# Performance Measures Reporting

88<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATIVE SESSION - HB 2384
TEXAS OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION
DATA & RESEARCH DIVISION



## HB 2384- Report Requirements & Information



Frequency: Annually



Date Range: 1st Report- March 2024 – August 2024

Subsequent Reports: September – August (State FY)



Due Date: November 1st



Submission: Excel template

To: data.division@txcourts.gov

## HB 2384- Instructions & Guidance

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#### REPORTING TO OCA

The following reports must be submitted to the Office of Court Administration by clerks, judges, or other entities or individuals.

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Guidance on Transfers between Courts of the Same Level \[ \brace \]

Frequently Asked Questions

Please send questions to judinfo@txcourts.gov.

#### **Report Submission and Templates**

#### **Templates**

Fill out the template that corresponds to the court level being reported. Make sure the **Court Identifier** and **Court Name** match the format and text in the **Court Identifiers Spreadsheet**. Case Management System Vendors and local IT staff should reference the Court Identifiers Spreadsheet if templates are developed in the CMS.

Court Identifiers Spreadsheet B

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#### Submission

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# HB 2384 Report Requirements & Information

## HB 2384 – Annual Performance Measures Report by Court

- Requires clerks to submit annual data for each district court, statutory county court, statutory probate court, and county court
- ▶ Requires OCA to collect and publish a report annually for each court, to include the following:
  - 1. the court's clearance rate;
  - 2. the average time a case is before the court from filing to disposition; and
  - 3. the age of the court's active pending caseload.

#### Clearance Rate Defined

- OCA will calculate the clearance rate from the information submitted
- Clerks will NOT need to calculate clearance rates

Clearance Rate = Cases disposed or adjudicated + Cases placed on inactive status
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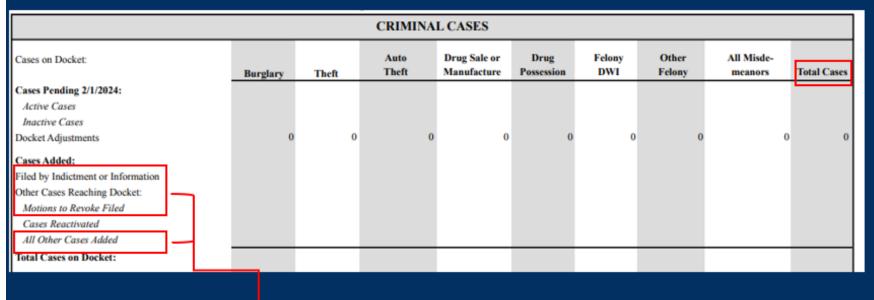
Cases filed + Cases reactivated

## Report

- 1. Number of active pending cases as of March 1 (subsequent September)
- 2. Number of cases **filed** during the year
- Number of cases reactivated during the year
- 4. Number of cases **disposed or adjudicated** (juvenile) during the year
- 5. Number of cases placed on **inactive** status during the year
- 6. Number of active pending cases as of August 31
- Most information already reported on Judicial Council Monthly Reports, and can be gathered from these reports

Exceptions are dispositions/adjudications and pending for probate, guardianship and mental health cases

## County -> Court Level Example



COUNTY

Total Criminal
Cases Filed: 50

Court 1
Criminal Cases
Filed: 20

Court 2 Criminal Cases Filed: 30

				Felony Active			
				Pending Sep	Felony Cases	Felony Cases	Felony Cases
	<b>Court Identifier</b>	Court Name	Fiscal Year	-	Filed	Reactivated	Disposed
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#### HB 2384 Excel Template with corresponding line number(s) from monthly report.

