred to as Similar Funding for Same-Sized Courts. This budget model quantified the funding required to meet the personnel and operational needs of the courts, thus enabling the courts to accomplish their core function and meet their performance measures. The Similar Funding for Same-Sized Courts initiative was fully funded in 2015, and the courts have been operating under this zero-based budget model since that time.

Since the development of the budget model in 2005, the demands of the core function of the courts have required higher-skilled and higher-salary positions. The prior model used salary classification levels for attorneys and staff that are now outdated. Additionally, operating costs for necessary resources such as Westlaw/LexisNexis and other administrative needs have increased dramatically. Further, considering recent attacks on judges and an increase in mass shootings, more funds are needed to provide adequate security at the courts.

Prior to the 87th Legislative Session, in early 2020, the Council of Chiefs revised the data in the budget model to reflect the increased funding needed to optimally operate the fourteen courts. However, in preparing for the impending session, the Council was keenly aware that the need for state funds to address the pandemic was the highest priority. Because there were many uncertainties regarding the state of the economy and it was anticipated state revenues would be limited, agencies were asked to reduce budgets by 5%. The Council appreciated and respected the position of the state and, therefore, did not seek additional funding at that time. While the Council greatly appreciates that budgets of the courts of appeals in the last biennium were not cut, funding of the updated budget model is, nonetheless, now necessary. Accordingly, the budget model data has been further updated to reflect current operating needs.

Since 1983, the work of the intermediate courts of appeals has been accomplished by 80 justices statewide. In that time, the population of Texas has nearly doubled. A key component to handling the ever-increasing workload without additional justices has been the employment of a highly skilled and trained professional workforce, including appellate lawyers and clerical staff, who assist the justices in processing complex cases, researching and drafting orders and opinions, disposing of voluminous motions, and managing accelerated and emergency matters. Appellate work requires specialized knowledge and significant experience, and the courts constantly face competition from higher-paying private practice and government legal jobs for skilled attorneys and staff. Specialized technological skills are also necessary to understand and operate the complex case management system currently used by the courts. Transitioning to a new case management system in the next biennium will

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also require special skills. Hiring and retaining qualified support staff is critical to the courts' ability to manage their dockets and efficiently resolve the cases before them.

Funding for all fourteen courts of appeals comprises merely 0.035% of the State budget as a whole. Yet, on average, 96.5% of each appellate court's budget is dedicated to salaries and benefits. Without additional funding, appellate courts will be unable to attract and retain the highly trained and skilled support staff with the specialized knowledge and relevant experience critical to the courts' function. Without sufficient qualified staff, courts cannot comply with Legislative mandates to give accelerated and preferential treatment to certain appeals, such as parental-termination and juvenile-certification appeals under the Family Code, mental-health appeals under the Health and Safety Code, and interlocutory appeals under the Civil Practice and Remedies Code.

All fourteen courts of appeals continue to expend resources to recover from the 2020 ransomware attack on the courts' computer systems. The loss of data overall was substantial and continues to require resources to reconstitute work that could not be recovered. And while all State agencies experienced the negative effects of COVID-19, the combined effects of the ransomware attack plus COVID-19 created a unique hardship for the appellate courts.

EXCEPTIONAL ITEM #1: INCREASE THE GENERAL REVENUE LIMIT TO MEET THE UPDATED BUDGET MODEL

The updated budget model reflects increased funding to permit the courts to attract and retain experienced lawyers and support staff with the requisite knowledge and skills to assist the courts in meeting their performance measures and fulfilling the core function of timely processing and disposing of appeals. Without an increase in funding, appellate courts will lose talented personnel to higher-paying private jobs. This loss of key personnel will detrimentally affect performance standards, including (1) a reduction in overall dispositions of appeals, preventing the courts from clearing older cases and reaching the disposition target of 100% of new appeals filed in the biennium, and (2) an increase in the time from filing until disposition for those appeals which remain pending. Any unnecessary delay will be particularly devastating to the State by creating significant adverse consequences for the businesses, families, and children in Texas that are awaiting justice through the resolution of their disputes. Note, the updated budget model does not include an adjustment for the impact of inflation.

EXCEPTIONAL ITEM #2: JUDICIARY-WIDE INFLATION RELIEF

Attorneys and staff of the courts of appeals have been impacted in many ways by increasing costs due to inflation. The impact has been devastating for many because the State has not given them a meaningful raise in a significant period of time. Their buying power for goods and services has diminished and, at some courts, has resulted in attrition by those seeking higher-paying jobs. If salaries are not increased, the courts risk losing more personnel that will be costly to replace. Training takes time and will impact the ability of the courts to meet the current and expected demands as we navigate the post-pandemic surge.

On May 4, 2022, the Council of Chiefs submitted written testimony to the Senate Committee on Finance comprised of testimonials from court personnel describing personal experiences with rising costs. The Council asks for consideration of this testimony.

The courts of appeals join in the judiciary-wide inflation relief for non-judicial employees sought by Article IV courts and agencies. Respectfully, a ten percent (10%) increase on the budget model salaries is sought to help absorb the impact of inflation. To maintain the Similar Funding for Same-Sized Courts model that has worked exceptionally well for years, the requested percentage must be based on the budget model salaries. This exceptional item is not duplicative of exceptional item 1, which does not include an adjustment for the inflation that is expected to persist for some time to come.

EXCEPTIONAL ITEM #3: JUDICIAL PAY INCREASE DUE TO CHANGE IN TENURE

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One Justice will merit an increase in judicial pay due to reaching the next tier as provided in Texas Government Code section 659.012.

RIDER REQUESTS:

The courts of appeals also request the following with regard to the across-the-board riders found in Article IV (p. IV-38):

- 1. Retain Article IV rider, Sec. 3, Appellate Court Exemptions
- 2. Retain Article IV rider, Sec. 5, Interagency Contracts for Assigned Judges for Appellate Courts
- 3. Retain Article IV rider, Sec. 6, Appellate Court Transfer Authority

Historically, the Legislature has granted the courts exemption from certain limitations in the General Appropriations Act. They have also granted the courts the authority to carry over unexpended budget balances between years within the biennium. The flexibility afforded by these measures enhances the courts' management ability, and we seek continuation of these budget features.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS OF SUPPORT:

In order for the courts of appeals to function efficiently, it is vital that the Office of Court Administration (OCA) be adequately funded. The courts of appeals rely on many of the services provided by OCA and, therefore, the courts of appeals fully support the exceptional items the OCA requests as part of its funding. More specifically, the courts of appeals strongly support the request for funding related to the acquisition of a new appellate case management system to replace the current system known as TAMES as well as a case-level data system.

