

"AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 2 OF ACT 651 OF 1983 [ARK. STATS. 1-305] TO PROVIDE FOR THE REMITTANCE OF THE ADDITIONAL COURT COSTS LEVIED BY SUCH ACT TO THE ARKANSAS STATUTE REVISION COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Act 651 of 1983 [Ark. Stats. 1-305] is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 2. In addition to any other fees or costs now or hereafter levied, there is hereby levied and there shall be collected as costs, the following:

(1) In each civil case filed in each circuit, chancery or probate court in the State, the sum of twenty-five cents (25\_);

(2) Upon conviction or plea of guilty in each felony or misdemeanor case in each circuit court and each municipal court in the State, to be paid by the defendant, the sum of twenty-five cents (25\_);

All clerks of circuit, chancery, probate and municipal court, sheriffs and other officers now or hereafter charged with the responsibility of collecting other costs in such cases shall, under the same penalties of law, collect the costs levied in this Act. The costs levied herein shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as other costs in such cases.

All funds collected pursuant to the additional costs levied herein shall be remitted by the collecting officer to the Arkansas Statute Revision Commission. Such monies received by the Arkansas Statute Revision Commission shall be deposited in the State Treasury as special revenues and credited to the Arkansas Statute Revision Commission Fund."

SECTION 2. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Sixth General Assembly that the present method of remitting the additional court costs by the collecting officers directly to the State Treasurer for the benefit of the Arkansas Statute Revision Commission does not provide adequate internal accounting controls; and that by remitting such additional court costs to the Arkansas Statute Revision Commission will provide the necessary mechanism in order to enhance the internal accounting control procedures of the State. 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 July 1, 1987.

APPROVED: 3/9/87

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