

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Prior law allowed a justice of the peace to demand and receive certain amounts for certain filings and services in civil matters.

Prior law provided that 50% of each fee and deposit shall be retained by the justice of the peace to be used for fees and operational expenses and 50% is to be used for fees and operational expenses of the ward constable's office.

Prior law required that 50% of the court costs be retained by the justice of the peace to be used for compensation and operational expenses and 50% of the court costs be used for compensation and operational expenses of the ward constable's office.

New law provides that in cases requiring out-of-jurisdiction service, the justice of the peace and his ward constable's office may enter into an agreement whereby the justice of the peace pays the out-of-jurisdiction server directly. New law further provides that the out-of-jurisdiction server's fee shall be paid from the ward constable office's portion of the court costs.

Prior law provided that a justice of the peace in Jefferson and East Baton Rouge parishes may demand and receive certain amounts in addition or in lieu of fees and costs provided in prior law.

Prior law provided that each fee and deposit received by a justice of the peace shall be retained in a separate account for fees and operational expenses of the clerk of court's office.

New law provides that all amounts received by a justice of the peace shall be retained in a separate account for compensation and operational expenses of the clerk of court's office.

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(Amends R.S. 13:2590(B), 2590.1(B)(intro para), and (C))