

**SENATE BILL NO. 2002**

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the judicial branch;  
2 and to provide an exemption.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
5 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
6 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and  
7 other income, to the judicial branch for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the judicial  
8 branch for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023, as follows:

## 9 Subdivision 1.

## 10 SUPREME COURT

		Governor's		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
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12				
13	Salaries and wages	\$11,338,720	\$11,283,059	\$11,338,720
14	Operating expenses	2,705,762	3,106,024	2,705,762
15	Capital assets	0	2,032,000	0
16	Guardianship monitoring program	<u>283,042</u>	<u>288,504</u>	<u>283,042</u>
17	Total all funds	\$14,327,524	\$16,709,587	\$14,327,524
18	Less estimated incomes	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
19	Total general fund	\$14,327,524	\$16,709,587	\$14,327,524

## 20 Subdivision 2.

## 21 DISTRICT COURTS

		Governor's		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
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24	Salaries and wages	\$73,242,268	\$77,652,837	\$73,242,268

Sixty-seventh  
Legislative Assembly

1	Operating expenses	20,396,902	19,931,156	20,396,902
2	Capital assets	0	2,328,000	0
3	Judge's retirement	<u>280,332</u>	<u>214,246</u>	<u>280,332</u>
4	Total all funds	\$93,919,502	\$100,126,239	\$93,919,502
5	Less estimated income	<u>1,659,596</u>	<u>1,691,958</u>	<u>1,659,596</u>
6	Total general fund	\$92,259,906	\$98,434,281	\$92,259,906

7 Subdivision 3.

8 JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD

9			Governor's	
10		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
11	Judicial conduct commission and	<u>\$1,250,962</u>	<u>\$1,325,843</u>	<u>\$1,250,962</u>
12	disciplinary board			
13	Total all funds	\$1,250,962	\$1,325,843	\$1,250,962
14	Less estimated income	<u>482,701</u>	<u>502,500</u>	<u>482,701</u>
15	Total general fund	\$768,261	\$823,343	\$768,261

16 Subdivision 4.

17		BILL TOTAL		
18			Governor's	
19		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
20	Grand total general fund	\$107,355,691	\$115,967,211	\$107,355,691
21	Grand total special funds	<u>2,142,297</u>	<u>2,194,458</u>	<u>2,142,297</u>
22	Grand total all funds	\$109,497,988	\$118,161,669	\$109,497,988
23	Full-time equivalent positions	363.00	363.00	363.00

24 **SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING.** The following amounts reflect one-time funding items

25 approved by the sixty-sixth legislative assembly for the 2019-21 biennium:

26	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>		<u>2019-21</u>	<u>2021-23</u>
27	Copy machines		\$82,500	\$0
28	Audio and visual equipment		64,852	0
29	Law library remodel		<u>970,000</u>	<u>0</u>
30	Total all funds		\$1,117,352	\$0

1	Less estimated income	<u>970,000</u>	<u>0</u>
2	Total general fund	\$147,352	\$0

3       **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** There are appropriated any funds received by the supreme  
4 court, district courts, and judicial conduct commission and disciplinary board, not otherwise  
5 appropriated, pursuant to federal acts and private gifts, grants, and donations for the purpose  
6 as designated in the federal acts or private gifts, grants, and donations for the period beginning  
7 July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.

8       **SECTION 4. EXEMPTION - TRANSFERS.** Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director  
9 of the office of management and budget shall transfer appropriation authority between line items  
10 in section 1 of this Act as requested by the supreme court upon a finding by the court that the  
11 nature of the duties of the court and its staff requires the transfers to carry on properly the  
12 functions of the judicial branch of government.