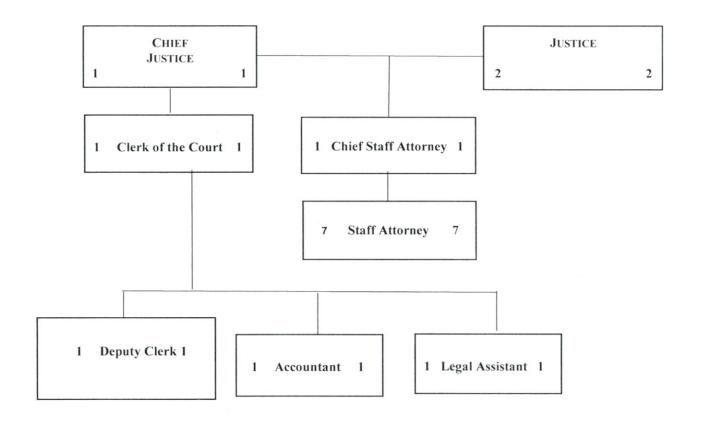
If the Legislature appropriates a cost-of-living increase to state employees, the courts of appeals request that all court employees be included in any such cost-of-living increase.

Finally, the courts of appeals wish to express appreciation to and support for the Judicial Compensation Commission and the Legislature's efforts to strengthen the justice system by increasing judicial salaries to attract and retain a strong judiciary. The courts of appeals request the Legislature implement the Judicial Compensation Commission's recommendations for an increase in judicial compensation.

Note: on Appropriated Receipts – At the direction of the LBB & Governor's Office, this Court has included appropriated receipts in the amount of \$4000.00 reflecting reimbursement for copies of opinions and other court documents. These amounts are merely an offset for additional expenses incurred by the Court and do not constitute additional funds available for general expenditures for the Court. The amount can vary significantly from year to year.

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TWELFTH COURT OF APPEALS (232) TYLER, TEXAS **ORGANIZATIONAL CHART** 2024-2025 WITH EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS



Please Note: The number to the left of each position represents the number of approved positions in 2022-2023 The number to the right of each position is the represents the budgeted positions for the 2024-2025 biennium.

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CERTIFICATE

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This is to certify that the information contained in the agency Legislative Appropriation Request filed with the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) and the Governor's Office of Budget, Planning and Policy (GOBPP) is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that the electronic submission to the LBB via the Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST) and the PDF file submitted via the LBB Document Submission application are identical.

Additionally, should it become likely at any time that unexpended balances will accrue for any account, the LBB and the Governor's office will be notified in writing in accordance with Article IX, Section 7.01 (2016-17 GAA).

Chief Justice

Clerk of Court

Katura McClenny

Signature

Katrina McClenny

Chief Justice

Clerk of Court

August 4, 2022

August 4, 2022

Budget Overview - Biennial Amounts

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| | | | 1 | Appropriation Ye | ears: 2024-25 | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|------------|---------|------------------|---------------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|---------------|
| | GENERAL REVI | ENUE FUNDS | GR DEI | DICATED | FEDERA | L FUNDS | OTHER F | UNDS | ALL FU | | ITEM FUNDS |
| | 2022-23 | 2024-25 | 2022-23 | 2024-25 | 2022-23 | 2024-25 | 2022-23 | 2024-25 | 2022-23 | 2024-25 | 2024-25 |
| Goal: 1. Appellate Court Operations | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.1.1. Appellate Court Operations | 2,369,004 | 2,369,004 | | | | | 8,000 | 8,000 | 2,377,004 | 2,377,004 | 710,106 |
| 1.1.2. Appellate Justice Salaries | 947,200 | 947,200 | | | | | 184,900 | 184,900 | 1,132,100 | 1,132,100 | 30,800 |
| Total, Goal | 3,316,204 | 3,316,204 | | | | | 192,900 | 192,900 | 3,509,104 | 3,509,104 | 740,906 |
| Total, Agency | 3,316,204 | 3,316,204 | | | | | 192,900 | 192,900 | 3,509,104 | 3,509,104 | 740,906 |
| Total FTEs | | | | | | | | | 16.0 | 15.0 | 0.0 |

2.A. Summary of Base Request by Strategy

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| Goal / Objective / STRATEGY | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | Req 2024 | Req 2025 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 Appellate Court Operations | | | | | |
| 1 Appellate Court Operations | | | | | |
| 1 APPELLATE COURT OPERATIONS | 1,245,237 | 1,188,502 | 1,188,502 | 1,188,502 | 1,188,502 |
| 2 APPELLATE JUSTICE SALARIES | 566,050 | 566,050 | 566,050 | 566,050 | 566,050 |
| TOTAL, GOAL 1 | \$1,811,287 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 |
| TOTAL, AGENCY STRATEGY REQUEST | \$1,811,287 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 |
| TOTAL, AGENCY RIDER APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST* | | | | \$0 | \$0 |
| GRAND TOTAL, AGENCY REQUEST | \$1,811,287 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 |

2.A. Summary of Base Request by Strategy

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| Goal / Objective / STRATEGY | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | Req 2024 | Req 2025 |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| METHOD OF FINANCING: | | | | | |
| General Revenue Funds: | | | | | |
| 1 General Revenue Fund | 1,711,731 | 1,658,102 | 1,658,102 | 1,658,102 | 1,658,102 |
| SUBTOTAL | \$1,711,731 | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 |
| Other Funds: | | | | | |
| 573 Judicial Fund | 92,450 | 92,450 | 92,450 | 92,450 | 92,450 |
| 666 Appropriated Receipts | 7,106 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| SUBTOTAL | \$99,556 | \$96,450 | \$96,450 | \$96,450 | \$96,450 |
| TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING | \$1,811,287 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 |

^{*}Rider appropriations for the historical years are included in the strategy amounts.

