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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED (Y/N)
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 OTHER

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Civil Justice Subcommittee
 2 Representative Gregory offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

4 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

5 Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 40.29, Florida

6 Statutes, is amended to read:

7 40.29 Payment of due-process costs.—

8 (5) The Justice Administrative Commission shall provide
 9 funds to the clerks of the court to compensate jurors, to pay
 10 for meals or lodging provided to jurors, and to pay for jury-
 11 related personnel and operational costs as provided in this
 12 section. Each clerk of the court shall ~~forward~~ submit a request
 13 for reimbursement to the ~~Justice Administrative Commission~~
 14 Clerks of Court Operations Corporation within 20 days after each
 15 quarter ~~a quarterly estimate of funds necessary~~ attesting to the
 16 clerk's actual costs to compensate jurors, ~~and~~ pay for meals or

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17 lodging provided to jurors, and to pay for jury-related
18 personnel and operational costs during the upcoming quarter. The
19 Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation shall review the
20 request for reimbursement to ensure that the costs are
21 reasonable and directly related to jury management. The Clerks
22 of Court Operations Corporation shall forward to the Justice
23 Administrative Commission a quarterly estimate of the amount
24 necessary to reimburse each clerk of the court unless the total
25 request for reimbursement by the clerks exceeds the quarterly
26 funds available provided by the Justice Administrative
27 Commission, in which case the Clerks of Court Operations
28 Corporation shall adjust the cumulative total to match the
29 available funds before submitting the request to the Justice
30 Administrative Commission for its personnel and other costs
31 related to jury management. Upon receipt of such estimates the
32 request for reimbursement, the Justice Administrative Commission
33 shall ~~determine~~ review the amount deemed necessary for payment
34 to the clerks of the court ~~during the upcoming~~ for the most
35 recently completed quarter, determine if the total payment
36 amount is available, and submit a request for payment to the
37 Chief Financial Officer. ~~If the Justice Administrative~~
38 ~~Commission believes that the amount appropriated by the~~
39 ~~Legislature is insufficient to meet such costs during the~~
40 ~~remaining part of the state fiscal year, the commission may~~
41 ~~apportion the funds appropriated in the General Appropriations~~

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42 ~~Act for those purposes among the several counties, basing the~~
43 ~~apportionment upon the amount expended for such purposes in each~~
44 ~~county during the prior fiscal year, in which case, the Chief~~
45 ~~Financial Officer shall issue the appropriate apportioned amount~~
46 ~~by warrant to each county.~~ The clerks of the court are
47 responsible for any compensation to jurors, for payments for
48 meals or lodging provided to jurors, and for jury-related
49 personnel and operational costs that exceed the funding provided
50 in the General Appropriations Act for these purposes.

51 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.

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Remove lines 3-18 and insert:

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40.29, F.S.; requiring the Justice Administrative Commission to
57 provide funds to the clerks of court for jury-related
58 operational costs; requiring the clerks of court to submit a
59 request for reimbursement for jury-related costs to the Clerks
60 of Court Operations Corporation within specified timeframes;
61 requiring the Clerks of Court Operations Corporation to review
62 the requests for reimbursement and submit a request for payment
63 to the Chief Financial Officer; providing an effective date.