

1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 149

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 149 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

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

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

7 Sec. 27.1. The fees of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in  
8 all counties having a population of 180,000 inhabitants or  
9 less shall be paid in advance, except as otherwise provided,  
10 and shall be as follows:

11 (a) Civil Cases.

- 12 (1) All civil cases except as otherwise  
13 provided..... \$40
- 14 (2) Judicial Sales (except Probate)..... \$40

15 (b) Family.

- 16 (1) Commitment petitions under the Mental  
17 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code, filing  
18 transcript of commitment proceedings held in  
19 another county, and cases under the Juvenile Court  
20 Act of 1987..... \$25
- 21 (2) Petition for Marriage Licenses..... \$10
- 22 (3) Marriages in Court..... \$10

1           (4) Paternity..... \$40

2   (c) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal.

3           (1) Each person convicted of a felony..... \$40

4           (2) Each person convicted of a misdemeanor,

5   leaving scene of an accident, driving while

6   intoxicated, reckless driving or drag racing,

7   driving when license revoked or suspended,

8   overweight, or no interstate commerce certificate,

9   or when the disposition is court supervision..... \$25

10          (3) Each person convicted of a business

11   offense..... \$25

12          (4) Each person convicted of a petty offense. \$25

13          (5) Minor traffic, conservation, or

14   ordinance violation, including without limitation

15   when the disposition is court supervision:

16           (i) For each offense..... \$10

17           (ii) For each notice sent to the

18   defendant's last known address pursuant to

19   subsection (c) of Section 6-306.4 of the Illinois

20   Vehicle Code..... \$2

21           (iii) For each notice sent to the

22   Secretary of State pursuant to subsection (c) of

23   Section 6-306.4 of the Illinois Vehicle Code..... \$2

24          (6) When Court Appearance required..... \$15

25          (7) Motions to vacate or amend final orders.. \$10

26          (8) In ordinance violation cases punishable

27   by fine only, the clerk of the circuit court shall

28   be entitled to receive, unless the fee is excused

29   upon a finding by the court that the defendant is

30   indigent, in addition to other fees or costs

31   allowed or imposed by law, the sum of \$62.50 as a

32   fee for the services of a jury. The jury fee shall

33   be paid by the defendant at the time of filing his

34   or her jury demand. If the fee is not so paid by

1 the defendant, no jury shall be called, and the  
2 case shall be tried by the court without a jury.

3 (d) Other Civil Cases.

4 (1) Money or personal property claimed does  
5 not exceed \$500..... \$10

6 (2) Exceeds \$500 but not more than \$10,000... \$25

7 (3) Exceeds \$10,000, when relief in addition  
8 to or supplemental to recovery of money alone is  
9 sought in an action to recover personal property  
10 taxes or retailers occupational tax regardless of  
11 amount claimed..... \$45

12 (4) The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall be  
13 entitled to receive, in addition to other fees  
14 allowed by law, the sum of \$62.50, as a fee for the  
15 services of a jury in every civil action not  
16 quasi-criminal in its nature and not a proceeding  
17 for the exercise of the right of eminent domain,  
18 and in every equitable action wherein the right of  
19 trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury  
20 fee shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at  
21 the time of filing his jury demand. If such a fee  
22 is not paid by either party, no jury shall be  
23 called in the action, suit, or proceeding, and the  
24 same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

25 (e) Confession of judgment and answer.

26 (1) When the amount does not exceed \$1,000... \$20

27 (2) Exceeds \$1,000..... \$40

28 (f) Auxiliary Proceedings.

29 Any auxiliary proceeding relating to the  
30 collection of a money judgment, including  
31 garnishment, citation, or wage deduction action.... \$5

32 (g) Forcible entry and detainer.

33 (1) For possession only or possession and  
34 rent not in excess of \$10,000..... \$10

1           (2) For possession and rent in excess of  
 2           \$10,000..... \$40

3       (h) Eminent Domain.

4           (1) Exercise of Eminent Domain..... \$45

5           (2) For each and every lot or tract of land  
 6           or right or interest therein subject to be  
 7           condemned, the damages in respect to which shall  
 8           require separate assessments by a jury..... \$45

9       (i) Reinstatement.

10           Each case including petition for modification  
 11           of a judgment or order of Court if filed later than  
 12           30 days after the entry of a judgment or order,  
 13           except in forcible entry and detainer cases and  
 14           small claims and except a petition to modify,  
 15           terminate, or enforce a judgement or order for  
 16           child or spousal support or to modify, suspend, or  
 17           terminate an order for withholding, petition to  
 18           vacate judgment of dismissal for want of  
 19           prosecution whenever filed, petition to reopen an  
 20           estate, or redocketing of any cause..... \$20

21       (j) Probate.

