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3   By Representatives Rehm, Sorrells, Lee, Clouse (N & P)

4   RFD: Local Legislation

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4   A BILL

5   TO BE ENTITLED

6   AN ACT

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9   Relating to Houston County; to amend Section

10   45-35-81.01, Code of Alabama 1975; to further provide for

11   certain court costs.

12   BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

13   Section 1. Section 45-35-81.01, Code of Alabama 1975,

14   is amended to read as follows:

15   "§45-35-81.01

16   (a) This section shall apply only in Houston County.

17   (b) In all juvenile, traffic, criminal, and

18   quasi-criminal cases in the juvenile, district, circuit, and

19   municipal courts in Houston County, an additional docket fee

20   of twenty dollars ($20) shall be assessed in each case. The

21   fee shall be collected in all ~~criminal~~ cases where the

22   defendant is adjudged guilty, a bond forfeited, a penalty

23   imposed, or where there is issued any alias or capias warrant

24   of arrest.

25   (c) In all civil cases filed in small claims court,

26   district court, or circuit court, including child support and

27   domestic relations cases, an additional fee in the amount of

28   twenty dollars ($20) per case shall be assessed in each case.

29   (d) Any fees collected pursuant to this section shall

30   be disbursed monthly as follows:

31   (1) Ten dollars ($10) of the fee shall be distributed

32   to the Houston County General Fund for the operation of the

33   county jail.

34   ~~(2) One dollar ($1) shall be distributed to the Houston~~

35   ~~County Circuit Clerk's Office.~~

36   ~~(3)~~(2) ~~Nine~~ Ten dollars ~~($9)~~ ($10) shall be distributed

37   to the district attorney's office or to the fund that may be

38   hereafter prescribed by law for the district attorney's

39   office.

40   (e) Fees authorized by this section shall be in

41   addition to and not in lieu of any other fees or costs and

42   shall not be waived or remitted unless all fees are waived."

43   Section 2. This act shall become effective on October

44   1, 2024.