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Sections 1 and 2 allows court filings in any St. Louis County case to be accepted at any St. Louis County courthouse.

Section 3 eliminates the statutory two-page limit on Appendix A notices for child support, spousal maintenance, custody, and parenting time, ensuring compliance with updated legal and digital accessibility requirements.

Section 4 requires conservators to serve annual reports to individuals under conservatorship, increasing transparency and accountability.

Section 5 makes appropriations to the Judicial branch. See spreadsheet.



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Senate Judiciary and Public Safety
SF 1098 – Judicial Branch Request

Court/Program	Fund	Prior FY 24-25	Court Request		Court Tails	
			FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 28-29
1 SUPREME COURT						
2 Supreme Court Operations	GF	103,952	49,064	49,064	49,064	98,128
3 Decision Items:						
4 Maintain Core Justice Operations -- 6 x 6 plus health	GF	-	3,019	6,168	6,168	12,336
5 Cyber Security Ongoing Funding	GF				1,750	3,500
6 Justice Partner Public Access	GF		2,000	2,000	400	800
7 Digital Accessibility	GF		2,550	2,550	882	1,764
8 Total Supreme Court Operations	GF	103,952	56,633	59,782	58,264	116,528
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13 COURT OF APPEALS	GF	29,818	15,259	15,259	15,259	30,518
14 Decision Items:						
15 Maintain Core Justice Operations -- 6 x 6 plus health	GF	-	902	1,852	1,852	3,704
16 Total Court of Appeals	GF	29,818	16,161	17,111	17,111	34,222
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20 DISTRICT COURTS	GF	785,835	384,090	384,090	384,090	768,180
21 Decision Items:						
22 Maintain Core Justice Operations -- 6 x 6 plus health	GF		21,182	44,178	44,178	88,356
23 Forensic Examiner Rate Increase -- \$136 to \$175 / hr	GF		3,611	3,611	3,611	7,222
24 Mandated Psychological Services Deficit	GF				5,317	10,634
25 Jury Per Diem and Mileage - \$20 to \$100 / day	GF		9,224	9,224	9,224	18,448
26 Mandated Services Interpreter Deficit	GF				1,290	2,580
27 Mandated Services Jury Budget Deficit	GF				788	1,576
28 Total District Courts	GF	785,835	418,107	441,103	448,498	896,996
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32 Judiciary Branch Totals		919,605	490,901	517,996	523,873	1,047,746