

1 **State of Arkansas**

2 **79th General Assembly**

3 **Regular Session, 1993**

4 **By: Representative Calhoun**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO PERMIT AN INCREASE IN FEES CHARGED IN THE
9 AUGUSTA MUNICIPAL COURT TO FUND RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR
10 THE MUNICIPAL JUDGES AND CLERKS OF AUGUSTA MUNICIPAL
11 COURT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO INCREASE AUGUSTA MUNICIPAL COURT FEES TO FUND
15 RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR MUNICIPAL JUDGES AND CLERKS."

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

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19 SECTION 1. (a) To provide additional funds for the retirement benefits
20 for the municipal judges and clerks of Augusta Municipal Court, the governing
21 body of the city of Augusta may levy, in addition to the costs now provided by
22 law, a fee of four dollars (\$4.00) for entering upon the records of the court
23 each criminal case and each moving traffic violation.

24 (b) The costs herein provided for shall be collected by the same
25 persons and in the same manner as is now provided by law for the collection of
26 court costs levied under A.C.A. § 24-8-303 and shall be used for the sole
27 purpose of payment of retirement benefits for municipal judges and clerks of
28 Augusta Municipal Court.

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30 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
31 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
32 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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34 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
35 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect

1 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
2 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
3 act are declared to be severable.

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5 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
6 hereby repealed.

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8 SECTION 5. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined by the General
9 Assembly that the mandate to the Augusta Municipal Court to assess only one
10 dollar (\$1) per case for funding of the Augusta Municipal Court Retirement
11 Fund and the small amount of money received each month by the municipal court
12 has depleted the fund and forced the municipality to largely subsidize out of
13 its general fund the amount due each month to retired court officials and
14 that collecting an additional four dollars (\$4) for entering upon the records
15 each criminal case and each moving traffic violation will ameliorate the
16 problem. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
17 being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health
18 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and
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