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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0064S.04P
 Bill No.: Perfected SS for SCS for SB 47
 Subject: Civil Procedure; Courts; Liability
 Type: Original
 Date: February 12, 2025

Bill Summary: This proposal amends supreme court rule 52.08 relating to class actions.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
General Revenue	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)

* Oversight assumes the unknown impact will be less than \$250,000 annually.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

- Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
- Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Section A – Modifies supreme court rule 52.08 relating to class actions

In response to the previous version of this proposal, officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA)** assumed the proposal may have some impact on their organization but there is no way to quantify the amount at this time. Any significant changes will be reflected in future budget requests.

Upon further inquiry, **OSCA** stated since the proposal affects actions of the courts in unanticipated ways, and there is not enough information to forecast if a potential cost could be absorbed, the fiscal impact is unknown.

Oversight notes **OSCA** assumes this proposal may have some impact on their organization although it can't be quantified at this time. As **OSCA** is unable to provide additional information regarding the potential impact, **Oversight** assumes the proposed legislation will have a \$0 to (Unknown) cost to the General Revenue Fund. For fiscal note purposes, **Oversight** also assumes the impact will be under \$250,000 annually. If this assumption is incorrect, this would alter the fiscal impact as presented in this fiscal note. If additional information is received, **Oversight** will review it to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek approval to publish a new fiscal note.

In response to the previous version of this proposal, officials from the **Attorney General's Office (AGO)** assumed any potential litigation costs arising from this proposal can be absorbed with existing resources. The **AGO** may seek additional appropriations if the proposal results in a significant increase in litigation or investigation costs. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, **Oversight** will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for this agency.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2026 (10 Mo.)	FY 2027	FY 2028
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Costs – OSCA – costs related to changes to supreme court rule 52.08 on class actions lawsuits (Section A)</u>	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2026 (10 Mo.)	FY 2027	FY 2028
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

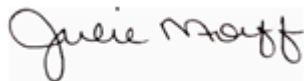
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act amends Supreme Court Rule 52.08 relating to class actions.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Attorney General’s Office
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