HOUSE BILL NO. 525

INTRODUCED BY J. RICE, DOHERTY

IN THE HOUSE

	IN THE HOUSE
FEBRUARY 8, 1993	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
	FIRST READING.
FEBRUARY 17, 1993	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
FEBRUARY 18, 1993	PRINTING REPORT.
FEBRUARY 19, 1993	ON MOTION, REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.
MARCH 5, 1993	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 6, 1993	PRINTING REPORT.
MARCH 8, 1993	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
MARCH 9, 1993	ENGROSSING REPORT.
MARCH 10, 1993	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 73; NOES, 24.
MARCH 11, 1993	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.
	IN THE SENATE
MARCH 12, 1993	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
	FIRST READING.
MARCH 29, 1993	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 31, 1993	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
APRIL 1, 1993	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 40; NOES, 8.

RETURNED TO HOUSE WITH AMENDMENTS.

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APRIL 6, 1993

SECOND READING, AMENDMENTS NOT CONCURRED IN.

ON MOTION, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REQUESTED AND APPOINTED.

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 7, 1993

ON MOTION, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REQUESTED AND APPOINTED.

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 24, 1993

SECOND READING, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

REPORT ADOPTED.

THIRD READING, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

REPORT ADOPTED.

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 24, 1993

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ADOPTED.

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APRIL 24, 2993

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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- NEW SECTION. Section 7. Effective date. (This act) is effective July 1, 1993.

- 1 NEW SECTION. Section 8. Termination. [This act]
- 2 terminates June 30, 1995.

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for <u>HB0525</u>, as introduced.

<u>DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION</u>: Establishing the Judicial Unification and Finance Commission (commission); providing for appointments to the commission; directing the commission to conduct a study of the financing and organization of the Montana judiciary; appropriating state special revenue funds to the Legislative Council for operation of the commission.

ASSUMPTIONS:

Legislative Council:

- 1. Reimbursement rates for travel and per diem will remain as currently authorized. Only legislators will receive compensation.
- 2. The commission will conduct 12 one-day meetings over the course of the 1995 interim.
- 3. All 11 members will attend all 12 meetings.
- 4. The Legislative Council will provide staff for the commission within current resources.
- 5. \$25,000 state special revenue is appropriated to the Legislative Council; this amount is assumed to be a biennial appropriation. The bill authorizes the Legislative Council to accept, on behalf of the commission, gifts, grants, or donations, up to a limit of \$25,000, to be deposited in the state special revenue account. There is no assurance of receipt of this revenue; however, pursuant to 17-2-108, MCA, any special revenue received will be expended before general fund is expended.
- 6. The commission may not spend in excess of a total of \$58,000. A minimum of \$2,222 is estimated for legislator pay and the remainder of the expenses are estimated for operating, including travel and per diem of members.

 Judiciary:
- 7. \$33,000 general fund is allocated to the Legislative Council from the district court reimbursement program; this amount is assumed to be allocated as a biennial appropriation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Legislative Council-Judicial Unification and Finance Commission:

		FY94			FY95	
Expenditures:	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference
FTE	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00
Personal Services	0	2,222	2,222	0	0	0
Operating Expenses	0	<u>55,778</u>	<u>55,778</u>	0	0	0
Total	0	58,000	58,000	0	0	0
<u>Funding:</u>						
General Fund	0	33,000	33,000	0	0	0
State Special Revenue	0	25,000	<u>25,000</u>	0	0	0
Total	0	58,000	58,000	0	0	0
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DAVE LEWIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR

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Office of Budget and Program Planning

JIM RICE. PRIMARY SPONSOR

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FECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

e net impact to counties will be a decrease of up to \$33,000 in funds available for reimbursement of criminal prosecution penses in district courts. If reimbursable criminal case expenses exceed the amount appropriated for reimbursement, unties will not be reimbursed up to the amount of the \$33,000 allocated to the commission.

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     effective July 1, 1993.
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      terminates June 30, 1995.
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Page 1 of 2 March 27, 1993

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Judiciary having had under consideration House Bill No. 525 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that House Bill No. 525 be amended as follows and as so amended be concurred in.

