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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT



SPONSOR: Wallace DATE TYPED: 01/25/02 HB 121

SHORT TITLE: District Attorneys' Automated System SB \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST: Belmares

### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY02	FY03	FY02	FY03		
	\$950.0			Non-Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Administrative Office of the District Attorneys (AODA)  
LFC Files

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 121 appropriates \$950.0 from the general fund to the Administrative Office of the District Attorneys (AODA) for the purpose of maintaining the district attorneys' automated system.

#### Significant Issues

The district attorneys and the Administrative Office of the District Attorneys have \$77.0 from the general fund for data processing equipment in their FY02 operating budgets. AODA asserts the district attorneys have not received an appropriation for their automated systems in at least two years. Additionally, included in the FY02 General Appropriation Act was \$1.3 million "to fund hardware and software replacements and general maintenance costs for all district attorneys' offices in the state." The special appropriation was line-item vetoed.

As part of its FY03 operating budget request, AODA requested \$1.5 million and three FTE to support the district attorneys' automated computer systems. The LFC FY03 budget recommendation did not include the addition of additional funding from the general fund for the district attorneys' automated systems, but did recommend the addition of four information technology positions to be

located in four district attorney offices. The executive budget recommendation for FY03 includes a special appropriation of \$948.0 for data processing equipment for the Administrative Office of the District Attorneys and the 14 judicial district attorney offices.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The appropriation of \$950.0 contained in this bill is a non-recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2003 shall revert to the general fund.

**ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

AODA asserts employee performance could be impacted adversely impacted without updates to its computer automation system. Additionally, AODA indicates the district attorney offices will have a difficult time extracting case data for use in the process of performance-based budgeting and other budgetary justifications.

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