Havard (HB 553) Act No. 181

<u>Existing law</u> provides, in a judicial commitment procedure, that reasonable compensation of the appointed examining physicians and all court costs shall be established by the court and ordered paid by respondent or petitioner in the discretion of the court.

<u>Prior law</u> provided that, if it is determined by the court that the costs shall not be borne by the respondent or the petitioner, the compensation to the physicians and all court costs shall be paid from funds appropriated to the judiciary, but such court costs shall not exceed the sum of \$75.

New law retains prior law but increases the maximum costs from \$75 to \$125.

Effective Aug. 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 28:54(D)(2))