
DIGEST

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Murray (SB 240)

Proposed law provides that a court cost not to exceed \$100 may be imposed upon any defendant, other than an indigent, who pleads guilty or is convicted of an offense by the Criminal District Court for the Parish of Orleans.

Proposed law further provides that such court cost may be imposed only under the following circumstances:

- (1) The annual budget provided by the funding source for the office of the clerk of the Criminal District Court for the Parish of Orleans consists of an amount less than that amount proposed by such clerk for his 2010 Fiscal Year budget.
- (2) The monies derived from the imposition of such court cost are placed into a separate fund, hereby established and known as the Clerk of the Criminal District Court Operating Fund, dedicated to exclusive use by the clerk to defray the salaries and operating expenses of his office. No entity other than the clerk shall be authorized to use, transfer, or withdraw any amounts in such fund.
- (3) Any monies remaining in such fund at the end of the fiscal year shall revert back to the funding source.

Provides that the provisions of proposed law become effective upon approval of the Judicial Council.

(Adds R.S. 13:1381.7)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the original bill.

1. Technical amendments.
2. Makes effective on governor's signature or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the engrossed bill.

1. Provided that proposed law provisions shall become effective upon approval of the Judicial Council.