

Judiciary I - Civil Law Committee

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1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4002
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 4002 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:
4	"Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by changing
5	Section 4-11001 as follows:
6	(55 ILCS 5/4-11001) (from Ch. 34, par. 4-11001)
7	Sec. 4-11001. Juror fees. Each county shall pay to grand
8	and petit jurors for their services in attending courts the sum
9	of \$4 <u>until a juror fund fee is imposed and \$25 thereafter</u> for
10	each day of necessary attendance at such courts as jurors in
11	counties of the first class, the sum of \$5 <u>until a juror fund</u>
12	fee is imposed and \$30 thereafter for each day in counties of
13	the second class, and the sum of \$10 <u>until a juror fund fee is</u>
14	imposed and \$40 thereafter for each day in counties of the
15	third class, or such higher amount as may be fixed by the
16	county board.

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In addition, jurors shall receive such travel expense as may be determined by the county board, provided that jurors in counties of the first class and second class shall receive at least 10 cents per mile for their travel expense. Mileage shall be allowed for travel during a juror's term as well as for travel at the opening and closing of his term.

If a judge so orders, a juror shall also receive reimbursement for the actual cost of day care incurred by the juror during his or her service on a jury.

10 The juror fees for service, transportation, and day care 11 shall be paid out of the county treasury <u>until a juror fund fee</u> 12 <u>is imposed and out of the County Juror Fund thereafter</u>.

13 For the purpose of funding juror fees, the clerk of the 14 court shall collect in each civil action filed after January 1, 15 2010, a juror fund fee, as fixed by the county board, equally from each side. If there is more than one party on any side, 16 the juror fund fee for that side shall be equally divided among 17 those on that side. Within 180 days after the effective date of 18 this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly, the county 19 20 board must conduct an acceptable cost study and set and impose 21 an initial juror fund fee of no more than \$50 justified by that 22 cost study as sufficient to pay the increased amount of the juror fees as provided in this amendatory Act of the 96th 23 24 General Assembly. The county board may thereafter adjust the 25 amount of the juror fund fee, provided that the adjusted juror fund fee must not exceed \$50 and must be justified by an 26

1	acceptable cost study showing that the then current fee is not
2	sufficient to cover the costs of juror fees.
3	The clerk shall deposit all of the juror fund fees
4	collected into a special county fund, the County Juror Fund,
5	which shall be used solely for the purpose of funding juror
6	fees in accordance with this Section. Within 10 business days
7	after the juror fund fee is initially imposed, and each month
8	thereafter, the county treasurer must transfer one-twelfth of
9	the base amount from the county treasury into the Fund. The
10	"base amount" is the total amount of all juror fees paid from
11	the county treasury during the 12-month period immediately
12	preceding the month in which the juror fund fee is initially
13	imposed. All moneys in the Fund and all income earned on those
14	moneys shall remain in the Fund and shall be available for
15	appropriation by the county board from fiscal year to fiscal
16	year for the purposes provided in this Section.
17	The following parties are exempt from payment of juror fund
18	<u>fees:</u>
19	(i) governmental entities;
20	(ii) pro se litigants;
21	(iii) parties to small claims actions;
22	(iv) parties seeking veterans' benefits or
23	compensation for a veteran or for a veteran's family member
24	<u>or designee;</u>
25	(v) parties to recoupment actions for
26	government-backed educational loans or mortgages;

1	(vi) parties to child custody or child support cases;
2	(vii) parties to actions under the Illinois Domestic
3	Violence Act of 1986;
4	(viii) parties granted leave to commence and prosecute
5	or to defend an action as a poor person without the payment
6	of costs and expenses; and
7	(ix) parties to any other filings designated by Supreme
8	Court rule that involve minimal use of court resources and
9	that are not customarily afforded the opportunity for a
10	trial by jury.
11	The clerk of the court shall furnish to each juror without
12	fee whenever <u>the juror</u> he is discharged a certificate of the
13	number of days' attendance at court, and upon presentation
14	thereof to the county treasurer, <u>the county treasurer</u> he shall
15	pay to the juror the sum provided for <u>the juror's</u> his service.
16	All counties, including home rule units, must comply with
17	the requirements of this Section. Juror fees may not be set,
18	administered, or paid in a manner inconsistent with this
19	Section. This Section is a limitation under subsection (i) of
20	Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution on the
21	concurrent exercise by home rule units of powers and functions
22	exercised by the State.
23	(Source: P.A. 91-321, eff. 1-1-00.)

24 Section 10. The Clerks of Courts Act is amended by changing 25 Sections 27.1a, 27.2, and 27.2a as follows:

1 (705 ILCS 105/27.1a) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.1a) 2 Sec. 27.1a. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in 3 all counties having a population of not more than 500,000 inhabitants in the instances described in this Section shall be 4 as provided in this Section. In those instances where a minimum 5 6 and maximum fee is stated, the clerk of the circuit court must 7 charge the minimum fee listed and may charge up to the maximum 8 fee if the county board has by resolution increased the fee. 9 The fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows: 10 (a) Civil Cases. The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other 11

pleading initiating a civil action, with the following exceptions, shall be a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$160.

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

(B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not
exceed \$500, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20.

20 (C) When that amount exceeds \$500 but does not
 21 exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

(D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not
 exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$75.

(E) For the exercise of eminent domain, a minimum
of \$45 and a maximum of \$150. For each additional lot

or tract of land or right or interest therein subject 1 to be condemned, the damages in respect to which shall 2 3 require separate assessment by a jury, a minimum of \$45 and a maximum of \$150. 4 5 (a-1) Family. For filing a petition under the Juvenile Court Act of 6 1987, \$25. 7 8 For filing a petition for a marriage license, \$10. 9 For performing a marriage in court, \$10. 10 For filing a petition under the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, \$40. 11 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer. 12 13 In each forcible entry and detainer case when the 14 plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her 15 claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or 16 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 17 18 or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or 19 damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a 20 maximum of \$160. 21 (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant. 22 When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his 23 or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a

24 third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a 25 fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an 26 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.

