

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022 SB3779

Introduced 1/21/2022, by Sen. Julie A. Morrison

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

Appropriates \$50,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Lake County State's Attorney's Office for a 2-year pilot program to send electronic text messages to remind victims and surviving family members of upcoming court dates. Effective July 1, 2022.

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1 AN ACT concerning appropriations.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The amount of \$50,000, is appropriated from the 4 General Revenue Fund to the Lake County State's Attorney's 5 Office for a 2-year pilot program to send electronic text 6 messages to remind victims and surviving family members of 7 8 upcoming court dates, for purposes of providing an additional 9 tool to victim counselors who spend extensive time providing 10 individualized support and counseling. The text notification 11 system will supplement the counselors' work to ensure that victims and family always know the next court date irrespective 12 of whether counselors reach them via the phone. 13

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2022.