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H.B. No. 895

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to imposing a fee on a request for a waiver of the waiting
3 period following the issuance of a marriage license.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 2.204, Family Code, is amended by adding
6 Subsection (d) to read as follows:

7 (d) The clerk of the court shall collect a fee of \$25 from an
8 applicant who requests a waiver under Subsection (c). The clerk
9 shall remit the fee to the county treasurer, or the person who
10 performs the duties of the county treasurer, of the county in which
11 the court sits. The county treasurer, or the person who performs
12 the duties of the county treasurer, shall deposit the fees received
13 to the credit of the county general fund to be used for
14 court-related purposes for the support of the judiciary.

15 SECTION 2. Section 2.204, Family Code, as amended by this
16 Act, applies only to a request for a waiver of the waiting period
17 following the issuance of a marriage license that is made on or
18 after the effective date of this Act. A request for a waiver of the
19 waiting period that is made before the effective date of this Act is
20 governed by the law in effect on the date the request was made, and
21 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.