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<u>Present law</u> allows a justice of the peace to demand and receive certain amounts for certain filings and services in civil matters.

<u>Present law</u> provides that 50% of each fee and deposit shall be retained by the justice of the peace to be used for fees and operational expenses and 50% is to be used for fees and operational expenses of the ward constable's office.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that 50% of the court costs shall be retained by the justice of the peace to be used for compensation and operational expenses and 50% of the court costs shall be used for compensation and operational expenses of the ward constable's office.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that in cases requiring out-of-jurisdiction service, the justice of the peace and his ward constable's office may enter into an agreement whereby the justice of the peace pays the out-of-jurisdiction server directly. <u>Proposed law</u> further provides that the out-of-jurisdiction server's fee shall be paid from the ward constable office's portion of the court costs.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a justice of the peace in Jefferson and East Baton Rouge parishes may demand and receive certain amounts in addition or in lieu of fees and costs provided in present law.

<u>Present law</u> provides that each fee and deposit received by a justice of the peace shall be retained in a separate account for fees and operational expenses of the clerk of court's office.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that all amounts received by a justice of the peace shall be retained in a separate account for compensation and operational expenses of the clerk of court's office.

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(Amends R.S. 13:2590(B), 2590.1(B)(intro para), and (C))