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H.B. No. 2918

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the imposition of a supplemental court security fee on conviction of certain criminal offenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Articles 102.017(a) and (d), Code of Criminal Procedure, are amended to read as follows:

(a) The courthouse security fund is a fund in the county treasury, and the municipal court building security fund is a fund in the municipal treasury. The funds consist of:

(1) money allocated to the funds under Sections 134.101, 134.102, 134.103, 135.101, and 135.102, Local Government Code; and

(2) money deposited to the funds under Section 134.104, Local Government Code.

(d) This subsection applies only to a justice court located in a county in which one or more justice courts are located in a building that is not the county courthouse. The county treasurer shall deposit one-fourth of the money allocated or deposited to the courthouse security fund under Sections [~~Section~~] 134.103 and 134.104, Local Government Code, in a fund to be known as the justice court building security fund. A fund designated by this subsection may be used only for the purpose of providing security personnel, services, and items for a justice court located in a building that is not the county courthouse.

1 SECTION 2. Section 134.002(a)(1), Local Government Code, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 (1) "Fee" means a criminal fee described by [~~listed~~
4 ~~under~~] Section 134.003.

5 SECTION 3. Section 134.003, Local Government Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 134.003. CRIMINAL FEES. This chapter applies to the
8 criminal fees imposed under Subchapter C [~~Sections 134.101,~~
9 ~~134.102, and 134.103~~].

10 SECTION 4. Section 134.052(a), Local Government Code, is
11 amended to read as follows:

12 (a) Money collected under Subchapter C as court costs
13 [~~imposed on offenses committed on or after January 1, 2020,~~] shall
14 be:

15 (1) allocated according to the percentages provided by
16 Sections 134.101, 134.102, and 134.103, as applicable; or

17 (2) deposited as provided by Section 134.104.

18 SECTION 5. Subchapter C, Chapter 134, Local Government
19 Code, is amended by adding Section 134.104 to read as follows:

20 Sec. 134.104. SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY FEE. (a) In addition
21 to any other fee paid under this subchapter, a person convicted of a
22 misdemeanor or felony offense whose sentence on conviction of the
23 offense includes the imposition of a fine shall pay a \$1
24 supplemental security fee as a cost of court.

25 (b) The treasurer shall deposit the court costs collected
26 under Subsection (a) to the courthouse security fund or municipal
27 court building security fund, as appropriate.

1 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.