## **DIGEST**

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HB 15 Engrossed

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**Bagley** 

**Abstract:** Requires any surplus witness and juror fees collected by the 42nd Judicial District to be transferred to the criminal court fund.

<u>Present law</u> requires the district court judge or judges for each judicial district to adopt a schedule of costs to be applied to each case before the court. These costs shall be placed in special funds (separately, a juror fund and a witness fund) to be maintained by the proper governing authorities and used to pay witness and juror fees.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that all surplus monies in the special fund of DeSoto Parish within the 42nd Judicial District shall be transferred to the criminal court fund on an as needed basis upon the motion of the district attorney and order by the judges sitting en banc.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the surplus monies which are transferred pursuant to <u>proposed law</u> may be used for any purpose for which the other monies in the criminal court fund of the 42nd Judicial District Court may be used.

(Adds R.S. 13:3049(B)(1)(e)(viii) and R.S. 15:255(X))