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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides an exception for the town of Addis to the mandatory assessment and remittance of special costs to the district indigent defender fund.

Present law requires every court of original criminal jurisdiction, except the town of Jonesville, the city of Plaquemine, and mayors' courts in municipalities having a population of less than 5,000, to remit special costs to the district indigent defender fund for certain violations, except parking violations.

Present law requires the sum of \$35 to be assessed in cases in which a defendant is convicted after a trial, a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, or after forfeiting bond in addition to all other fines, costs, or forfeitures imposed.

Present law further requires such amounts to be remitted monthly by the respective recipients to the judicial district indigent defender fund by the 10th day of the succeeding month.

Proposed law adds an exception to exclude the town of Addis from the requirements of present law.

(Amends R.S. 15:168(B)(1)(a))