#### SECOND REGULAR SESSION

### HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

# SENATE BILL NO. 615

## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

## AN ACT

To repeal sections 49.272, 56.807, 476.056, 476.385 as enacted by conference committee substitute for house committee substitute for senate bill no. 23, ninety-seventh general assembly, first regular session, 476.385 as enacted by conference committee substitute for senate substitute for senate committee substitute for house bill no. 683, ninety-fifth general assembly, first regular session, 488.012, 488.014, 488.026, 488.426, and 488.607, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eleven new sections relating to court costs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 49.272, 56.807, 476.056, 476.385 as enacted by conference committee substitute for house committee substitute for senate bill no. 23, ninety-seventh general

- 3 assembly, first regular session, 476.385 as enacted by conference committee substitute for senate
- 4 substitute for senate committee substitute for house bill no. 683, ninety-fifth general assembly,
- 5 first regular session, 488.012, 488.014, 488.026, 488.426, and 488.607, RSMo, are repealed and
- 6 eleven new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 49.272, 56.807, 476.056,
- 7 476.385, 488.012, 488.014, 488.026, 488.426, 488.607, 488.2206, and 488.2240, to read as
- 8 follows:

49.272. The county commission of any county of the first classification without a charter

- form of government and with more than one hundred thirty-five thousand four hundred but less
- 3 than one hundred thirty-five thousand five hundred inhabitants, [and in] any county of the first
- 4 classification without a charter form of government having a population of at least eighty-two
- 5 thousand inhabitants, but less than eighty-two thousand one hundred inhabitants, any county of
- 6 the first classification with more than one hundred four thousand six hundred but fewer than one
- 7 hundred four thousand seven hundred inhabitants, any county of the first classification with more
- 8 than one hundred ninety-eight thousand but fewer than one hundred ninety-nine thousand two

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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hundred inhabitants, [and] any county of the first classification with more than two hundred forty 10 thousand three hundred but less than two hundred forty thousand four hundred inhabitants, and any county of the first classification with more than eighty-three thousand but fewer than 11 ninety-two thousand inhabitants and with a home rule city with more than seventy-six 12 13 thousand but fewer than ninety-one thousand inhabitants as the county seat, which has an 14 appointed county counselor and which adopts or has adopted rules, regulations or ordinances 15 under authority of a statute which prescribes or authorizes a violation of such rules, regulations 16 or ordinances to be a misdemeanor punishable as provided by law, may by rule, regulation or ordinance impose a civil fine not to exceed one thousand dollars for each violation. Any fines 17 18 imposed and collected under such rules, regulations or ordinances shall be payable to the county 19 general fund to be used to pay for the cost of enforcement of such rules, regulations or ordinances. 20

56.807. 1. Beginning August 28, 1989, and continuing monthly thereafter until August 27, 2003, the funds for prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys provided for in subsection 2 of this section shall be paid from county or city funds.

- 2. Beginning August 28, 1989, and continuing monthly thereafter until August 27, 2003, each county treasurer shall pay to the system the following amounts to be drawn from the general revenues of the county:
- (1) For counties of the third and fourth classification except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, three hundred seventy-five dollars;
- (2) For counties of the second classification, five hundred forty-one dollars and sixty-seven cents;
- (3) For counties of the first classification, counties which pursuant to section 56.363 elect to make the position of prosecuting attorney a full-time position after August 28, 2001, or whose county commission has elected a full-time retirement benefit pursuant to subsection 3 of section 56.363, and the city of St. Louis, one thousand two hundred ninety-one dollars and sixty-seven cents.
- 16 3. Beginning August 28, 1989, and continuing until August 27, 2003, the county treasurer shall at least monthly transmit the sums specified in subsection 2 of this section to the 17 18 Missouri office of prosecution services for deposit to the credit of the "Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys and Circuit Attorneys' Retirement System Fund", which is hereby created. All moneys 19 20 held by the state treasurer on behalf of the system shall be paid to the system within ninety days 21 after August 28, 1993. Moneys in the Missouri prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys' retirement system fund shall be used only for the purposes provided in sections 56.800 to 56.840 22 23 and for no other purpose.

4. Beginning August 28, 2003, the funds for prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys provided for in this section shall be paid from county or city funds and the surcharge established in this section and collected as provided by this section and sections 488.010 to 488.020.

