

New law requires the payment of witness fees of \$50 each day per case, but not more than \$150, to a former or retired law enforcement officer who is required to be present as a witness in any criminal case or delinquency adjudication in any district or parish court or any court exercising juvenile jurisdiction, regardless of the number of cases for which he is required to be present or whether he actually testified, and provides that the sum be paid from court costs collected in individual cases tried in the respective courts.

New law requires the retired or former law enforcement officer to submit an application and verifying documentation for service as a witness to the governing authority of the parish who shall, within 60 days of receipt of the application and documentation, transmit the fees due to the retired or former law enforcement officer.

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(Adds R.S. 15:255.1)