5 (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.

11 (e) Appearance.

12 The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case 13 shall be a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$60, except as 14 follows:

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

18 (B) When the amount in the case does not exceed
19 \$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.

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.

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(g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

4 (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or 5 order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer cases and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an estate, 6 7 to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for 8 child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or 9 terminate an order for withholding, if filed before 30 days 10 after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$50. 11

(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 \$20 and a maximum of \$75.

18 (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, a19 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$40.

20 (h) Mailing.

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

24 (i) Certified Copies.

Each certified copy of a judgment after the first, except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer

1	cases, a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 10 .
2	(j) Habeas Corpus.
3	For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, a
4	minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$100.
5	(k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.
6	(1) Each certification or authentication for taking
7	the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in writing
8	with the seal of office, a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of
9	\$6.
10	(2) Court appeals when original documents are
11	forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a
12	minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$60.
13	(3) Court appeals when original documents are
14	forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a
15	minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$150.
16	(4) Court appeals when original documents are
17	forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of a minimum
18	of 20 cents and a maximum of 25 cents per page.
19	(5) For reproduction of any document contained in the
20	clerk's files:
21	(A) First page, a minimum of \$1 and a maximum of
22	\$2.
23	(B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.
24	(C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.
25	(1) Remands.
26	In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the

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Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the 1 2 clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case 3 with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk shall not charge any new or additional fee for the 4 5 reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the 6 same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as 7 8 he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new 9 fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand. 10 (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. (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.

19 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

20 No fee shall be charged for а single 21 plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record 22 inquiry when this request is made in person and the records 23 are maintained in a current automated medium, and when no 24 hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be charged 25 management records, multiple case records, for and 26 multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief

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Judge pursuant to the guidelines for access and
 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme
 Court.

4 (p) (Blank).

5 (q) Alias Summons.

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

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 the 11 approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois 12 Courts.

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

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(s) (Blank). Jury Services.

24 The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to
25 other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$62.50
26 and a maximum of \$212.50, as a fee for the services of a

1 civil action not quasi-criminal jury in every 2 a proceeding for the exercise of andnot the of 3 eminent domain and in every other action wherein the 4 of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The iurv fee 5 shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of 6 filing the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either 7 party, no jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, and the same shall be tried by the court without a jury. 8

9 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

10 For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20; for recording the same, a 11 minimum of 25 cents and a maximum of 50 cents for each 100 12 13 words. Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee 14 of a debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the 15 benefit of creditors shall be considered and treated, for the purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which 16 the party or parties filing the exceptions shall be 17 considered as party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant 18 or claimants as party or parties defendant, and those 19 20 parties respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees 21 as provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.

22 (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 1 expunge arrest records.

2 (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:

7 (1) For administration of the estate of a decedent
8 (whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person, a
9 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$150, plus the fees
10 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) 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.

20 (C) For filing a petition to sell Real Estate, \$50.
21 (2) For administration of the estate of a ward, a
22 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75, plus the fees
23 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 1 2 guardian of the person or persons, but not of the estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the 3 estate of a ward without administration of the estate, 4 5 including filing or joining in the filing of a tax return or releasing a mortgage or consenting to the 6 marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a minimum of \$10 7 8 and a maximum of \$20.

9 (C) For filing a Petition to sell Real Estate, \$50. 10 (3) In addition to the fees payable under subsection 11 (v)(1) or (v)(2) of this Section, the following fees are 12 payable:

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

16 (B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount 17 claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$25; when the amount claimed is 18 \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a minimum of \$10 19 20 and a maximum of \$40; when the amount claimed is 21 \$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$60; 22 provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to 23 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

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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.

5 (D) For filing in an estate (i) the appearance of 6 any person for the purpose of consent or (ii) the 7 appearance of an executor, administrator, 8 administrator to collect, guardian, guardian ad litem, 9 or special administrator, no fee.

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

(F) <u>(Blank).</u> For each jury demand, a minimum of \$62.50 and a maximum of \$137.50.

15 (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment 16 or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when 17 there is no other administration of the estate, a 18 minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50, less any amount 19 20 paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except 21 that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the 22 fee, including any amount paid under subsection 23 (v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B), shall be a minimum of \$10 and a 24 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 cents and a 1 maximum of \$1 per page in excess of 3 pages for the 2 document certified. 3 (I) For each exemplification, a minimum of \$1 and a 4 5 maximum of \$2, plus the fee for certification. (4) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner, 6 7 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay 8 the cost of publication by the clerk directly to the 9 newspaper. 10 (5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous 11 12 fee shall pay the same directly to the person entitled 13 thereto. 14 (6) The executor, administrator, quardian, petitioner, 15 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay to the clerk all postage charges incurred by the clerk in 16 mailing petitions, orders, notices, or other documents 17 18 pursuant to the provisions of the Probate Act of 1975.

19 (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:

(A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$40 and a
 maximum of \$100.

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

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

1 unless the fee is -excused entit receive. upon - 2 2 finding by the court that the defendant is indigent, in 3 addition to other fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$62.50 and a maximum of \$137.50 4 ag 5 a fee for the services of a jury. The jury fee shall be 6 paid by the defendant at the time of filing his or her jury 7 demand. If the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no jury 8 shall be called, and the case shall be tried by the 9 without a jury. 10 (x) Transcripts of Judgment. 11 For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the 12 13 commencement of a new suit. 14 (y) Change of Venue. 15 (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change of 16 venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the commencement of a new suit. 17 18 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification of a record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when 19 20 original documents are forwarded, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$40. 21 22 (z) Tax objection complaints. 23 For each tax objection complaint containing one or more 24 tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels 25 involved or the number of taxpayers joining on the 26 complaint, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$50.

