

BILL SUMMARY
2nd Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB473
Version:	CCRA
Request Number:	3844
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Date:	5/29/2024
Impact:	FY25: \$0
	FY26: Indeterminate

Research Analysis

CCR A for SB473 creates judicial office in Judicial District 7 and Judicial District 14 for the purpose of providing a business court judge. The measure also establishes an 11-member Task Force for the Study of Business Courts until January 31, 2026. The Speaker, President Pro Tempore and Chief Justice will each appoint two members whereas the Governor will appoint five.

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Fiscal Analysis

The CCR A to the measure establishes 2 new judicial positions for which the Task Force is directed to determine the method of selection, salary level, and court staff. According to officials with the Administrative Office of the Courts, if these new positions and the office or courtrooms are not available, there will be additional costs for leased space. These costs would be determined following the Task Force's Report for which a preliminary report is due Next January, 2025. Therefore, the AOC does not anticipate an impact in FY25, but there is the potential for an indeterminate impact in FY26.

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Other Considerations

None.