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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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| 705 ILCS | 105/27.2 | from | Ch. | 25, | par. | 27.2 |
| 705 ILCS | 105/27.2a | from | Ch. | 25, | par. | 27.2a |

Amends the Clerks of Courts Act. Provides that the clerk of the circuit clerk, if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may collect a fee of up to \$10 for court interpreter services, in addition to other fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, in all criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person convicted or sentenced to supervision in a case arising from a felony, misdemeanor, business offense, or petty offense complaint or arising from a minor traffic or ordinance violation. Provides that the fee shall be deposited into a separate Court Interpreter Services Fund, of which the chief judge shall be the custodian, to be used to maintain court interpreter services. If this fee is collected, 10% shall be deposited into the Circuit Court Clerk Operation and Administrative Fund. Effective June 1, 2011.

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1 AN ACT concerning courts.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Clerks of Courts Act is amended by changing
Sections 27.1a, 27.2, and 27.2a as follows:

6 (705 ILCS 105/27.1a) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.1a)

7 Sec. 27.1a. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in 8 all counties having a population of not more than 500,000 9 inhabitants in the instances described in this Section shall be as provided in this Section. In those instances where a minimum 10 and maximum fee is stated, the clerk of the circuit court must 11 12 charge the minimum fee listed and may charge up to the maximum 13 fee if the county board has by resolution increased the fee. 14 The fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows:

15 (a) Civil Cases.

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16 The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other 17 pleading initiating a civil action, with the following 18 exceptions, shall be a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of 19 \$160.

20 (A) When the amount of money or damages or the
21 value of personal property claimed does not exceed
22 \$250, \$10.

(B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not

exceed \$500, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20. 1 2 (C) When that amount exceeds \$500 but does not exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40. 3 (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not 4 5 exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$75. (E) For the exercise of eminent domain, a minimum 6 of \$45 and a maximum of \$150. For each additional lot 7 8 or tract of land or right or interest therein subject 9 to be condemned, the damages in respect to which shall 10 require separate assessment by a jury, a minimum of \$45 11 and a maximum of \$150. 12 (a-1) Family. For filing a petition under the Juvenile Court Act of 13 1987, \$25. 14 15 For filing a petition for a marriage license, \$10. 16 For performing a marriage in court, \$10. 17 For filing a petition under the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, \$40. 18 19 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer. 20 In each forcible entry and detainer case when the 21 plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her 22 claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or 23 damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$50. When the plaintiff unites his 24 25 or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or 26 damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a

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1 maximum of $160.
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2 (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

3 When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a 4 5 third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an 6 7 amount equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay had 8 he or she brought a separate action for the relief sought 9 in the counterclaim or against the third party defendant, 10 less the amount of the appearance fee, if that has been 11 paid.

12 (d) Confession of Judgment.

In a confession of judgment when the amount does not exceed \$1500, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$50. When the amount exceeds \$1500, but does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$115. When the amount exceeds \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$200.

18 (e) Appearance.

19 The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case 20 shall be a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$60, except as 21 follows:

(A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and
detainer case seeks possession only, a minimum of \$10
and a maximum of \$50.

(B) When the amount in the case does not exceed
\$1500, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$30.

(C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does not
 exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$60.
 (f) Garnishment, Wage Deduction, and Citation.

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In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit, and citation petition when the amount does not exceed \$1,000, a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$15; when the amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$30; and when the amount exceeds \$5,000, a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$50.

10 (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

11 (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or 12 order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer cases 13 and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an estate, 14 to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for 15 child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or 16 terminate an order for withholding, if filed before 30 days after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$20 17 and a maximum of \$50. 18

19 (2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or
20 order of court, except a petition to modify, terminate, or
21 enforce a judgment or order for child or spousal support or
22 to modify, suspend, or terminate an order for withholding,
23 if filed later than 30 days after the entry of the judgment
24 or order, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$75.

25 (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, a
26 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$40.

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1 (h) Mailing.

2 When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be a 3 minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$10, plus the cost of 4 postage.

5 (i) Certified Copies.

Each certified copy of a judgment after the first,
except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer
cases, a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$10.

9 (j) Habeas Corpus.

For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$100.

12 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

13 (1) Each certification or authentication for taking
14 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in writing
15 with the seal of office, a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of
16 \$6.

17 (2) Court appeals when original documents are
18 forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a
19 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$60.

20 (3) Court appeals when original documents are
21 forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a
22 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$150.

(4) Court appeals when original documents are
forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of a minimum
of 20 cents and a maximum of 25 cents per page.

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clerk's files:

2 (A) First page, a minimum of \$1 and a maximum of
3 \$2.

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(B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.

(C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.

(1) Remands.

7 In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the 8 Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the 9 clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case 10 with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk 11 shall not charge any new or additional fee for the 12 reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise 13 the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the 14 same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as 15 he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new 16 fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand.

17 (m) Record Search.

For each record search, within a division or municipal district, the clerk shall be entitled to a search fee of a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$6 for each year searched.

21 (n) Hard Copy.

For each page of hard copy print output, when case records are maintained on an automated medium, the clerk shall be entitled to a fee of a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$6.

26 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

1 No fee shall be charged for а single 2 plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record 3 inquiry when this request is made in person and the records are maintained in a current automated medium, and when no 4 5 hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be charged 6 for management records, multiple case records, and 7 multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief 8 the quidelines for Judge pursuant to access and 9 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme 10 Court.

11 (p) (Blank).

12 (q) Alias Summons.

For each alias summons or citation issued by the clerk,
a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$5.

15 (r) Other Fees.

16 Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by 17 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with the 18 approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois 19 Courts.