1 (aa) Tax Deeds. (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is 2 3 involved, a minimum of \$45 and a maximum of \$200. (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of a minimum 4 5 of \$10 and a maximum of \$60. (bb) Collections. 6 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 a minimum of 2% and a maximum of 2.5% 10 of the amount collected and turned over. (2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk 11 12 shall be turned over to the county general fund as an 13 earning of the office. (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument 14 15 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account closed, or payment stopped, \$25. 16 17 (4) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk, 18 if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making 19 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 Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. 23 24 This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts 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 \$10 and a maximum of \$25.

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

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any state's attorney.

2 3 (2) No fee provided herein shall be charged to any unit of local government or school district.

4 (3) The fee requirements of this Section shall not 5 apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of 6 Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private 7 owner or tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a 8 dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order compelling 9 the owner or owners of the building to take any of the 10 actions authorized under that subsection.

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

16 (ee) Adoptions.

17 (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

1 proceedings for the appointment of a confidential 2 intermediary under the Adoption Act.

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

4 (705 ILCS 105/27.2) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.2)

5 Sec. 27.2. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in all counties having a population in excess of 6 500,000 inhabitants but less than 3,000,000 inhabitants in the 7 8 instances described in this Section shall be as provided in 9 this Section. In those instances where a minimum and maximum 10 fee is stated, counties with more than 500,000 inhabitants but less than 3,000,000 inhabitants must charge the minimum fee 11 12 listed in this Section and may charge up to the maximum fee if 13 the county board has by resolution increased the fee. In 14 addition, the minimum fees authorized in this Section shall 15 apply to all units of local government and school districts in counties with more than 3,000,000 inhabitants. The fees shall 16 17 be paid in advance and shall be as follows:

18 (a) Civil Cases.

19 The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other 20 pleading initiating a civil action, with the following 21 exceptions, shall be a minimum of \$150 and a maximum of 22 \$190.

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

(B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not 1 exceed \$1,000, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 2 3 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50. 4 5 (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not exceed \$5,000, a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$100. 6 7 (D-5) When the amount exceeds \$5,000 but does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$150. 8 9 (E) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$150. For 10 each additional lot or tract of land or right or interest therein subject to be condemned, the damages 11 12 in respect to which shall require separate assessment 13 by a jury, \$150.

(F) No fees shall be charged by the clerk to a 14 15 petitioner in any order of protection including, but 16 not limited to, filing, modifying, withdrawing, certifying, or photocopying petitions for orders of 17 18 protection, or for issuing alias summons, or for any 19 related filing service, certifying, modifying, 20 vacating, or photocopying any orders of protection.

21 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

In each forcible entry and detainer case when the plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$75. When the plaintiff unites his

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or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or
 damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of \$150 and a
 maximum of \$225.

(c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

5 When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a 6 third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a 7 8 fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an 9 amount equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay had 10 he or she brought a separate action for the relief sought in the counterclaim or against the third party defendant, 11 less the amount of the appearance fee, if that has been 12 13 paid.

14 (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.

21 (e) Appearance.

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

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

1 and a maximum of \$40.

2 (B) When the amount in the case does not exceed
3 \$1500, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

4 (C) When the amount in the case exceeds \$1500 but 5 does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum 6 of \$60.

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

In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit, and citation petition when the amount does not exceed 10 \$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.

14 (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

15 (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer cases 16 17 and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an estate, 18 to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for 19 child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or 20 terminate an order for withholding, if filed before 30 days 21 after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$40 22 and a maximum of \$50.

(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 1 or order, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$75. 2 (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, a 3 4 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 5 (h) Mailing. When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be a 6 minimum of \$6 and a maximum of \$10, plus the cost of 7 8 postage. 9 (i) Certified Copies. 10 Each certified copy of a judgment after the first, except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer 11 cases, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15. 12 13 (j) Habeas Corpus. For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, a 14 15 minimum of \$80 and a maximum of \$125. (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction. 16 (1) Each certification or authentication for taking 17 18 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in writing 19 with the seal of office, a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of 20 \$6. 21 (2)Court appeals when original documents are forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a 22 23 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75. 24 Court appeals when original documents (3) are 25 forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a minimum of \$120 and a maximum of \$150. 26

appeals when original documents 1 (4) Court are forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of a minimum 2 3 of 20 and a maximum of 25 cents per page. (5) For reproduction of any document contained in the 4 5 clerk's files: (A) First page, \$2. 6 7 (B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page. 8 (C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page. 9 (1) Remands. 10 In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the 11 clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case 12 13 with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk 14 shall not charge any new or additional fee for the 15 reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the 16 same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as 17 18 he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new 19 fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand. 20 (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. (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.
- 3 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

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

14 (p) (Blank).

15 (q) Alias Summons.

16 For each alias summons or citation issued by the clerk, 17 a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$5.

18 (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 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 09600HB4002ham001 -29- LRB096 09872 AJO 27268 a

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 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.

7 (s) (Blank). Jury Services.

8 The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to 9 other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$192.50 10 and a maximum of \$212.50, as a fee for the services of a 11 jury in every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature 12 a proceeding for the exercise of and not the right of 13 eminent domain and in every other action wherein the right 14 of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury 15 shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the time 16 filing the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either 17 party, no jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, 18 and the same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

19 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20; for recording the same, a minimum of 25¢ and a maximum of 50¢ for each 100 words. Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of creditors shall be considered and treated, for the purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which the 09600HB4002ham001 -30- LRB096 09872 AJO 27268 a

party or parties filing the exceptions shall be considered as party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant 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.

