

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. _____

Offered by _____ of _____

Amend SS/Senate Bill No. 823, Page 53, Section 211.081, Line 44,

2 by inserting after all of said line the following:

3 "476.055. 1. There is hereby established in the state
4 treasury the "Statewide Court Automation Fund". All moneys
5 collected pursuant to section 488.027, as well as gifts,
6 contributions, devises, bequests, and grants received
7 relating to automation of judicial record keeping, and
8 moneys received by the judicial system for the dissemination
9 of information and sales of publications developed relating
10 to automation of judicial record keeping, shall be credited
11 to the fund. Moneys credited to this fund may only be used
12 for the purposes set forth in this section and as
13 appropriated by the general assembly. Any unexpended
14 balance remaining in the statewide court automation fund at
15 the end of each biennium shall not be subject to the
16 provisions of section 33.080 requiring the transfer of such
17 unexpended balance to general revenue; except that, any
18 unexpended balance remaining in the fund on September 1,
19 2023, shall be transferred to general revenue.

20 2. The statewide court automation fund shall be
21 administered by a court automation committee consisting of
22 the following: the chief justice of the supreme court, a
23 judge from the court of appeals, four circuit judges, four
24 associate circuit judges, four employees of the circuit
25 court, the commissioner of administration, two members of
26 the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the

27 house, two members of the senate appointed by the president
28 pro tem of the senate, the executive director of the
29 Missouri office of prosecution services, the director of the
30 state public defender system, and two members of the
31 Missouri Bar. The judge members and employee members shall
32 be appointed by the chief justice. The commissioner of
33 administration shall serve ex officio. The members of the
34 Missouri Bar shall be appointed by the board of governors of
35 the Missouri Bar. Any member of the committee may designate
36 another person to serve on the committee in place of the
37 committee member.

38 3. The committee shall develop and implement a plan
39 for a statewide court automation system. The committee
40 shall have the authority to hire consultants, review systems
41 in other jurisdictions and purchase goods and services to
42 administer the provisions of this section. The committee
43 may implement one or more pilot projects in the state for
44 the purposes of determining the feasibility of developing
45 and implementing such plan. The members of the committee
46 shall be reimbursed from the court automation fund for their
47 actual expenses in performing their official duties on the
48 committee.

49 4. Any purchase of computer software or computer
50 hardware that exceeds five thousand dollars shall be made
51 pursuant to the requirements of the office of administration
52 for lowest and best bid. Such bids shall be subject to
53 acceptance by the office of administration. The court
54 automation committee shall determine the specifications for
55 such bids.

56 5. The court automation committee shall not require
57 any circuit court to change any operating system in such
58 court, unless the committee provides all necessary
59 personnel, funds and equipment necessary to effectuate the

60 required changes. No judicial circuit or county may be
61 reimbursed for any costs incurred pursuant to this
62 subsection unless such judicial circuit or county has the
63 approval of the court automation committee prior to
64 incurring the specific cost.

65 6. Any court automation system, including any pilot
66 project, shall be implemented, operated and maintained in
67 accordance with strict standards for the security and
68 privacy of confidential judicial records. Any court
69 automation system, including any pilot project, that
70 provides public access to electronic records on the internet
71 shall redact any personal identifying information, including
72 name, address, and year of birth, of a minor and, if
73 applicable, any next friend. Any person who knowingly
74 releases information from a confidential judicial record is
75 guilty of a class B misdemeanor. Any person who, knowing
76 that a judicial record is confidential, uses information
77 from such confidential record for financial gain is guilty
78 of a class E felony.

79 7. On the first day of February, May, August and
80 November of each year, the court automation committee shall
81 file a report on the progress of the statewide automation
82 system with:

- 83 (1) The chair of the house budget committee;
- 84 (2) The chair of the senate appropriations committee;
- 85 (3) The chair of the house judiciary committee; and
- 86 (4) The chair of the senate judiciary committee.

87 8. Section 488.027 shall expire on September 1, 2023.
88 The court automation committee established pursuant to this
89 section may continue to function until completion of its
90 duties prescribed by this section, but shall complete its
91 duties prior to September 1, 2025.

92 9. This section shall expire on September 1, 2025.";
93 and
94 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.