Signed: William "Bill" Yeylowtail, Chai

That such amendments read:

1. Title, line 9. Following: "COMMISSION;" Strike: "AND"

2. Title, line 10. Following: "DATE" Insert: "; AND PROVIDING FOR CONTINGENT VOIDNESS"

3. Page 4, line 3. Following: "appropriation" Insert: "-- restriction on expenditures"

4. Page 4, line 5. Strike: "exceed" Insert: "be less than"

5. Page 4, lines 5 and 20.

Strike: "\$40,000" Insert: "\$25,000"

6. Page 4, line 24.

Strike: "\$10,000" Insert: ", funded in 3-5-901, up to \$33,000"

7. Page 4, line 25. Following: "41."

Insert: "Any amount received pursuant to subsection (1) in excess of \$25,000 decreases the allocation under this subsection

(b) by a corresponding amount."

8. Page 5, line 1. Strike: "AFTER" Insert: "before"

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9. Page 5, line 2. Following: "."

Insert: "For the purposes of 3-5-901(2), the study described in [section 4] is a cost of administering certain district court expenses described in 3-5-901."

10. Page 5, lines 3 through 11, Strike: subsection (c) in its entirety

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Insert: "(5) As required under 17-2-108, the legislative council shall expend special revenue allocated in subsection (3)(a) of this section before expending any amount allocated in subsection (3)(b) or contingently appropriated in [section 6]. If any funds appropriated or allocated for the study under subsection (3)(a) or [section 6(1)] remain unexpended on June 30, 1995, the funds must revert to the state general fund. If any funds appropriated or allocated for the study under subsection (3)(b) or [section 6(2)] remain unexpended on June 30, 1995, the funds must revert to the district court criminal reimbursement program funded under 3-5-901.**

12. Page 6. Following: line 9 Insert: "NEW SECTION. Section 6. Coordination instruction. If House Bill No. 278 is not passed and approved in a form that includes a statutory appropriation of funds received under 61-3-509, then the following language is included in House Bill No. 2, within the appropriation to the judiciary: "If House Bill No. 525 is passed and approved, then \$33,000 of the appropriation to the district court criminal reimbursement program (program 7) must be allocated to the

of judicial unification and finance."

NEW SECTION. Section 7. Contingent voidness. If House Bill No. 278 is not passed and approved in a form that includes a statutory appropriation of funds received under 61-3-509 and the appropriation in House Bill No. 2 to the judiciary for the district court criminal reimbursement program (program 7) is less than \$33,000, then [this act] is void."

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Renumber: subsequent sections

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21	of the Montana supreme court;
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8	BILL NO. 2, WITHIN THE APPROPRIATION TO THE JUDICIARY:
9	*IF HOUSE BILL NO. 525 IS PASSED AND APPROVED, THEN
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17	61-3-509 AND THE APPROPRIATION IN HOUSE BILL NO. 2 TO THE
18	JUDICIARY FOR THE DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL REIMBURSEMENT
19	PROGRAM (PROGRAM 7) IS LESS THAN \$33,000, THEN [THIS ACT] IS
20	VOID.
21	NEW SECTION. Section 8. Effective date. [This act] is
22	effective July 1, 1993.
23	NEW SECTION. Section 9. Termination. [This act]

terminates June 30, 1995.

Conference Committee on House Bill 525 Report No. 1, April 22, 1993

Page 1 of 2

Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

We, your Conference Committee on House Bill 525 met and considered:

Amendments by the Senate Judiciary Committee dated March 27,

and recommend that House Bill 525 (reference copy -- salmon) be amended as follows:

1. Page 4, line 6.

Strike: "BE LESS THAN"

2. Page 4, line 7. Strike: "\$25,000" Insert: "exceed \$33,000"

3. Page 4, line 22. Strike: "\$25,000" Insert: "\$33,000"

4. Page 5, line 1.

Strike: "\$33,000" Insert: "\$25,000"

5. Page 5, line 3. Strike: "\$25,000"

Insert: "\$8,000"

6. Page 6, lines 2 through 5.

Strike: "UNDER" on line 2 through "]" on line 5

7. Page 6, line 6. Strike: "REVERT" Insert: "be credited"

And this Conference Committee report be adopted.

