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WHY YOU MUST REJECT S.2601 – JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS BILL

TO: ALL SENATORS

Attached is a further copy of the Center for Judicial Accountability's above-entitled March 24th letter to you, mostly making typographical and grammatical changes. The only significant changes are to footnote 3, on page 10, and the wording of the second paragraph of that same page which now reads:

"Any Senator who would be heard in support of the judicial salary increase must be required to respond to the particularized facts and law presented by CJA's Opposition Report and verified complaint based thereon, as they are devastating and dispositive. Indeed, it is each Senator's duty to personally review the Opposition Report and verified complaint so as to confirm for himself that funding the judicial salary increases recommended by the Commission on Judicial Compensation is 'nothing short of grand larceny of the public fisc'. This is how Ms. Sassower described it in a March 11, 2013 letter (at p. 3), summarizing and expanding upon her testimony at the February 6th hearing – a letter sent to every member of the General Budget Conference Committee and its Subcommittee on "Public Protection", Criminal Justice, and Judiciary on March 13th." (italics & underlining in letter).

Once again, we take the opportunity to request that Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman DeFrancisco – and Ranking Member Krueger – ensure that CJA’S Opposition Report & verified complaint, which I handed up at the February 6th budget hearing, are brought to the Senate floor for inspection by the Senators.

Meantime, you can find them posted on our website, www.judgewatch.org. Here’s the direct link: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/legislative-oversight-judicial-raises.htm> – on which is also posted the video of my 10-minute February 6th testimony, which we also request that you watch.

Thank you.

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