2.B. Summary of Base Request by Method of Finance

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Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

| Agency code: 232 | Agency name: Twelfth | Court of Appeals Distr | rict, Tyler | | |
|---|----------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| METHOD OF FINANCING | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | Req 2024 | Req 2025 |
| GENERAL REVENUE | | | | | |
| 1 General Revenue Fund | | | | | |
| REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS | | | | | |
| Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2020-21 GA | \$1,560,976 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GA | .A) \$0 | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GA | .A) \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$1,184,502 | \$1,184,502 |
| Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GA | (A) \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$473,600 | \$473,600 |
| RIDER APPROPRIATION | | | | | |
| Article IX Section 18.25 Contingency on HB2384 | \$(376,901) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Comments: Reduction of Strategy A.1.1 | | | | | |

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2.B. Summary of Base Request by Method of Finance

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| Agency code: 232 | gency name: Twelfth Court | of Appeals District, | Гyler | | |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1ETHOD OF FINANCING | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | Req 2024 | Req 2025 |
| GENERAL REVENUE | | | | | |
| Article IX Section 18.25 Contingency on HB2384 | | | | | |
| | \$468,180 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Comments: Strategy A.1.2 is an estimated and nontra- which includes additional \$4,645 for 1% ERS contrib | | | | | |
| Article IX Section 18.25 Contingency on HB2384 | | | | | |
| | \$5,420 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Comments: Insufficient Appropriations for 1 Tier 2 6 & 1 Tier 1 Justice | Chief Justice, 1 Tier 2 Justice | | | | |
| LAPSED APPROPRIATIONS | | | | | |
| Lapsed Appropriations to the GAA (2020-2021) | | | | | |
| | \$(575) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Comments: Registration fee returned after year-end | | | | | |
| UNEXPENDED BALANCES AUTHORITY | | | | | |
| SB 500, 86th Leg, Regular Session | | | | | |
| | \$54,631 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| TOTAL, General Revenue Fund | | 5 W 2000 0000 | | 10.20 00000 00000 | 2000 90000 10000 |
| | \$1,711,731 | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 |

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2.B. Summary of Base Request by Method of Finance

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| Agency code: | 232 Agency | name: Twelfth Cour | rt of Appeals District, 7 | Tyler | | |
|--------------|---|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| METHOD OF F | INANCING | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | Req 2024 | Req 2025 |
| OTAL, ALL | GENERAL REVENUE | \$1,711,731 | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 |
| OTHER FU | NDS | | | | | |
| | dicial Fund No. 573 EGULAR APPROPRIATIONS | | | | | |
| | Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2020-21 GAA) | \$92,450 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| | Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA) | \$0 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 | \$0 | \$0 |
| | Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 |
| OTAL, | Judicial Fund No. 573 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 |
| | ppropriated Receipts EGULAR APPROPRIATIONS | | | | | |
| | Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2020-21 GAA) | \$4,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

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2.B. Summary of Base Request by Method of Finance

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| Agency code: 232 Agency name: | Twelfth Cour | rt of Appeals District, Ty | ler | | |
|---|--------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| METHOD OF FINANCING | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | Req 2024 | Req 2025 |
| OTHER FUNDS | | | | | |
| Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA) | | | | | |
| | \$0 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$0 | \$0 |
| | | | | | |
| Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA) | | | | | |
| | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 |
| RIDER APPROPRIATION | | | | | |
| Art IX, Sec 8.02, Reimbursements and Payments (2020-21 GAA) | | | | | |
| | \$3,106 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Comments: \$3,106 over estimated amount collected | | | | | |
| TOTAL, Appropriated Receipts | | | | | |
| | \$7,106 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 |
| TOTAL, ALL OTHER FUNDS | \$99,556 | \$96,450 | \$96,450 | \$96,450 | \$96,450 |
| GRAND TOTAL | \$1,811,287 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 |
| | | | | | |

2.B. Summary of Base Request by Method of Finance

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| Agency code: 232 | Agency name: Twelfth Court | h Court of Appeals District, Tyler | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| METHOD OF FINANCING | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | Req 2024 | Req 2025 | | |
| FULL-TIME-EQUIVALENT POSITIONS | | | | | | | |
| REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS | | | | | | | |
| Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2020-21 GAA) | 16.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | | |
| Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA) | 0.0 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | | |
| Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 | | |
| UNAUTHORIZED NUMBER OVER (BELOW) CAP | | | | | | | |
| Unauthorized Number below Cap | (1.2) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | | |
| Comments: One unfilled position | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL, ADJUSTED FTES | 14.8 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 | | |

NUMBER OF 100% FEDERALLY FUNDED FTEs

2.C. Summary of Base Request by Object of Expense

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| OBJECT OF EXPENSE | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | BL 2024 | BL 2025 |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES | \$1,589,152 | \$1,659,841 | \$1,659,841 | \$1,659,841 | \$1,659,841 |
| 1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS | \$134,226 | \$45,998 | \$45,998 | \$45,998 | \$45,998 |
| 2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES | \$10,237 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 |
| 2004 UTILITIES | \$3,456 | \$4,500 | \$4,500 | \$4,500 | \$4,500 |
| 2005 TRAVEL | \$510 | \$1,500 | \$1,500 | \$1,500 | \$1,500 |
| 2007 RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER | \$2,465 | \$4,544 | \$4,544 | \$4,544 | \$4,544 |
| 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE | \$71,241 | \$33,169 | \$33,169 | \$33,169 | \$33,169 |
| OOE Total (Excluding Riders) | \$1,811,287 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 |
| OOE Total (Riders) Grand Total | \$1,811,287 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 |

2.C.1. Operating Costs Detail ~ Base Request

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Agency Code: 232 Agency: Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

BASE REQUEST STRATEGY:

1-1-1 Appellate Court Operations

| Code | Type of Expense | Expended | Estimated | Budgeted | Requested | Requested |
|------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | Consumable Supplies | \$10,237 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 |
| 4 | Travel | 510 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| 20 | Rental & Leases | 2,465 | 4,544 | 4,544 | 4,544 | 4,544 |
| 51 | Other Operating Expenses | 71,241 | 33,161 | 33,161 | 33,161 | 33,161 |
| 80 | Utilities | 3,456 | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,500 |
| | Total, Operating Costs | \$87,909 | \$48,705 | \$48,705 | \$48,705 | \$48,705 |

2.D. Summary of Base Request Objective Outcomes

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| Goal/ Obje | ective / Outcome | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | BL 2024 | BL 2025 |
|------------|--|------------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| | llate Court Operations Appellate Court Operations | | | | | |
| KEY | 1 Clearance Rate | | | | | |
| | | 123.58% | 90.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% |
| KEY | 2 Percentage of Cases Under Submission for Le | ss Than One Year | | | | |
| | | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% |
| KEY | 3 Percentage of Cases Pending for Less Than Tv | vo Years | | | | |
| | | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% |

