

SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

BILL: SB 756
 SPONSOR: Senator Cowin
 SUBJECT: Mediation and Arbitration Trust Fund
 DATE: December 20, 2001 REVISED: _____

| | ANALYST | STAFF DIRECTOR | REFERENCE | ACTION |
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| 1. | Mannelli | Beck | APJ | Favorable |
| 2. | _____ | _____ | AP | _____ |
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I. Summary:

This legislation re-creates the Mediation and Arbitration Trust Fund without modification, effective upon becoming a law. The Mediation and Arbitration Trust Fund, FLAIR #22-2-213, is administered by the State Courts System. This fund was created by Chapter 98-380.

II. Present Situation:

The receipts of the Mediation and Arbitration Trust Fund are expended for establishing minimum standards and procedures for qualifications, certification, professional conduct, discipline, and training for mediators and arbitrators.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:**A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

This legislation has no fiscal impact on state agencies or state funds, on local governments as a whole or on the private sector. It simply re-creates, without modification, an existing state trust fund and continues the current use of the fund.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Amendments:

None.