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**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** H. 3776    Introduced on January 24, 2023  
**Author:** Bannister  
**Subject:** Circuit Court Judges  
**Requestor:** House Judiciary  
**RFA Analyst(s):** Gardner  
**Impact Date:** January 12, 2024

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### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill repeals the requirement that circuit court judges be granted written leave by the Chief Justice or presiding associate justice if they wish to absent themselves from the State. This requirement has been suspended by Proviso 57.19 of the Appropriations Act. Judicial reports that the bill will have no expenditure impact, as the bill codifies the current budget proviso.

### **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

#### **Introduced on January 24, 2023**

##### **State Expenditure**

This bill repeals the requirement that circuit court judges be granted written leave by the Chief Justice or presiding associate justice if they wish to absent themselves from the State. The bill codifies Proviso 57.19 of the Appropriations Act into permanent law. Judicial reports that the bill will have no expenditure impact.

##### **State Revenue**

N/A

##### **Local Expenditure**

N/A

##### **Local Revenue**

N/A

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