2.E. Summary of Exceptional Items Request

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Agency code: 232

Agency name: Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

| | | 2024 | | | 2025 | | Bien | nium |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|------|------------------------|-----------|------|------------------------|-----------|
| Priority Item | GR and GR/GR Dedicated | All Funds | FTEs | GR and GR Dedicated | All Funds | FTEs | GR and GR Dedicated | All Funds |
| 1 UPDATED COA BUDGET MODEL | \$230,429 | \$230,429 | 0.0 | \$230,429 | \$230,429 | 0.0 | \$460,858 | \$460,858 |
| 2 JUDICIARY-WIDE INFLATION REL | IE \$124,624 | \$124,624 | 0.0 | \$124,624 | \$124,624 | 0.0 | \$249,248 | \$249,248 |
| 3 JUDICIAL TENURE INCREASE | \$8,981 | \$8,981 | 0.0 | \$15,400 | \$15,400 | 0.0 | \$24,381 | \$24,381 |
| Total, Exceptional Items Request | \$364,034 | \$364,034 | 0.0 | \$370,453 | \$370,453 | 0.0 | \$734,487 | \$734,487 |
| Method of Financing | | | | | | | | |
| General Revenue | \$364,034 | \$364,034 | | \$370,453 | \$370,453 | | \$734,487 | \$734,487 |
| General Revenue - Dedicated | | | | | | | | |
| Federal Funds | | | | | | | | |
| Other Funds | | | | | | | | |
| | \$364,034 | \$364,034 | | \$370,453 | \$370,453 | | \$734,487 | \$734,487 |
| Full Time Equivalent Positions | | | 0.0 | | | 0.0 | | |

Number of 100% Federally Funded FTEs

2.F. Summary of Total Request by Strategy

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| Agency code: 232 | Agency name: | Twelfth Court of Appeals Distri | ict, Tyler | | | | |
|--|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Goal/Objective/STRATEGY | | Base 2024 | Base 2025 | Exceptional 2024 | Exceptional 2025 | Total Request 2024 | Total Request 2025 |
| 1 Appellate Court Operations | | | | | | | |
| 1 Appellate Court Operations | | | | | | | |
| 1 APPELLATE COURT OPERATIONS | | \$1,188,502 | \$1,188,502 | \$355,053 | \$355,053 | \$1,543,555 | \$1,543,555 |
| 2 APPELLATE JUSTICE SALARIES | | 566,050 | 566,050 | 8,981 | 15,400 | 575,031 | 581,450 |
| TOTAL, GOAL 1 | | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$364,034 | \$370,453 | \$2,118,586 | \$2,125,005 |
| TOTAL, AGENCY STRATEGY REQUEST | | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$364,034 | \$370,453 | \$2,118,586 | \$2,125,005 |
| TOTAL, AGENCY RIDER APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST | | | | | | | |
| GRAND TOTAL, AGENCY REQUEST | | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$364,034 | \$370,453 | \$2,118,586 | \$2,125,005 |

2.F. Summary of Total Request by Strategy

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| Agency code: 232 | Agency name: | Twelfth Court of Appeals Di | strict, Tyler | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Goal/Objective/STRATEGY | | Base 2024 | Base 2025 | Exceptional 2024 | Exceptional 2025 | Total Request 2024 | Total Request 2025 |
| General Revenue Funds: | | | | | | | |
| 1 General Revenue Fund | | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 | \$364,034 | \$370,453 | \$2,022,136 | \$2,028,555 |
| | | \$1,658,102 | \$1,658,102 | \$364,034 | \$370,453 | \$2,022,136 | \$2,028,555 |
| Other Funds: | | | | | | | |
| 573 Judicial Fund | | 92,450 | 92,450 | 0 | 0 | 92,450 | 92,450 |
| 666 Appropriated Receipts | | 4,000 | 4,000 | 0 | 0 | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| | | \$96,450 | \$96,450 | \$0 | \$0 | \$96,450 | \$96,450 |
| TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING | | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$364,034 | \$370,453 | \$2,118,586 | \$2,125,005 |
| FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION | NS | 15.0 | 15.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 |

2.G. Summary of Total Request Objective Outcomes

Date: 7/29/2022 Time: 10:28:23AM

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| Agency coo | de: 232 Agency | name: Twelfth Court of App | eals District, Tyler | | | |
|--------------|--|------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Goal/ Object | BL 2024 | BL 2025 | Excp 2024 | Excp 2025 | Total Request 2024 | Total Request 2025 |
| 1 1 | Appellate Court Operations Appellate Court Operations | | | | | |
| KEY | 1 Clearance Rate | | | | | |
| | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% |
| KEY | 2 Percentage of Cases Under Subi | mission for Less Than One Ye | ar | | | |
| | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% |
| KEY | 3 Percentage of Cases Pending for | r Less Than Two Years | | | | |
| | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% |

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232 Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

GOAL:

1 Appellate Court Operations

OBJECTIVE:

1 Appellate Court Operations

Service Categories:

STRATEGY:

1 Appellate Court Operations

Service: 01

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

| CODE DESCRIP | TION | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | BL 2024 | BL 2025 |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | | | | | |
| Output Measures: | | | | | | |
| 1 Number of Civil C | ases Disposed | 129.00 | 118.00 | 130.00 | 130.00 | 130.00 |
| 2 Number of Crimin | al Cases Disposed | 154.00 | 186.00 | 225.00 | 225.00 | 225.00 |
| Explanatory/Input Measur | es: | | | | | |
| 1 Number of Civil C | ases Filed | 101.00 | 132.00 | 135.00 | 135.00 | 135.00 |
| 2 Number of Crimin | nl Cases Filed | 128.00 | 188.00 | 248.00 | 248.00 | 248.00 |
| 3 Number of Cases 7 | ransferred in | 0.00 | 20.00 | 12.00 | 12.00 | 12.00 |
| 4 Number of Cases | ransferred out | 0.00 | 41.00 | 40.00 | 40.00 | 40.00 |
| Objects of Expense: | | | | | | |
| 1001 SALARIES AND | WAGES | \$1,047,152 | \$1,117,841 | \$1,117,841 | \$1,117,841 | \$1,117,841 |
| 1002 OTHER PERSO | NEL COSTS | \$115,596 | \$27,368 | \$27,368 | \$27,368 | \$27,368 |
| 2003 CONSUMABLE | SUPPLIES | \$10,237 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 |
| 2004 UTILITIES | | \$3,456 | \$4,500 | \$4,500 | \$4,500 | \$4,500 |
| 2005 TRAVEL | | \$510 | \$1,500 | \$1,500 | \$1,500 | \$1,500 |
| 2007 RENT - MACHI | NE AND OTHER | \$2,465 | \$4,544 | \$4,544 | \$4,544 | \$4,544 |
| 2009 OTHER OPERA | TING EXPENSE | \$65,821 | \$27,749 | \$27,749 | \$27,749 | \$27,749 |
| TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXI | ENSE | \$1,245,237 | \$1,188,502 | \$1,188,502 | \$1,188,502 | \$1,188,502 |

