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DATE: <u>04/18/2023</u>

SUBJECT: RECEIVE AND FILE THE EVALUATION ON FELONY AND MISDEMEANOR CASE-FLOW MANAGEMENT COMPLETED BY THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR STATE COURTS

*** CONSENT AGENDA ***

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court receive and file the Evaluation on Felony and Misdemeanor Case-Flow Management completed by the National Center for State Courts (NCSC).

BACKGROUND

On December 14, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #136979, approved an agreement with NCSC to review, evaluate and make recommendations regarding case-flow management for felony courts.

On June 7, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #138254, approved a change order to expand the original agreement with NCSC to include misdemeanor criminal courts.

NCSC reviewed, evaluated, and made recommendations regarding case-flow management practices in the felony criminal courts. NCSC will develop a technical assistance implementation plan to focus on long-term case-flow improvements. The one (1) year engagement focused on process improvements and training.

This report presents findings and recommendations designed to enhance and improve current caseflow management practices. The recommendations draw heavily on national best practices, standards, and proven case management techniques.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

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