
DIGEST

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HB 464 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Provides for the distribution of surplus monies in the witness fee fund for Pineville City Court.

Present law provides for the collection of court costs, known as "witness fees", to pay off-duty law enforcement officers who are required to be present in a criminal case or delinquency proceeding. Provides that each judicial district shall establish a schedule of witness fees and shall place these fees in a special fund administered by the governing authority.

Proposed law provides that in the Pineville City Court, surplus monies in the witness fee fund that exceed \$15,000 at the end of each calendar year shall be transferred to the general fund of the city of Pineville to be used solely for the Community Affairs Division of the police department for crime suppression.

Proposed law provides that the witness fee fund shall not be expended or encumbered and shall not be reduced below \$15,000 as a result of a transfer pursuant to proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 15:255(Z))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill:

1. Transfer surplus monies in the witness fee fund of Pineville City Court that exceed \$15,000 at the end of each calendar year to the general fund of the city of Pineville.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Specify that the witness fee fund shall not be expended or encumbered and shall not be reduced below \$15,000 as a result of a transfer pursuant to proposed law.