

SENATE FILE NO. SF0024

Court information technology equipment.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to courts and counties; delineating
2 responsibility for court information technology equipment
3 between the judicial branch and counties; providing
4 definitions; and providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 5-2-120 and 18-2-103 are amended to
9 read:

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11 **5-2-120. Judicial systems automation account created;**
12 **purposes; court information technology equipment.**

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14 (a) There is created an account entitled the
15 "judicial systems automation account." No funds shall be
16 expended from the account unless and until the legislature

1 appropriates the funds. Funds within the account shall be
2 used by the supreme court for the purchase, maintenance and
3 operation of computer hardware, including court information
4 technology equipment, and software to enhance the
5 communication, records and management needs of the courts
6 of the judicial branch of the state of Wyoming. Interest
7 accruing to this account shall be retained therein and
8 shall be expended for the purposes provided in this
9 section, as appropriated by the legislature. Annually, the
10 supreme court shall develop a plan for all trial and
11 appellate courts within the state for the expenditure of
12 funds from the account. Prior to implementation, the plan
13 shall be annually submitted to the joint appropriations
14 interim committee and joint judiciary interim committee for
15 review and comment.

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17 (b) Implementation of court information technology
18 equipment that requires alteration of a county building
19 pursuant to W.S. 18-2-103(b) shall be accomplished in
20 consultation with the board of county commissioners or the
21 board's appointed designee.

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1 (c) The supreme court shall install court information
2 technology equipment in all state court facilities in a
3 phased approach. Upon installation of court information
4 technology equipment in a state court facility, the supreme
5 court shall maintain and support the equipment installed by
6 the supreme court.

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8 (d) As used in this section:

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10 (i) "Court information technology equipment"
11 means hardware equipment located in state court facilities
12 necessary to meet, but not exceed, court information
13 technology equipment standards adopted by the board of
14 judicial policy and administration;

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16 (ii) "State court facility" includes circuit and
17 district courtrooms, circuit and district court jury rooms,
18 circuit and district court judges' chambers and the offices
19 of circuit court clerks.

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21 **18-2-103. Buildings generally; infrastructure for**
22 **court information technology.**

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