
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to Original House Bill No. 915
by Representative Alfred Williams

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "2071.1," and before "relative" delete "and 2488.40" and insert
3 "2488.40, and 2488.41"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 8, after "2071.1," and before "are" delete "and 2488.40" and insert "2488.40,
6 and 2488.41"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 5, after line 17, insert the following:

9 "§2488.41. Zachary City Court; additional warrant recall fees; Misdemeanor
10 Detention Fund

11 A. The Zachary City Court is hereby authorized to levy and impose a warrant
12 recall fee of fifty dollars on all persons who fail to appear as ordered on all
13 misdemeanor offenses and traffic offenses where a warrant for arrest is issued, the
14 proceeds of which shall be used to pay the expenses of operating a misdemeanor
15 detention facility in the parish.

16 B. The clerk of court shall place all sums collected or received pursuant to
17 this Section with the finance director for the parish of East Baton Rouge, who shall
18 place the funds in a separate account to be designated as the Misdemeanor Detention
19 Fund. All monies in this account shall be used solely for the purpose of paying
20 expenses associated with the operation of a misdemeanor detention facility in the
21 parish. The finance director shall cause to be conducted annually an audit of the
22 fund and the books and accounts relating thereto, and shall file the same with the
23 office of the legislative auditor, where it shall be available for public inspection.

24 C. All law enforcement agencies within the parish shall confer for the
25 purpose of creating and implementing additional pilot programs for the periodic
26 targeted enforcement of outstanding warrants until sufficient revenues are generated
27 to sustain the permanent operation of the misdemeanor detention facility.

28 D. The mayor-president for the parish of East Baton Rouge shall be
29 authorized to expend funds and enter into cooperative endeavor agreements with all
30 courts, the sheriff of East Baton Rouge Parish, and all other law enforcement
31 agencies within the parish in order to carry out the provisions of this Section, subject
32 to the approval of the Metropolitan Council of East Baton Rouge Parish.

33 E. The mayor-president through the finance department shall report quarterly
34 to the Metropolitan Council and the courts within the parish on the matters set forth
35 in this Section, including recommendations regarding necessary adjustments and the
36 financial feasibility of the misdemeanor warrant enforcement programs."