- 5. (1) Beginning August 28, 2003, each county treasurer shall pay to the system the following amounts to be drawn from the general revenues of the county:
- [(1)] (a) For counties of the third and fourth classification except as provided in [subdivision (3)] paragraph (c) of this [subsection] subdivision, one hundred eighty-seven dollars;
  - [(2)] **(b)** For counties of the second classification, two hundred seventy-one dollars;
- [(3)] (c) For counties of the first classification, counties which pursuant to section 56.363 elect to make the position of prosecuting attorney a full-time position after August 28, 2001, or whose county commission has elected a full-time retirement benefit pursuant to subsection 3 of section 56.363, and the city of St. Louis, six hundred forty-six dollars.
- (2) Beginning August 28, 2014, the county contribution set forth in paragraphs (a) to (c) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be adjusted in accordance with the following schedule based upon the prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys' retirement system's annual actuarial valuation report. If the system's funding ratio is:
  - (a) One hundred twenty percent or more, no monthly sum shall be transmitted;
- (b) More than one hundred ten percent but less than one hundred twenty percent, the monthly sum transmitted shall be reduced fifty percent;
- (c) At least ninety percent and up to and including one hundred ten percent, the monthly sum transmitted shall remain the same;
- (d) At least eighty percent and less than ninety percent, the monthly sum transmitted shall be increased fifty percent; and
- (e) Less than eighty percent, the monthly sum transmitted shall be increased one hundred percent.
- 6. Beginning August 28, 2003, the county treasurer shall at least monthly transmit the sums specified in subsection 5 of this section to the Missouri office of prosecution services for deposit to the credit of the Missouri prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys' retirement system fund. Moneys in the Missouri prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys' retirement system fund shall be used only for the purposes provided in sections 56.800 to 56.840, and for no other purpose.
- 7. Beginning August 28, 2003, the following surcharge for prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys shall be collected and paid as follows:
- (1) There shall be assessed and collected a surcharge of four dollars in all criminal cases filed in the courts of this state including violation of any county ordinance [or], any violation

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of criminal or traffic laws of this state, including infractions, and against any person who pled guilty and paid a fine through a fine collection center, but no such surcharge shall be assessed when the costs are waived or are to be paid by the state, county, or municipality or when a criminal proceeding or the defendant has been dismissed by the court [or against any person who has pled guilty and paid their fine pursuant to subsection 4 of section 476.385]. For purposes of this section, the term "county ordinance" shall include any ordinance of the city of St. Louis;

- (2) The clerk responsible for collecting court costs in criminal cases shall collect and disburse such amounts as provided by sections 488.010 to 488.026. Such funds shall be payable to the prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys' retirement fund. Moneys credited to the prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys' retirement fund shall be used only for the purposes provided for in sections 56.800 to 56.840 and for no other purpose.
- 8. The board may accept gifts, donations, grants and bequests from private or public sources to the Missouri prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys' retirement system fund.
- 9. No state moneys shall be used to fund section 56.700 and sections 56.800 to 56.840 unless provided for by law.
- 476.056. 1. Any city, county, village or other municipality may provide for automation of its municipal court pursuant to subsection 3 of section 476.055, in the manner provided in this section. In order to make such provisions, such municipality must:
- (1) Adopt an ordinance imposing the surcharge in the amount allowed, and payable in the manner provided, by section [476.053] **488.027**, and sections 488.010 to 488.020;
- (2) Enter into an agreement with the state courts administrator for automation of the municipality's court. Such agreement may provide for continuation of the surcharge for a minimum period of time, payable to the fund established by section 476.055, or a special fund established in the state treasury for such purpose upon expiration of section 476.055, for payment of a guaranteed minimum annual amount in the event that payment of such surcharges shall not offset the cost of the automation of the municipality's court; and such other terms as may be agreed on between the municipality and the state courts administrator.
- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section [476.053] **488.027**, the payment of any surcharge provided by this section may continue for a period in excess of that allowed by section [476.053] **488.027** for payment of surcharges in the circuit courts. The provisions of section 33.080 shall not apply to any special fund established pursuant to this section.
- 476.385. 1. The judges of the supreme court may appoint a committee consisting of at least seven associate circuit judges, who shall meet en banc and establish and maintain a schedule of fines to be paid for violations of sections [210.104,] 577.070[,] and 577.073, and chapters 252, 301, 302, 304, 306, 307 and 390, with such fines increasing in proportion to the severity of the violation. The associate circuit judges of each county may meet en banc and

adopt the schedule of fines and participation in the centralized bureau pursuant to this section.

