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Senate Judiciary Written Neutral Testimony on SB 440

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Mr. Chairman and Committee members, thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony regarding SB 440, which amends, repeals, or revives approximately 70 statutes having to do with the operations of the judicial branch. Because this bill was introduced on Wednesday, February 10, 2016, and testimony is due on Friday, February 12, 2016, we have not been able to thoroughly review all of the bill's provisions. It is apparent the measure would make significant changes in the law, but the ramifications of the proposed changes are as yet unknown. The office of judicial administration believes such major changes deserve careful study and consideration. I therefore encourage this committee to refer the bill for further study and review.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide input into the process.