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2 By Representative Ellis (N & P)
3 RFD: Shelby County Legislation
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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 Relating to Shelby County; to further provide for
5 service of process in civil cases in Shelby County; to set an
6 additional fee for civil service of process; to create the
7 Shelby County Sheriff's Civil Service of Process Fund; to
8 provide for the distribution of funds to the sheriff's civil
9 service of process fund; and to authorize the sheriff to
10 contract with or enter into an agreement with a private,
11 public, or governmental entity for the purpose of service of
12 process.

13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

14 Section 1.(a) This section shall only apply to Shelby
15 County.

16 (b) In addition to all existing charges, fees,
17 judgments, and costs of court, the clerk, sheriff, or other
18 appropriate court official in the civil division of the
19 District and Circuit Courts of Shelby County, a civil service
20 of process fee of fifty dollars (\$50) per document is imposed
21 for each document requiring personal service by the sheriff's
22 office. For purposes of this act, the term "document" shall
23 include multiple papers served on a party or entity at one
24 time.

25 (c) The Shelby County Sheriff's Civil Service of
26 Process Fund is created.

27 (d) The court official designated in Shelby County by
28 law for the respective courts shall collect the service of



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29 process fee designated in subsection (b) and shall distribute
30 the fees to the sheriff for deposit in the sheriff's civil
31 service of process fund.

32 (e) The Sheriff of Shelby County may contract with or
33 enter into contract or agreement with a private, public, or
34 governmental entity for the purpose of service of process.

35 (f) The sheriff may use the monies distributed to the
36 sheriff's civil service of process fund for law enforcement
37 purposes in Shelby County, as the sheriff sees fit, including
38 contracting with or entering into a contract or agreement with
39 a private, public, or governmental entity for service of
40 process of documents from the civil division of the district
41 or circuit court.

42 (g) Any funds deposited in the sheriff's civil service
43 of process fund shall not revert to the general fund of the
44 county at the end of the fiscal year.

45 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first day of
46 the third month following its passage and approval by the
47 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and was passed by the House 16-May-23.

John Treadwell
Clerk

Senate **18-May-23**

Passed