



## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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HB5742

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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

55 ILCS 5/4-11001

from Ch. 34, par. 4-11001

55 ILCS 5/4-11003 new

Amends the Counties Code. From June 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016, restores juror fee provisions to the form in which they existed before Public Act 98-1132 became law. On and after December 1, 2016, modifies the fee each county shall provide (currently, pay) to grand and petit jurors to \$20 for the first and second days (currently, \$25) and \$32 for each day thereafter (currently, \$50). Provides that these fees may include an offset for travel, meal and other expenses otherwise incurred by jurors associated with jury service, except for day care, as determined by the county board. Provides that the county board may approve higher compensation for jurors. Further provides that a county board may enact an ordinance or resolution to collect a juror services fee not to exceed \$15 which may be paid in civil actions. Effective June 1, 2016, except some provisions are effective December 1, 2016.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES  
ACT MAY REQUIRE  
REIMBURSEMENT

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

4 Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by changing Section  
5 4-11001 and by adding Section 4-11003 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/4-11001) (from Ch. 34, par. 4-11001)

7 Sec. 4-11001. Juror fees. (a) This subsection (a) is  
8 operative from June 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016. Each  
9 county shall pay to grand and petit jurors for their services  
10 in attending courts the sum of \$4 ~~sums of \$25 for the first day~~  
11 ~~and thereafter \$50~~ for each day of necessary attendance at such  
12 courts as jurors in counties of the first class, the sum of \$5  
13 for each day in counties of the second class, and the sum of  
14 \$10 for each day in counties of the third class, or such higher  
15 amount as may be fixed by the county board.

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

22 If a judge so orders, a juror shall also receive  
23 reimbursement for the actual cost of day care incurred by the

1 juror during his or her service on a jury.

2 The juror fees for service, transportation, and day care  
3 shall be paid out of the county treasury.

4 The clerk of the court shall furnish to each juror without  
5 fee whenever he is discharged a certificate of the number of  
6 days' attendance at court, and upon presentation thereof to the  
7 county treasurer, he shall pay to the juror the sum provided  
8 for his service.

9 Any juror may elect to waive the fee paid for service,  
10 transportation, or day care, or any combination thereof.

11 (b) This subsection (b) is operative on and after December  
12 1, 2016. Each county shall provide to grand and petit jurors  
13 for their services in attending courts the sums of \$20 for the  
14 first and second day and thereafter \$32 for each day of  
15 necessary attendance, which may include an offset for travel,  
16 meal and other expenses otherwise incurred by jurors associated  
17 with jury service, except for day care, as determined by the  
18 county board. The county board may fix and approve a higher  
19 amount to compensate jurors for their services, travel, meal  
20 and other expenses.

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

24 The juror fees for service, transportation, meals, day  
25 care, and other expenses incurred by jurors associated with  
26 jury service shall be funded out of the county treasury.

1       The clerk of the court shall furnish to each juror without  
2       fee whenever he or she is discharged a certificate of the  
3       number of days' attendance at court, and upon presentation  
4       thereof to the county treasurer, he or she shall pay to the  
5       juror the sum provided for his or her service.

6       Any juror may elect to waive the fee paid for service,  
7       transportation, or day care, or any combination thereof.

8       (Source: P.A. 97-840, eff. 1-1-13; 98-1132, eff. 6-1-15.)

9       (55 ILCS 5/4-11003 new)

10       Sec. 4-11003. Juror services fee. In addition to the jury  
11       demand fees provided in the Clerks of Courts Act, a county  
12       board may enact by ordinance or resolution a juror services fee  
13       not to exceed \$15 that is dedicated to defraying expenses  
14       incurred by the county in paying jurors for their services if  
15       the fee is justified by an acceptable cost study showing that  
16       the fee is necessary to defray the costs of paying jurors for  
17       their services. Such fee shall be paid in every civil action  
18       not quasi-criminal in its nature and not a proceeding for the  
19       exercise of the right of eminent domain and in every other  
20       action wherein the right of trial by jury is or may be given by  
21       law. The fee shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the  
22       time of filing the jury demand.

23       All proceeds from this fee must be used to defray expenses  
24       incurred by the county in paying jurors for their services. The  
25       fees shall be collected in the manner in which all other court

1 fees or costs are collected and shall be deposited into the  
2 county general fund for payment solely of costs incurred by the  
3 county in paying jurors for their services.

4 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on June  
5 1, 2016, except the provisions adding Section 4-11003 to the  
6 Counties Code take effect on December 1, 2016.