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## Case Aging from Filing to Disposition Defined

For each district or county court in your jurisdiction, report the number of cases disposed within each timeframe by case type:

- Felony: 90 Days or Less, 91 to 180 Days, 181 to 365 Days, Over 365 Days, Total Cases.
- Misdemeanor: 30 Days or Less, 31 to 60 Days, 61 to 90 Days, Over 90 Days, Total Cases.
- **Civil:** 3 Months or Less, Over 3 to 6 Months, Over 6 to 12 Months, Over 12 to 18 Months, Over 18 Months, Total Cases.
- Family: 3 Months or Less, Over 3 to 6 Months, Over 6 to 12 Months, Over 12 to 18 Months, Over 18 Months, Total Cases.
- Juvenile: 30 Days or Less, 31 to 90 Days, 91 to 180 Days, Over 180 Days, Total Cases.
- **Probate and guardianship and ancillary cases:** 3 Months or Less, Over 3 to 6 Months, Over 6 to 12 Months, Over 12 to 18 Months, Over 18 Months, Total Cases.
- Mental health commitments: 7 Days or Less, 8 to 14 Days, 15 to 21 Days, 22 to 28 Days, Over 28 Days, Total Cases.

Most information already reported on Judicial Council Monthly Reports, except for data for probate, guardianship and mental health cases.

## Age of Court's Active Pending Caseload Defined

For **each district or county-level court** in your jurisdiction, report the age of the active cases pending before the court as measured by the time from date of filing or reopening to the reporting end date (August 31).

- Felony: 90 Days or Less, 91 to 180 Days, 181 to 365 Days, Over 365 Days, Total Cases.
- Misdemeanor: 30 Days or Less, 31 to 60 Days, 61 to 90 Days, Over 90 Days, Total Cases.
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Note: Timeframes are the same as those used for Age of Cases Disposed

## Exchange of Benches

**Guidance** remains the same no matter whether the exchange occurs between judges from different court levels or the same level:

- Statistics should be reported for the COURT, not a particular judge.
  - If District Judge Joe Smith sits on the bench of the County Court at Law, the cases that Judge Smith disposed of are counted to the County Court at Law.
  - If County Court at Law Judge April Jones sits on the bench of the District Court, the cases that Judge Jones disposed of are counted to the District Court.
  - If County Court at Law Judge April Jones sits on the bench of the County Court, the cases that Judge Jones disposed of are counted to the County Court.
  - If District Judge Joe Smith (47<sup>th</sup> District) sits on the bench of the 108<sup>th</sup> District Court, the cases that Judge Smith disposed of are counted to the 108<sup>th</sup>.

## Transfers Between Courts of the Same Level on the Annual Performance Measures Report

<u>Transfers between courts</u> at the same level in the county should be counted in the Annual Performance Measures Report to ensure that each court gets credit for the case, resulting in balanced clearance rates for each court.

Scenario: Case filed in January in District Court A

Case transferred to District Court B in March

Case disposed by District Court B in May

For reports by court:

Filing counted for District Court A in January

Transfer out counted as a disposition for District Court A in March

Transfer in counted as case filing for District Court B in March

Disposition counted for District Court B in May

This may require additional mapping and/or events created in your case management system to capture these transfers.

# Transfers Between Courts of the Same Level on the Judicial Council Monthly Activity Report

Prior guidance for the countywide monthly Judicial Council Activity Reports remains the same:

- Transfers between courts of the same type should not be counted on the statewide Judicial Council monthly
  report. The report captures only the filing and ultimate disposition of a case.
- Transfers are to be counted only when a case is transferred to a different type of court (district court, statutory county court, or constitutional county court).

Scenario: Case filed in January in Court A

Case transferred to Court B in March

Case disposed by Court B in May

#### Transfers Between Courts of the Same Level

The transfer from Court A to Court B will be reported on the Annual Performance Measures Report but not on the Judicial Council Monthly Activity Report.

For Annual Performance Measures Report:

Filing counted for Court A in January

Transfer out counted for Court A in March

Transfer in counted for Court B in March

Disposition counted for Court B in May

On Judicial Council Monthly Report: Filing counted in January

Disposition counted in May

# Questions??

## Probate & Mental Health Guidance

CASE CASE **CASE TYPE NOTES AGING CATEGORY SUBCATEGORY** SUBSEQUENT DISPOSITION DISPOSITION **DISPOSITION** ACTION(S) **STATUS EVENT** SPOSITION(S) FINAL **FINAL FINAL ADDITIONAL DISPOSITION** DISPOSITION **DISPOSITION** COMMENTS **EVENT STATUS** 

#### Probate and Mental Health Guidance Document

https://district-county-court-level-reporting/performance-measures-for-district-county-courts-hb-2384



Report Spreadsheets and Submission

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#### **Spreadsheet Instructions**

- Fill out the Excel spreadsheet(s) that corresponds to the court level(s) being reported, adding data as applicable. Do NOT edit the structure of the spreadsheet. Submissions with altered spreadsheets, e.g., added columns or altered column header text, will not be accepted.
- Make sure the Court Identifier and Court Name match the format and text in the Court Identifiers List. Case Management System
   Vendors and local IT staff should reference the Court Identifiers List if file exports are developed in the CMS. Fiscal Year should be formatted as 20##.