The clerk of the circuit court may provide additional services for which there is no fee specified by statute in connection with the operation of the clerk's office as may be requested by the public and agreed to by the clerk and approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Any charges for additional services shall be as agreed to between the clerk and the party making the request and

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- approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require any clerk to provide any service not otherwise required by law.
- 4 (s) Jury Services.

5 The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to 6 other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$62.50 and a maximum of \$212.50, as a fee for the services of a 7 8 jury in every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature 9 and not a proceeding for the exercise of the right of 10 eminent domain and in every other action wherein the right 11 of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee 12 shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of filing the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either 13 14 party, no jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, 15 and the same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

16 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

17 For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20; for recording the same, a 18 minimum of 25 cents and a maximum of 50 cents for each 100 19 20 words. Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the 21 22 benefit of creditors shall be considered and treated, for 23 the purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which 24 the party or parties filing the exceptions shall be 25 considered as party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant 26 or claimants as party or parties defendant, and those

- parties respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees
 as provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.
- 3 (u) Expungement Petition.

The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$60 for each expungement petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$4 for each certified copy of an order to expunge arrest records.

(v) Probate.

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10 The clerk is entitled to receive the fees specified in 11 this subsection (v), which shall be paid in advance, except 12 that, for good cause shown, the court may suspend, reduce, 13 or release the costs payable under this subsection:

14 (1) For administration of the estate of a decedent
15 (whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person, a
16 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$150, plus the fees
17 specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

18 (A) When the value of the real and personal
19 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a
20 minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

(B) When (i) proof of heirship alone is made, (ii)
a domestic or foreign will is admitted to probate
without administration (including proof of heirship),
or (iii) letters of office are issued for a particular
purpose without administration of the estate, the fee
shall be a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$40.

(C) For filing a petition to sell Real Estate, \$50.
 (2) For administration of the estate of a ward, a
 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75, plus the fees
 specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

5 (A) When the value of the real and personal 6 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a 7 minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

(B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a 8 9 guardian of the person or persons, but not of the estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the 10 11 estate of a ward without administration of the estate, 12 including filing or joining in the filing of a tax return or releasing a mortgage or consenting to the 13 14 marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a minimum of \$10 15 and a maximum of \$20.

16 (C) For filing a Petition to sell Real Estate, \$50.
17 (3) In addition to the fees payable under subsection
18 (v)(1) or (v)(2) of this Section, the following fees are
19 payable:

20 (A) For each account (other than one final account)
21 filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward, a minimum
22 of \$10 and a maximum of \$25.

(B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount
claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a minimum
of \$10 and a maximum of \$25; when the amount claimed is
\$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a minimum of \$10

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and a maximum of \$40; when the amount claimed is \$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$60; provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to the amount allowed the filing fee paid by the claimant.

(C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition, or supplemental proceeding based upon an action seeking equitable relief including the construction or contest of a will, enforcement of a contract to make a will, and proceedings involving testamentary trusts or the appointment of testamentary trustees, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$60.

12 (D) For filing in an estate (i) the appearance of 13 any person for the purpose of consent or (ii) the 14 appearance of an executor, administrator, 15 administrator to collect, guardian, guardian ad litem, 16 or special administrator, no fee.

17 (E) Except as provided in subsection (v) (3) (D),
18 for filing the appearance of any person or persons, a
19 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$30.

20 (F) For each jury demand, a minimum of \$62.50 and a
21 maximum of \$137.50.

(G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment
or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death
of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when
there is no other administration of the estate, a
minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50, less any amount

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paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the fee, including any amount paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B), shall be a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20.

6 (H) For each certified copy of letters of office, 7 of court order or other certification, a minimum of \$1 8 and a maximum of \$2, plus a minimum of 50 cents and a 9 maximum of \$1 per page in excess of 3 pages for the 10 document certified.

(I) For each exemplification, a minimum of \$1 and a
 maximum of \$2, plus the fee for certification.

13 (4) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,
14 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay
15 the cost of publication by the clerk directly to the
16 newspaper.

17 (5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for
18 witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous
19 fee shall pay the same directly to the person entitled
20 thereto.

(6) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,
or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay
to the clerk all postage charges incurred by the clerk in
mailing petitions, orders, notices, or other documents
pursuant to the provisions of the Probate Act of 1975.

26 (w) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal Costs and Fees.

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(1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all 1 2 criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person 3 convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows: (A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$40 and a 4 5 maximum of \$100. 6 (B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$25 and a 7 maximum of \$75. (C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of \$25 8 9 and a maximum of \$75. 10 (D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$25 and 11 a maximum of \$75. 12 (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$10. 13 (F) When court appearance required, \$15. 14 (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a 15 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 16 (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders, a 17 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments, whenever 18 19 filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 20 (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures, whenever filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 21 22 (K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or 23 "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of State, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 24 25 (2) In counties having a population of not more than 26 500,000 inhabitants, when the violation complaint is

issued by a municipal police department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs from each person convicted therein as follows:

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(A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$10.

(B) When court appearance required, \$15.

6 (3) In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine 7 only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the 8 9 court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other 10 fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of a 11 minimum of \$62.50 and a maximum of \$137.50 as a fee for the 12 services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the defendant at the time of filing his or her jury demand. If 13 14 the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no jury shall be 15 called, and the case shall be tried by the court without a 16 jury.