22           (1) Administration of decedent's estates,  
 23           whether testate or intestate, guardianships of the  
 24           person or estate or both of a person under legal  
 25           disability, guardianships of the person or estate  
 26           or both of a minor or minors, or petitions to sell  
 27           real estate in the administration of any estate.... \$50

28           (2) Small estates in cases where the real and  
 29           personal property of an estate does not exceed  
 30           \$5,000..... \$25

31           (3) At any time during the administration of  
 32           the estate, however, at the request of the Clerk,  
 33           the Court shall examine the record of the estate  
 34           and the personal representative to determine the

1 total value of the real and personal property of  
2 the estate, and if such value exceeds \$5,000 shall  
3 order the payment of an additional fee in the  
4 amount of..... \$40

5 (4) Inheritance tax proceedings..... \$15

6 (5) Issuing letters only for a certain  
7 specific reason other than the administration of an  
8 estate, including but not limited to the release of  
9 mortgage; the issue of letters of guardianship in  
10 order that consent to marriage may be granted or  
11 for some other specific reason other than for the  
12 care of property or person; proof of heirship  
13 without administration; or when a will is to be  
14 admitted to probate, but the estate is to be  
15 settled without administration..... \$10

16 (6) When a separate complaint relating to any  
17 matter other than a routine claim is filed in an  
18 estate, the required additional fee shall be  
19 charged for such filing..... \$45

20 (k) Change of Venue.  
21 From a court, the charge is the same amount as  
22 the original filing fee; however, the fee for  
23 preparation and certification of record on change  
24 of venue, when original documents or copies are  
25 forwarded..... \$10

26 (l) Answer, adverse pleading, or appearance.  
27 In civil cases..... \$15

28 With the following exceptions:

29 (1) When the amount does not exceed \$500..... \$5

30 (2) When amount exceeds \$500 but not \$10,000. \$10

31 (3) When amount exceeds \$10,000..... \$15

32 (4) Court appeals when documents are  
33 forwarded, over 200 pages, additional fee per page  
34 over 200..... 10¢

1 (m) Tax objection complaints.

2 For each tax objection complaint containing  
 3 one or more tax objections, regardless of the  
 4 number of parcels involved or the number of  
 5 taxpayers joining the complaint..... \$10

6 (n) Tax deed.

7 (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel  
 8 is involved..... \$45

9 (2) For each additional parcel involved, an  
 10 additional fee of..... \$10

11 (o) Mailing Notices and Processes.

12 (1) All notices that the clerk is required to  
 13 mail as first class mail..... \$2

14 (2) For all processes or notices the Clerk is  
 15 required to mail by certified or registered mail,  
 16 the fee will be \$2 plus cost of postage.

17 (p) Certification or Authentication.

18 (1) Each certification or authentication for  
 19 taking the acknowledgement of a deed or other  
 20 instrument in writing with seal of office..... \$2

21 (2) Court appeals when original documents are  
 22 forwarded, 100 pages or under, plus delivery costs. \$25

23 (3) Court appeals when original documents are  
 24 forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery costs..... \$60

25 (4) Court appeals when original documents are  
 26 forwarded, over 200 pages, additional fee per page  
 27 over 200..... 10¢

28 (q) Reproductions.

29 Each record of proceedings and judgment,  
 30 whether on appeal, change of venue, certified  
 31 copies of orders and judgments, and all other  
 32 instruments, documents, records, or papers:

33 (1) First page..... \$1

34 (2) Next 19 pages, per page..... 50¢

(3) All remaining pages, per page.....

(r) Counterclaim.

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

(s) Transcript of Judgment.

From a court, the same fee as if case originally filed.

(t) Publications.

The cost of publication shall be paid directly to the publisher by the person seeking the publication, whether the clerk is required by law to publish, or the parties to the action.

(u) Collections.

(1) For all collections made for others, except the State and County and except in maintenance or child support cases, a sum equal to 2% of the amount collected and turned over.

(2) In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the Supreme Court or the Appellate Court, the Clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk shall not charge any new or additional fee for the reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement

1 as he or she had before the appeal, and no  
2 additional or new fee or charge shall be made for a  
3 jury trial after remand.

4 (3) In maintenance and child support matters,  
5 the Clerk may deduct from each payment an amount  
6 equal to the United States postage to be used in  
7 mailing the maintenance or child support check to  
8 the recipient. In such cases, the Clerk shall  
9 collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person  
10 making such payment for maintaining child support  
11 records and the processing of support orders to the  
12 State of Illinois KIDS system and the recording of  
13 payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for  
14 the official record of the Court. Such sum shall be  
15 in addition to and separate from amounts ordered to  
16 be paid as maintenance or child support and shall  
17 be deposited in a separate Maintenance and Child  
18 Support Collection Fund of which the Clerk shall be  
19 the custodian, ex officio, to be used by the Clerk  
20 to maintain child support orders and record all  
21 payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for  
22 the official record of the Court. Unless paid in  
23 cash or pursuant to an order for withholding, the  
24 payment of the fee shall be by a separate  
25 instrument from the support payment and shall be  
26 made to the order of the Clerk. The Clerk may  
27 recover from the person making the maintenance or  
28 child support payment any additional cost incurred  
29 in the collection of this annual fee.

