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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 6860**
**BILL NUMBER:** SB 211

**NOTE PREPARED:** Dec 31, 2008
**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:**  City and town courts.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Randolph
**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**    GENERAL
                      DEDICATED
                      FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** Pending

**Summary of Legislation:**  Requires the judge of a city or town court to be an attorney in good standing admitted to the practice of law in Indiana. Allows a person who is: (1) a judge of a city or town court serving on June 30, 2009; and (2) not an attorney in good standing admitted to the practice of law in Indiana; to continue to serve only for the remainder of the person's term. Repeals a superseded provision concerning qualifications for town court judges. Provides that: (1) the city courts and town courts in Lake County; and (2) the city court in a second class city; have original and concurrent civil jurisdiction with the circuit court and superior courts of the county in which the city and town courts are located over: (A) civil actions in which the amount sought or value of the property sought to be recovered is not more than $6,000; (B) possessory actions between landlord and tenant in which the rent due at the time the action is filed does not exceed $6,000; and (C) emergency possessory actions between a landlord and tenant. Provides that a city court in a second class city is a court of record.

**Effective Date:**  July 1, 2009.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**  *As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.*

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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