2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 241

BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRY

COURTS/COURT COSTS: Provides for a filing fee for certain eviction proceedings

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 13:2158(A)(28) and (E), relative to eviction proceedings; to provide for
3	constable fees; to provide for the distribution of constable fees; to provide for
4	effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 13:2158(A)(28) and (E) are hereby enacted to read as follows:
7	§2158. Fees of constables; benefits for employees of constables of the city courts
8	of New Orleans
9	A. The constables of the city courts of New Orleans shall be entitled to no
10	more than the following fees and compensation of office in all civil matters, and no
11	fees or charges shall be collected by them for any service not specifically provided
12	for in this Subsection:
13	* * *
14	(28) Making and serving a warrant of possession in eviction proceedings,
15	twenty dollars.
16	* * *
17	E. The fees collected pursuant to $Paragraph(A)(28)$ of this Section shall be
18	distributed only to organizations which provide pro-bono, legal defense services in
19	eviction proceedings, and such distribution shall be based on the workload provided
20	by the organization rendering pro-bono legal services.

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- 1 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on the date of Judicial Council approval,
- 2 and no fees shall be collected pursuant to the provisions of this Act until the effective date
- 3 of this Act.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Adds a \$20 filing fee in eviction proceedings for the filing of a warrant of possession.

<u>Present law</u> provides for a list of enumerated fees in civil matters to be collected by constables for the city courts of New Orleans.

Proposed law retains present law and adds a \$20 fee for filing a warrant of possession.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that all of the filing fees from eviction proceedings shall be distributed only to organizations which provide pro-bono, legal defense services in eviction proceedings, and such distribution shall be based on the workload provided by the organization rendering pro-bono legal services.

Effective upon date of Judicial Council approval.

(Adds R.S. 13:2158(A)(28) and (E))