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

33 The Clerk shall also be entitled to a fee of  
34 \$5 for certifications made to the Secretary of



1 State as provided in Section 7-703 of the Family  
 2 Financial Responsibility Law and these fees shall  
 3 also be deposited into the Separate Maintenance and  
 4 Child Support Collection Fund.

5 (v) Correction of Cases.

6 For correcting the case number or case title  
 7 on any document filed in his office, to be charged  
 8 against the party that filed the document..... \$10

9 (w) Record Search.

10 For searching a record, per year searched..... \$4

11 (x) Printed Output.

12 For each page of hard copy print output, when  
 13 case records are maintained on an automated medium. \$2

14 (y) Alias Summons.

15 For each alias summons issued..... \$2

16 (z) Expungement of Records.

17 For each expungement petition filed..... \$15

18 (aa) Other Fees.

19 Any fees not covered by this Section shall be set by  
 20 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court, with  
 21 the approval of the Supreme Court.

22 (bb) Exemptions.

23 No fee provided for herein shall be charged to any  
 24 unit of State or local government or school district  
 25 unless the Court orders another party to pay such fee on  
 26 its behalf. The fee requirements of this Section shall  
 27 not apply to police departments or other law enforcement  
 28 agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency" means  
 29 an agency of the State or a unit of local government that  
 30 is vested by law or ordinance with the duty to maintain  
 31 public order and to enforce criminal laws and ordinances.  
 32 The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to  
 33 any action instituted under subsection (b) of Section  
 34 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private owner

1 or tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a  
2 dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order compelling  
3 the owner or owners of the building to take any of the  
4 actions authorized under that subsection.

5 (cc) Adoptions.

6 (1) For an adoption.....\$65

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

12 (dd) Adoption exemptions.

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

18 (ee) Additional Services.

19 Beginning July 1, 1993, the clerk of the circuit  
20 court may provide such additional services for which  
21 there is no fee specified by statute in connection with  
22 the operation of the clerk's office as may be requested  
23 by the public and agreed to by the public and by the  
24 clerk and approved by the chief judge of the circuit  
25 court. Any charges for additional services shall be as  
26 agreed to between the clerk and the party making the  
27 request and approved by the chief judge of the circuit  
28 court. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to  
29 require any clerk to provide any service not otherwise  
30 required by law.

31 (ff) Returned checks.

32 For each check delivered to the clerk that is not  
33 honored on 2 occasions by the financial institution upon  
34 which it is drawn because of insufficient funds in the

1 account, because the account is closed, because there is  
2 no account, or because a stop payment has been placed on  
3 the check, in addition to the amount already owed....\$25.  
4 (Source: P.A. 91-165, eff. 7-16-99; 91-321, eff. 1-1-00;  
5 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; 91-612, eff. 10-1-99; 92-16, eff.  
6 6-28-01; 92-114, eff. 1-1-02.)

7 (705 ILCS 105/27.1a) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.1a)  
8 Sec. 27.1a. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court  
9 in all counties having a population in excess of 180,000 but  
10 not more than 500,000 inhabitants in the instances described  
11 in this Section shall be as provided in this Section. The  
12 fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows:

13 (a) Civil Cases.

14 The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other  
15 pleading initiating a civil action, with the following  
16 exceptions, shall be \$150.

17 (A) When the amount of money or damages or the  
18 value of personal property claimed does not exceed  
19 \$250, \$10.

20 (B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not  
21 exceed \$500, \$20.

22 (C) When that amount exceeds \$500 but does not  
23 exceed \$2500, \$30.

24 (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does  
25 not exceed \$15,000, \$75.

26 (E) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$150.  
27 For each additional lot or tract of land or right or  
28 interest therein subject to be condemned, the  
29 damages in respect to which shall require separate  
30 assessment by a jury, \$150.

31 (a-1) Family.

32 For filing a petition under the Juvenile Court Act  
33 of 1987, \$25.

1 For filing a petition for a marriage license, \$10.

2 For performing a marriage in court, \$10.

3 For filing a petition under the Illinois Parentage  
4 Act of 1984, \$40.

5 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

6 In each forcible entry and detainer case when the  
7 plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her  
8 claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or  
9 damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, \$40.  
10 When the plaintiff unites his or her claim for possession  
11 with a claim for rent or damages or both exceeding  
12 \$15,000, \$150.

13 (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

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

23 (d) Confession of Judgment.

24 In a confession of judgment when the amount does not  
25 exceed \$1500, \$50. When the amount exceeds \$1500, but  
26 does not exceed \$15,000, \$115. When the amount exceeds  
27 \$15,000, \$200.

28 (e) Appearance.

29 The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case  
30 shall be \$50, except as follows:

31 (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and  
32 detainer case seeks possession only, \$20.

33 (B) When the amount in the case does not  
34 exceed \$1500, \$20.