Court Identifiers List 🔠

HB 2384 District Courts spreadsheet 🖺

HB 2384 Statutory County Courts spreadsheet 🔠

HB 2384 Statutory Probate County Courts spreadsheet 🖺

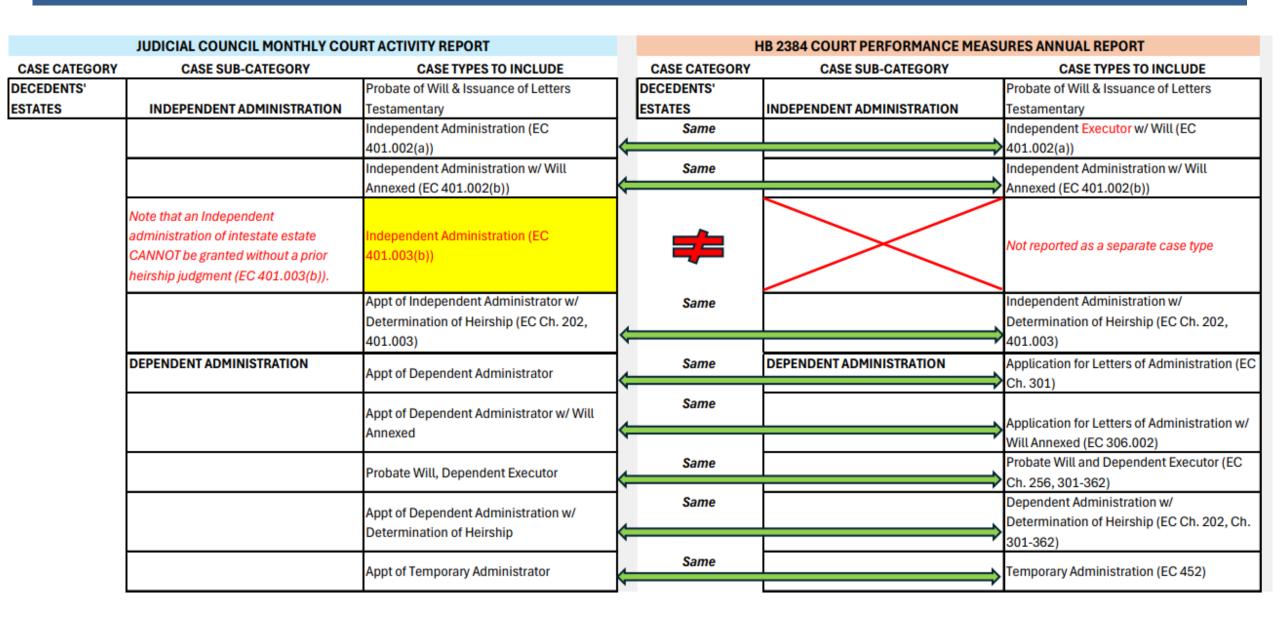
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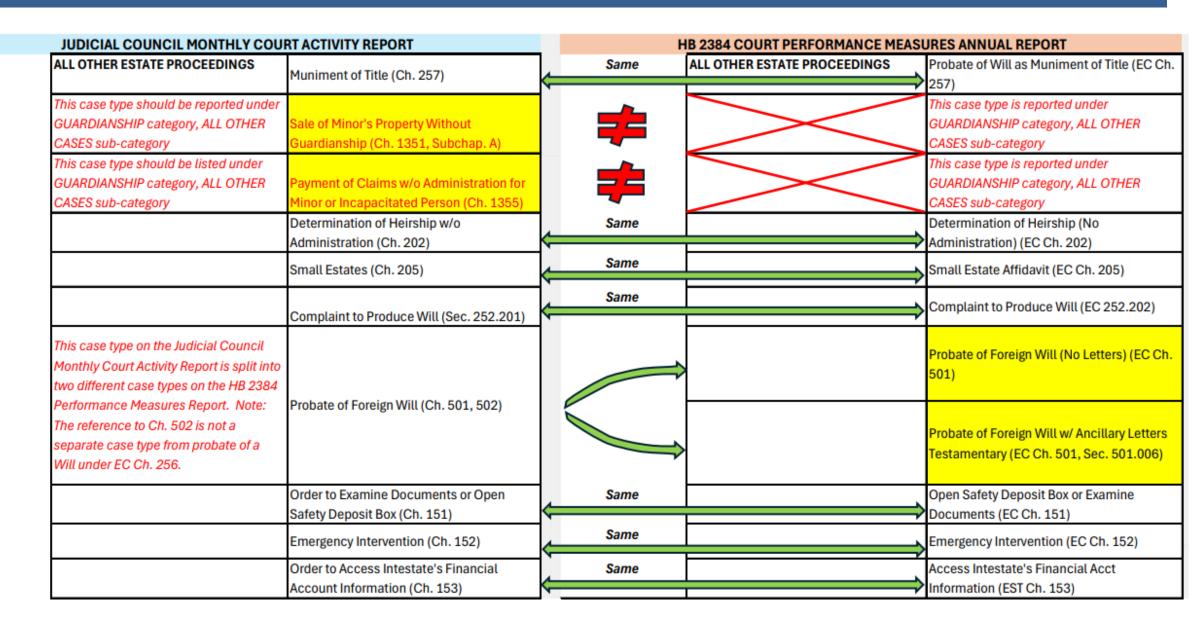
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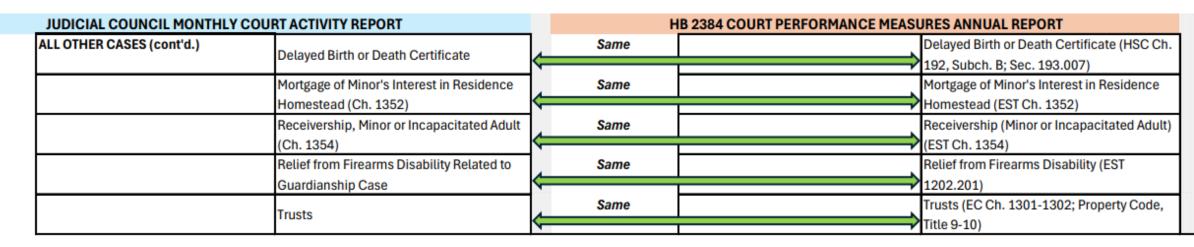
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		Appt Guardian for Estate Only (Minor)	<b>(</b>	Same		Guardianship of the Estate (EC Title 3)					
		Appt of Guardian for Person and Estate (Minor)	<u></u>	Same		Guardianship of the Person and Estate (E Title 3)					
		Appt Temp Guardian for Person Only (Minor)	<b>4</b>	Same		Temporary Guardianship of the Person (E Ch. 1251)					
		Appt Temp Guardian for Estate Only (Minor)	<b>4</b>	Same		Temporary Guardianship of the Estate (EC Ch. 1251)					
		Appt Temp Guardian for Person and Estate (Minor)	<b>+</b>	Same		Temporary Guardianship of the Person an Estate (EC Ch. 1251)					