(4) The clerk of the circuit clerk, if authorized by an 17 18 ordinance of the county board, may collect a fee of up to 19 \$10 for court interpreter services, in addition to other 20 fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, in all criminal 21 and quasi-criminal cases from each person convicted or 22 sentenced to supervision in a case arising from a felony, 23 misdemeanor, business offense, or petty offense complaint 24 or arising from a minor traffic or ordinance violation. 25 This fee shall be deposited into a separate Court 26 Interpreter Services Fund, of which the chief judge or his

| 1 | or her designee shall be the custodian, to be used to |
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| 2 | maintain court interpreter services. If this fee for court |
| 3 | interpreter services is collected, 10% shall be deposited |
| 4 | into the Circuit Court Clerk Operation and Administrative |
| 5 | Fund created by the clerk of the circuit court. |
| 6 | (x) Transcripts of Judgment. |
| 7 | For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the clerk |
| 8 | shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the |
| 9 | commencement of a new suit. |
| 10 | (y) Change of Venue. |
| 11 | (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change of |
| 12 | venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it |
| 13 | were the commencement of a new suit. |
| 14 | (2) The fee for the preparation and certification of a |
| 15 | record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when |
| 16 | original documents are forwarded, a minimum of \$10 and a |
| 17 | maximum of \$40. |
| 18 | (z) Tax objection complaints. |
| 19 | For each tax objection complaint containing one or more |
| 20 | tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels |
| 21 | involved or the number of taxpayers joining on the |
| 22 | complaint, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$50. |
| 23 | (aa) Tax Deeds. |
| 24 | (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is |

involved, a minimum of \$45 and a maximum of \$200. 26 (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of a minimum

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of \$10 and a maximum of \$60. 1 2 (bb) Collections. 3 (1) For all collections made of others, except the State and county and except in maintenance or child support 4 5 cases, a sum equal to a minimum of 2% and a maximum of 2.5% of the amount collected and turned over. 6 (2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk 7 shall be turned over to the county general fund as an 8 9 earning of the office. 10 (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument 11 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account 12 closed, or payment stopped, \$25. 13 (4) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk, 14 if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may 15 collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making

16 payment for maintaining child support records and the 17 processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS system and the recording of payments issued by the State 18 Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. 19 20 This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts 21 ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support and 22 shall be deposited into a Separate Maintenance and Child 23 Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the 24 custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain 25 child support orders and record all payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the 26

1 Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the 2 maintenance or child support payment any additional cost 3 incurred in the collection of this annual fee.

The clerk shall also be entitled to a fee of \$5 for certifications made to the Secretary of State as provided in Section 7-703 of the Family Financial Responsibility Law and these fees shall also be deposited into the Separate Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund.

9 (cc) Corrections of Numbers.

For correction of the case number, case title, or attorney computer identification number, if required by rule of court, on any document filed in the clerk's office, to be charged against the party that filed the document, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$25.

15 (dd) Exceptions.

16 (1) The fee requirements of this Section shall not 17 apply to police departments or other law enforcement agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency" means 18 19 an agency of the State or a unit of local government which 20 is vested by law or ordinance with the duty to maintain public order and to enforce criminal laws or ordinances. 21 22 "Law enforcement agency" also means the Attorney General or 23 any state's attorney.

24 (2) No fee provided herein shall be charged to any unit
 25 of local government or school district.

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(3) The fee requirements of this Section shall not

apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private owner or tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order compelling the owner or owners of the building to take any of the actions authorized under that subsection.

7 (4) The fee requirements of this Section shall not 8 apply to the filing of any commitment petition or petition 9 for order authorizing the administration an of 10 psychotropic medication or electroconvulsive therapy under 11 the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code.

12 (ee) Adoptions.

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(1) For an adoption \$65

14 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the
15 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The term
16 "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning ascribed to
17 it by the Illinois Department of Children and Family
18 Services.

19 (ff) Adoption exemptions.

20 No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee) 21 shall be charged to any person in connection with an 22 adoption proceeding nor may any fee be charged for 23 proceedings for the appointment of a confidential 24 intermediary under the Adoption Act.

25 (Source: P.A. 95-172, eff. 8-14-07; 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

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(705 ILCS 105/27.2) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.2)

2 Sec. 27.2. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in 3 all counties having a population in excess of 500,000 inhabitants but less than 3,000,000 inhabitants 4 in the 5 instances described in this Section shall be as provided in this Section. In those instances where a minimum and maximum 6 fee is stated, counties with more than 500,000 inhabitants but 7 8 less than 3,000,000 inhabitants must charge the minimum fee 9 listed in this Section and may charge up to the maximum fee if 10 the county board has by resolution increased the fee. In 11 addition, the minimum fees authorized in this Section shall 12 apply to all units of local government and school districts in counties with more than 3,000,000 inhabitants. The fees shall 13 14 be paid in advance and shall be as follows:

15 (a) Civil Cases.

16 The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other 17 pleading initiating a civil action, with the following 18 exceptions, shall be a minimum of \$150 and a maximum of 19 \$190.

20 (A) When the amount of money or damages or the
21 value of personal property claimed does not exceed
22 \$250, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15.

(B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not
 exceed \$1,000, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

(C) When that amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not
 exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50.

(D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not exceed \$5,000, a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$100.

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(D-5) When the amount exceeds \$5,000 but does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$150.

5 (E) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$150. For 6 each additional lot or tract of land or right or 7 interest therein subject to be condemned, the damages 8 in respect to which shall require separate assessment 9 by a jury, \$150.

10 (F) No fees shall be charged by the clerk to a 11 petitioner in any order of protection including, but 12 limited to, filing, modifying, withdrawing, not certifying, or photocopying petitions for orders of 13 14 protection, or for issuing alias summons, or for any 15 related filing service, certifying, modifying, 16 vacating, or photocopying any orders of protection.

17 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

In each forcible entry and detainer case when the 18 19 plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her 20 claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or 21 damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a minimum 22 of \$40 and a maximum of \$75. When the plaintiff unites his 23 or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of \$150 and a 24 25 maximum of \$225.

