

"AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1 OF ACT 942 OF 1981 AS AMENDED [ARK. STAT. 22-706.4] TO EXPAND USES OF THE ADDITIONAL COURT COST PROVIDED FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Act 942 of 1981, as amended, the same being Arkansas Statutes 22-706.4, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. In addition to all other costs now or as may hereafter be provided by law, there may be levied and collected from each defendant upon each plea of guilty, nolo contendere, forfeiture of bond, or determination of guilt for misdemeanors or traffic violations in any municipal, police or city court a sum not to exceed five dollars (\$5.00). Provided that the additional court costs authorized by this Act shall be levied by ordinance of the municipality wherein such municipal, police or city court is located. These funds may be used for any permissible use in the administration of the municipal court including but not limited to salaries and cost of incarceration of defendants."

SECTION 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the present limit for the court cost authorized by Section 1 of Act 942 of 1981, as amended, is insufficient and that it is essential to the effective and efficient administration of justice that a new maximum limit be established. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

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