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EXECUTIVE AGENCY

FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: April 11, 2023

Agency Submitting: Department of Indigent Defense Services

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2022-23	Fiscal Year 2023-24	Fiscal Year 2024-25	Effect on Future Biennia
Expense (Expense)		$666,716	$666,716	$1,333,431
Total	0	$666,716	$666,716	$1,333,431

Explanation (Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

Before adoption of regulations, the provisions of this bill require the Board to solicit comments from every county's board of county commissioners and each court within each county. As the Board is comprised of unpaid members, these duties would fall on the department to complete. At this time, the department has insufficient staff to take on these new duties. Section 1 of the BDR requires the Board to consult with the 17 board of county commissioners across Nevada, as well as the 175 judges (82 district court judges, 63 justices of the peace, 30 municipal court judges, juvenile court masters (this number is unknown at this time) and others. As commissioners and judges are extremely busy, these consultations may need to occur in compliance with the court's schedule and may take several days to complete. The Board is obligated under the Davis "Stipulated Consent Judgment" to adopt regulations to comply with the judgment. The Department estimates the need to adopt or review regulations at least once per year.

To take on these additional duties, the department would propose contracting with Civil Attorneys to assist with the consultations and ensure the department is in compliance. The rate for a Civil Attorneys is estimated at an hourly rate of $325 per hour. see https://www.clio.com/resources/legal-trends/compare-lawyer-rates/nv/#:~:text=How%20much%20does%20a%20civil,Nevada%20is%20%24325%20per%20hour. (last visited 4/5/23). The department believes estimates that 10 contract hours, on average, per court and commission board would be necessary.

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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF FINANCE COMMENTS

Date Tuesday, April 11, 2023

The agency's response appears reasonable.

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