SLS 11RS-241 ORIGINAL

Regular Session, 2011

SENATE BILL NO. 31

BY SENATOR SMITH

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

COURTS. Increases authorized court costs for municipal ordinance violations in the mayor's court in the town of New Llano. (8/15/11)

AN ACT

| 2 | To enact R.S. 33:448(D), relative to mayor's courts; to increase authorized court costs for |
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| 3 | municipal ordinance violations in the mayor's court of the town of New Llano; and |
| 4 | to provide for related matters. |
| 5 | Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: |
| 6 | Section 1. R.S. 33:448(D) is hereby enacted to read as follows: |
| 7 | §448. Mayor's court; town of New Llano; establishment; jurisdiction; additional |
| 8 | court costs |
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| 10 | D. In addition to the court costs authorized by R.S. 33:441, the mayor |
| 11 | of the town of New Llano, as the presiding officer of the mayor's court of the |
| 12 | town of New Llano, may impose additional court costs not to exceed twenty |
| 13 | dollars for each offense, as defined by ordinance, on any defendant convicted |
| 14 | of a violation of a municipal ordinance. |

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

DIGEST

<u>Present law</u> establishes and provides for a mayor's court for the town of New Llano. <u>Present law</u>, applicable to mayor's courts generally, authorizes the mayor, as presiding officer of the court, to impose court costs not to exceed \$30 dollars for each offense, as defined by ordinance, on any defendant convicted of a violation of a municipal ordinance.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and further provides that in addition to the court costs authorized by <u>present law</u>, the mayor, as the presiding officer of the court of the town of New Llano, may impose additional court costs not to exceed \$20 dollars for each offense, as defined by ordinance, on any defendant convicted of a violation of a municipal ordinance.

Effective August 15, 2011.

(Adds R.S. 33:448(D))