1           (C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does  
2           not exceed \$15,000, \$40.

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

4           In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit,  
5           and citation petition when the amount does not exceed  
6           \$1,000, \$10; when the amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not  
7           exceed \$5,000, \$20; and when the amount exceeds \$5,000,  
8           \$30.

9       (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

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

18           (2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment  
19           or order of court, except a petition to modify,  
20           terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for child or  
21           spousal support or to modify, suspend, or terminate an  
22           order for withholding, if filed later than 30 days after  
23           the entry of the judgment or order, \$60.

24           (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture,  
25           \$20.

26       (h) Mailing.

27           When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be  
28           \$6, plus the cost of postage.

29       (i) Certified Copies.

30           Each certified copy of a judgment after the first,  
31           except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer  
32           cases, \$10.

33       (j) Habeas Corpus.

34           For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus,

1           \$80.

2       (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

3           (1) Each certification or authentication for taking  
4       the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in  
5       writing with the seal of office, \$4.

6           (2) Court appeals when original documents are  
7       forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, \$50.

8           (3) Court appeals when original documents are  
9       forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, \$120.

10          (4) Court appeals when original documents are  
11       forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of 20 cents  
12       per page.

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

15               (A) First page, \$2.

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

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

18       (l) Remands.

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

30       (m) Record Search.

31           For each record search, within a division or  
32       municipal district, the clerk shall be entitled to a  
33       search fee of \$4 for each year searched.

34       (n) Hard Copy.

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

4 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

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

15 (p) Commitment Petitions.

16 For filing commitment petitions under the Mental  
17 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code and for filing  
18 a transcript of commitment proceedings held in another  
19 county, \$25.

20 (q) Alias Summons.

21 For each alias summons or citation issued by the  
22 clerk, \$4.

23 (r) Other Fees.

24 Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by  
25 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with  
26 the approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois  
27 Courts.

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

1 making the request and approved by the chief judge of the  
2 circuit court. Nothing in this subsection shall be  
3 construed to require any clerk to provide any service not  
4 otherwise required by law.

5 (s) Jury Services.

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

17 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

18 For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, \$10;  
19 for recording the same, 25¢ for each 100 words.  
20 Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a  
21 debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the  
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  
26 claimant or claimants as party or parties defendant, and  
27 those parties respectively shall pay to the clerk the  
28 same fees as provided by this Section to be paid in other  
29 actions.

30 (u) Expungement Petition.

31 The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of \$30  
32 for each expungement petition filed and an additional fee  
33 of \$2 for each certified copy of an order to expunge  
34 arrest records.



1 (v) Probate.

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

7 (1) For administration of the estate of a decedent  
8 (whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person,  
9 \$100, plus the fees specified in subsection (v)(3),  
10 except:

11 (A) When the value of the real and personal  
12 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be  
13 \$25.

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

20 (2) For administration of the estate of a ward,  
21 \$50, plus the fees specified in subsection (v)(3),  
22 except:

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

26 (B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a  
27 guardian of the person or persons, but not of the  
28 estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the  
29 estate of a ward without administration of the  
30 estate, including filing or joining in the filing of  
31 a tax return or releasing a mortgage or consenting  
32 to the marriage of the ward, the fee shall be \$10.

33 (3) In addition to the fees payable under  
34 subsection (v)(1) or (v)(2) of this Section, the

1 following fees are payable:

2 (A) For each account (other than one final  
3 account) filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward,  
4 \$15.

5 (B) For filing a claim in an estate when the  
6 amount claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500,  
7 \$10; when the amount claimed is \$500 or more but  
8 less than \$10,000, \$25; when the amount claimed is  
9 \$10,000 or more, \$40; provided that the court in  
10 allowing a claim may add to the amount allowed the  
11 filing fee paid by the claimant.

12 (C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition,  
13 or supplemental proceeding based upon an action  
14 seeking equitable relief including the construction  
15 or contest of a will, enforcement of a contract to  
16 make a will, and proceedings involving testamentary  
17 trusts or the appointment of testamentary trustees,  
18 \$40.

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

24 (E) Except as provided in subsection  
25 (v)(3)(D), for filing the appearance of any person  
26 or persons, \$10.

27 (F) For each jury demand, \$102.50.

28 (G) For disposition of the collection of a  
29 judgment or settlement of an action or claim for  
30 wrongful death of a decedent or of any cause of  
31 action of a ward, when there is no other  
32 administration of the estate, \$30, less any amount  
33 paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except  
34 that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000,

1 the fee, including any amount paid under subsection  
2 (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B), shall be \$10.

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

7 (I) For each exemplification, \$1, plus the fee  
8 for certification.

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

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

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

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

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

- 27 (A) Felony complaints, \$80.
- 28 (B) Misdemeanor complaints, \$50.
- 29 (C) Business offense complaints, \$50.
- 30 (D) Petty offense complaints, \$50.
- 31 (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations,  
32 \$20.
- 33 (F) When court appearance required, \$30.
- 34 (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders,

1           \$20.

