



Fiscal Note

H.B. 397

2026 General Session
 Courtroom Audiovisual Modifications
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General, Income Tax, and Uniform School Funds

JR4-4-101

	Ongoing	One-time	Total
Net GF/ITF/USF (rev.-exp.)	\$(6,367,000)	\$(8,636,900)	\$(15,003,900)

State Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Revenues	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Total Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0

Enactment of this legislation likely will not materially impact state revenue.

Expenditures	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
General Fund	\$0	\$6,367,000	\$6,367,000
General Fund, One-time	\$0	\$8,636,900	\$0
Total Expenditures	\$0	\$15,003,900	\$6,367,000

Enactment of this bill could cost \$8,636,900 one-time and \$6,367,000 ongoing from the General Fund beginning in FY 2027 for hardware, software, digital storage/recording, and ongoing livestream production costs. One-time estimated costs include \$7,500,000 for justice court AV/IT equipment upgrades in approximately 50 local justice courts.

	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Net All Funds	\$0	\$(15,003,900)	\$(6,367,000)

Local Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this bill could cost local justice courts an unknown amount to support livestream justice court proceedings.

Individuals & Businesses

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct expenditures from tax or fee changes for Utah residents and businesses.

Regulatory Impact

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not change the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

This bill creates a new program or significantly expands an existing program.
For a list of questions lawmakers might ask to improve accountability for the proposed program,
please see: <https://budget.utah.gov/newprogram>

Notes on Notes

Fiscal explanations estimate the direct costs or revenues of enacting a bill. The Legislature uses them to balance the budget. They do not measure a bill's benefits or non-fiscal impacts like opportunity costs, wait times, or inconvenience. A fiscal explanation is not an appropriation. The Legislature decides appropriations separately.