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232 Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

GOAL:

1 Appellate Court Operations

OBJECTIVE:

1 Appellate Court Operations

Service Categories:

STRATEGY:

1 Appellate Court Operations

Service: 01

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

| | 20 January Strategy Colonia (1900) 1900 - 19 | | | | | |
|------------------|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| CODE I | DESCRIPTION | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | BL 2024 | BL 2025 |
| Method of Financ | ring: | | | | | |
| 1 Genera | l Revenue Fund | \$1,238,131 | \$1,184,502 | \$1,184,502 | \$1,184,502 | \$1,184,502 |
| SUBTOTAL, MO | F (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS) | \$1,238,131 | \$1,184,502 | \$1,184,502 | \$1,184,502 | \$1,184,502 |
| Method of Financ | ing: | | | | | |
| 666 Approp | priated Receipts | \$7,106 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 |
| SUBTOTAL, MO | OF (OTHER FUNDS) | \$7,106 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 |
| TOTAL, METHO | D OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS) | | | | \$1,188,502 | \$1,188,502 |
| тотаь, метно | D OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS) | \$1,245,237 | \$1,188,502 | \$1,188,502 | \$1,188,502 | \$1,188,502 |
| FULL TIME EQU | JIVALENT POSITIONS: | 11.8 | 13.0 | 13.0 | 12.0 | 12.0 |
| | | | | | | |

STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Twelfth Court of Appeals was created in 1963 by an Act of the 58th Legislature, H.B. 68. The Court has intermediate appellate jurisdiction in civil cases in which the judgment rendered exceeds \$100, exclusive of costs, and other civil proceedings as provided by law, and in criminal cases, except in post-conviction writs of habeas corpus and where the death penalty has been imposed. The Court has jurisdiction over seventeen (17) counties.

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232 Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

GOAL:

1 Appellate Court Operations

OBJECTIVE:

Appellate Court Operations

Service Categories:

STRATEGY:

Appellate Court Operations

Service: 01

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE

DESCRIPTION

Exp 2021

Est 2022

Bud 2023

BL 2024

BL 2025

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

The Twelfth Court of Appeals is a constitutional state entity comprised of three elected justices assisted by a highly specialized and well-trained staff of full time employees. The Court must be able to carry out its constitutional and statutory responsibilities to appropriately serve the people in our 17-county jurisdiction in an effective and efficient manner. To do this, the Court must be able to attract and retain knowledgeable, highly trained, and professional staff members in both legal and non-legal positions. Analyzing cases on appeal from a court's perspective and assisting with court opinions are skills which take time to develop. Loss of experienced staff members, especially staff attorneys, creates difficulties in the timely processing of and disposing of appeals. New attorneys, even if experienced, take precious time to develop the skills required of staff attorneys doing appellate work. Our cases have become more complex, as generally, easier cases do not reach us because they have been resolved through alternative dispute resolution. Experienced, qualified staff attorneys are essential for effective analysis and briefing of complex issues, as well as for assistance in legal research and drafting opinions. This ability to attract and retain experienced appellate attorneys play a vital role in the Courts' ability to fulfill their core function of timely processing and disposing of appeals while maintaining the high quality of justice to which the citizens of Texas are entitled.

EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):

| | STRATEGY BIENNIA | L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | BIENNIAL | EXPLAN | NATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|---|
| _ | Base Spending (Est 2022 + Bud 2023) | Baseline Request (BL 2024 + BL 2025) | CHANGE | \$ Amount | Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs) |
| | \$2,377,004 | \$2,377,004 | \$0 | | |
| | | | - | \$0 | Total of Explanation of Biennial Change |

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232 Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

GOAL:

1 Appellate Court Operations

OBJECTIVE:

1 Appellate Court Operations

Service Categories:

STRATEGY:

2 Appellate Justice Salaries. Estimated and Nontransferable

Service: NA

Income: NA

Age: NA

| CODE DESCRIPTION | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | BL 2024 | BL 2025 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | | | |
| Objects of Expense: | | | | | |
| 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES | \$542,000 | \$542,000 | \$542,000 | \$542,000 | \$542,000 |
| 1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS | \$18,630 | \$18,630 | \$18,630 | \$18,630 | \$18,630 |
| 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE | \$5,420 | \$5,420 | \$5,420 | \$5,420 | \$5,420 |
| TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE | \$566,050 | \$566,050 | \$566,050 | \$566,050 | \$566,050 |
| Method of Financing: | | | | | |
| 1 General Revenue Fund | \$473,600 | \$473,600 | \$473,600 | \$473,600 | \$473,600 |
| SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS) | \$473,600 | \$473,600 | \$473,600 | \$473,600 | \$473,600 |
| Method of Financing: | | | | | |
| 573 Judicial Fund | \$92,450 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 |
| SUBTOTAL, MOF (OTHER FUNDS) | \$92,450 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 | \$92,450 |
| TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS) | | | | \$566,050 | \$566,050 |
| TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS) | \$566,050 | \$566,050 | \$566,050 | \$566,050 | \$566,050 |
| FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS: | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| | | | | | |

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232 Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

GOAL:

Appellate Court Operations

OBJECTIVE:

1 Appellate Court Operations

Service Categories:

STRATEGY:

2 Appellate Justice Salaries. Estimated and Nontransferable

Service: NA

Income: NA

Age: NA

CODE

DESCRIPTION

Exp 2021

Est 2022

Bud 2023

BL 2024

BL 2025

STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Twelfth Court of Appeals was created in 1963 by an Act of the 58th Legislature, H.B. 68. The Court has intermediate appellate jurisdiction in civil cases in which the judgment rendered exceeds \$100, exclusive of costs, and other civil proceedings as provided by law, and in criminal cases, except in post-conviction writs of habeas corpus and where the death penalty has been imposed. The Court has jurisdiction over seventeen (17) counties.

