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Brief Description: Changing provisions relating to superior court fees.

**HB 1378 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Increases fee structure for superior court costs.

Requires any money appropriated from the public safety and education account in order to promote civil representation of indigent persons to be used solely for the purpose of contracting with qualified legal aid programs.

Provides a distribution formula for legal aid funds.

Authorizes a court to waive the filing fees if a party is unable to pay because of financial hardship.

Makes an appropriation of four million dollars to carry out the purposes of the act.