Notice of such adoption and participation shall be given in the manner provided by supreme court rule. Upon order of the supreme court, the associate circuit judges of each county may meet en banc and establish and maintain a schedule of fines to be paid for violations of municipal ordinances for cities, towns and villages electing to have violations of its municipal ordinances heard by associate circuit judges, pursuant to section 479.040; and for traffic court divisions established pursuant to section 479.500. The schedule of fines adopted for violations of municipal ordinances may be modified from time to time as the associate circuit judges of each county en banc deem advisable. No fine established pursuant to this subsection may exceed the maximum amount specified by statute or ordinance for such violation.

- 2. In no event shall any schedule of fines adopted pursuant to this section include offenses involving the following:
  - (1) Any violation resulting in personal injury or property damage to another person;
- (2) Operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated or under the influence of intoxicants or drugs;
  - (3) Operating a vehicle with a counterfeited, altered, suspended or revoked license;
  - (4) Fleeing or attempting to elude an officer.
- 3. There shall be a centralized bureau to be established by supreme court rule in order to accept pleas of not guilty or guilty and payments of fines and court costs for violations of the laws and ordinances described in subsection 1 of this section, made pursuant to a schedule of fines established pursuant to this section. The centralized bureau shall collect, with any plea of guilty and payment of a fine, all court costs which would have been collected by the court of the jurisdiction from which the violation originated.
- 4. If a person elects not to contest the alleged violation, the person shall send payment in the amount of the fine and any court costs established for the violation to the centralized bureau. Such payment shall be payable to the central violations bureau, shall be made by mail or in any other manner established by the centralized bureau, and shall constitute a plea of guilty, waiver of trial and a conviction for purposes of section 302.302, and for purposes of imposing any collateral consequence of a criminal conviction provided by law. By paying the fine and costs, the person also consents to attendance either online or in person at any driver-improvement program or motorcycle-rider training course ordered by the court and consents to verification of such attendance as directed by the bureau. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the prosecutor shall not be required to sign any information, ticket or indictment if disposition is made pursuant to this subsection. In the event that any payment is made pursuant to this section by credit card or similar method, the centralized bureau may charge an additional fee in

order to reflect any transaction cost, surcharge or fee imposed on the recipient of the credit card payment by the credit card company.

- 5. If a person elects to plead not guilty, such person shall send the plea of not guilty to the centralized bureau. The bureau shall send such plea and request for trial to the prosecutor having original jurisdiction over the offense. Any trial shall be conducted at the location designated by the court. The clerk of the court in which the case is to be heard shall notify in writing such person of the date certain for the disposition of such charges. The prosecutor shall not be required to sign any information, ticket or indictment until the commencement of any proceeding by the prosecutor with respect to the notice of violation.
- 6. In courts adopting a schedule of fines pursuant to this section, any person receiving a notice of violation pursuant to this section shall also receive written notification of the following:
- (1) The fine and court costs established pursuant to this section for the violation or information regarding how the person may obtain the amount of the fine and court costs for the violation;
- (2) That the person must respond to the notice of violation by paying the prescribed fine and court costs, or pleading not guilty and appearing at trial, and that other legal penalties prescribed by law may attach for failure to appear and dispose of the violation. The supreme court may modify the suggested forms for uniform complaint and summons for use in courts adopting the procedures provided by this section, in order to accommodate such required written notifications.
- 7. Any moneys received in payment of fines and court costs pursuant to this section shall not be considered to be state funds, but shall be held in trust by the centralized bureau for benefit of those persons or entities entitled to receive such funds pursuant to this subsection. All amounts paid to the centralized bureau shall be maintained by the centralized bureau, invested in the manner required of the state treasurer for state funds by sections 30.240, 30.250, 30.260 and 30.270, and disbursed as provided by the constitution and laws of this state. Any interest earned on such fund shall be payable to the director of the department of revenue for deposit into a revolving fund to be established pursuant to this subsection. The state treasurer shall be the custodian of the revolving fund, and shall make disbursements, as allowed by lawful appropriations, only to the judicial branch of state government for goods and services related to the administration of the judicial system.
- 8. Any person who receives a notice of violation subject to this section who fails to dispose of such violation as provided by this section shall be guilty of failure to appear provided by section 544.665; and may be subject to suspension of driving privileges in the manner provided by section 302.341. The centralized bureau shall notify the appropriate prosecutor of

any person who fails to either pay the prescribed fine and court costs, or plead not guilty and request a trial within the time allotted by this section, for purposes of application of section 544.665. The centralized bureau shall also notify the department of revenue of any failure to appear subject to section 302.341, and the department shall thereupon suspend the license of the driver in the manner provided by section 302.341, as if notified by the court.

