

HOUSE BILL 2449

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By Representative Appleton

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1            AN ACT Relating to truancy payments to school districts; amending  
2            2009 c 564 s 114 (uncodified); making an appropriation; and providing  
3            an effective date.

4            BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5            **Sec. 1.**    2009 c 564 s 114 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
6            follows:

7            **FOR THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE COURTS**

8	General Fund--State Appropriation (FY 2010) . . . . .	\$53,607,000
9	General Fund--State Appropriation (FY 2011) . . . . .	\$51,812,000
10	Judicial Information Systems Account--State	
11	Appropriation . . . . .	\$29,676,000
12	Judicial Stabilization Trust Account--State	
13	Appropriation . . . . .	\$6,598,000
14	TOTAL APPROPRIATION . . . . .	\$141,693,000

15            The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
16            conditions and limitations:

17            (1) \$1,800,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal  
18            year 2010 (~~and \$1,800,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for~~

1 ~~fiscal year 2011 are~~) is provided solely for school districts for  
2 petitions to juvenile court for truant students as provided in RCW  
3 28A.225.030 and 28A.225.035 and \$1,800,000 of the general fund--state  
4 appropriation for fiscal year 2011 is provided solely for school  
5 districts to provide diversion and other activities to eliminate or  
6 reduce truancy under RCW 28A.225.020. The office of the administrator  
7 for the courts shall develop an interagency agreement with the  
8 superintendent of public instruction to allocate the funding provided  
9 in this subsection. Allocation of this money to school districts shall  
10 be based on the number of petitions filed. This funding includes  
11 amounts school districts may expend on the cost of serving petitions  
12 filed under RCW 28A.225.030 by certified mail or by personal service or  
13 for the performance of service of process for any hearing associated  
14 with RCW 28A.225.030.

15 (2)(a) \$8,252,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for  
16 fiscal year 2010 and \$8,253,000 of the general fund--state  
17 appropriation for fiscal year 2011 are provided solely for distribution  
18 to county juvenile court administrators to fund the costs of processing  
19 truancy, children in need of services, and at-risk youth petitions.  
20 The administrator for the courts, in conjunction with the juvenile  
21 court administrators, shall develop an equitable funding distribution  
22 formula. The formula shall neither reward counties with higher than  
23 average per-petition processing costs nor shall it penalize counties  
24 with lower than average per-petition processing costs.

25 (b) Each fiscal year during the 2009-11 fiscal biennium, each  
26 county shall report the number of petitions processed and the total  
27 actual costs of processing truancy, children in need of services, and  
28 at-risk youth petitions. Counties shall submit the reports to the  
29 administrator for the courts no later than 45 days after the end of the  
30 fiscal year. The administrator for the courts shall electronically  
31 transmit this information to the chairs and ranking minority members of  
32 the house of representatives appropriations committee and the senate  
33 ways and means committee no later than 60 days after a fiscal year  
34 ends. These reports are deemed informational in nature and are not for  
35 the purpose of distributing funds.

36 (3) The distributions made under this subsection and distributions  
37 from the county criminal justice assistance account made pursuant to

1 section 801 of this act constitute appropriate reimbursement for costs  
2 for any new programs or increased level of service for purposes of RCW  
3 43.135.060.

4 (4) \$5,700,000 of the judicial information systems account--state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for modernization and integration of  
6 the judicial information system.

7 (a) Of this amount, \$1,700,000 is for the development of a  
8 comprehensive enterprise-level information technology strategy and  
9 detailed business and operational plans in support of that strategy,  
10 and \$4,000,000 is to continue to modernize and integrate current  
11 systems and enhance case management functionality on an incremental  
12 basis.

13 (b) The amount provided in this subsection may not be expended  
14 without prior approval by the judicial information system committee in  
15 consultation with the information services board. The administrator  
16 shall regularly submit project plan updates for approval to the  
17 judicial information system committee and the information services  
18 board.

19 (c) The judicial information system committee and the information  
20 services board shall review project progress on a regular basis and may  
21 require quality assurance plans. The judicial information systems  
22 committee and the information services board shall provide a report to  
23 the appropriate committees of the legislature no later than November 1,  
24 2011, on the status of the judicial information system modernization  
25 and integration, and the consistency of the project with the state's  
26 architecture, infrastructure and statewide enterprise view of service  
27 delivery.

28 (5) \$3,000,000 of the judicial information systems account--state  
29 appropriation is provided solely for replacing computer equipment at  
30 state courts, and at state judicial agencies. The administrator for  
31 the courts shall prioritize equipment replacement purchasing and shall  
32 fund those items that are most essential or critical. By October 1,  
33 2010, the administrative office of the courts shall report to the  
34 appropriate legislative fiscal committees on expenditures for equipment  
35 under this subsection.

36 (6) \$12,000 of the judicial information systems account--state  
37 appropriation is provided solely to implement Engrossed Substitute

1 House Bill No. 1954 (sealing juvenile records). If the bill is not  
2 enacted by June 30, 2009, the amount provided in this subsection shall  
3 lapse.

4 (7) \$106,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal  
5 year 2010 and \$106,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for  
6 fiscal year 2011 are provided solely for the twenty-third superior  
7 court judge position in Pierce county. The funds appropriated in this  
8 subsection shall be expended only if the judge is appointed and serving  
9 on the bench.

10 (8) It is the intent of the legislature that the reductions in  
11 appropriations in this section shall be achieved, to the greatest  
12 extent possible, by reducing those state government administrative  
13 costs that do not affect direct client services or direct service  
14 delivery or programs. The agency shall, to the greatest extent  
15 possible, reduce spending in those areas that shall have the least  
16 impact on implementing its mission.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect July 1, 2010.

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