## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## Session 2013

# **Legislative Fiscal Note**

**BILL NUMBER**: House Bill 416 (First Edition)

**SHORT TITLE**: Increase Small Claims Amount.

**SPONSOR(S)**: Representatives Hurley and Daughtry

FISCAL IMPACT (\$ in millions)					
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Ī	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
State Impact General Fund Revenues:					
General Fund Revenues: General Fund Expenditures:					
State Positions:					
NET STATE IMPACT	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Administrative Office of the Courts  EFFECTIVE DATE July 1, 2013  TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None					

#### **FISCAL SUMMARY:**

Fiscal Research anticipates no significant fiscal impact.

### **BILL SUMMARY:**

Section 1 of this bill amends G.S. 7A-210, Small claim action defined, to expand the threshold for the amount in controversy in small claims cases from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

This bill has an effective date of July 1, 2013, and applies to actions filed on or after that date.

### ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

AOC estimates that the additional small claims cases that will be handled by magistrates as a result of this bill will result in a modest increase in workload statewide, but the magistrates should be able to absorb these claims within existing resources.

## **SOURCES OF DATA:**

Fiscal Research Division Administrative Office of the Courts

## **TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

None

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