STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS28855 / S1191

This is an FY 2022 trailer appropriation bill for the Supreme Court. It addresses the fiscal impact of S1137, which increases pay for magistrate judges by 2.00% to \$132,400; for district judges by 1.83% to \$144,400; for Court of Appeals judges by 1.76% to \$150,400; and for Supreme Court justices by 1.65% to \$160,400. The amount appropriated in this bill includes funding to provide the applicable pay raises to the two new magistrate judges added by H272 of 2021 and the one new district judge added by H27 of 2021. Together, the total increase in personnel cost appropriation attributable to the salary increases amounts to 1.88%.

FISCAL NOTE

This bill provides an additional appropriation of \$555,500 in ongoing personnel costs from the General Fund to the Supreme Court for FY 2022.

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