1 State of Arkansas   *As Engrossed: S3/10/05 S3/22/05*

2 85th General Assembly   **A Bill**

3 Regular Session, 2005   SENATE BILL   584

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5 By: Senators Miller, *Madison*

6 *By: Representatives Lamoureux, Ledbetter*

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9   **For An Act To Be Entitled**

10   AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR LEGAL AID; TO

11   *INCREASE THE FILING FEE FOR REOPENING A CASE IN*

12   *CIRCUIT COURT; AND FOR OTHER* PURPOSES.

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14   **Subtitle**

15   AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR LEGAL AID

16   *AND TO INCREASE FILING FEES.*

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

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21   *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 21-6-403(b), as amended by Act 431 of 2005,*

22 *is amended to read as follows:*

23   *(b) The uniform filing fees shall be:*

24   *(1) For initiating a cause of action in the circuit court,*

25 *including appeals $140.00*

26   *(2) For reopening a cause of action in the circuit court*

27 *............30.00 50.00*

28   *(3) For any cause of action which by court order is transferred*

29 *from any district or circuit court to a circuit court ....50.00.*

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31   SECTION 2. Title 19, Chapter 6, Subchapter 4 is amended to add a new

32 section as follows:

33   19-6-499. Public Legal Aid Fund.

34   (a) There is created on the books of the Treasurer of State, Auditor

35 of State, and Chief Fiscal Officer of the State a special revenue fund to be

36 known as the "Public Legal Aid Fund".

1   *(b)   The fund shall consist of such revenues as may be authorized by*
2   *law.*
3   *(c)   The fund shall be used for providing financial support for public*
4   *legal aid organizations and distributed as follows:*
5   *(1)   Forty-five percent (45%) of the fund shall be paid to Legal*
6   *Aid of Arkansas; and*
7   *(2)   Fifty-five percent (55%) of the fund shall be paid to the*
8   *Center for Arkansas Legal Services.*
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10   */s/ Miller*
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