HLS 18RS-292 ENGROSSED

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 55

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BY REPRESENTATIVE DWIGHT

COURTS/COURT COSTS: Provides for an increase in court costs in the 14th Judicial District Court

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 13:964.1(C), relative to court costs in the Fourteenth Judicial
3	District; to increase criminal court costs; to increase the civil filing fee; and to
4	provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 13:964.1(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§964.1. Fourteenth Judicial District; indigent transcript fund; reporter's fees
8	* * *
9	C.(1) In all criminal cases over which the court has original, appellate,
10	supervisory, or concurrent jurisdiction, including traffic violations, except parking
11	there shall be assessed as costs against every defendant who is convicted after trial
12	or after a plea of guilty or nolo contendere or who forfeits his bond, the sum of five
13	dollars a sum not to exceed ten dollars, which shall be transmitted to the court
14	administrator for further disposition in accordance herewith.
15	(2) In all civil cases over which the court has original, appellate, supervisory,
16	or concurrent jurisdiction, there shall be collected the sum of three dollars a sum not
17	to exceed twenty dollars for every civil filing, which shall be transmitted to the court
18	administrator for further disposition in accordance herewith.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Increases the civil filing fee and criminal court costs in the 14th JDC.

<u>Present law</u> provides for court costs of \$5 in criminal court cases in the 14th JDC. Additionally, provides for a \$3 court cost in civil cases in the 14th JDC. Both fees must be transmitted to the court administrator for further disposition.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the criminal court costs that are assessed to certain defendants <u>from</u> \$5 <u>to</u> a sum no greater than \$10. Also increases the civil filing fee <u>from</u> \$3 <u>to</u> a sum no greater than \$20.

(Amends R.S. 13:964.1(C))