

FISCAL NOTE

HB 1997 - SB 2126

March 16, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates, subject to local approval, an additional Court of General Sessions in Loudon County and the judge shall have original jurisdiction over all probate, domestic, and juvenile matters. The additional judge shall have concurrent jurisdiction with existing Court of General Sessions over all civil and criminal jurisdiction as prescribed by general law for judges of general sessions courts.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$152,800 Recurring/Permissive
\$9,000 One-Time/Permissive**

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000/Permissive

Assumptions:

- Local government expenditures include the salary and benefits for a general sessions judge and staff and operational expenses.
- State expenditures include the salaries and operational costs and one-time start-up costs for one additional assistant district attorney general and one additional assistant public defender to provide services to the new court in criminal matters.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director