9. In addition to the remedies provided by subsection 8 of this section, the centralized bureau and the courts may use the remedies provided by sections 488.010 to 488.020 for the collection of court costs payable to courts, in order to collect fines and court costs for violations subject to this section.

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- 6. In courts adopting a schedule of fines pursuant to this section, any person receiving a notice of violation pursuant to this section shall also receive written notification of the following:
- (1) The fine and court costs established pursuant to this section for the violation or information regarding how the person may obtain the amount of the fine and court costs for the violation;
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- 7. Any moneys received in payment of fines and court costs pursuant to this section shall not be considered to be state funds, but shall be held in trust by the centralized bureau for benefit of those persons or entities entitled to receive such funds pursuant to this subsection. All amounts paid to the centralized

 bureau shall be maintained by the centralized bureau, invested in the manner required of the state treasurer for state funds by sections 30.240, 30.250, 30.260 and 30.270, and disbursed as provided by the constitution and laws of this state. Any interest earned on such fund shall be payable to the director of the department of revenue for deposit into a revolving fund to be established pursuant to this subsection. The state treasurer shall be the custodian of the revolving fund, and shall make disbursements, as allowed by lawful appropriations, only to the judicial branch of state government for goods and services related to the administration of the judicial system.

- 8. Any person who receives a notice of violation subject to this section who fails to dispose of such violation as provided by this section shall be guilty of failure to appear provided by section 544.665; and may be subject to suspension of driving privileges in the manner provided by section 302.341. The centralized bureau shall notify the appropriate prosecutor of any person who fails to either pay the prescribed fine and court costs, or plead not guilty and request a trial within the time allotted by this section, for purposes of application of section 544.665. The centralized bureau shall also notify the department of revenue of any failure to appear subject to section 302.341, and the department shall thereupon suspend the license of the driver in the manner provided by section 302.341, as if notified by the court.
- 9. In addition to the remedies provided by subsection 8 of this section, the centralized bureau and the courts may use the remedies provided by sections 488.010 to 488.020 for the collection of court costs payable to courts, in order to collect fines and court costs for violations subject to this section.]

488.012. 1. Beginning July 1, 1997, the clerk of each court of this state responsible for collecting court costs shall collect the court costs authorized by statute, in such amounts as are authorized by supreme court rule adopted pursuant to sections 488.010 to 488.020. Court costs due and payable prior to July 1, 1997, shall not be affected by the adoption of this rule.

- 2. The supreme court shall set the amount of court costs authorized by statute, at levels to produce revenue which shall not substantially exceed the total of the proportion of the costs associated with administration of the judicial system defrayed by fees, miscellaneous charges and surcharges.
- 3. Prior to adjustment by the supreme court, the following fees, costs and charges shall be collected:
  - (1) Five dollars for the filing of a lien, pursuant to section 429.090;
- 12 (2) Ten dollars for maintaining child support enforcement records, pursuant to section 452.345:
- 14 (3) Ten dollars for a notice to a judgment creditor of a distributee, pursuant to section 15 473.618:

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- 16 (4) Three dollars for receiving and keeping a will, pursuant to section 474.510;
- 17 (5) Seven dollars for the statewide court automation fund, pursuant to section [476.053] 18 **488.027**:
- 19 (6) Twelve dollars for municipal court costs, fifteen dollars for municipal ordinance 20 violations filed before an associate circuit judge and thirty dollars for applications for a trial de 21 novo of a municipal ordinance violation, pursuant to section 479.260;
- 22 (7) Five dollars for small claims court cases where less than one hundred dollars is in dispute, and ten dollars in all other small claims court cases, pursuant to section 482.345;
  - (8) Fifty dollars for appeals, pursuant to section 483.500;
- 25 (9) Fifteen dollars in misdemeanor cases where there is no application for trial de novo, pursuant to section 483.530;
- 27 (10) Forty-five dollars for applications for a trial de novo for misdemeanor cases, pursuant to section 483.530;
- 29 (11) Fifteen dollars for each preliminary hearing in felony cases, pursuant to section 30 483.530;
- 31 (12) Thirty dollars for each information or indictment filed in felony cases, pursuant to section 483.530;
- 33 (13) Fifteen dollars for each associate circuit court case filed, and one dollar for each additional summons issued in such cases, pursuant to section 483.530;
  - (14) Forty-five dollars for applications for trial de novo from small claims court and associate circuit court and forty-five dollars for filing of other cases, pursuant to section 483.530;
- 37 (15) One dollar and fifty cents for a certificate of naturalization, pursuant to section 38 483.535;
  - (16) When letters are applied for in probate proceedings, pursuant to section 483.580, when the value of the estate is:
    - (a) Less than \$10,000 \$ 75.00
- 42 (b) From \$10,000 to \$25,000 115.00
- 43 (c) From \$25,000 to \$50,000 155.00
- 44 (d) From \$50,000 to \$100,000 245.00
- 45 (e) From \$100,000 to \$500,000 305.00
- 46 (f) More than \$500,000 365.00;
- 47 (17) Thirty dollars for each additional twelve months a decedent's estate remains open, 48 pursuant to section 483.580;
- 49 (18) In proceedings regarding guardianships and conservatorships, pursuant to section 50 483.580:
- 51 (a) Twenty-five dollars for each grant of letters for guardianship of a minor;

