

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE BILL NO. 93

BY REPRESENTATIVE THIERRY

COURTS/COURT COSTS: Authorizes an increase in court costs for the Opelousas City Court

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 13:2105.2, relative to court costs in the Opelousas City Court; to provide for  
3 additional court costs for criminal and traffic matters; to provide for the collection  
4 and disposition of funds; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:2105.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §2105.2. Opelousas; additional court costs; assessment and disposition

8 A. Except as otherwise provided by law, in all criminal matters, including  
9 traffic violation cases, the city judge may assess, in addition to the fine or other  
10 penalty which may be legally imposed, costs of court in an amount not to exceed  
11 twenty dollars.

12 B. Except as otherwise provided by law, the proceeds derived from these  
13 costs shall be deposited in a special account which shall be subject to audit, and shall  
14 be used to provide services for juvenile delinquents, children in need of supervision,  
15 families in need of services, or any other related juvenile matter over which the  
16 Opelousas City Court has jurisdiction or which is otherwise directly related to  
17 assisting or preventing juveniles from being subject to the juvenile jurisdiction of the  
18 Opelousas City Court.

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**DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Authorizes an increase in court costs not to exceed \$20 for all criminal matters and traffic offenses in the Opelousas City Court.

Proposed law authorizes the city judge of Opelousas City Court to impose court costs not to exceed \$20 in all criminal matters, including traffic offenses.

Proposed law requires that all fees derived from additional costs to be deposited in a special account and used to provide services for juvenile delinquents, children in need of supervision, families in need of services, or any other related juvenile matter under the jurisdiction of Opelousas City Court or otherwise related to assisting and preventing juveniles from being subject to juvenile jurisdiction of the court.

(Adds R.S. 13:2105.2)