6 (u) Expungement Petition.

7 The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a 8 minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$60 for each expungement 9 petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$2 and 10 a maximum of \$4 for each certified copy of an order to 11 expunge arrest records.

12 (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:

17 (1) For administration of the estate of a decedent
18 (whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person, a
19 minimum of \$100 and a maximum of \$150, plus the fees
20 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) 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
minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75, plus the fees
specified in subsection (v) (3), except:
(A) When the value of the real and personal

8 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a 9 minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

10 (B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a 11 quardian of the person or persons, but not of the estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the 12 13 estate of a ward without administration of the estate, 14 including filing or joining in the filing of a tax 15 return or releasing a mortgage or consenting to the marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a minimum of \$10 16 17 and a maximum of \$20.

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

(A) For each account (other than one final account)
filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward, a minimum
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

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\$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 the amount allowed the filing fee paid by the claimant.

6 (C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition, or 7 supplemental proceeding based upon an action seeking 8 equitable relief including the construction or contest 9 of a will, enforcement of a contract to make a will, 10 and proceedings involving testamentary trusts or the 11 appointment of testamentary trustees, a minimum of \$40 12 and a maximum of \$60.

(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.

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

(F) <u>(Blank).</u> For each jury demand, a minimum of \$102.50 and a 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

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minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50, less any amount 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.

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

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

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

18 (5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for
19 witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous
20 fee shall pay the same directly to the person entitled
21 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.

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(w) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal Costs and Fees. 1 (1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all 2 3 criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows: 4 5 (A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$80 and a maximum of \$125. 6 (B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$50 and a 7 8 maximum of \$75. 9 (C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of \$50 10 and a maximum of \$75. (D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$50 and 11 a maximum of \$75. 12 13 (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$20. 14 (F) When court appearance required, \$30. 15 (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a 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 \$30. 18 19 (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments, whenever 20 filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$30. 21 (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures, 22 whenever filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$25. 23 (K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or 24 "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of 25 State, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 26 (2) In counties having a population of more than 09600HB4002ham001 -35- LRB096 09872 AJO 27268 a

1 500,000 but fewer than 3,000,000 inhabitants, when the 2 violation complaint is issued by a municipal police 3 department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs from each 4 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.

7 (3) In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine 8 only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to 9 receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the 10 court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of a 11 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$112.50 as a fee for the 12 13 services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the 14 defendant at the time of filing his or her jury demand. If 15 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 16 17 jury.

18 (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 commencement of new suit.

22 (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.

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(2) The fee for the preparation and certification of a

1 record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when 2 original documents are forwarded, a minimum of \$25 and a 3 maximum of \$40.

4 (z) Tax objection complaints.

5 For each tax objection complaint containing one or more 6 tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels 7 involved or the number of taxpayers joining in the 8 complaint, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$50.

9 (aa) Tax Deeds.

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

12 (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of a minimum13 of \$50 and a maximum of \$100.

14 (bb) Collections.

(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.

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

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

(4) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk,
if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may

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1 collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making payment for maintaining child support records and the 2 3 processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS system and the recording of payments issued by the State 4 5 Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts 6 7 ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support and 8 shall be deposited into a Separate Maintenance and Child 9 Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the 10 custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain child support orders and record all payments issued by the 11 State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the 12 13 Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the 14 maintenance or child support payment any additional cost 15 incurred in the collection of this annual fee.

16 The clerk shall also be entitled to a fee of \$5 for 17 certifications made to the Secretary of State as provided 18 in Section 7-703 of the Family Financial Responsibility Law 19 and these fees shall also be deposited into the Separate 20 Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund.

21 (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. 1 (dd) Exceptions.

2 The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to 3 police departments or other law enforcement agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency" means an agency of 4 5 the State or a unit of local government which is vested by law or ordinance with the duty to maintain public order and 6 to enforce criminal laws or ordinances. "Law enforcement 7 8 agency" also means the Attorney General or any state's 9 attorney. The fee requirements of this Section shall not 10 apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private 11 owner or tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a 12 13 dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order compelling 14 the owner or owners of the building to take any of the 15 actions authorized under that subsection.

16 The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to 17 the filing of any commitment petition or petition for an 18 order authorizing the administration of psychotropic 19 medication or electroconvulsive therapy under the Mental 20 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code.

21 (ee) Adoptions.

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(1) For an adoption \$65

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

1 Services.

2 (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.

8 (gg) Unpaid fees.

9 Unless a court ordered payment schedule is implemented 10 or the fee requirements of this Section are waived pursuant 11 to court order, the clerk of the court may add to any unpaid fees and costs under this Section a delinquency 12 13 amount equal to 5% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid 14 after 30 days, 10% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid 15 after 60 days, and 15% of the unpaid fees that remain 16 unpaid after 90 days. Notice to those parties may be made posting or publication. 17 bv signage The additional 18 delinquency amounts collected under this Section shall be used to defray additional administrative costs incurred by 19 20 the clerk of the circuit court in collecting unpaid fees 21 and costs.

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

23 (705 ILCS 105/27.2a) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.2a)
24 Sec. 27.2a. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in
25 all counties having a population of 3,000,000 or more

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inhabitants in the instances described in this Section shall be as provided in this Section. In those instances where a minimum and maximum fee is stated, the clerk of the circuit court must charge the minimum fee listed and may charge up to the maximum fee if the county board has by resolution increased the fee. The fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows:

7 (a) Civil Cases.

8 The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other 9 pleading initiating a civil action, with the following 10 exceptions, shall be a minimum of \$190 and a maximum of 11 \$240.

