

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 SB2742

Introduced 1/18/2012, by Sen. John J. Cullerton

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

705 ILCS 105/27.3c

from Ch. 25, par. 27.3c

Amends the Clerks of Courts Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning various fees.

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1 AN ACT concerning courts.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Clerks of Courts Act is amended by changing

 Section 27.3c as follows:
- 6 (705 ILCS 105/27.3c) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.3c)
- 7 Sec. 27.3c. Document storage system.
- (a) The The expense of establishing and maintaining a 8 9 document storage system in the offices of the circuit court clerks in the several counties of this State shall be borne by 10 11 the county. To defray the expense in any county that elects to 12 establish a document storage system and convert the records of the circuit court clerk to electronic or micrographic storage, 13 14 the county board may require the clerk of the circuit court in its county to collect a court document fee of not less than \$1 15 16 nor more than \$15, to be charged and collected by the clerk of the court. The fee shall be paid at the time of filing the 17 first pleading, paper, or other appearance filed by each party 18 in all civil cases or by the defendant in any felony, 19 20 misdemeanor, traffic, ordinance, or conservation matter on a 21 judgment of guilty or grant of supervision, provided that the 22 document storage system is in place or has been authorized by the county board and further that no additional fee shall be 23

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- required if more than one party is presented in a single pleading, paper, or other appearance. The fee shall be collected in the manner in which all other fees or costs are
 - (b) Each clerk shall commence charges and collections of a court document fee upon receipt of written notice from the chairman of the county board together with a certified copy of the board's resolution, which the clerk shall file of record in his or her office.
 - (c) Court document fees shall be in addition to other fees and charges of the clerk, shall be assessable as costs, and may be waived only if the judge specifically provides for the waiver of the court document storage fee. The fees shall be remitted monthly by the clerk to the county treasurer, to be retained by the treasurer in a special fund designated as the Court Document Storage Fund. The fund shall be audited by the county auditor, and the board shall make expenditures from the fund in payment of any costs relative to the storage of court records. including hardware, software, research and development costs, and related personnel, provided that the expenditure is approved by the clerk of the circuit court.
 - (d) A court document fee shall not be charged in any matter coming to the clerk on change of venue or in any proceeding to review the decision of any administrative officer, agency, or body.
- 26 (Source: P.A. 94-596, eff. 1-1-06.)