26 (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his 1 or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a 2 3 third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an 4 5 amount equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay had 6 he or she brought a separate action for the relief sought 7 in the counterclaim or against the third party defendant, less the amount of the appearance fee, if that has been 8 9 paid.

10 (d) Confession of Judgment.

In a confession of judgment when the amount does not exceed \$1500, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$60. When the amount exceeds \$1500, but does not exceed \$5,000, \$75. When the amount exceeds \$5,000, but does not exceed \$15,000, \$175. When the amount exceeds \$15,000, a minimum of \$200 and a maximum of \$250.

17 (e) Appearance.

18 The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case 19 shall be a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75, except as 20 follows:

(A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and
detainer case seeks possession only, a minimum of \$20
and a maximum of \$40.

(B) When the amount in the case does not exceed
\$1500, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

26 (C) When the amount in the case exceeds \$1500 but

1 does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum 2 of \$60.

3 (f) Garnishment, Wage Deduction, and Citation.

In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit, and citation petition when the amount does not exceed \$1,000, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15; when the amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$30; and when the amount exceeds \$5,000, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50.

10 (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

11 (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or 12 order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer cases 13 and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an estate, 14 to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for 15 child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or 16 terminate an order for withholding, if filed before 30 days after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$40 17 and a maximum of \$50. 18

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20 order of court, except a petition to modify, terminate, or
21 enforce a judgment or order for child or spousal support or
22 to modify, suspend, or terminate an order for withholding,
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24 or order, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$75.

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1 (h) Mailing.

2 When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be a 3 minimum of \$6 and a maximum of \$10, plus the cost of 4 postage.

5 (i) Certified Copies.

Each certified copy of a judgment after the first,
except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer
cases, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15.

9 (j) Habeas Corpus.

For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, a minimum of \$80 and a maximum of \$125.

12 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

13 (1) Each certification or authentication for taking 14 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in writing 15 with the seal of office, a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of 16 \$6.

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19 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75.

20 (3) Court appeals when original documents are
21 forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a
22 minimum of \$120 and a maximum of \$150.

(4) Court appeals when original documents are
forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of a minimum
of 20 and a maximum of 25 cents per page.

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(5) For reproduction of any document contained in the

1 clerk's files:

| 2 | (A) H | First page, \$2. |
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| 3 | (B) 1 | Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page. |
| 4 | (C) <i>A</i> | All remaining pages, 25 cents per page. |
| 5 | (1) Remands. | |

6 In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the 7 Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the 8 clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case 9 with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk 10 shall not charge any new or additional fee for the 11 reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise 12 the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as 13 he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new 14 15 fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand.

16 (m) Record Search.

For each record search, within a division or municipal district, the clerk shall be entitled to a search fee of a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$6 for each year searched.

20 (n) Hard Copy.

For each page of hard copy print output, when case records are maintained on an automated medium, the clerk shall be entitled to a fee of a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$6.

25 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

26 No fee shall be charged for a single

plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record 1 2 inquiry when this request is made in person and the records 3 are maintained in a current automated medium, and when no hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be charged 4 5 for management records, multiple case records, and multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief 6 7 pursuant to the guidelines for Judge access and 8 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme 9 Court.

- 10 (p) (Blank).
- 11 (q) Alias Summons.
- For each alias summons or citation issued by the clerk,a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$5.

14 (r) Other Fees.

15 Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by 16 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with the 17 approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois 18 Courts.

19 The clerk of the circuit court may provide additional 20 services for which there is no fee specified by statute in 21 connection with the operation of the clerk's office as may 22 be requested by the public and agreed to by the clerk and 23 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Any charges for additional services shall be as agreed to 24 25 between the clerk and the party making the request and 26 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing 1 2 in this subsection shall be construed to require any clerk to provide any service not otherwise required by law.

3 (s) Jury Services.

The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to 4 5 other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$192.50 and a maximum of \$212.50, as a fee for the services of a 6 7 jury in every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature 8 and not a proceeding for the exercise of the right of 9 eminent domain and in every other action wherein the right 10 of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee 11 shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of 12 filing the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either party, no jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, 13 14 and the same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

15 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

16 For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a minimum 17 of \$10 and a maximum of \$20; for recording the same, a minimum of 25¢ and a maximum of 50¢ for each 100 words. 18 19 Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a 20 debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of creditors shall be considered and treated, for the 21 22 purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which the 23 party or parties filing the exceptions shall be considered 24 party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant or as 25 claimants as party or parties defendant, and those parties 26 respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees as

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provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.

(u) Expungement Petition.

The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$60 for each expungement petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$4 for each certified copy of an order to expunge arrest records.

8 (v) Probate.

9 The clerk is entitled to receive the fees specified in 10 this subsection (v), which shall be paid in advance, except 11 that, for good cause shown, the court may suspend, reduce, 12 or release the costs payable under this subsection:

(1) For administration of the estate of a decedent
(whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person, a
minimum of \$100 and a maximum of \$150, plus the fees
specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

17 (A) When the value of the real and personal
18 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a
19 minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

(B) When (i) proof of heirship alone is made, (ii)
a domestic or foreign will is admitted to probate
without administration (including proof of heirship),
or (iii) letters of office are issued for a particular
purpose without administration of the estate, the fee
shall be a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

(2) For administration of the estate of a ward, a

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1 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75, plus the fees
2 specified in subsection (v)(3), except:

(A) When the value of the real and personal
property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a
minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

(B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a 6 7 guardian of the person or persons, but not of the estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the 8 9 estate of a ward without administration of the estate, 10 including filing or joining in the filing of a tax 11 return or releasing a mortgage or consenting to the 12 marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20. 13

14 (3) In addition to the fees payable under subsection
15 (v)(1) or (v)(2) of this Section, the following fees are
16 payable:

17 (A) For each account (other than one final account)
18 filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward, a minimum
19 of \$15 and a maximum of \$25.