		Appt of Guardian for Minor Ward to Receive Government Funds (Sec. 1151.251)	<b>\</b>	Same		Appointment of Guardian of Minor to Receive Gov't. Funds (EC Ch. 1151, Subc F)					
		Interstate Guardianship (Minor) (Ch. 1253)	<del> </del>	Same		Interstate Guardianship (EC Ch. 1253)					
		Management Trust (Minor) (Ch. 1301)	<b>4</b>	Same		Management Trust (Minor) (EC Ch. 1301)					
		Non-Resident Ward (Minor) (Ch. 1252)	<b>←</b>	Same		Nonresident Ward (Minor) (EC Ch. 1252)					
		Sale of Ward's Property without Guardianship of Estate but with		Same		Sale of Ward's Property Without Guardianship of the Estate (EST Ch. 1351					
		Guardianship of Person (Minor) (Ch. 1351, Subchap. B)				Subchap. B)					
	GUARDIANSHIP - ADULT	Appt Guardian for Person Only (Adult)	<b>4</b>	Same	GUARDIANSHIP - ADULT	Guardianship of the Person (EC Title 3)					
		Appt Guardian for Estate Only (Adult)	<b>+</b>	Same		Guardianship of the Estate (EC Title 3)					
		Appt of Guardian for Person and Estate (Adult)	<b>(</b>	Same		Guardianship of the Person and Estate (E Title 3)					