2           (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders,  
3           \$20.

4           (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments,  
5           whenever filed, \$20.

6           (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures,  
7           whenever filed, \$20.

8           (K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or  
9           "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of  
10          State, \$20.

11          (2) In counties having a population in excess of  
12          180,000 but not more than 500,000 inhabitants, when the  
13          violation complaint is issued by a municipal police  
14          department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs from  
15          each person convicted therein as follows:

16                 (A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations,  
17                 \$10.

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

19          (3) In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine  
20          only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to  
21          receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the  
22          court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to  
23          other fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of  
24          \$62.50 as a fee for the services of a jury. The jury fee  
25          shall be paid by the defendant at the time of filing his  
26          or her jury demand. If the fee is not so paid by the  
27          defendant, no jury shall be called, and the case shall be  
28          tried by the court without a jury.

29          (x) Transcripts of Judgment.

30                 For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the  
31          clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the  
32          commencement of a new suit.

33          (y) Change of Venue.

34                 (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change

1 of venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as  
2 if it were the commencement of a new suit.

3 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification  
4 of a record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction,  
5 when original documents are forwarded, \$25.

6 (z) Tax objection complaints.

7 For each tax objection complaint containing one or  
8 more tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels  
9 involved or the number of taxpayers joining on the  
10 complaint, \$25.

11 (aa) Tax Deeds.

12 (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is  
13 involved, \$150.

14 (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of \$50.

15 (bb) Collections.

16 (1) For all collections made of others, except the  
17 State and county and except in maintenance or child  
18 support cases, a sum equal to 2.5% of the amount  
19 collected and turned over.

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

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

26 (4) In child support and maintenance cases, the  
27 clerk, if authorized by an ordinance of the county board,  
28 may collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person  
29 making payment for maintaining child support records and  
30 the processing of support orders to the State of Illinois  
31 KIDS system and the recording of payments issued by the  
32 State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the  
33 Court. This fee shall be in addition to and separate  
34 from amounts ordered to be paid as maintenance or child

1 support and shall be deposited into a Separate  
2 Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund, of which  
3 the clerk shall be the custodian, ex-officio, to be used  
4 by the clerk to maintain child support orders and record  
5 all payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for  
6 the official record of the Court. The clerk may recover  
7 from the person making the maintenance or child support  
8 payment any additional cost incurred in the collection  
9 of this annual fee.

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

15 (cc) Corrections of Numbers.

16 For correction of the case number, case title, or  
17 attorney computer identification number, if required by  
18 rule of court, on any document filed in the clerk's  
19 office, to be charged against the party that filed the  
20 document, \$15.

21 (dd) Exceptions.

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

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

32 (3) The fee requirements of this Section shall not  
33 apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of  
34 Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a

1 private owner or tenant of real property within 1200 feet  
2 of a dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order  
3 compelling the owner or owners of the building to take  
4 any of the actions authorized under that subsection.

5 (ee) Adoptions.

6 (1) For an adoption.....\$65

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

12 (ff) Adoption exemptions.

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

18 (Source: P.A. 91-321, eff. 1-1-00; 91-612, eff. 10-1-99;  
19 92-16, eff. 6-28-01; 92-521, eff. 6-1-02.)

20 (705 ILCS 105/27.2) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.2)

21 Sec. 27.2. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court  
22 in all counties having a population in excess of 500,000  
23 inhabitants but less than 3,000,000 inhabitants in the  
24 instances described in this Section shall be as provided in  
25 this Section. In those instances where a minimum and maximum  
26 fee is stated, counties with more than 500,000 inhabitants  
27 but less than 3,000,000 inhabitants must charge the minimum  
28 fee listed in this Section and may charge up to the maximum  
29 fee if the county board has by resolution increased the fee.  
30 In addition, the minimum fees authorized in this Section  
31 shall apply to all units of local government and school  
32 districts in counties with more than 3,000,000 inhabitants.  
33 The fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows:

1 (a) Civil Cases.

2 The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other  
3 pleading initiating a civil action, with the following  
4 exceptions, shall be a minimum of \$150 and a maximum of  
5 \$190.

6 (A) When the amount of money or damages or the  
7 value of personal property claimed does not exceed  
8 \$250, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15.

9 (B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not  
10 exceed \$1,000, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of  
11 \$40.

12 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1,000 but does  
13 not exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of  
14 \$50.

15 (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does  
16 not exceed \$5,000, a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of  
17 \$100.

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

21 (E) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$150.  
22 For each additional lot or tract of land or right or  
23 interest therein subject to be condemned, the  
24 damages in respect to which shall require separate  
25 assessment by a jury, \$150.

26 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

27 In each forcible entry and detainer case when the  
28 plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her  
29 claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or  
30 damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a  
31 minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$75. When the plaintiff  
32 unites his or her claim for possession with a claim for  
33 rent or damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of  
34 \$150 and a maximum of \$225.