(B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount
claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a minimum
of \$10 and a maximum of \$20; when the amount claimed is
\$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a minimum of \$25
and a maximum of \$40; when the amount claimed is
\$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$60;
provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to

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the amount allowed the filing fee paid by the claimant.

(C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition, or
supplemental proceeding based upon an action seeking
equitable relief including the construction or contest
of a will, enforcement of a contract to make a will,
and proceedings involving testamentary trusts or the
appointment of testamentary trustees, a minimum of \$40
and a maximum of \$60.

9 (D) For filing in an estate (i) the appearance of 10 any person for the purpose of consent or (ii) the 11 appearance of an executor, administrator, 12 administrator to collect, guardian, guardian ad litem, 13 or special administrator, no fee.

14 (E) Except as provided in subsection (v) (3) (D),
15 for filing the appearance of any person or persons, a
16 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$30.

(F) For each jury demand, a minimum of \$102.50 and a maximum of \$137.50.

19 (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment 20 or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when 21 22 there is no other administration of the estate, a 23 minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50, less any amount 24 paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except 25 that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the 26 fee, including any amount paid under subsection

(v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B), shall be a minimum of \$10 and a
 maximum of \$20.

(H) For each certified copy of letters of office,
of court order or other certification, a minimum of \$1
and a maximum of \$2, plus a minimum of 50¢ and a
maximum of \$1 per page in excess of 3 pages for the
document certified.

8 (I) For each exemplification, a minimum of \$1 and a
9 maximum of \$2, plus the fee for certification.

10 (4) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,
11 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay
12 the cost of publication by the clerk directly to the
13 newspaper.

14 (5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for
15 witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous
16 fee shall pay the same directly to the person entitled
17 thereto.

(6) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,
or other interested person or his attorney shall pay to the
clerk all postage charges incurred by the clerk in mailing
petitions, orders, notices, or other documents pursuant to
the provisions of the Probate Act of 1975.

23 (w) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal Costs and Fees.

(1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all
 criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person
 convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows:

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(A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$80 and a 1 2 maximum of \$125. 3 (B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75. 4 5 (C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of \$50 6 and a maximum of \$75. 7 (D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75. 8 9 (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$20. 10 (F) When court appearance required, \$30. 11 (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a 12 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 13 (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$30. 14 15 (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments, whenever 16 filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$30. 17 (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures, whenever filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$25. 18 Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or 19 (K) 20 "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of State, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 21 22 (2) In counties having a population of more than 23 500,000 but fewer than 3,000,000 inhabitants, when the violation complaint is issued by a municipal police 24 25 department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs from each 26 person convicted therein as follows:

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(A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$10.

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(B) When court appearance required, \$15.

3 (3) In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to 4 5 receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other 6 7 fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$112.50 as a fee for the 8 9 services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the 10 defendant at the time of filing his or her jury demand. If 11 the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no jury shall be called, and the case shall be tried by the court without a 12 13 jury.

14 (4) The clerk of the circuit clerk, if authorized by an 15 ordinance of the county board, may collect a fee of up to 16 \$10 for court interpreter services, in addition to other fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, in all criminal 17 and quasi-criminal cases from each person convicted or 18 19 sentenced to supervision in a case arising from a felony, 20 misdemeanor, business offense, or petty offense complaint 21 or arising from a minor traffic or ordinance violation. 22 This fee shall be deposited into a separate Court 23 Interpreter Services Fund, of which the chief judge or his 24 or her designee shall be the custodian, to be used to 25 maintain court interpreter services. If this fee for court interpreter services is collected, 10% shall be deposited 26

<u>into the Circuit Court Clerk Operation and Administrative</u> <u>Fund created by the clerk of the circuit court.</u> (x) Transcripts of Judgment. For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the

7 (y) Change of Venue.

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commencement of new suit.

8 (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change of 9 venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it 10 were the commencement of a new suit.

11 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification of a 12 record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when 13 original documents are forwarded, a minimum of \$25 and a 14 maximum of \$40.

15 (z) Tax objection complaints.

For each tax objection complaint containing one or more tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels involved or the number of taxpayers joining in the complaint, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$50.

20 (aa) Tax Deeds.

(1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is
involved, a minimum of \$150 and a maximum of \$250.

23 (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of a minimum
24 of \$50 and a maximum of \$100.

25 (bb) Collections.

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(1) For all collections made of others, except the

State and county and except in maintenance or child support
 cases, a sum equal to a minimum of 2.5% and a maximum of
 3.0% of the amount collected and turned over.

4 (2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk
5 shall be turned over to the county general fund as an
6 earning of the office.

7 (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument
8 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account
9 closed, or payment stopped, \$25.

10 (4) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk, 11 if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may 12 collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making payment for maintaining child support records and the 13 14 processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS 15 system and the recording of payments issued by the State 16 Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. 17 This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support and 18 19 shall be deposited into a Separate Maintenance and Child 20 Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the 21 custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain 22 child support orders and record all payments issued by the 23 State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the 24 Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the 25 maintenance or child support payment any additional cost incurred in the collection of this annual fee. 26

1 The clerk shall also be entitled to a fee of \$5 for 2 certifications made to the Secretary of State as provided 3 in Section 7-703 of the Family Financial Responsibility Law 4 and these fees shall also be deposited into the Separate 5 Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund.

6 (cc) Corrections of Numbers.

For correction of the case number, case title, or
attorney computer identification number, if required by
rule of court, on any document filed in the clerk's office,
to be charged against the party that filed the document, a
minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$25.

