Agency Description and Programs

39,525,722

41,775,642

38,209,015

33,430,149

Senate Bill 2620 of the 1993 Regular Legislative Session established the Administrative Office of Courts (AOC) to direct the operation of all the courts in this state and to assist in the efficient administration of the non-judicial business of these courts. Assistance and coordination provided by the Administrative Office of Courts to the state court system includes responsiveness and accountability with judicial administration, support personnel, organizational and performance standards.

1. Administrative Office of Courts

Totals

This program includes the Drug Treatment Court, various contracts with the Department of Public Safety Planning for the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) contract, Court Delay Reduction Program sub-grant, other sub-grants that may be negotiated, the Civil Legal Assistance Fund and the Youth Court Support Program.

2. Certified Court Reporters

This program was set up to allow for the certification of court reporters. A Board was established to carry out this program and its duties.

3. Court Improvement Program

This program was set up to improve the plight of Mississippi's children in need through judicial reform, legislative initiatives and the dissemination of educational materials addressing the complex area of child protective issues.

4. Drug Court Fund

This program provides supplemental funding to all drug courts in the state. The Drug Court Fund currently services forty active drug courts throughout the state.

5. Electronic Case Management

This program provides a comprehensive internet-based document filing and case management system that allows courts to maintain electronic case files and offer electronic filing. It provides a framework for the exchange of data among courts and with the appropriate law enforcement, children's services, and public welfare agencies.

	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Estimated	FY 2021 Requested	FY 2021 Recommended
Summary By Program				
1. Administrative Office of Courts				
Total Funds	25,838,564	30,102,498	30,695,248	29,182,426
2. Certified Court Reporters				
Total Funds	23,103	27,677	27,677	27,187
3. Court Improvement Program				
Total Funds	438,578	93,047	93,047	80,357
4. Drug Court Fund				
Total Funds	5,992,114	7,290,000	8,947,170	6,936,978
5. Electronic Case Management				
Total Funds	1,137,790	2,012,500	2,012,500	1,982,067