

**Judicial SMART Act presentation  
to the Joint Judiciary Committee**

*Presented by  
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- Colorado's Court System
- Performance Plan
- Budget Request
- Legislative Agenda
- 2018 session follow-up
- Bail Blue Ribbon Commission

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**Colorado's Court System**

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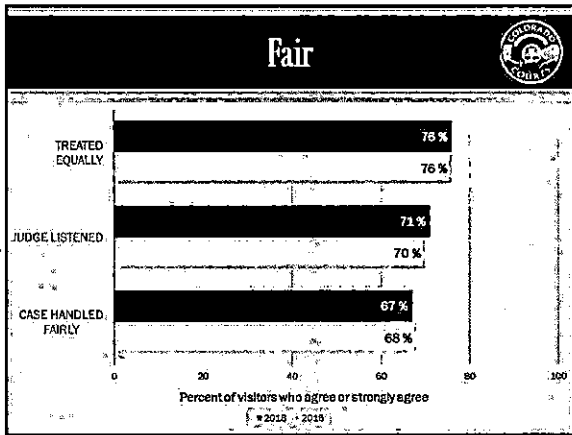
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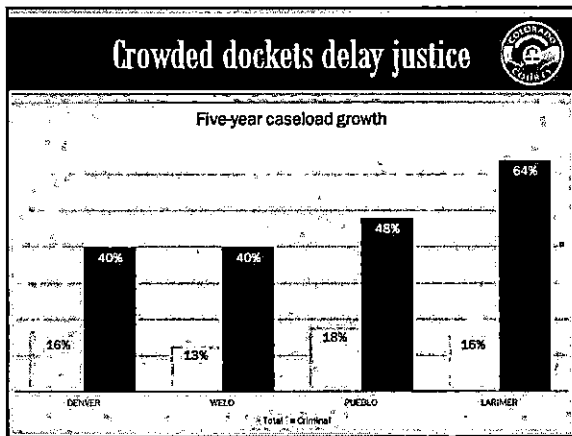
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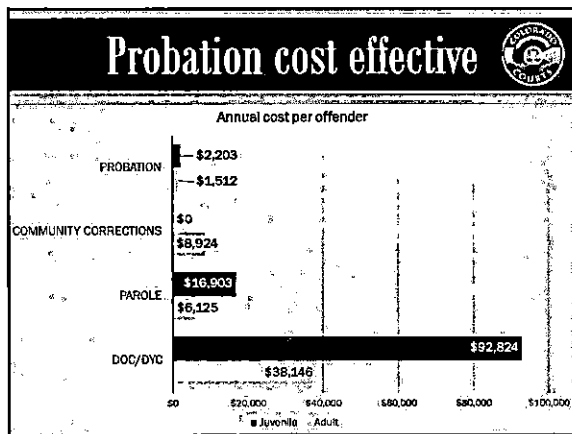
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**2019-20 Budget Request**

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**Long Bill Request**

**2019-20 budget request**

- \$617.9 million total funds
- \$405.9 million General Fund




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**Long Bill Request**

**Budget request highlights**

- \$7.7 million, 15 judges and 45 support staff
- \$3 million, 36.5 probation staff
- \$417,000, 5 Problem-Solving Court coordinators




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Legislative Agenda

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Legislative Agenda

- New District Court Judges
- Restorative Justice Coordinating Council expenses

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Legislative Agenda: New Judges

- Add district court judges
  - 15 judges across 10 districts
  - Improves access to justice for all litigants
  - Protects individual rights, maintains public safety and preserves the constitution

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**Judge Bill: All litigants affected** 

- Divorces
- Child support
- Victims
- Civil actions
- Child protection
- Problem-solving courts




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**Legislative Agenda: RJ** 

- Expenses for members of the Restorative Justice Coordinating Council
  - Allow council members to collect reimbursements for expenses
  - Allows participation from throughout the state
  - Expenses would be paid through existing funds




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**Follow-up to 2018 legislation** 

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**HB18-1152** 

- Access to judicial records
- The Supreme Court amended PAIRR
- The Supreme Court is considering changes to attorney grievance and investigation process

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**Bail Blue Ribbon Commission**

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**Bail Blue Ribbon Commission** 

- Created by Chief Justice Nancy Rice
- 11-member commission
- Studying bail reform and pretrial services
- Expected to make recommendations to the Colorado Supreme Court before January

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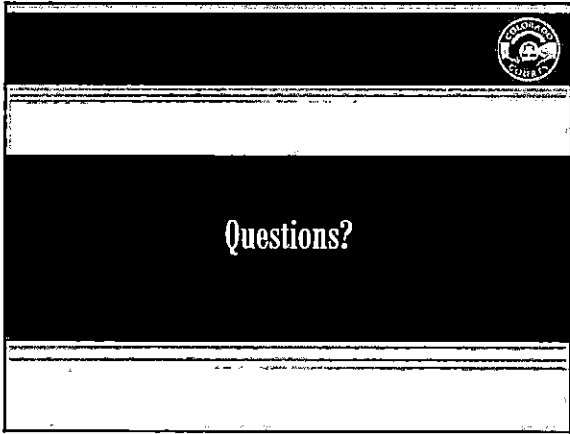
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