For the House:

For the Senate:

53rd Legislature

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2	INTRODUCED BY J. RICE, DOHERTY
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3	purpose of conducting the study described in [section 4].
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3	UNDERSUBSECTION-(3)(A)-OR-(SECTION-6(1))-REMAIN-UNEXPENDED
4	ON-JUNE-307-19957-THE-PUNDS-MUST-REVERT-BE-CREDITEDTOTHE
5	STATEGENERALFUND:-IP-ANY-PUNDS-APPROPRIATED-OR-ALLOCATED
6	POR-THE-STUDY-UNDERSUBSECTION(3)(B)OR(SECTION6(2))
7	REMAIN UNEXPENDED ON JUNE 30, 1995, THE FUNDS MUST REVERT BE
В	CREDITED TO THE DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL REIMBURSEMENT
9	PROGRAM FUNDED UNDER 3-5-901.

- NEW-SECTION: -- Section 6. -- Coordination-instruction: -- (1) -
 If--(this--act)--and--House--Bill--No:-2-are-both-passed-and

 approved-and-if-House-Bill-No:-2-contains--an--appropriation

 in-excess-of-933;000-to-the-judiciary-for-the-district-court

 criminal---reimbursement---program--(program--7); -- then--the

 following-language-must-be-included-in--House--Bill--No:--2;

 within-the-appropriation-to-the-judiciary:
- "If-____Bill-Nor-____fb8-l2l3j-is-passed-and-approved;
 then--933;000--of--the--appropriation--to-the-district-court
 criminal--reimbursement--program---(program---7)---must---be
 transferred--to--the--legislative-council-for-the-purpose-of
 conducting-the-study-of-judicial-unification-and-finance;"
- (2)--If-(this-act)-and-House-Bill-Nor-2-are-both--passed and--approved--and-if--House-Bill-Nor-2-does-not-contain-an appropriation-in-excess-of-\$337000-to-the-judiciary-for--the district--court--criminal-reimbursement-program-(program-7)7

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then-faction-5f3)fb)}-of-fthis--act}--must--be--amended--to 1 read: 2 "(3)--(b)-There---is--appropriated--to--the--legislative 3 council-from-the-general-fund-\$337000--for--the--purpose--of conducting-the-study-described-in-{section-4}-" NEW SECTION. SECTION 6. COORDINATION INSTRUCTION. IF 6 7 HOUSE BILL NO. 278 IS NOT PASSED AND APPROVED IN A FORM THAT INCLUDES A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS RECEIVED UNDER 9 61-3-509, THEN THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE IS INCLUDED IN HOUSE BILL NO. 2, WITHIN THE APPROPRIATION TO THE JUDICIARY: 10 11 "IF HOUSE BILL NO. 525 IS PASSED AND APPROVED, THEN \$33,000 OF THE APPROPRIATION TO THE DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL 12 REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM (PROGRAM 7) MUST BE ALLOCATED TO THE 13 14 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING THE STUDY 15 OF JUDICIAL UNIFICATION AND FINANCE."

16 NEW SECTION. SECTION 7. CONTINGENT VOIDNESS. IF HOUSE
17 BILL NO. 278 IS NOT PASSED AND APPROVED IN A FORM THAT
18 INCLUDES A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS RECEIVED UNDER
19 61-3-509 AND THE APPROPRIATION IN HOUSE BILL NO. 2 TO THE

20 JUDICIARY FOR THE DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL REIMBURSEMENT

PROGRAM (PROGRAM 7) IS LESS THAN \$33,000, THEN [THIS ACT] IS

22 <u>VOID.</u>

NEW SECTION. Section 8. Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 1993.

25 NEW SECTION. Section 9. Termination. [This act]

terminates June 30, 1995.

-End-

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