

1 AN ACT in relation to criminal law.

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

4 Section 5. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by
5 adding Section 5-9-1.12 as follows:

6 (730 ILCS 5/5-9-1.12 new)

7 Sec. 5-9-1.12. Arson fines.

8 (a) In addition to any other penalty imposed, a fine of
9 \$500 shall be imposed upon a person convicted of the offense
10 of arson, residential arson, or aggravated arson.

11 (b) The additional fine shall be assessed by the
12 court imposing sentence and shall be collected by the
13 Circuit Clerk in addition to the fine, if any, and costs in
14 the case. Each such additional fine shall be remitted by the
15 Circuit Clerk within one month after receipt to the State
16 Treasurer for deposit into the Fire Prevention Fund.
17 The Circuit Clerk shall retain 5% of such fine to cover
18 the costs incurred in administering and enforcing this
19 Section. The additional fine may not be considered a part of
20 the fine for purposes of any reduction in the fine for
21 time served either before or after sentencing.

22 (c) The moneys in the Fire Prevention Fund collected as
23 additional fines under this Section shall be distributed by
24 the Office of the State Fire Marshal to the fire department,
25 fire protection district, or State Fire Marshal that
26 suppressed or investigated the fire that was set by the
27 defendant and for which the defendant was convicted of arson,
28 residential arson, or aggravated arson. If more than one fire
29 department or fire protection district suppressed or
30 investigated the fire, the additional fine shall be
31 distributed equally among those departments or districts. The

1 State Fire Marshal shall retain 5% of the additional fine to
2 cover the costs incurred by the State Fire Marshal in
3 administering and enforcing this Section.

4 (d) The moneys distributed to the fire departments or
5 fire protection districts under this Section may only be used
6 to purchase fire suppression or fire investigation equipment.

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
8 becoming law.