

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1368

House of Origin X Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Jones, S.C.

3. Committee: House Courts of Justice

4. Title: **Per diem compensation for substitute and retired judges**

5. Summary: Increases the daily per diem rate for substitute and retired judges from \$200 to \$250.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Item 8)

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2009	\$507,725	n/a	GF
2010	\$507,725	n/a	GF
2011	\$507,725	n/a	GF
2012	\$507,725	n/a	GF
2013	\$507,725	n/a	GF
2014	\$507,725	n/a	GF

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Items 40, 41, 42 and 43

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Supreme Court, in its State of the Judiciary report for 2006, a total of 6,415 days were utilized for substitute and retired/recalled judges for district courts and 3,017 days were utilized for retired/recalled judges for circuit courts, for a total of 9,432 days. Increasing the per diem by \$50 per day (plus \$3.83 for social security) would increase expenditures by \$507,725.

According to the State Corporation Commission and the Workers Compensation Commission, this bill will have minimal impact on their respective operations.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Courts, State Corporation Commission, Workers Compensation Commission

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: The per diem for substitute, retired/recalled judges was last increased in July 1999.

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