

FY 2015 JUDICIARY – FINANCIAL STATUS AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT ACT (BAA)

- Unlike past several years, the Judiciary:
 - Closed prior fiscal year (FY 2014) without carry-forward of significant unpaid bills;
 - Did not propose a current year BAA increase for FY 2015.
- However, State-wide developments and actions have had significant effect on Judiciary’s FY 2015 budget and operations:

Action	Amount	Explanation
July 2014 Rescission	\$181,335	State-wide \$30M reduction. Judiciary identifies likely upcoming Judicial officer vacancies and proposes reduction equivalent to one Superior Judge full-time equivalent, including benefits; spreads burden off JUD staff. See August 11, 2014 letter to Joint Fiscal Committee for fuller discussion.
Health insurance premium increase	\$325,000 est.	Employer share of health insurance premiums increases by 18%, effective 1/1/15, but no additional funding provided. Estimate reflects half-year impact.
Governor’s recommended FY 2015 Budget Adjustment Act	\$224,138	Originally proposed as rescission in November 2014; later moved to Budget Adjustment Act Governor’s proposal. Amount allocated to Judiciary. Impact described in January 12 letter to committees.
	\$730,473	TOTAL IMPACT TO JUDICIARY OF STATE-WIDE ACTIONS