HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2016 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Representative Jay Morris to Engrossed House Bill No. 659 by Representative James

1   AMENDMENT NO. 1

2   On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" and before "and to enact" delete "R.S. 13:1898(C)" and
3   insert "R.S. 13:1898(A)"

4   AMENDMENT NO. 2

5   On page 1, line 6, after "Section 1." and before "is hereby amended" delete "R.S.
6   13:1898(C)" and insert "R.S. 13:1898(A)"

7   AMENDMENT NO. 3

8   On page 1, after line 9, insert the following:

9   "A. Except as otherwise provided by special law and in Subsection B of this Section,
10   the clerk of the city court or the marshal, as designated by the judge, or a private
11   collection agency as authorized by contract with the municipal governing authority,
12   shall collect all fines, forfeitures, penalties, and costs, and all funds so collected by
13   them, excluding costs, shall be paid into the city treasury when the prosecution is on
14   behalf of the city and into the parish treasury to be deposited in the parish general
15   fund and used as a general expenditure of the parish, in parishes other than Orleans,
16   when the prosecution is on behalf of the state or parish. ~~The amount of the debt shall~~
17   ~~not be reduced if collected by a private collection agency.~~"

18   AMENDMENT NO. 4

19   On page 1, delete lines 11 through 17 in their entirety

20   AMENDMENT NO. 5

21   On page 1, at the beginning of line 18, change "D." to "D(1)."

22   AMENDMENT NO. 6

23   On page 1, after line 20, add the following:

24   "(2) The collection of all unpaid fines, forfeitures, penalties and costs by a private
25   collection agency shall commence only after a demand letter has been sent to the
26   obligor's address of record giving the obligor thirty days from the date of such
27   demand letter to pay the total amount due.

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1   (3) Any collection fee charged by a private collection company pursuant to the
2   provisions of this Section shall be deducted from the total amount of the debt owed."

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