12 (A) When the amount of money or damages or the
13 value of personal property claimed does not exceed
14 \$250, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$22.

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

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

19(D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not20exceed \$5000, a minimum of \$100 and a maximum of \$130.

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

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

1 by a jury, \$150.

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

8 (H) No fees shall be charged by the clerk to a 9 petitioner in any order of protection including, but 10 limited to, filing, modifying, withdrawing, not certifying, or photocopying petitions for orders of 11 protection, or for issuing alias summons, or for any 12 13 related filing service, certifying, modifying, 14 vacating, or photocopying any orders of protection.

15 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

In each forcible entry and detainer case when the 16 plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her 17 claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or 18 damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a minimum 19 20 of \$75 and a maximum of \$140. When the plaintiff unites his or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or 21 22 damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of \$225 and a maximum of \$335. 23

24 (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a 09600HB4002ham001 -42- LRB096 09872 AJO 27268 a

third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a 1 fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an 2 3 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 4 5 in the counterclaim or against the third party defendant, less the amount of the appearance fee, if that has been 6 7 paid.

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(d) Confession of Judgment.

9 In a confession of judgment when the amount does not 10 exceed \$1500, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$70. When the amount exceeds \$1500, but does not exceed \$5000, a 11 minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$150. When the amount 12 13 exceeds \$5000, but does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$175 and a maximum of \$260. When the amount exceeds 14 15 \$15,000, a minimum of \$250 and a maximum of \$310.

16 (e) Appearance.

17 The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case 18 shall be a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$110, except as 19 follows:

20 (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and detainer case seeks possession only, a minimum of \$40 21 22 and a maximum of \$80.

(B) When the amount in the case does not exceed 23 \$1500, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$80. 24

25 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does not 26 exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$90.

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(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.

8 (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

9 (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or 10 order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer cases and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an estate, 11 12 to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for 13 child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or 14 terminate an order for withholding, if filed before 30 days 15 after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$60. 16

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

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

25 (h) Mailing.

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When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be a

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1 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15, plus the cost of 2 postage. 3 (i) Certified Copies. 4 Each certified copy of a judgment after the first, 5 except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer cases, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$20. 6 7 (j) Habeas Corpus. 8 For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, a 9 minimum of \$125 and a maximum of \$190. 10 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction. (1) Each certification or authentication for taking 11 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in writing 12 13 with the seal of office, a minimum of \$6 and a maximum of 14 \$9. 15 (2) Court appeals when original documents are forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a 16 minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$110. 17 18 Court appeals when original documents (3) are forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a 19 20 minimum of \$150 and a maximum of \$185. 21 (4) Court appeals when original documents are 22 forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of a minimum 23 of 25 and a maximum of 30 cents per page. 24 (5) For reproduction of any document contained in the 25 clerk's files: 26 (A) First page, \$2.

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1		(B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.
2		(C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.
3	(1)	Remands.
4		In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the
5		Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the
6		clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case
7		with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk
8		shall not charge any new or additional fee for the
9		reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise
10		the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the
11		same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as
12		he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new
13		fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand.
14	(m)	Record Search.
15		For each record search, within a division or municipal
16		district, the clerk shall be entitled to a search fee of a
17		minimum of \$6 and a maximum of \$9 for each year searched.
18	(n)	Hard Copy.
19		For each page of hard copy print output, when case
20		records are maintained on an automated medium, the clerk
21		shall be entitled to a fee of a minimum of \$6 and a maximum
22		of \$9.
23	(0)	Index Inquiry and Other Records.
24		No fee shall be charged for a single
25		plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record

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1 are maintained in a current automated medium, and when no hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be charged 2 3 for management records, multiple case records, and multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief 4 5 guidelines Judqe pursuant to the for access and 6 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme 7 Court.

- 8 (p) (Blank).
- 9 (q) Alias Summons.

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

12 (r) Other Fees.

13 Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by 14 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with the 15 approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois 16 Courts.

17 The clerk of the circuit court may provide additional 18 services for which there is no fee specified by statute in connection with the operation of the clerk's office as may 19 20 be requested by the public and agreed to by the clerk and 21 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Any 22 charges for additional services shall be as agreed to 23 between the clerk and the party making the request and 24 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing 25 in this subsection shall be construed to require any clerk 26 to provide any service not otherwise required by law.

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(s) (Blank). Jury Services.

2 The elerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to 3 other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$212.50 and maximum of \$230, as a fee for the services of a jury in 4 5 every civil action not quasi criminal in its nature and not 6 a proceeding for the exercise of the right of eminent 7 domain and in every other action wherein the right of trial 8 by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of filing 9 10 the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either party, no 11 jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, and the 12 same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

13 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

14 For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a minimum 15 of \$20 and a maximum of \$40; for recording the same, a 16 minimum of 50¢ and a maximum of \$0.80 for each 100 words. Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a 17 debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the benefit 18 of creditors shall be considered and treated, for the 19 20 purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which the 21 party or parties filing the exceptions shall be considered 22 as party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant or 23 claimants as party or parties defendant, and those parties 24 respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees as 25 provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.

26 (u) Expungement Petition.

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1 The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a 2 minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$120 for each expungement 3 petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$4 and 4 a maximum of \$8 for each certified copy of an order to 5 expunge arrest records.

(v) Probate.

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7 The clerk is entitled to receive the fees specified in 8 this subsection (v), which shall be paid in advance, except 9 that, for good cause shown, the court may suspend, reduce, 10 or release the costs payable under this subsection:

11 (1) For administration of the estate of a decedent 12 (whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person, a 13 minimum of \$150 and a maximum of \$225, plus the fees 14 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 \$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.