(dd) Exceptions.

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13 The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to 14 police departments or other law enforcement agencies. In 15 this Section, "law enforcement agency" means an agency of 16 the State or a unit of local government which is vested by 17 law or ordinance with the duty to maintain public order and to enforce criminal laws or ordinances. "Law enforcement 18 19 agency" also means the Attorney General or any state's 20 attorney. The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of 21 22 Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private 23 owner or tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a 24 dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order compelling 25 the owner or owners of the building to take any of the actions authorized under that subsection. 26

1 The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to 2 the filing of any commitment petition or petition for an 3 order authorizing the administration of psychotropic 4 medication or electroconvulsive therapy under the Mental 5 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code.

6 (ee) Adoptions.

7 (1) For an adoption \$65
8 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the
9 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The term
10 "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning ascribed to
11 it by the Illinois Department of Children and Family
12 Services.

13 (ff) Adoption exemptions.

14 No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee) 15 shall be charged to any person in connection with an 16 adoption proceeding nor may any fee be charged for 17 proceedings for the appointment of a confidential 18 intermediary under the Adoption Act.

19 (gg) Unpaid fees.

20 Unless a court ordered payment schedule is implemented 21 or the fee requirements of this Section are waived pursuant 22 to court order, the clerk of the court may add to any 23 unpaid fees and costs under this Section a delinquency 24 amount equal to 5% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid 25 after 30 days, 10% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid 26 after 60 days, and 15% of the unpaid fees that remain

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1 unpaid after 90 days. Notice to those parties may be made 2 by signage posting or publication. The additional 3 delinquency amounts collected under this Section shall be 4 used to defray additional administrative costs incurred by 5 the clerk of the circuit court in collecting unpaid fees 6 and costs.

7 (Source: P.A. 95-172, eff. 8-14-07.)

8 (705 ILCS 105/27.2a) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.2a)

9 Sec. 27.2a. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in 10 all counties having a population of 3,000,000 or more 11 inhabitants in the instances described in this Section shall be 12 as provided in this Section. In those instances where a minimum 13 and maximum fee is stated, the clerk of the circuit court must 14 charge the minimum fee listed and may charge up to the maximum 15 fee if the county board has by resolution increased the fee. 16 The fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows:

17 (a) Civil Cases.

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18 The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other 19 pleading initiating a civil action, with the following 20 exceptions, shall be a minimum of \$190 and a maximum of 21 \$240.

(A) When the amount of money or damages or the
value of personal property claimed does not exceed
\$250, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$22.

(B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not

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exceed \$1000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$75.

2 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1000 but does not
3 exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$80.

(D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not exceed \$5000, a minimum of \$100 and a maximum of \$130.

6 (E) When that amount exceeds \$5000 but does not 7 exceed \$15,000, \$150.

8 (F) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$150. For 9 each additional lot or tract of land or right or 10 interest therein subject to be condemned, the damages 11 in respect to which shall require separate assessment 12 by a jury, \$150.

13 (G) For the final determination of parking, 14 standing, and compliance violations and final 15 administrative decisions issued after hearings 16 regarding vehicle immobilization and impoundment made 17 pursuant to Sections 3-704.1, 6-306.5, and 11-208.3 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, \$25. 18

19 (H) No fees shall be charged by the clerk to a 20 petitioner in any order of protection including, but 21 not limited to, filing, modifying, withdrawing, 22 certifying, or photocopying petitions for orders of 23 protection, or for issuing alias summons, or for any 24 related filing service, certifying, modifying, 25 vacating, or photocopying any orders of protection.

26 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

1 In each forcible entry and detainer case when the plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her 2 3 claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a minimum 4 5 of \$75 and a maximum of \$140. When the plaintiff unites his or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or 6 7 damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of \$225 and a 8 maximum of \$335.

(c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

10 When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his 11 or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a 12 third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an 13 14 amount equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay had 15 he or she brought a separate action for the relief sought 16 in the counterclaim or against the third party defendant, 17 less the amount of the appearance fee, if that has been 18 paid.

19 (d) Confession of Judgment.

In a confession of judgment when the amount does not exceed \$1500, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$70. When the amount exceeds \$1500, but does not exceed \$5000, a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$150. When the amount exceeds \$5000, but does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$175 and a maximum of \$260. When the amount exceeds \$15,000, a minimum of \$250 and a maximum of \$310.

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1 (e) Appearance.

2 The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case 3 shall be a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$110, except as 4 follows:

5 (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and 6 detainer case seeks possession only, a minimum of \$40 7 and a maximum of \$80.

8 (B) When the amount in the case does not exceed
9 \$1500, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$80.

10 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does not
11 exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$90.
12 (f) Garnishment, Wage Deduction, and Citation.

In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit, and citation petition when the amount does not exceed \$1,000, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$25; when the amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$45; and when the amount exceeds \$5,000, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$80.

19 (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

(1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or
order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer cases
and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an estate,
to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for
child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or
terminate an order for withholding, if filed before 30 days
after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$50

1 and a maximum of \$60.

(2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or
order of court, except a petition to modify, terminate, or
enforce a judgment or order for child or spousal support or
to modify, suspend, or terminate an order for withholding,
if filed later than 30 days after the entry of the judgment
or order, a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$90.

8 (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, a
9 minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$80.

10 (h) Mailing.

When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15, plus the cost of postage.

14 (i) Certified Copies.

Each certified copy of a judgment after the first, except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer cases, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$20.

18 (j) Habeas Corpus.

19 For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, a 20 minimum of \$125 and a maximum of \$190.

21 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

(1) Each certification or authentication for taking
the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in writing
with the seal of office, a minimum of \$6 and a maximum of
\$9.