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

The Twelfth Court of Appeals is a constitutional state entity comprised of three elected justices assisted by a highly specialized and well-trained staff of full time employees. The Court must be able to carry out its constitutional and statutory responsibilities to appropriately serve the people in our 17-county jurisdiction in an effective and efficient manner. To do this, the Court must be able to attract and retain knowledgeable, highly trained, and professional staff members in both legal and non-legal positions. Analyzing cases on appeal from a court's perspective and assisting with court opinions are skills which take time to develop. Loss of experienced staff members, especially staff attorneys, creates difficulties in the timely processing of and disposing of appeals. New attorneys, even if experienced, take precious time to develop the skills required of staff attorneys doing appellate work. Our cases have become more complex, as generally, easier cases do not reach us because they have been resolved through alternative dispute resolution. Experienced, qualified staff attorneys are essential for effective analysis and briefing of complex issues, as well as for assistance in legal research and drafting opinions. This ability to attract and retain experienced appellate attorneys play a vital role in the Courts' ability to fulfill their core function of timely processing and disposing of appeals while maintaining the high quality of justice to which the citizens of Texas are entitled.

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| | | | 232 Twelfth | Court of Appeals Dist | rict, Tyler | | | | |
|-------------|------------------|---------------------|---|-----------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------|
| GOAL: | 1 | Appellate Court O | perations | | | | | | |
| OBJECTIVE: | 1 | Appellate Court O | perations | | | Service Categori | es: | | |
| STRATEGY: | 2 | Appellate Justice S | salaries. Estimated and Nontransferable | | | Service: NA | Income: NA | Age: NA | |
| CODE | E DESCRIPTION | | DESCRIPTION Exp 2021 | | Exp 2021 | Est 2022 | Bud 2023 | BL 2024 | BL 2025 |
| EXPLANATION | | | (includes Rider amounts): | | | | | | |
| | \underline{ST} | RATEGY BIENNIA | L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | BIENNIAL | EXPLA | NATION OF BIENN | AL CHANGE | | |
| Base Spen | ding (Es | t 2022 + Bud 2023) | Baseline Request (BL 2024 + BL 2025) | CHANGE | \$ Amount | Explanation(s) of A | mount (must specify N | (OFs and FTEs) | |
| | \$1,13 | 32,100 | \$1,132,100 | \$0 | | | | | |
| | | | | , | \$0 | Total of Explanat | ion of Biennial Chang | e | |

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| SUMMARY TOTALS: | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | | | | |
| OBJECTS OF EXPENSE: | \$1,811,287 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 |
| METHODS OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS): | | | | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 |
| METHODS OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS): | \$1,811,287 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 | \$1,754,552 |
| FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS: | 14.8 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 |

3.B. Rider Revisions and Additions Request

| Agency Code: Agency Name: | | | Prepared By: | Date: | Request Level: | |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------|--|
| 232 | 12th Court of A | ppeals, District, | Katrina McClenny | July 29, 2022 | Baseline | |
| Current Rider Number | Page Number in 2022-2023 GAA | | Proposed Rider La | inguage | | |
| 5 | IV-38 | • | cy Contracts for Assigned Judges for A | Appellate Courts. Out of | | |

Sec. 6. Interagency Contracts for Assigned Judges for Appellate Courts. Out of funds appropriated in this Article to Strategies A.1.1., Appellate Court Operations, the Supreme Court of Texas, the Court of Criminal Appeals, or any of the 14 Courts of Appeals may enter into a contract with the Office of the Comptroller for fiscal years 2024 and 2025, for the purpose of reimbursing the Comptroller for amounts expended for judges assigned under Chapter 74, Government Code to hear cases of the appellate courts. It is the intent of the Legislature that any amounts reimbursed under this contract for judges assigned to the appellate courts are in addition to amounts appropriated for the use of assigned judges in Strategy A.1.3. Visiting Judges – Appellate in the Judiciary Section, Comptroller's Department.

Updating rider to adjust the years for the 2024-2025 biennium.

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Agency code:

CODE

232

DESCRIPTION

Agency name: Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

Item Name:

INCREASE THE GENERAL REVENUE LIMIT TO MEET THE UPDATED BUDGET MODEL (similar

funding for same sized courts)

Item Priority:

No IT Component:

No Anticipated Out-year Costs: Involve Contracts > \$50,000: No

Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies: 01-01-01 Appellate Court Operations

OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:

SALARIES AND WAGES 1001 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE 226,973 226,973 3,456 3,456

\$230,429 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$230,429

METHOD OF FINANCING:

General Revenue Fund

230,429 230,429 TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$230,429 \$230,429

DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:

The updated budget model reflects increased funding to permit the courts to attract and retain experienced lawyers and support staff with the requisite knowledge and skills to assist the courts in meeting their performance measures and fulfilling the core function of timely processing and disposing of appeals. Without an increase in funding, appellate courts will lose talented personnel to higher-paying private jobs. This loss of key personnel will detrimentally effect performance standards, including (1) a reduction in overall dispositions of appeals, preventing the courts from clearing older cases and reaching the disposition target of 100% of new appeals filed in the biennium, and (2) an increase in the time from filing until disposition for those appeals which remain pending. Any unnecessary delay will be particularly devastating to the State by creating significant adverse consequences for the businesses, families, and children in Texas that are awaiting justice through the resolution of their disputes. Note, also, that the budget model is updated as of 2020 and does not include an adjustment for the impact of inflation.

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:

Prior to this LAR, the budget model had not completed been updated since 2005. Operating at this funding level has prevented the courts of appeals from increasing salaries to a level that will help the courts attract and retain the most qualified attorneys and staff. Loss of key personnel will effect performance standards thus preventing the courts from reaching the disposition target of 100% of new appeals filed in the biennium. It will further result in an increase in the time from filing until disposition for remaining appeals.

PCLS TRACKING KEY:

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Agency name: Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

DESCRIPTION CODE

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\$124,624

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Excp 2025

\$124,624

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Agency code:

CODE

232

DESCRIPTION

Agency name: Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

Item Name:

JOINT REQEUST FOR AN ADJUSTMENT FOR INFLATION (for all Art. IV non-judicial staff)

Item Priority:

2

IT Component:

Anticipated Out-year Costs:

No No

Involve Contracts > \$50,000:

No

Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies: 01-01-01

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING

Appellate Court Operations

OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:

| 1001 2009 | SALARIES AND WAGES OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE | 122,755 1,869 | 122,755 1,869 |
|--------------|---|------------------|------------------|
| (1 | TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE | \$124,624 | \$124,624 |
| METHOD OF F | INANCING: General Revenue Fund | 124,624 | 124,624 |

DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:

Attorneys and staff of the courts of appeals have been impacted in many ways by increasing costs due to inflation. The impact has been devastating for many because the State has not given them a meaningful raise in a significant period of time. Their buying power for goods and services has diminished and, at some courts, has resulted in attrition by those seeking higher-paying jobs. If salaries are not increased, the courts risk losing more personnel that will be costly to replace. Training takes time and will impact the ability of the courts to meet the current and expected demands as we navigate the post-pandemic surge.