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

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

(B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a 4 quardian of the person or persons, but not of the 5 estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the 6 7 estate of a ward without administration of the estate, 8 including filing or joining in the filing of a tax 9 return or releasing a mortgage or consenting to the 10 marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 11

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

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

18 (B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount 19 claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a minimum 20 of \$20 and a maximum of \$40; when the amount claimed is 21 \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a minimum of \$40 22 and a maximum of \$65; when the amount claimed is 23 \$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$90; 24 provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to 25 the amount allowed the filing fee paid by the claimant. 26 (C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition, or

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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.

7 (D) For filing in an estate (i) the appearance of 8 any person for the purpose of consent or (ii) the 9 appearance of an executor, administrator, 10 administrator to collect, guardian, guardian ad litem, 11 or special administrator, no fee.

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

(F) <u>(Blank).</u> For each jury demand, a minimum of \$137.50 and a maximum of \$180.

17 (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death 18 of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when 19 20 there is no other administration of the estate, a 21 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$80, less any amount 22 paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except 23 that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the 24 fee, including any amount paid under subsection 25 (v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B), shall be a minimum of \$20 and a 26 maximum of \$40.

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

5 (I) For each exemplification, \$2, plus the fee for 6 certification.

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

11 (5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for 12 witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous 13 fee shall pay the same directly to the person entitled 14 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.

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

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(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:

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

(B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$75 and a

1	maximum of \$110.
2	(C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of \$75
3	and a maximum of \$110.
4	(D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$75 and
5	a maximum of \$110.
6	(E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$30.
7	(F) When court appearance required, \$50.
8	(G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a
9	minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$80.
10	(H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders, a
11	minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$45.
12	(I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments, whenever
13	filed, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$45.
14	(J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures,
15	whenever filed, a minimum of $$25$ and a maximum of $$30$.
16	(K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or
17	"failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of
18	State, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$50.
19	(2) In counties having a population of 3,000,000 or
20	more, when the violation complaint is issued by a municipal
21	police department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs
22	from each person convicted therein as follows:
23	(A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$30.
24	(B) When court appearance required, \$50.
25	(3) <u>(Blank).</u> In ordinance violation cases punishable
26	by fine only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be

1 unless the fee is excused entit receive. upon - 2 2 finding by the court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, 3 the sum of a minimum of \$112.50 and a maximum of \$250 4 5 fee for the services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid 6 by the defendant at the time of filing his or her iury 7 demand. If the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no 8 shall be called, and the case shall be tried by the 9 without a jury. 10 (x) Transcripts of Judgment. 11 For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the 12 13 commencement of a new suit. 14 (y) Change of Venue. 15 (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 16 were the commencement of a new suit. 17 18 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification of a record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when 19 20 original documents are forwarded, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$65. 21 22 (z) Tax objection complaints. 23 For each tax objection complaint containing one or more 24 tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels 25 involved or the number of taxpayers joining in the 26 complaint, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$100.

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(aa) Tax Deeds. 1 (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is 2 3 involved, a minimum of \$250 and a maximum of \$400. (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of a minimum 4 5 of \$100 and a maximum of \$200. (bb) Collections. 6 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 11 shall be turned over to the county general fund as an 12 13 earning of the office. (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument 14 15 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account closed, or payment stopped, \$25. 16 17 (4) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk, 18 if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may 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 Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. 23 24 This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts

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) No fee provided herein shall be charged to any unit 2 3 of local government or school district. 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 real property within 1200 feet of a dangerous or unsafe 7 8 building seeking an order compelling the owner or owners of the building to take any of the actions authorized under 9 10 that subsection.

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

16 (ee) Adoption.

17 (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 09600HB4002ham001

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 7 unpaid fees and costs under this Section a delinquency 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 posting or publication. 12 bv signage The additional 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.)

Section 15. The Jury Act is amended by changing Sections
4.1, 5, 8, 10.2, and 15 and adding Section 10.4 as follows:

20 (705 ILCS 305/4.1) (from Ch. 78, par. 4.1)

21 Sec. 4.1. Jury duty; notice to employer; right to time off. 22 (a) Any person who is not legally disqualified to serve on 23 juries, and has been duly summoned for jury duty for either 24 petit or grand jury service, shall <u>not be required or requested</u> 09600HB4002ham001 -58- LRB096 09872 AJO 27268 a

1 to use annual, vacation, or sick leave for time spent responding to a summons for jury duty, time spent participating 2 in the jury selection process, or time spent actually serving 3 4 on a jury be given time off from employment to serve upon the 5 jury for which such employee is summoned, regardless of the 6 employment shift such employee is assigned to at the time of service of such summons. An employee shall give his employer 7 reasonable notice of required jury service. An employer may not 8 9 deny an employee time off for jury duty because such employee 10 is then assigned to work a night shift of employment, that is, 11 an employer cannot require a night shift worker to work while such employee is doing jury duty in the daytime. Nothing in 12 13 this subsection (a) shall be construed to require an employer 14 to provide annual, vacation, or sick leave to employees under 15 the provisions of this Section who otherwise are not entitled 16 to such benefits under company policies.

(b) No employer shall discharge, threaten to discharge, intimidate or coerce any employee by reason of the employee's jury service, or the attendance or scheduled attendance in connection with such service, in any court of this State.

(c) If an employee gives reasonable notice of required jury service, any employer who violates the provisions of this Section:

(1) may be charged with contempt of court. In such an
event, the State's Attorney shall file a petition for civil
contempt, criminal contempt, or both, against the employer

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to be prosecuted by the State's Attorney; and

(2) shall be liable for damages for any loss of wages 2 or other benefits suffered by an employee by reason of the 3 violation; and

5 (3) may be enjoined from further violations of this Section and ordered to reinstate any employee discharged by 6 reason of jury service. 7

8 As used in this Section, "reasonable notice of required 9 jury service" means that the employee summoned for jury duty 10 must deliver to the employer a copy of the summons within 10 11 days of the date of issuance of the summons to the employee.