26 (2) Court appeals when original documents are

1 forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a 2 minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$110.

3 (3) Court appeals when original documents are
4 forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a
5 minimum of \$150 and a maximum of \$185.

6 (4) Court appeals when original documents are 7 forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of a minimum 8 of 25 and a maximum of 30 cents per page.

9 (5) For reproduction of any document contained in the 10 clerk's files:

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(A) First page, \$2.

(B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.

13 (C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.

14 (1) Remands.

15 In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the 16 Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the 17 clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk 18 19 shall not charge any new or additional fee for the 20 reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise 21 the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the 22 same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as 23 he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new 24 fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand.

25 (m) Record Search.

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For each record search, within a division or municipal

- district, the clerk shall be entitled to a search fee of a
 minimum of \$6 and a maximum of \$9 for each year searched.
- 3 (n) Hard Copy.

For each page of hard copy print output, when case records are maintained on an automated medium, the clerk shall be entitled to a fee of a minimum of \$6 and a maximum of \$9.

8 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

9 No fee shall be charged for а single 10 plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record 11 inquiry when this request is made in person and the records 12 are maintained in a current automated medium, and when no 13 hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be charged 14 for management records, multiple case records, and 15 multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief 16 Judqe pursuant to the quidelines for access and 17 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme 18 Court.

19 (p) (Blank).

20 (q) Alias Summons.

For each alias summons or citation issued by the clerk,
a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$6.

23 (r) Other Fees.

Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with the approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois - 44 - LRB097 02984 AJO 43011 b

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2 The clerk of the circuit court may provide additional 3 services for which there is no fee specified by statute in connection with the operation of the clerk's office as may 4 5 be requested by the public and agreed to by the clerk and approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Any 6 7 charges for additional services shall be as agreed to 8 between the clerk and the party making the request and 9 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing 10 in this subsection shall be construed to require any clerk 11 to provide any service not otherwise required by law.

(s) Jury Services.

13 The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to 14 other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$212.50 15 and maximum of \$230, as a fee for the services of a jury in 16 every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature and not 17 a proceeding for the exercise of the right of eminent domain and in every other action wherein the right of trial 18 19 by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee shall be 20 paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of filing 21 the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either party, no 22 jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, and the 23 same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

24 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40; for recording the same, a

minimum of 50¢ and a maximum of \$0.80 for each 100 words. 1 2 Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a 3 debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of creditors shall be considered and treated, for the 4 5 purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which the party or parties filing the exceptions shall be considered 6 party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant or 7 as 8 claimants as party or parties defendant, and those parties 9 respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees as 10 provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.

11 (u) Expungement Petition.

12 The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a 13 minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$120 for each expungement 14 petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$4 and 15 a maximum of \$8 for each certified copy of an order to 16 expunge arrest records.

17 (v) Probate.

The clerk is entitled to receive the fees specified in this subsection (v), which shall be paid in advance, except that, for good cause shown, the court may suspend, reduce, or release the costs payable under this subsection:

(1) For administration of the estate of a decedent
(whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person, a
minimum of \$150 and a maximum of \$225, plus the fees
specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

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(A) When the value of the real and personal

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property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$65.

(B) When (i) proof of heirship alone is made, (ii)
a domestic or foreign will is admitted to probate
without administration (including proof of heirship),
or (iii) letters of office are issued for a particular
purpose without administration of the estate, the fee
shall be a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$65.

9 (2) For administration of the estate of a ward, a 10 minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$110, plus the fees 11 specified in subsection (v)(3), except:

12 (A) When the value of the real and personal
13 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a
14 minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$65.

(B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a 15 16 guardian of the person or persons, but not of the 17 estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the estate of a ward without administration of the estate, 18 19 including filing or joining in the filing of a tax 20 return or releasing a mortgage or consenting to the 21 marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a minimum of \$20 22 and a maximum of \$40.

(3) In addition to the fees payable under subsection
(v) (1) or (v) (2) of this Section, the following fees are
payable:

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(A) For each account (other than one final account)

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filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

(B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40; when the amount claimed is \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$65; when the amount claimed is \$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$90; provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to the amount allowed the filing fee paid by the claimant.

(C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition, or supplemental proceeding based upon an action seeking equitable relief including the construction or contest of a will, enforcement of a contract to make a will, and proceedings involving testamentary trusts or the appointment of testamentary trustees, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$90.

(D) For filing in an estate (i) the appearance of
any person for the purpose of consent or (ii) the
appearance of an executor, administrator,
administrator to collect, guardian, guardian ad litem,
or special administrator, no fee.

(E) Except as provided in subsection (v) (3) (D),
for filing the appearance of any person or persons, a
minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$90.

(F) For each jury demand, a minimum of \$137.50 and

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a maximum of \$180.

2 (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment 3 or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when 4 5 there is no other administration of the estate, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$80, less any amount 6 7 paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the 8 9 fee, including any amount paid under subsection 10 (v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B), shall be a minimum of \$20 and a 11 maximum of \$40.

12 (H) For each certified copy of letters of office,
13 of court order or other certification, a minimum of \$2
14 and a maximum of \$4, plus \$1 per page in excess of 3
15 pages for the document certified.

16 (I) For each exemplification, \$2, plus the fee for17 certification.

18 (4) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,
19 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay
20 the cost of publication by the clerk directly to the
21 newspaper.

(5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for
witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous
fee shall pay the same directly to the person entitled
thereto.