On May 4, 2022, the Council of Chiefs submitted written testimony to the Senate Committee on Finance comprised of testimonials from court personnel describing personal experiences with rising costs. The Council asks for consideration of this testimony.

The courts of appeals join in the judiciary-wide inflation relief for non-judicial employees sought by Article IV courts and agencies. Respectfully, a ten percent (10%) increase on the budget model salaries is sought to help absorb the impact of inflation. To maintain the Similar Funding for Same-Sized Courts model that has worked exceptionally well for years, the requested percentage must be based on the budget model salaries. This exceptional item is not duplicative of exceptional item 1, which does not include an adjustment for the inflation that is expected to persist for some time to come.

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:

Inflation is diminishing the buying power of attorneys and staff. Many are struggling to pay mortgages, rent and other items necessary for their livelihood. A ten percent (10%) increase on the budget model salaries is sought to offset the current impact of inflation, diminish the affect of future inflation, and to permit the courts of appeals to pay attorneys and staff competitive salaries that will help them in the event of a recession.

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Agency code:

CODE

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DESCRIPTION

Agency name: Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler

Item Name:

JUDICIAL PAY INCREASE DUE TO CHANGE IN TENURE (as provided by Texas Government Code

section 659.012)

Item Priority: 3

IT Component: No

Anticipated Out-year Costs: No

Involve Contracts > \$50,000: No

Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies: 01-01-02

Appellate Justice Salaries. Estimated and Nontransferable

OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:

1001 SALARIES AND WAGES

2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE

8,846 135

Excp 2024

15,246 154

TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE

\$8,981 \$15,400

METHOD OF FINANCING:

General Revenue Fund

8,981

15,400

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING

\$8,981 \$15,400

DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:

One Justice will merit an increase in judicial pay due to reaching the next tier as provided in Texas Government Code section 659.012.

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:

Texas Government Code section 659.012 establishes the pay for the Justices.

PCLS TRACKING KEY:

4.B. Exceptional Items Strategy Allocation Schedule

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| Agency code: 232 | Agency name: Twelft | h Court of Appeals District, Tyler | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Code Description | | E | Excp 2024 | Excp 2025 |
| Item Name: | INCREASE THE (courts) | GENERAL REVENUE LIMIT TO MEET THE U | PDATED BUDGET MODE | L (similar funding for same sized |
| Allocation to Strategy: | 1-1-1 | Appellate Court Operations | | |
| OBJECTS OF EXPENSE: | | | | |
| 1001 | SALARIES AND WAGES | | 226,973 | 226,973 |
| 2009 | OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE | | 3,456 | 3,456 |
| TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXI | PENSE | | \$230,429 | \$230,429 |
| METHOD OF FINANCIN | G: | | | |
| 1 | General Revenue Fund | | 230,429 | 230,429 |
| TOTAL, METHOD OF FI | NANCING | | \$230,429 | \$230,429 |
| FULL-TIME EQUIVALEN | NT POSITIONS (FTE): | | 0.0 | 0.0 |

4.B. Exceptional Items Strategy Allocation Schedule

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Agency name:

| ode Description | | | Excp 2024 | Excp 2025 |
|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|--|-----------|
| Item Name: | JOINT REQEUS | T FOR AN ADJUSTMENT FOR INFL | ATION (for all Art. IV non-judicial staff) | |
| Allocation to Strategy: | 1-1-1 | Appellate Court Operations | | |
| OBJECTS OF EXPENSE: | | | | |
| 1001 | SALARIES AND WAGES | | 122,755 | 122,755 |
| 2009 | OTHER OPERATING EXPENS | E | 1,869 | 1,869 |
| TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXP | ENSE | | \$124,624 | \$124,624 |
| METHOD OF FINANCING | G: | | | |
| 1 | General Revenue Fund | | 124,624 | 124,624 |
| TOTAL, METHOD OF FIN | NANCING | | \$124,624 | \$124,624 |
| FULL-TIME EQUIVALEN | T POSITIONS (FTE): | | 0.0 | 0.0 |

4.B. Exceptional Items Strategy Allocation Schedule

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232 Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler Agency code: Agency name: Code Description Excp 2024 Excp 2025 Item Name: JUDICIAL PAY INCREASE DUE TO CHANGE IN TENURE (as provided by Texas Government Code section 659.012) Allocation to Strategy: 1-1-2 Appellate Justice Salaries. Estimated and Nontransferable **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** SALARIES AND WAGES 8,846 15,246 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE 135 154 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$15,400 \$8,981 METHOD OF FINANCING: 1 General Revenue Fund 8,981 15,400 TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$8,981 \$15,400

FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS (FTE):

0.0

4.C. Exceptional Items Strategy Request

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Agency Code: 232 Agency name: Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler GOAL: 1 Appellate Court Operations **OBJECTIVE:** 1 Appellate Court Operations Service Categories: STRATEGY: 1 Appellate Court Operations Service: 01 Income: A.2 B.3 Age: CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2024 Excp 2025 STRATEGY IMPACT ON OUTCOME MEASURES: 1 Clearance Rate 100.00 % 100.00 % 2 Percentage of Cases Under Submission for Less Than One Year 100.00 % 100.00 % 3 Percentage of Cases Pending for Less Than Two Years 100.00 % 100.00 % **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES 349,728 349,728 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE 5,325 5,325 Total, Objects of Expense \$355,053 \$355,053 METHOD OF FINANCING: 1 General Revenue Fund 355,053 355,053

EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:

Total, Method of Finance

INCREASE THE GENERAL REVENUE LIMIT TO MEET THE UPDATED BUDGET MODEL (similar funding for same sized courts)
JOINT REQUEST FOR AN ADJUSTMENT FOR INFLATION (for all Art. IV non-judicial staff)

\$355,053

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4.C. Exceptional Items Strategy Request

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\$15,400

Agency Code: 232 Agency name: Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler GOAL: 1 Appellate Court Operations Service Categories: OBJECTIVE: 1 Appellate Court Operations 2 Appellate Justice Salaries. Estimated and Nontransferable Service: NA Income: NA NA STRATEGY: Age: Excp 2025 Excp 2024 CODE DESCRIPTION **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES 8,846 15,246 135 154 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE \$8,981 \$15,400 Total, Objects of Expense METHOD OF FINANCING: 1 General Revenue Fund 8,981 15,400

EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:

