

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 302

BY REPRESENTATIVE LANCE HARRIS

PROBATION: Increases the maximum amount of parole supervision fees and provides relative to the use of the funds

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 15:574.4.2(A)(2)(e), relative to parole supervision fees; to  
3 provide relative to conditions of supervised release for persons released on parole;  
4 to increase the maximum amount of parole supervision fees; to provide relative to  
5 the use of funds received from the increase in the amount of supervision fees; and  
6 to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 15:574.4.2(A)(2)(e) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as  
9 follows:

10 §574.4.2. Decisions of committee on parole; nature, order, and conditions of parole;  
11 rules of conduct; infectious disease testing

12 A.

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14 (2) The committee may also require, either at the time of his release on  
15 parole or at any time while he remains on parole, that he conform to any of the  
16 following conditions of parole which are deemed appropriate to the circumstances  
17 of the particular case:

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19 (e) Pay supervision fees to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections  
20 in an amount not to exceed ~~sixty-three~~ one hundred dollars based upon his ability to

1 pay as determined by the committee on parole. Payments are due on the first day of  
 2 each month. The provisions of this Subparagraph are applicable to parolees who are  
 3 employed as determined by the Division of Probation and Parole.

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5 Section 2. Beginning on the effective date of this Act and each year thereafter, the  
 6 funds received from the increase in the amount of supervision fees from not more than sixty-  
 7 three dollars to not more than one-hundred dollars pursuant to this Act, will be dedicated to  
 8 the recruiting and retention of adult probation and parole officers without the supplanting  
 9 of any budget funds used for those purposes.

DIGEST

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HB 302 Reengrossed

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**Abstract:** Increases the maximum amount of the monthly fee for parole supervision and provides relative to the use of the funds received from the increase.

Present law authorizes the committee on parole to impose certain conditions or requirements on a person who is released on parole including the requirement that the person pay a fee to the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections in an amount not to exceed \$63, based upon the offender's ability to pay as determined by the committee on parole.

Proposed law increases the maximum amount of the fee from \$63 to \$100, and further provides that only those persons released on parole who are employed as determined by the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, division of probation and parole, must pay the fee.

Proposed law provides that beginning on the effective date of the proposed law and each year thereafter, the funds received from the proposed increase in the amount of supervision fees will be dedicated to the recruitment and retention of adult probation and parole officers without the supplanting of any budget funds used for those purposes.

(Amends R.S. 15:574.4.2(A)(2)(e))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Add language requiring the funds received from the proposed increase in supervision fees to be dedicated to the recruitment and retention of adult probation and parole officers without supplanting any budget funds used for those purposes.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Provide that only those persons released on parole who are employed as determined by the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, division of probation and parole, must pay the fee.