## **RÉSUMÉ DIGEST**

## ACT 113 (HB 7) 2017 Regular Session

<u>Existing law</u> requires that witness fees be paid from court costs collected in individual cases tried in district or parish courts or in any court with juvenile jurisdiction or cases in which there is a plea of guilty or conviction. <u>Existing law</u> further provides that such costs shall be placed in a special fund that is maintained and administered by the governing authority.

New law retains existing law.

<u>New law</u> authorizes the Washington Parish governing authority to transfer all surplus monies in the special fund that exceed \$5,000 at the end of each calendar year to the criminal court fund of the parish by March 31st of each calendar year to be used for the same purposes that the present funds are being used.

New law defines "special fund" and "surplus monies".

<u>New law</u> prohibits any money obligated to be paid to any officer or agency for an off-duty law enforcement court appearance from being considered surplus money.

Effective August 1, 2017.

(Adds R.S. 15:255(S))

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