1 (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

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

11 (d) Confession of Judgment.

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

18 (e) Appearance.

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

22 (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and  
23 detainer case seeks possession only, a minimum of  
24 \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

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

27 (C) When the amount in the case exceeds \$1500  
28 but does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a  
29 maximum of \$60.

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

31 In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit,  
32 and citation petition when the amount does not exceed  
33 \$1,000, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15; when the  
34 amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, a

1 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$30; and when the amount  
2 exceeds \$5,000, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50.

3 (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

4 (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment  
5 or order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer  
6 cases and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an  
7 estate, to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or  
8 order for child or spousal support, or to modify,  
9 suspend, or terminate an order for withholding, if filed  
10 before 30 days after the entry of the judgment or order,  
11 a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$50.

12 (2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment  
13 or order of court, except a petition to modify,  
14 terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for child or  
15 spousal support or to modify, suspend, or terminate an  
16 order for withholding, if filed later than 30 days after  
17 the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$60 and  
18 a maximum of \$75.

19 (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, a  
20 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

21 (h) Mailing.

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

25 (i) Certified Copies.

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

29 (j) Habeas Corpus.

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

32 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

33 (1) Each certification or authentication for taking  
34 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in

1 writing with the seal of office, a minimum of \$4 and a  
2 maximum of \$6.

3 (2) Court appeals when original documents are  
4 forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a  
5 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75.

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

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

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

14 (A) First page, \$2.

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

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

17 (l) Remands.

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

29 (m) Record Search.

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

34 (n) Hard Copy.

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

5 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

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

16 (p) Commitment Petitions.

17           For filing commitment petitions under the Mental  
18 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code, a minimum of  
19 \$25 and a maximum of \$50.

20 (q) Alias Summons.

21           For each alias summons or citation issued by the  
22 clerk, a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$5.

23 (r) Other Fees.

24           Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by  
25 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with  
26 the approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois  
27 Courts.

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

1 making the request and approved by the chief judge of the  
2 circuit court. Nothing in this subsection shall be  
3 construed to require any clerk to provide any service not  
4 otherwise required by law.

5 (s) Jury Services.

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

18 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

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

32 (u) Expungement Petition.

33 The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a  
34 minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$60 for each expungement

1 petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$2  
2 and a maximum of \$4 for each certified copy of an order  
3 to expunge arrest records.

4 (v) Probate.

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

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

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

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

24 (2) For administration of the estate of a ward, a  
25 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75, plus the fees  
26 specified in subsection (v)(3), except:

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

30 (B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a  
31 guardian of the person or persons, but not of the  
32 estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the  
33 estate of a ward without administration of the  
34 estate, including filing or joining in the filing of

1 a tax return or releasing a mortgage or consenting  
2 to the marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a  
3 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20.

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

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

10 (B) For filing a claim in an estate when the  
11 amount claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a  
12 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20; when the amount  
13 claimed is \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a  
14 minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40; when the amount  
15 claimed is \$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$40 and a  
16 maximum of \$60; provided that the court in allowing  
17 a claim may add to the amount allowed the filing fee  
18 paid by the claimant.

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

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

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

34 (F) For each jury demand, a minimum of \$102.50

1 and a maximum of \$137.50.

2 (G) For disposition of the collection of a  
3 judgment or settlement of an action or claim for  
4 wrongful death of a decedent or of any cause of  
5 action of a ward, when there is no other  
6 administration of the estate, a minimum of \$30 and a  
7 maximum of \$50, less any amount paid under  
8 subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except that if the  
9 amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the fee,  
10 including any amount paid under subsection (v)(1)(B)  
11 or (v)(2)(B), shall be a minimum of \$10 and a  
12 maximum of \$20.

13 (H) For each certified copy of letters of  
14 office, of court order or other certification, a  
15 minimum of \$1 and a maximum of \$2, plus a minimum of  
16 50¢ and a maximum of \$1 per page in excess of 3  
17 pages for the document certified.

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

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

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

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

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



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

4           (A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$80 and a  
5 maximum of \$125.

6           (B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$50  
7 and a maximum of \$75.

8           (C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of  
9 \$50 and a maximum of \$75.

10          (D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$50  
11 and a maximum of \$75.

12          (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations,  
13 \$20.

14          (F) When court appearance required, \$30.

15          (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a  
16 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

17          (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders,  
18 a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$30.

19          (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments,  
20 whenever filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of  
21 \$30.

22          (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures,  
23 whenever filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of  
24 \$25.

25          (K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or  
26 "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of  
27 State, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

28          (2) In counties having a population of more than  
29 500,000 but fewer than 3,000,000 inhabitants, when the  
30 violation complaint is issued by a municipal police  
31 department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs from  
32 each person convicted therein as follows:

33          (A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations,  
34 \$10.

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

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

13 (x) Transcripts of Judgment.