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- 52 (b) Fifty dollars for each grant of letters for guardianship of an incapacitated person;
- 53 (c) Sixty dollars for each grant of letters for guardianship of the person and 54 conservatorship of the estate of a minor;
  - (d) Twenty-five dollars for each additional twelve months a conservatorship of a minor's estate case remains open;
- 57 (e) Seventy-five dollars for each grant of letters in guardianship and conservatorship of 58 incapacitated persons and their estates;
- (f) Thirty dollars for each additional twelve months an incapacitated person's case 60 remains open;
- 61 (19) Fifteen dollars for issuing orders refusing to grant letters to a spouse or an unmarried minor child and thirty dollars for a certified copy of such orders, pursuant to section 62 63 483.580;
  - (20) In probate proceedings, pursuant to section 483.580:
  - (a) Thirty-five dollars for the collection of small estates;
- 66 (b) Thirty-five dollars for involuntary hospitalization proceedings;
- 67 (c) Thirty dollars for proceedings to determine heirship;
- 68 (d) Fifteen dollars for assessment of estate taxes where no letters are granted;
  - (e) Fifty dollars for proceedings for the sale of real estate by a nonresident conservator;
- (f) Forty dollars for proceedings to dispense with administration; 70
- 71 (g) Twenty dollars for proceedings to dispense with conservatorship;
- 72 (h) Twenty-five dollars for admitting a will to probate;
- 73 (i) One dollar per copied page and one dollar and fifty cents per certificate;
- 74 (21) One dollar and fifty cents per page for testimony transcription, pursuant to section [485.100] **488.2250**; 75
  - (22) Fifteen dollars for court reporters, pursuant to section [485.120] **488.2253**;
- 77 (23) Three dollars for witness fees per day, and four dollars when the witness must travel 78 to another county, pursuant to section 491.280.
  - 488.014. No court of record in this state, municipal division of the circuit court, or any entity collecting court costs on their behalf shall be required to refund any overpayment of court
- 3 costs in an amount not exceeding five dollars or to collect any due court costs in an amount of
- 4 less than five dollars. Any such overpaid funds may be retained by the county for the operation
- of the circuit court, except any overpaid funds owed to a municipal division of the circuit
- court may be retained by the municipality for the operation of the municipal court.
- 488.026. As provided by section 56.807, there shall be assessed and collected a surcharge of four dollars in all criminal cases filed in the courts of this state, including violations
- of any county ordinance [or], any violation of criminal or traffic laws of this state, including

4 infractions, or against any person who pled guilty and paid a fine through a fine collection

