

Regular Session, 2012

ACT No. 81

HOUSE BILL NO. 355

BY REPRESENTATIVE POPE

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 15:85.3, relative to posting of criminal bonds; to provide for an increase in
3 fees assessed for criminal bonds in Denham Springs; to provide for collection of fees
4 by the marshal of the Denham Springs City Court; to provide for allocation of funds
5 to the marshal's general fund; to provide for use of funds for the operational expenses
6 of the marshal's office; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 15:85.3 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §85.3. Posting of criminal bonds; Denham Springs Marshal's Office; additional fee
10 assessed

11 A. An additional fee of twenty dollars shall be assessed for every criminal
12 bond posted in the city court of Denham Springs. This fee shall be in addition to any
13 other fees or fines as provided by law. Any person seeking release by means of a
14 criminal bond, or his designated representative, shall pay the fee to the marshal for
15 the Denham Springs City Court who shall deposit the funds in the marshal's general
16 fund for the city court of Denham Springs.

17 B. The monies collected pursuant to the provisions of Subsection A of this
18 Section shall be used to supplement the operational expenses of the marshal's office
19 for the city court of Denham Springs. The expenditure of the funds shall be at the
20 sole discretion of the marshal of the court.

21 C. Any person found not guilty or any person against whom criminal charges
22 are brought and thereafter dismissed may petition the city court of Denham Springs
23 for a refund of the fee assessed pursuant to the provisions of this Section.

1 D. The assessment and disposition of any funds pursuant to this Section shall
2 not affect the responsibilities of the city and parish governing authority provided by
3 law for the financing of the marshal's office of the city court of Denham Springs.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____