14 For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the  
15 clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the  
16 commencement of new suit.

17 (y) Change of Venue.

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

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

25 (z) Tax objection complaints.

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

30 (aa) Tax Deeds.

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

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34 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$100.

1 (bb) Collections.

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11 closed, or payment stopped, \$25.

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

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

1 (cc) Corrections of Numbers.

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

7 (dd) Exceptions.

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

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24 (1) For an adoption.....\$65

25 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the  
26 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The  
27 term "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning  
28 ascribed to it by the Illinois Department of Children and  
29 Family Services.

30 (ff) Adoption exemptions.

31 No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee)  
32 shall be charged to any person in connection with an  
33 adoption proceeding nor may any fee be charged for  
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4 (705 ILCS 105/27.2a) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.2a)

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

14 (a) Civil Cases.

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

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

22 (B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not  
23 exceed \$1000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$75.

24 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1000 but does  
25 not exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of  
26 \$80.

27 (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does  
28 not exceed \$5000, a minimum of \$100 and a maximum of  
29 \$130.

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

32 (F) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$150.  
33 For each additional lot or tract of land or right or

1 interest therein subject to be condemned, the  
2 damages in respect to which shall require separate  
3 assessment by a jury, \$150.

4 (G) For the final determination of parking,  
5 standing, and compliance violations and final  
6 administrative decisions issued after hearings  
7 regarding vehicle immobilization and impoundment  
8 made pursuant to Sections 3-704.1, 6-306.5, and  
9 11-208.3 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, \$25.

10 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

11 In each forcible entry and detainer case when the  
12 plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her  
13 claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or  
14 damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a  
15 minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$140. When the plaintiff  
16 unites his or her claim for possession with a claim for  
17 rent or damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of  
18 \$225 and a maximum of \$335.

19 (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

20 When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of  
21 his or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as  
22 a third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay  
23 a fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an  
24 amount equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay  
25 had he or she brought a separate action for the relief  
26 sought in the counterclaim or against the third party  
27 defendant, less the amount of the appearance fee, if that  
28 has been paid.

29 (d) Confession of Judgment.

30 In a confession of judgment when the amount does not  
31 exceed \$1500, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$70.  
32 When the amount exceeds \$1500, but does not exceed \$5000,  
33 a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$150. When the amount  
34 exceeds \$5000, but does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of

1           \$175 and a maximum of \$260. When the amount exceeds  
2           \$15,000, a minimum of \$250 and a maximum of \$310.

3       (e) Appearance.

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

7                   (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and  
8                   detainer case seeks possession only, a minimum of  
9                   \$40 and a maximum of \$80.

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

12                   (C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does  
13                   not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum  
14                   of \$90.

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

16           In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit,  
17           and citation petition when the amount does not exceed  
18           \$1,000, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$25; when the  
19           amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, a  
20           minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$45; and when the amount  
21           exceeds \$5,000, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$80.

22       (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

23                   (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment  
24                   or order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer  
25                   cases and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an  
26                   estate, to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or  
27                   order for child or spousal support, or to modify,  
28                   suspend, or terminate an order for withholding, if filed  
29                   before 30 days after the entry of the judgment or order,  
30                   a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$60.

31                   (2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment  
32                   or order of court, except a petition to modify,  
33                   terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for child or  
34                   spousal support or to modify, suspend, or terminate an

1 order for withholding, if filed later than 30 days after  
2 the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$75 and  
3 a maximum of \$90.

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

6 (h) Mailing.

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

10 (i) Certified Copies.

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

14 (j) Habeas Corpus.

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

17 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

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

22 (2) Court appeals when original documents are  
23 forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a  
24 minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$110.

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

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

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

33 (A) First page, \$2.

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



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

2 (l) Remands.

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

14 (m) Record Search.

15 For each record search, within a division or  
16 municipal district, the clerk shall be entitled to a  
17 search fee of a minimum of \$6 and a maximum of \$9 for  
18 each year searched.

19 (n) Hard Copy.

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

24 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

25 No fee shall be charged for a single  
26 plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record  
27 inquiry when this request is made in person and the  
28 records are maintained in a current automated medium, and  
29 when no hard copy print output is requested. The fees to  
30 be charged for management records, multiple case records,  
31 and multiple journal records may be specified by the  
32 Chief Judge pursuant to the guidelines for access and  
33 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme  
34 Court.

1 (p) Commitment Petitions.

2 For filing commitment petitions under the Mental  
3 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code, a minimum of  
4 \$50 and a maximum of \$100.

5 (q) Alias Summons.

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

8 (r) Other Fees.

9 Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by  
10 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with  
11 the approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois  
12 Courts.

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

24 (s) Jury Services.

25 The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition  
26 to other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of  
27 \$212.50 and maximum of \$230, as a fee for the services of  
28 a jury in every civil action not quasi-criminal in its  
29 nature and not a proceeding for the exercise of the right  
30 of eminent domain and in every other action wherein the  
31 right of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The  
32 jury fee shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at  
33 the time of filing the jury demand. If the fee is not  
34 paid by either party, no jury shall be called in the

1 action or proceeding, and the same shall be tried by the  
2 court without a jury.

