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Bill Number:	S. 0871 Introduced on January 9, 2024
Author:	McLeod
Subject:	Judicial Merit Selection Commission, Factors for Candidates, Recusal of
	Attorneys
Requestor:	Senate Judiciary
RFA Analyst(s):	Miller
Impact Date:	January 26, 2024

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill requires a member of the General Assembly who is a licensed attorney who practices law in the courts to recuse himself from voting in all judicial elections.

This bill will have no expenditure impact for the House of Representative (House), and we anticipate will have no expenditure impact for the Senate as certain members' recusal from voting in judicial elections does not fiscally impact the General Assembly.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 9, 2024 State Expenditure

This bill requires a member of the General Assembly who is a licensed attorney who practices law in the courts to recuse himself from voting in all judicial elections. Currently, there is no such recusal requirement.

Certain members' recusal from voting in judicial elections does not fiscally impact the General Assembly. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact for the House of Representative (House), and we anticipate will have no expenditure impact for the Senate.

State Revenue N/A

Local Expenditure N/A

Local Revenue N/A

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