2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 231

BY REPRESENTATIVE THIERRY

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 13:971(B)(1)(a), (2), and (7), relative to court reporter fees; to
3	authorize an increase in court reporter fees for the Twenty-Seventh Judicial District
4	Court; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 13:971(B)(1)(a), (2), and (7) are hereby amended and reenacted to
7	read as follows:
8	§971. Sixteenth and Twenty-Seventh Judicial Districts; additional court reporters;
9	fees charged by court reporters; indigent transcript fund
10	* * *
11	B.(1)(a) In the Twenty-Seventh Judicial District, in all civil cases a fee of
12	two three dollars and fifty cents per page for the original and fifty cents per page for
13	copies reported and transcribed shall be charged by and paid to the court reporter
14	who reports and transcribes the testimony and shall be retained by him as
15	compensation in addition to the salary as provided herein.
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17	(2) In all criminal cases, except those involving indigent defendants, a fee
18	of two three dollars and fifty cents per page for the original, and fifty cents for each
19	copy thereafter reported and transcribed shall be paid to the court reporter who
20	reports and transcribes the testimony and shall be retained by him as compensation
21	in addition to the salary as provided herein. The payment of fees in criminal cases
22	involving indigent defendants shall be governed by the provisions of R.S. 13:4529.
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1	(7) Court reporters shall be paid two three dollars and twenty-five fifty cents
2	per thirty-one-line page for such work, and twenty-five cents per page for each copy,
3	as funds become available, all such payments to be made from the criminal indigent
4	transcript fund by the court.
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6	Section 2. The increase in court costs as provided for in this Act shall become
7	effective if and when the Judicial Council provides a recommendation that such costs meet
8	the applicable guidelines in its 2016 Report to the Louisiana Legislature.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____