

ACT No. 239

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 136

BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 15:168(B)(1), relative to the judicial district indigent defender
3 fund; to extend the period of time in which the special cost assessed in criminal cases
4 in each judicial district court shall be collected for the district indigent defender fund;
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 15:168(B)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §168. Judicial district indigent defender fund

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10 B.(1) Every court of original criminal jurisdiction, except in the town of
11 Jonesville, in the city of Plaquemine, and in mayors' courts in municipalities having
12 a population of less than five thousand, shall remit the following special costs to the
13 district indigent defender fund for the following violations, under state statute as well
14 as under parish or municipal ordinance, except a parking violation. The sum of
15 forty-five dollars shall be assessed in cases in which a defendant is convicted after
16 a trial, a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, or after forfeiting bond and shall be in
17 addition to all other fines, costs, or forfeitures imposed. The court cost of forty-five
18 dollars authorized by the provisions of this Subsection shall expire on August 1,
19 ~~2016~~ 2017, and thereafter the court cost authorized by the provisions of this
20 Subsection shall be thirty-five dollars. The Louisiana Public Defender Board shall
21 provide a detailed report to the Louisiana Legislature prior to the ~~2016~~ 2017 Regular
22 Session detailing how the funds provided for by this Subsection were utilized in each

