



Fiscal Note

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HB 26-1343: ELECTRONIC PROCESS IN COMPETENCY & ADMIN HEARINGS

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Fiscal note status: This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill requires trial and administrative courts to accept and send certain orders or reports by electronic means.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

- State Expenditures

Appropriations. For FY 2026-27, the bill requires an appropriation of \$26,296 to the Judicial Department.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2026-27	Out Year FY 2027-28
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures (Cash Fund)	\$26,296	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires courts and administrative courts to issue orders, notifications, or decisions and accept certain reports or responses by electronic means. This includes:

- orders, notifications, and reports on incompetent to proceed evaluations; and
- notices, responses, and decisions on adjudicatory hearings in front of an administrative law judge.

State Expenditures

In FY 2026-27 only, the bill increases state expenditures in the Judicial Department by \$26,296 to expand the electronic submission requirements for their e-filing platforms to allow filings from non-attorney professionals. This cost assumes 173 hours of programming at a cost of \$152 per hour. These costs will be paid from the Judicial Information Technology Cash Fund.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State Appropriations

For FY 2026-27, the bill requires an appropriation of \$26,296 from the Judicial IT Cash Fund to the Judicial Department.

State and Local Government Contacts

Bridges	Judicial
District Attorneys	Law
Human Services	Personnel

The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).