

SECOND REGULAR SESSION
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 1935
97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

6172L.02C

D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 476.056, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to municipal courts.

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

Section A. Section 476.056, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 476.056 and 488.2240, to read as follows:

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.

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

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.

3 **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**
7 **monthly. The city shall use such additional costs only for the land assemblage and**
8 **purchase, construction, maintenance, and upkeep of a municipal courthouse. The costs**
9 **collected may be pledged to directly or indirectly secure bonds for the cost of land**
10 **assemblage and purchase, construction, maintenance, and upkeep of the courthouse.**

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