
DIGEST

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Abstract: Extends the collection of the special cost assessed in criminal cases for the district indigent defender fund, until Aug. 1, 2020.

Present law provides for the assessment of a \$45 special cost in each district court in all criminal cases where the defendant has been convicted, has plead guilty or nolo contendere, or has forfeited bond. Provides for the use and administration of such funds by the district public defender.

Present law provides that the \$45 special cost shall expire on Aug. 1, 2016. Thereafter, the cost shall be \$35 as provided for in present law.

Proposed law extends the expiration date of this special cost to Aug. 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 15:168(B)(1))