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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1605

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENT FOR A COURT TRANSCRIPT; AND
9 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

12 CONCERNING PAYMENT FOR A COURT
13 TRANSCRIPT.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-13-506(a), concerning the transcript of*
20 *a court proceeding, is amended to read as follows:*

21 *(a)(1) When required to make a transcript of court proceedings, each*
22 *court reporter of the circuit courts shall be entitled to compensation at the*
23 *rate of four dollars and ten cents (\$4.10) per page for the original and two*
24 *(2) copies and at the rate of fifty cents (50¢) per page for each additional*
25 *copy.*

26 *(2) When required to prepare photocopied evidence as part of a*
27 *transcript, each court reporter shall be entitled to compensation at the rate*
28 *of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per page, for an original and two (2)*
29 *copies and at the rate of fifty cents (50¢) per page for each additional copy*
30 *thereafter, with the cost to be paid by the parties ordering transcripts.*

31 *(3) The circuit court judge in which the court proceeding*
32 *occurred is exempt from this section.*

33 *(4)(A) If the circuit court judge utilized a substitute official*
34 *court reporter under § 16-13-509 for a court proceeding that the circuit*
35 *court judge later determines requires a transcript, the substitute official*
36 *court reporter shall receive additional compensation for producing the*



1 transcript for the circuit court judge.
2 (B) The Trial Employees Committee of the Arkansas Judicial
3 Council, Inc., shall develop a policy that shall be implemented by the
4 Administrative Office of the Courts to ensure fair compensation for a
5 substitute official court reporter who is required to produce a transcript
6 for a circuit court judge.

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