Judicial Information System Committee Meeting October 23, 2020

DECISION POINT – IT Governance Request 270

MOTION:

- I move that the JISC approve IT Governance Request 270, Load the Mental Health-Juvenile Detention Assessment Tool into the Data Warehouse, and make it Priority #4 on the JISC IT Governance Priority List.

I. BACKGROUND

As part of the JISC-approved modernization and integration, AOC initiated a series of key initiatives in 2009. One of those initiatives was to develop an IT Governance process, a necessary foundation for establishing a consistent process for IT investment decision-making.

In 2010, the JISC approved the IT Governance Framework which resulted in the existing IT Governance process. The process was created through a lengthy collaboration between AOC and a broad group of representatives in the court community, facilitated by Sierra Systems, and based on industry best practices.

The IT Governance process requires requests to move through five stages before they are approved for work: initiation, endorsement, analysis, endorsement confirmation, court level user group recommendation and approval (also known as “schedule”) by the JISC or a delegated authority if the request is smaller than a fixed amount. ITG Request 270 is estimated to cost $160,968, which meets the threshold for requiring JISC approval.

II. DISCUSSION

Juvenile detention staff use the Mental Health-Juvenile Detention Assessment Tool (MH-JDAT) to assess the mental health needs of a youth entering a detention facility. Scoring data is collected from MH-JDAT applications within JCS and juvenile courts need a pathway to the Data Warehouse to perform a BIT query for reporting purposes. Some time ago the pathway to the Data Warehouse was not activated. The request is to activate the pathway in order to use BIT query capabilities.

The reason it should be prioritized as #4 is because the three higher priority projects are already underway.

III. PROPOSAL

The JISC should approve IT Governance Request 270 and prioritize it on the JISC IT Governance Priority List.

IV. OUTCOME IF NOT PASSED

If IT Governance Request 270 is not approved, the juvenile courts would have no reporting on this assessment data.