(d) Any individual who is reinstated to a position of 12 13 employment in accordance with this Section shall be considered as having been on furlough or leave of absence during his 14 15 period of jury service, shall be reinstated to his position of 16 employment without loss of seniority, and shall be entitled to participate in insurance or other benefits offered by the 17 18 employer under established rules and practices relating to 19 employees on furlough or leave of absence in effect with the 20 employer at the time the individual entered upon jury service.

(e) In any action or proceeding under this Section, the 21 22 court may award a prevailing employee who brings the action by 23 retained counsel a reasonable attorney's fee.

24 (f) Any right or remedy provided in this Section is in 25 addition to any right or remedy otherwise provided by law to an 26 employee.

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1 No employer shall be obligated to compensate an (q) employee for time taken off for jury duty. 2 3 (q-5) A court shall automatically postpone and reschedule 4 the service of a summoned juror employed by an employer with 5 5 or fewer full-time employees, or the equivalent, if another employee of that employer is summoned to appear during the same 6 period. The postponement will not constitute the excused 7 individual's right to one automatic postponement pursuant to 8 9 Section 10.4 of this Act.

10 (h) The official responsible for issuing the summons may 11 advise the juror of his rights under this Act by printed insert 12 with the summons or on the summons itself.

13 (Source: P.A. 86-1395; 87-616.)

14 (705 ILCS 305/5) (from Ch. 78, par. 5)

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Sec. 5. <u>Subsequent selection of jurors; length of service.</u>

(a) At the time of making such selection, the name of the 16 person selected shall be checked off from such list, and shall 17 not be again selected as a juror till every person named upon 18 19 such list qualified to serve as a juror has been selected; and 20 all subsequent selections of jurors by such board shall be made 21 from such list until all persons thereon qualified to serve 22 have been selected, or until a new list is made: Provided, if 23 any person who has been selected as a juror shall not have been 24 drawn, or have served upon a jury during the year for which he 25 was selected, he shall, if qualified, be selected for the next 1 year.

2	(b) In counties with populations greater than 100,000,
3	service of prospective petit jurors shall be for no more than
4	one court day in actual attendance, unless a prospective petit
5	juror is selected to serve on a jury or is under consideration
6	to serve on a jury and such consideration covers a period of 2
7	or more days. Once selected, a petit juror shall serve on the
8	jury for the duration of the trial unless excused by the
9	presiding judge.
10	(Source: P.A. 86-1053.)

11 (705 ILCS 305/8) (from Ch. 78, par. 8)

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Sec. 8. <u>Selection from box.</u>

(a) Upon a day designated by the judge of the court, which 13 14 shall be at least 20 days before the first day for which any of 15 the panel then to be drawn is summoned, the clerk of such court shall repair to the office of the county clerk, and in the 16 presence of a judge and of such county clerk, after the box 17 18 containing the names has been well shaken by the county clerk, 19 and being blindfolded shall, without partiality, draw from such box the names of a sufficient number of such persons, then 20 21 residents of the county, not less than 30 for each 2 weeks that such court will probably be in session for the trial of common 22 23 law cases, to constitute the petit jurors for the time being 24 and where there is an additional judge in such court, a like 25 number for each additional judge requiring a jury, unless the 09600HB4002ham001 -62- LRB096 09872 AJO 27268 a

1 court shall otherwise order: Provided, that the clerk shall at any time, when directed by an order of the court draw in the 2 manner above provided, such number of persons then residents of 3 4 the county, as shall be required by the order to act as petit 5 jurors in such court for such time as may be fixed in such 6 order: And provided, that should the clerk draw from the box the name of a person who is known to be dead, to have been 7 selected as a grand juror, a non-resident, absent from the 8 9 State, unable to attend in consequence of illness, or that he 10 is legally disqualified to serve as a juror, the clerk shall 11 report the name of such person to the county clerk, and the clerk of such court shall draw other names until the required 12 13 number have been selected: Provided, also that whenever there 14 is pending for trial in any of the courts, any criminal cause 15 wherein the defendant is charged with a felony, and the judge 16 holding such court is convinced from the circumstances of the case that a jury cannot be obtained from the regular panel to 17 18 try the cause, the judge may in his discretion, prior to the day fixed for the trial of the cause, direct the clerk to draw 19 20 (in the same manner as the regular panel is drawn,) not 21 exceeding 100 names as a special panel from which a jury may be 22 selected to try the cause.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a),
names of jurors may be randomly drawn by computer.

25 (Source: P.A. 86-1053.)

1 (705 ILCS 305/10.2) (from Ch. 78, par. 10.2) Sec. 10.2. Excusing prospective jurors; hardship. 2 (a) An individual may apply to be excused from jury service 3 4 for a period of up to 24 months, instead of seeking a 5 postponement, when either: The county boards of the respective counties, the jury commissioners for those counties which have 6 been appointed under the Jury Commission Act, or a jury 7 8 administrator shall submit questionnaires to prospective jurors to inquire as to their qualifications for jury service 9 10 and as to the hardship that jury service would pose to the prospective jurors. Upon prior approval by the chief judge of 11 the judicial circuits in which a county board, 12 jurv 13 administrator, or jury commissioners are situated, the county 14 board, jury administrator, or jury commissioners shall excuse 15 prospective juror from jury service if the prospective juror 16 shows that such service would impose an undue hardship on 17 account of the nature of the prospective juror's occupation, business affairs, physical health, family situation, active 18 duty in the Illinois National Guard or Illinois Naval Militia, 19 20 or other personal affairs, and cause his or her name 21 returned to the jury list or general jury list. 22 (1) The prospective juror has a mental or physical