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		Appt Temp Guardian for Estate Only (Adult)	Same		Temporary Guardianship of the Estate (EC Ch. 1251)		
		Appt Temp Guardian for Person and Estate (Adult)	Same		Temporary Guardianship of the Person and Estate (EC Ch. 1251)		
		Appt of Guardian for Adult Ward to Receive	Same		Appointment of Guardian of Incapacitated  Adult to Receive Gov't. Funds (EC Ch. 1151,		
		Government Funds (Sec. 1151.251)			Subch. F)		
		Interstate Guardianship (Adult) (Ch. 1253)	Same	$\downarrow$	Interstate Guardianship (EC Ch. 1253)		
		Management Trust (Adult) (Ch. 1301)	Same		Management Trust (Incapacitated Adult) (EC Ch. 1301)		
		Non-Resident Ward (Adult) (Ch. 1252)	Same		Nonresident Ward (Incapacitated Adult) (EC		
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	Incapacitated Spouse (Ch. 1353)		Same		Management of Incapacitated Spouse's Property (EST Ch. 1353)		
		Sale of Ward's Property without Guardianship of Estate but with	Same		Sale of Ward's Property Without		
		Guardianship of Person (Minor) (Ch. 1351, Subchap. B)			Guardianship of the Estate (EST Ch. 1351, Subchap. B)		
	ALL OTHER CASES		#	ALL OTHER CASES	Sale of Minor's Property w/o Guardianship (EC Ch. 1351, Subch. A)		
			#	These 2 case types are listed under the correct Category and Sub-Category	Payment of Claims w/o Guardianship (Minor or Incapacitated Adult) (EC Ch. 1355)		
	Application for Mineral Lease		Same	<u> </u>	Application for Mineral Lease (EC Ch. 1160)		
		Contracts of Minors (Ch. 1356)	Same	<b>———</b>	Contracts of Minors (EST Ch. 1356)		



#### Subsequent Actions in Probate Court

- Any "action" other than the original action initiating the case in which the movant seeks
  affirmative relief, including contests, adverse actions, interpleaders, third party actions,
  etc.
- NOTE: Does <u>not</u> include motions, applications, accountings or reports that are an inherent part of the administration or guardianship that was the subject of the original action, e.g., annual reports/accountings filed in guardianships, etc.
- Be careful about equating a "subsequent action" that is subject to the reporting requirements with a subsequent action that is subject to the subsequent action filing fees prescribed under Local Government Code, §§ 133.151(a)(2), 135.102(a)(2).

### Dispositions in Probate and Guardianship Cases

- For purposes of the HB 2384 Performance Measures Report, the disposition of any pending
  "action" must be reported as a "disposition" even though the case may remain open and the
  administration of the estate or guardianship continued.
- Scenario:
  - ▶ Application for Probate of Will is filed report as "case filed" (activating event)
  - Order Admitting Will to Probate is entered by the court
    - Muniment of Title Report order as "disposition". Unless an application for administration is filed later under Estates Code, Sec. 257.151, this will be the final disposition, and the case may be closed in the case management system.
    - Letters Granted Report order as "disposition" of the initial application; however, this
      will not necessarily be the final disposition of the case, so it should remain open.
  - ▶ Application for sale of real property is later filed by the administrator **report** as "subsequent action" but <u>do not</u> assess subsequent action filing fees under Local Government Code, Sec. 133.151(a)(2) and Sec. 135.102(a)(2), because there is a prescribed filing fee under Local Government Code, Sec. 118.052(2)(A)(v).
  - ▶ Order Approving Sale of Real Property is entered and disposes of the subsequent action.



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- If you have further questions, please email:

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