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A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to Lamar County; to authorize the county commission to set certain fees to be charged by the sheriff for personal service of documents in the civil division of the district and circuit court; to authorize the county commission to set the per day charge for feeding municipal inmates in the county jail; to authorize the county commission to set a fee for fingerprinting individuals by the sheriff's office for non-law enforcement purposes; and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds from the fees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. This act shall apply only in Lamar County.

Section 2. (a) The Lamar County Commission may levy an additional fee for the personal service of process by the sheriff or his or her deputies or agents of documents filed in the civil division of the district and circuit court in the county as follows:

(1) For the personal service of process of civil papers in the courts of Lamar County or from any other county in the state, the fee shall be fifty dollars (\$50).

(2) For the personal service of process by the sheriff



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29 of civil papers sent to the sheriff for service from a court
30 outside of the state, the fee shall be seventy-five dollars
31 (\$75).

32 (b) The fees shall be collected by the appropriate
33 court clerk and shall be forwarded to the Lamar County General
34 Fund. Fifty percent of the proceeds shall be distributed to
35 the office of the sheriff to be used to defray the costs of
36 personal service and for the operation of the office of
37 sheriff.

38 Section 3. The Lamar County Commission may set the
39 amount the sheriff charges for the feeding of municipal
40 inmates in the county jail. After the effective date of this
41 act, the county commission shall set the amount the
42 municipality pays at five dollars (\$5) per day for municipal
43 inmates held in the county jail. The county commission may
44 each fiscal year review the amount of the payment and may
45 adjust the amount to reasonably cover increases in the
46 expenses by the sheriff. All proceeds from the fees shall be
47 deposited in the municipal feeding account of the sheriff's
48 office.

49 Section 4. The Lamar County Commission may authorize
50 the sheriff to charge a fee for fingerprinting individuals for
51 non-law enforcement purposes, such as for passport
52 identification or employment purposes. The proceeds from the
53 fees shall be deposited in the Sheriff's Law Enforcement Fund
54 and used for any law enforcement purpose.

55 Section 5. This act shall become effective on the first
56 day of the third month following its passage and approval by



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57 the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.