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(6) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,

or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay 1 2 to the clerk all postage charges incurred by the clerk in 3 mailing petitions, orders, notices, or other documents pursuant to the provisions of the Probate Act of 1975. 4 5 (w) Criminal and Ouasi-Criminal Costs and Fees. (1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all 6 7 criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person 8 convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows: 9 (A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$125 and a maximum of \$190. 10 11 (B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$75 and a 12 maximum of \$110. 13 (C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of \$75 14 and a maximum of \$110. 15 (D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$75 and 16 a maximum of \$110. 17 (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$30. (F) When court appearance required, \$50. 18 19 (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a 20 minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$80. (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders, a 21 22 minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$45. 23 (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments, whenever 24 filed, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$45. 25 (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures, 26 whenever filed, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$30.

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1(K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or2"failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of3State, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$50.

4 (2) In counties having a population of 3,000,000 or
5 more, when the violation complaint is issued by a municipal
6 police department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs
7 from each person convicted therein as follows:

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(A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$30.

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(B) When court appearance required, \$50.

10 (3) In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine 11 only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to 12 receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other 13 14 fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of a 15 minimum of \$112.50 and a maximum of \$250 as a fee for the 16 services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the defendant at the time of filing his or her jury demand. If 17 18 the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no jury shall be 19 called, and the case shall be tried by the court without a 20 jury.

21 <u>(4) The clerk of the circuit clerk, if authorized by an</u> 22 <u>ordinance of the county board, may collect a fee of up to</u> 23 <u>\$10 for court interpreter services, in addition to other</u> 24 <u>fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, in all criminal</u> 25 <u>and quasi-criminal cases from each person convicted or</u> 26 <u>sentenced to supervision in a case arising from a felony,</u>

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misdemeanor, business offense, or petty offense complaint 1 2 or arising from a minor traffic or ordinance violation. 3 This fee shall be deposited into a separate Court Interpreter Services Fund, of which the chief judge or his 4 5 or her designee shall be the custodian, to be used to maintain court interpreter services. If this fee for court 6 interpreter services is collected, 10% shall be deposited 7 into the Circuit Court Clerk Operation and Administrative 8 9 Fund created by the clerk of the circuit court.

10 (x) Transcripts of Judgment.

11 For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the clerk 12 shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the 13 commencement of a new suit.

14 (y) Change of Venue.

(1) For the filing of a change of case on a change of
venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it
were the commencement of a new suit.

18 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification of a
19 record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when
20 original documents are forwarded, a minimum of \$40 and a
21 maximum of \$65.

22 (z) Tax objection complaints.

For each tax objection complaint containing one or more tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels involved or the number of taxpayers joining in the complaint, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$100. - 52 - LRB097 02984 AJO 43011 b

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1 (aa) Tax Deeds.

2 (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is
3 involved, a minimum of \$250 and a maximum of \$400.

4 (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of a minimum
5 of \$100 and a maximum of \$200.

6 (bb) Collections.

7 (1) For all collections made of others, except the
8 State and county and except in maintenance or child support
9 cases, a sum equal to 3.0% of the amount collected and
10 turned over.

(2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk
shall be turned over to the county general fund as an
earning of the office.

14 (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument
15 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account
16 closed, or payment stopped, \$25.

17 (4) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk, if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may 18 19 collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making 20 payment for maintaining child support records and the 21 processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS 22 system and the recording of payments issued by the State 23 Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts 24 25 ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support and 26 shall be deposited into a Separate Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain child support orders and record all payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the maintenance or child support payment any additional cost incurred in the collection of this annual fee.

8 The clerk shall also be entitled to a fee of \$5 for 9 certifications made to the Secretary of State as provided 10 in Section 7-703 of the Family Financial Responsibility Law 11 and these fees shall also be deposited into the Separate 12 Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund.

13 (cc) Corrections of Numbers.

For correction of the case number, case title, or attorney computer identification number, if required by rule of court, on any document filed in the clerk's office, to be charged against the party that filed the document, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

19 (dd) Exceptions.

(1) The fee requirements of this Section shall not
apply to police departments or other law enforcement
agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency" means
an agency of the State or a unit of local government which
is vested by law or ordinance with the duty to maintain
public order and to enforce criminal laws or ordinances.
"Law enforcement agency" also means the Attorney General or

1 any state's attorney.

2 (2) No fee provided herein shall be charged to any unit school district. 3 of local government or The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to any action 4 5 instituted under subsection (b) of Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private owner or tenant of 6 7 real property within 1200 feet of a dangerous or unsafe 8 building seeking an order compelling the owner or owners of 9 the building to take any of the actions authorized under 10 that subsection.

11 (3) The fee requirements of this Section shall not 12 apply to the filing of any commitment petition or petition order 13 authorizing the administration for an of 14 psychotropic medication or electroconvulsive therapy under 15 the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code.

16 (ee) Adoption.

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(1) For an adoption \$65

18 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the
19 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The term
20 "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning ascribed to
21 it by the Illinois Department of Children and Family
22 Services.

23 (ff) Adoption exemptions.

No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee) shall be charged to any person in connection with an adoption proceeding nor may any fee be charged for proceedings for the appointment of a confidential
 intermediary under the Adoption Act.

3 (gg) Unpaid fees.

4 Unless a court ordered payment schedule is implemented 5 or the fee requirements of this Section are waived pursuant to court order, the clerk of the court may add to any 6 unpaid fees and costs under this Section a delinquency 7 8 amount equal to 5% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid 9 after 30 days, 10% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid 10 after 60 days, and 15% of the unpaid fees that remain 11 unpaid after 90 days. Notice to those parties may be made 12 signage posting or publication. The additional by 13 delinquency amounts collected under this Section shall be used to defray additional administrative costs incurred by 14 15 the clerk of the circuit court in collecting unpaid fees 16 and costs.

17 (Source: P.A. 95-172, eff. 8-14-07.)

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