

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: SB 531

SHORT TITLE: District Judge's Term

SPONSOR(S): Senator Hyde

FISCAL IMPACT: Expenditures: Increase ( ) Decrease ( )  
Revenues: Increase ( ) Decrease ( )  
No Impact (X)  
No Estimate Available ( )

FUND AFFECTED: General Fund ( ) Highway Fund ( ) Local Fund ( )  
Other Fund ( )

BILL SUMMARY: An act to amend the constitution of North Carolina to make the terms of office for District Court Judges consistent with the terms for all other judges of the general Court of Justice.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act is effective upon ratification.

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S)/PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED:

FISCAL IMPACT

	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>
EXPENDITURES					
TOTAL EXPENDITURES					
STATE FUNDS					
FEDERAL FUNDS					
LOCAL FUNDS					
OTHER FUNDS					
RECEIPTS/FEES					

POSITIONS:

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: The assumption is that if this bill would require the printing of one additional line on the general election ballot at negligible costs. Since the terms of judges are staggered requiring that a ballot be printed every two years, there would not be any appreciable savings to the Board by moving from a four-year to an eight-year term by District Court Judges.

SOURCES OF DATA: North Carolina Board of Elections

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

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