Total, Method of Finance

JUDICIAL PAY INCREASE DUE TO CHANGE IN TENURE (as provided by Texas Government Code section 659.012)

6.A. Historically Underutilized Business Supporting Schedule

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COMPARISON TO STATEWIDE HUB PROCUREMENT GOALS

A. Fiscal Year - HUB Expenditure Information

| | | | | | | Total | | | | | Total |
|------------------|---------------------------|--------|----------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------|----------|---------------|-----------|--------------|
| Statewide | Procurement | | HUB Ex | penditures | FY 2020 | Expenditures | | HUB Ex | penditures FY | 2021 | Expenditures |
| HUB Goals | Category | % Goal | % Actual | Diff | Actual \$ | FY 2020 | % Goal | % Actual | Diff | Actual \$ | FY 2021 |
| 21.1% | Commodities | 21.1 % | 49.4% | 28.3% | \$1,060 | \$2,147 | 21.1 % | 80.6% | 59.5% | \$10,237 | \$12,702 |
| | Total Expenditures | | 49.4% | | \$1,060 | \$2,147 | | 80.6% | | \$10,237 | \$12,702 |

B. Assessment of Attainment of HUB Procurement Goals

Attainment:

Applicability:

Factors Affecting Attainment:

C. Good-Faith Efforts to Increase HUB Participation

Outreach Efforts and Mentor-Protégé Programs:

HUB Program Staffing:

Current and Future Good-Faith Efforts:

6.H. Estimated Total of All Agency Funds Outside the GAA Bill Pattern **Twelfth Court of Appeals**

| ESTIMATED GRAND TOTAL OF AGENCY FUNDS OUTSIDE T | HE 2024-25 GAA BILL PA | TTERN \$ | 216,7 |
|--|--|--|---|
| and Name | | | |
| Estimated Beginning Balance in FY 2022 | \$ | 96,903 | |
| Estimated Revenues FY 2022 | \$ | 50,331 | |
| Estimated Revenues FY 2023 | \$ | 71,000 | |
| | Y 2022-23 Total \$ | 218,234 | |
| Estimated Beginning Balance in FY 2024 | \$ | 74,726 | |
| Estimated Revenues FY 2024 | \$ | 71,000 | |
| Estimated Revenues FY 2025 | \$ | 71,000 | |
| F | Y 2024-25 Total \$ | 216,726 | |
| Section 22.2131 of the Texas Government Code provides that "the minutes, shall establish an appellate judicial system to assist the courts, statutory county courts, probate courts, and district courts." | urt of appeals for the county | in the processing of appea | als filed with the court of appeals from the county |
| | These funds shall be used t judicial system in the county | establish and maintain. The fund may not be us | a fund system to assist the Twelfth Court of |

Method of Calculation and Revenue Assumptions:

In accordance with the above referenced statute, the District and County Clerks of the various courts in the counties that compose the Twelfth Court of Appeals District are to collect and remit a \$5 filing fee on each civil suit filed in a county court, county court-at-law, probate court, or district court.

6.E. Estimated Revenue Collections Supporting Schedule

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| TUND/ACCOUNT | | | Act 2021 | Exp 2022 | Est 2023 | Est 2024 | Est 2025 |
| Appropriated Beginning E | Receipts Balance (Unencumber | red): | \$7,106 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 |
| Estimated R | evenue: | | | | | | |
| Ending Fund/Account | Balance | | \$7,106 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$4,000 |

CONTACT PERSON:

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General Revenue (GR) & General Revenue Dedicated (GR-D) Baseline

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GR Baseline Request Limit = \$3,316,204

GR-D Baseline Request Limit = \$0

Strategy/Strategy Option/Rider

| | 2024 F | unds | | 2025 Funds | | | | Biennial | Biennial | |
|--|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------|
| FTEs | Total | GR | Ded | FTEs | Total | GR | Ded | Cumulative GR | Cumulative Ded | Page # |
| Strategy: 1 - 1 - 1 | Appellate (| Court Operations | | | | | | | | |
| 12.0 | 1,188,502 | 1,184,502 | 0 | 12.0 | 1,188,502 | 1,184,502 | 0 | 2,369,004 | 0 | |
| Strategy: 1 - 1 - 2 | Appellate . | Justice Salaries. Estima | ated and Nontra | nsferable | | | | | | |
| 3.0 | 566,050 | 473,600 | 0 | 3.0 | 566,050 | 473,600 | 0 | 3,316,204 | 0 | |
| 15.0 | | | | 15.0 | | | *****G | R Baseline Request I | Limit=\$3,316,204*** | ** |
| Excp Item: 1 | INCREAS | E THE GENERAL RE | VENUE LIMIT | TO MEET T | HE UPDATED BU | DGET MODEL (simil | ar funding for sa | ame sized courts) | | |
| 0.0 | 230,429 | 230,429 | 0 | 0.0 | 230,429 | 230,429 | 0 | 3,777,062 | 0 | |
| Strategy Date!! for | u Evan Itama 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Strategy Detail for Strategy: 1 - 1 - 1 | 3 | Court Operations | | | | | | | | |
| 0.0 | 230,429 | 230,429 | 0 | 0.0 | 230,429 | 230,429 | 0 | | | |
| Excp Item: 2 | JOINT RE | QEUST FOR AN ADJ | USTMENT FOR | RINFLATION | N (for all Art. IV no | n-judicial staff) | | | | |
| 0.0 | 124,624 | 124,624 | 0 | 0.0 | 124,624 | 124,624 | 0 | 4,026,310 | 0 | |
| Strategy Detail fo | r Excp Item: 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| Strategy: 1 - 1 - 1 | | Court Operations | | | | | | | | |
| 0.0 | 124,624 | 124,624 | 0 | 0.0 | 124,624 | 124,624 | 0 | | | |
| Excp Item: 3 | JUDICIAI | PAY INCREASE DU | E TO CHANGE | IN TENURE | (as provided by Te | xas Government Code | section 659.012) | | | |
| 0.0 | 8,981 | 8,981 | 0 | 0.0 | 15,400 | 15,400 | 0 | 4,050,691 | 0 | |
| Strategy Detail fo | or Excp Item: 3 | | | | | | | | | |
| Strategy: 1 - 1 - 2 | | Justice Salaries. Estima | ated and Nontra | nsferable | | | | | | |
| 0.0 | 8,981 | 8,981 | 0 | 0.0 | 15,400 | 15,400 | 0 | | | |
| 15.0 | \$2,118,586 | \$2,022,136 | \$0 | 15.0 | \$2,125,005 | \$2,028,555 | 0 | | | |