3 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

4 For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a  
5 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40; for recording the  
6 same, a minimum of 50¢ and a maximum of \$0.80 for each  
7 100 words. Exceptions filed to claims presented to an  
8 assignee of a debtor who has made a voluntary assignment  
9 for the benefit of creditors shall be considered and  
10 treated, for the purpose of taxing costs therein, as  
11 actions in which the party or parties filing the  
12 exceptions shall be considered as party or parties  
13 plaintiff, and the claimant or claimants as party or  
14 parties defendant, and those parties respectively shall  
15 pay to the clerk the same fees as provided by this  
16 Section to be paid in other actions.

17 (u) Expungement Petition.

18 The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a  
19 minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$120 for each expungement  
20 petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$4  
21 and a maximum of \$8 for each certified copy of an order  
22 to expunge arrest records.

23 (v) Probate.

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

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

33 (A) When the value of the real and personal  
34 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a

1 minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$65.

2 (B) When (i) proof of heirship alone is made,  
3 (ii) a domestic or foreign will is admitted to  
4 probate without administration (including proof of  
5 heirship), or (iii) letters of office are issued for  
6 a particular purpose without administration of the  
7 estate, the fee shall be a minimum of \$40 and a  
8 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.

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

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

26 (A) For each account (other than one final  
27 account) filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward,  
28 a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

29 (B) For filing a claim in an estate when the  
30 amount claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a  
31 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40; when the amount  
32 claimed is \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a  
33 minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$65; when the amount  
34 claimed is \$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$60 and a

1 maximum of \$90; provided that the court in allowing  
2 a claim may add to the amount allowed the filing fee  
3 paid by the claimant.

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

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

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

19 (F) For each jury demand, a minimum of \$137.50  
20 and a maximum of \$180.

21 (G) For disposition of the collection of a  
22 judgment or settlement of an action or claim for  
23 wrongful death of a decedent or of any cause of  
24 action of a ward, when there is no other  
25 administration of the estate, a minimum of \$50 and a  
26 maximum of \$80, less any amount paid under  
27 subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except that if the  
28 amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the fee,  
29 including any amount paid under subsection (v)(1)(B)  
30 or (v)(2)(B), shall be a minimum of \$20 and a  
31 maximum of \$40.

32 (H) For each certified copy of letters of  
33 office, of court order or other certification, a  
34 minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$4, plus \$1 per page

1 in excess of 3 pages for the document certified.

2 (I) For each exemplification, \$2, plus the fee  
3 for certification.

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

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

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

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

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

22 (A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$125 and a  
23 maximum of \$190.

24 (B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$75  
25 and a maximum of \$110.

26 (C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of  
27 \$75 and a maximum of \$110.

28 (D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$75  
29 and a maximum of \$110.

30 (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations,  
31 \$30.

32 (F) When court appearance required, \$50.

33 (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a  
34 minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$80.

1 (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders,  
2 a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$45.

3 (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments,  
4 whenever filed, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of  
5 \$45.

6 (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures,  
7 whenever filed, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of  
8 \$30.

9 (K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or  
10 "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of  
11 State, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$50.

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

16 (A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations,  
17 \$30.

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

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

30 (x) Transcripts of Judgment.

31 For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the  
32 clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the  
33 commencement of a new suit.

34 (y) Change of Venue.

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

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

8 (z) Tax objection complaints.

9           For each tax objection complaint containing one or  
10 more tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels  
11 involved or the number of taxpayers joining in the  
12 complaint, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$100.

13 (aa) Tax Deeds.

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

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

18 (bb) Collections.

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

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

26           (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument  
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32 making payment for maintaining child support records and  
33 the processing of support orders to the State of Illinois  
34 KIDS system and the recording of payments issued by the



1 State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the  
2 Court. This fee shall be in addition to and separate  
3 from amounts ordered to be paid as maintenance or child  
4 support and shall be deposited into a Separate  
5 Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund, of which  
6 the clerk shall be the custodian, ex-officio, to be used  
7 by the clerk to maintain child support orders and record  
8 all payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for  
9 the official record of the Court. The clerk may recover  
10 from the person making the maintenance or child support  
11 payment any additional cost incurred in the collection of  
12 this annual fee.

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

18 (cc) Corrections of Numbers.

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

24 (dd) Exceptions.

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

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

1 requirements of this Section shall not apply to any  
2 action instituted under subsection (b) of Section 11-31-1  
3 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private owner or  
4 tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a dangerous  
5 or unsafe building seeking an order compelling the owner  
6 or owners of the building to take any of the actions  
7 authorized under that subsection.

8 (ee) Adoption.

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

15 (ff) Adoption exemptions.

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

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23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
24 becoming law."