23 <u>condition that causes him or her to be incapable of</u> 24 <u>performing jury service. The juror, or the juror's personal</u> 25 <u>representative, must provide the court with documentation</u> 26 <u>from a physician licensed to practice medicine in all its</u> 09600HB4002ham001

branches verifying that a mental or physical condition 1 renders the person unfit for jury service for a period of 2 3 not less than the 24 month period for which the excuse is 4 sought; or 5 (2) Jury service would otherwise cause undue or extreme physical or financial hardship to the prospective juror or 6 7 a person under his or her care or supervision. A judge of the court for which the individual was called to jury 8 9 service shall make determinations regarding undue or 10 extreme physical or financial hardship. The authority to make these determinations is delegable only to court 11 officials or personnel who are authorized by the laws of 12 this State to function as members of the judiciary. 13 14 (b) A person asking to be excused from jury service under 15 this Section must take all actions necessary to have obtained a 16 ruling on that request by no later than the date on which the individual is scheduled to appear for jury duty. 17 (c) For purposes of this Section, "undue or extreme 18 19 physical or financial hardship" is limited to circumstances in 20 which an individual would: (1) Be required to abandon a person under his or her 21 22 personal care or supervision due to the impossibility of 23 obtaining an appropriate substitute caregiver during the 24 period of participation in the jury pool or on the jury; or (2) Incur costs that would have a substantial adverse 25 26 impact on the payment of the individual's necessary daily

1 living expenses or on those for whom he or she provides the principal means of support; or 2 (3) Suffer physical hardship that would result in 3 4 illness or disease. 5 "Undue or extreme physical or financial hardship" does not exist solely based on the fact that a prospective juror will be 6 required to be absent from his or her place of employment. 7 A person asking a judge to grant an excuse based on "undue 8 9 or extreme physical or financial hardship" shall be required to 10 provide the judge with documentation, such as, but not limited to, federal and State income tax returns, medical statements 11 from licensed physicians, proof of dependency or guardianship, 12 13 and similar documents, which the judge finds to clearly support the request to be excused. Failure to provide satisfactory 14 15 documentation shall result in a denial of the request to be 16 excused. (d) After 24 months, a person excused from jury service 17 shall become eligible once again for qualification as a juror 18 unless the person was excused from service permanently. A 19 20 person is excused from jury service permanently only when the judge determines that the underlying grounds for being excused 21 22 are of a permanent nature.

23 (e) (b) When an undue hardship caused by a family situation 24 is due to the prospective juror being the primary care giver of 25 a person with a mental or physical disability, a person with a 26 medically diagnosed behavior problem, or a child under age 12, 09600HB4002ham001 -66- LRB096 09872 AJO 27268 a

1	then the county board, jury commissioners or jury administrator
2	shall excuse such a prospective juror, if it finds that no
3	reasonable alternative care is feasible which would not impose
4	an undue hardship on the prospective juror or the person for
5	whom the prospective juror is providing care, or both.
6	(Source: P.A. 90-482, eff. 1-1-98; 91-264, eff. 7-23-99.)
7	(705 ILCS 305/10.4 new)
8	Sec. 10.4. Postponement of jury service.
9	(a) Notwithstanding Section 10.2 or any other provision of
10	this Act, individuals scheduled to appear for jury service have
11	the right to postpone the date of their initial appearance for
12	jury service one time only. When requested, postponements shall
13	be granted, provided that:
14	(1) The juror has not previously been granted a
15	postponement;
16	(2) The prospective juror appears in person or contacts
17	the clerk of the court by telephone, electronic mail, or in
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	writing to request a postponement; and
19	<u>writing to request a postponement; and</u> (3) Prior to the grant of a postponement with the
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20 21 22	(3) Prior to the grant of a postponement with the concurrence of the clerk of the court, the prospective juror fixes a date certain on which he or she will appear for jury service that is not more than 6 months after the

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1	approved by a judicial officer only in the event of an extreme
2	emergency, such as a death in the family, sudden illness, a
3	natural disaster or a national emergency in which the
4	prospective juror is personally involved, that could not have
5	been anticipated at the time the initial postponement was
6	granted. Prior to the grant of a second postponement, the
7	prospective juror must fix a date certain on which the
8	individual will appear for jury service within 6 months of the
9	postponement on a date when the court will be in session.

10 (705 ILCS 305/15) (from Ch. 78, par. 15)

Sec. 15. Failure to attend. Every person who shall fail to 11 12 attend when lawfully summoned to appear as a grand or petit 13 juror, without having properly obtained postponement or excuse 14 pursuant to Sections 10.2 and 10.4 a reasonable excuse, shall 15 be considered as guilty of a contempt, and shall be fined by the courts, respectively, in any sum not less than $\frac{$25}{$5}$ nor 16 more than $\frac{$250}{$100}$, for the use of the proper county, unless 17 good cause be shown for such default; and it shall be the duty 18 19 of the court to enter an order of attachment, returnable 20 forthwith, against all such delinquents, and upon the return 21 thereof the court shall proceed to assess the fine unless the 22 person or persons so attached shall show good cause for such 23 delinquency: Provided, that the oath or affirmation of any such 24 delinquent shall, at all times, be received as competent 25 evidence.

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1 (Source: P.A. 83-346.)

Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding Section 8.33 as follows:

4 (30 ILCS 805/8.33 new)

Sec. 8.33. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8
of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the
implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of
the 96th General Assembly.

9 Section 97. Severability. The provisions of this Act are 10 severable under Section 1.31 of the Statute on Statutes. If any 11 portion of this Act is declared unconstitutional or the 12 application of any part of this Act to any person or 13 circumstance is held invalid, the remaining portions of the Act 14 and their applicability to any person or circumstance shall 15 remain valid and enforceable.

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