- 5 center, but no such surcharge shall be assessed when the costs are waived or are to be paid by
- 6 the state, county, or municipality or when a criminal proceeding or the defendant has been
- 7 dismissed by the court [or against any person who has pled guilty and paid their fine pursuant
- 8 to subsection 4 of section 476.385]. For purposes of this section, the term "county ordinance"
- 9 shall include any ordinance of the city of St. Louis. The clerk responsible for collecting court
- 10 costs in criminal cases shall collect and disburse such amounts as provided by sections 488.010
- 11 to 488.020. Such funds shall be payable to the prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys'
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- 488.426. 1. The judges of the circuit court, en banc, in any circuit in this state may require any party filing a civil case in the circuit court, at the time of filing the suit, to deposit with the clerk of the court a surcharge in addition to all other deposits required by law or court rule. Sections 488.426 to 488.432 shall not apply to proceedings when costs are waived or are to be paid by the county or state or any city.
- 2. The surcharge in effect on August 28, 2001, shall remain in effect until changed by the circuit court. The circuit court in any circuit, except the circuit court in Jackson County or the circuit court in any circuit that reimburses the state for the salaries of family court commissioners under and pursuant to section 487.020, may change the fee to any amount not to exceed fifteen dollars. The circuit court in Jackson County or the circuit court in any circuit that reimburses the state for the salaries of family court commissioners under and pursuant to section 487.020 may change the fee to any amount not to exceed twenty dollars. A change in the fee shall become effective and remain in effect until further changed.
- 3. Sections 488.426 to 488.432 shall not apply to proceedings when costs are waived or are paid by the county or state or any city.
- 4. In addition to any fee authorized by subsection 1 of this section, any county of the first classification with more than [ninety-three thousand eight hundred but less than ninety-three thousand nine hundred inhabitants] one hundred one thousand but fewer than one hundred fifteen thousand inhabitants may impose an additional fee of ten dollars excluding cases concerning adoption and those in small claims court. The provisions of this subsection shall expire on December 31, [2014] 2019.

488.607. The governing body of any county or any city having a shelter for victims of domestic violence established pursuant to sections 455.200 to 455.230, or any municipality within a county which has such shelter, or any county or municipality whose residents are victims of domestic violence and are admitted to such shelters in another county, may, by order or ordinance provide for an additional surcharge in [the] an amount of [two] up to four dollars per case for each criminal case, including violations of any county or municipal ordinance. No

surcharge shall be collected in any proceeding when the proceeding or defendant has been dismissed by the court or when costs are to be paid by the state, county or municipality. Such surcharges collected by municipal clerks in municipalities electing or required to have violations of municipal ordinances tried before a municipal judge pursuant to section 479.020, or to employ judicial personnel pursuant to section 479.060, shall be disbursed to the city at least monthly, and such surcharges collected by circuit court clerks shall be collected and disbursed as provided by sections 488.010 to 488.020. Such fees shall be payable to the city or county wherein such fees originated. The county or city shall use such moneys only for the purpose of providing operating expenses for shelters for battered persons as defined in sections 455.200 to 455.230.

488.2206. 1. In addition to all court fees and costs prescribed by law, a surcharge of up to ten dollars shall be assessed as costs in each court proceeding filed in any court within the thirty-first judicial circuit in all criminal cases including violations of any county or municipal ordinance or any violation of a criminal or traffic law of the state, including an infraction, except that no such surcharge shall be collected in any proceeding in any court when the proceeding or defendant has been dismissed by the court or when costs are to be paid by the state, county, or municipality. For violations of the general criminal laws of the state or county ordinances, no such surcharge shall be collected unless it is authorized, by order, ordinance, or resolution by the county government where the violation occurred. For violations of municipal ordinances, no such surcharge shall be collected unless it is authorized, by order, ordinance, or resolution by the municipal government where the violation occurred. Such surcharges shall be collected and disbursed by the clerk of each respective court responsible for collecting court costs in the manner provided by sections 488.010 to 488.020, and shall be payable to the treasurer of the political subdivision authorizing such surcharge.

2. Each county or municipality shall use all funds received pursuant to this section only to pay for the costs associated with the land assemblage and purchase, construction, maintenance, and operation of any county or municipal judicial facility including, but not limited to, debt service, utilities, maintenance, and building security. The county or municipality shall maintain records identifying such operating costs, and any moneys not needed for the operating costs of the county or municipal judicial facility shall be transmitted quarterly to the general revenue fund of the county or municipality respectively.

488.2240. 1. In addition to all other court costs for municipal ordinance violations, any home rule city with more than one hundred fifty-five thousand but fewer than two hundred thousand inhabitants may provide for additional court costs in an amount up to

- 4 ten dollars per case for each municipal ordinance violation case filed before a municipal
- 5 division judge or associate circuit judge.
- 6 2. Such cost shall be collected by the clerk and disbursed to the city at least monthly.
- 7 The city shall use such additional costs only for the land assemblage and purchase,
- 8 construction, maintenance, and upkeep of a municipal courthouse. The costs collected may
- 9 be pledged to directly or indirectly secure bonds for the cost of land assemblage and
- 10 purchase, construction, maintenance, and upkeep of the courthouse.

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