

AN ACT concerning courts.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Certified Shorthand Reporters Act of 1984 is amended by changing Section 6 as follows:

(225 ILCS 415/6) (from Ch. 111, par. 6206)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2014)

Sec. 6. Upon receipt of a written request from the Chief Judge of the reporter's circuit ~~Supreme Court~~, the Department shall, upon payment of the required fee, issue to any reporter who has been appointed in counties of less than 1,000,000 in population, and examined under the Court Reporters Act, except those who have achieved an "A" proficiency rating, a restricted certificate by which such official court reporter may then lawfully engage in reporting only court proceedings to which he may be assigned by the Chief Judge of his circuit.

The Department may refuse to issue or may suspend the certificate of any person who fails to file a return, or to pay the tax, penalty or interest shown in a filed return, or to pay any final assessment of tax, penalty or interest, as required by any tax Act administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue, until such time as the requirements of any such tax Act are satisfied.

(Source: P.A. 84-1395.)

Section 10. The Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code is amended by changing Section 3-818 as follows:

(405 ILCS 5/3-818) (from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 3-818)

Sec. 3-818. Fees; costs.

(a) Fees for jury service, witnesses, and service and execution of process are the same as for similar services in civil proceedings.

(b) Except as provided under subsection (c) of this Section, the court may assess costs of the proceedings against the parties. If the respondent is not a resident of the county in which the hearing is held and the party against whom the court would otherwise assess costs has insufficient funds to pay the costs, the court may enter an order upon the State to pay the cost of the proceedings, from funds appropriated by the General Assembly for that purpose.

(c) If the respondent is a party against whom the court would otherwise assess costs and that respondent is determined by the court to have insufficient funds to pay the cost of transcripts for the purpose of appeal, the court shall enter an order upon the State to pay the cost of one original and one copy of a transcript of proceedings established under this Code. Payment of transcript costs authorized under this

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subsection (c) shall be paid from funds appropriated by the General Assembly to the Comptroller ~~to the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts.~~

(Source: P.A. 90-765, eff. 8-14-98.)