By: Deshotel H.B. No. 1404

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to the fees collected by a county clerk for certain filings
3	in pending probate actions.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
5	SECTION 1. Section 118.052, Local Government Code, is
6	amended to read as follows:
7	Sec. 118.052. FEE SCHEDULE. Each clerk of a county court
8	shall collect the following fees for services rendered to any
9	person:
LO	(1) CIVIL COURT ACTIONS
L1	(A) Filing of Original Action (Sec. 118.053):
L2	(i) Garnishment after judgment \$15.00
L3	(ii) All others \$40.00
L4	(B) Filing of Action Other than Original (Sec.
L5	118.054) \$30.00
L6	(C) Services Rendered After Judgment in Original
L7	Action (Sec. 118.0545):
L8	(i) Abstract of judgment \$ 5.00
L9	(ii) Execution, order of sale, writ, or
20	other process \$ 5.00
21	(2) PROBATE COURT ACTIONS
22	(A) Probate Original Action (Sec. 118.055):
23	(i) Probate of a will with independent

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executor, administration with will attached, administration of an

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    estate, guardianship or receivership of an estate, or muniment of
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    title . . . $40.00
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                          (ii) Community survivors . . . $40.00
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                          (iii) Small estates . . $40.00
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                          (iv) Declarations of heirship . . . $40.00
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                          (v) Mental health or chemical dependency
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    services . . . $40.00
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                          (vi) Additional,
                                               special
                                                         fee
                                                                (Sec.
    118.064) . . . $ 5.00
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                     (B)
                          Services in Pending Probate Action (Sec.
    118.056):
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                          (i)
                               Filing an inventory and appraisement
    after the 120th day after the date of the initial filing of the
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    action . . $25.00
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                          (ii) Approving and recording bond . . .
    $ 3.00
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                          (iii) Administering oath . . . $ 2.00
                          (iv) Filing annual or final account of
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    estate . . . $25.00
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                          (v) Filing application for sale of real or
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    personal property . . . $25.00
                          (vi) Filing annual or final report
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    guardian of a person . . . $10.00
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                          (vii) Filing a document not listed under
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    this paragraph after the filing of an order approving the inventory
    and appraisement or after the 120th day after the date of the
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initial filing of the action, whichever occurs first, if more than

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    25 pages . . . $25.00
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                     (C) Adverse Probate
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    118.057) . . . $40.00
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                     (D) Claim Against Estate (Sec. 118.058) . . .
    $ 2.00
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                (3) OTHER FEES
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                         Issuing Document (Sec. 118.059):
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                     original document and one copy . . . $ 4.00
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                     each additional set of an original and one
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    copy . . . $ 4.00
                         Certified Papers (Sec. 118.060):
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                     (B)
                     for the clerk's certificate . . . $ 5.00
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                     plus a fee per page or part of a page of . . .
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    $ 1.00
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                     (C) Noncertified Papers (Sec. 118.0605):
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                     for each page or part of a page . . . $ 1.00
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                     (D)
                        Letters
                                    Testamentary,
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                                                                  of
    Guardianship, Letter of Administration, or Abstract of Judgment
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    (Sec. 118.061) . . . $ 2.00
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                     (E) Safekeeping of Wills (Sec. 118.062) . . .
    $ 5.00
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                same as
                     (F) Mail
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                                 Service of
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    118.063) . . . sheriff
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                     (G) Records Management
                                                 and Preservation
    Fee . . . $ 5.00
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          SECTION 2. Section 101.081, Government Code, is amended to
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- 1 read as follows:
- 2 Sec. 101.081. STATUTORY COUNTY COURT FEES AND COSTS. The
- 3 clerk of a statutory county court shall collect fees and costs as
- 4 follows:
- 5 (1) court cost in certain civil cases to establish and
- 6 maintain an alternative dispute resolution system, if authorized by
- 7 the county commissioners court (Sec. 152.004, Civil Practice and
- 8 Remedies Code) . . . not to exceed \$10;
- 9 (2) appellate judicial system filing fees:
- 10 (A) First or Fourteenth Court of Appeals District
- 11 (Sec. 22.2021, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 12 (B) Second Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 13 22.2031, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 14 (C) Fourth Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 15 22.2051, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 16 (D) Fifth Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 17 22.2061, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5; and
- 18 (E) Thirteenth Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 19 22.2141, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 20 (3) an official court reporter fee, County Court at
- 21 Law No. 2 of Bexar County (Sec. 25.0172, Government Code) . . . \$3;
- 22 (4) a court reporter fee when testimony is taken in a
- 23 county court at law in McLennan County (Sec. 25.1572, Government
- 24 Code) . . . \$3;
- 25 (5) a stenographer fee, if a record or part of a record
- 26 is made:
- 27 (A) in a county court at law in Hidalgo County

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1 (Sec. 25.1102, Government Code) . . . $20; and
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- 2 (B) in a county court at law in Nolan County (Sec.
- 3 25.1792, Government Code) . . . \$25;
- 4 (6) jury fee (Sec. 51.604, Government
- 5 Code) . . . \$22;
- 6 (7) an additional filing fee:
- 7 (A) for each civil case filed to be used for
- 8 court-related purposes for the support of the judiciary, if
- 9 authorized by the county commissioners court (Sec. 51.702,
- 10 Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 11 (B) to fund the improvement of Dallas County
- 12 civil court facilities, if authorized by the county commissioners
- 13 court (Sec. 51.705, Government Code) . . . not more than \$15; and
- 14 (C) for filing any civil action or proceeding
- 15 requiring a filing fee, including an appeal, and on the filing of
- 16 any counterclaim, cross-action, intervention, interpleader, or
- 17 third-party action requiring a filing fee, to fund civil legal
- 18 services for the indigent (Sec. 133.153, Local Government
- 19 Code) . . . \$5;
- 20 (8) for filing an application for registration of
- 21 death (Sec. 193.007, Health and Safety Code) . . . \$1;
- 22 (9) fee for judge's services on an application for
- 23 court-ordered mental health services (Sec. 574.031, Health and
- 24 Safety Code) . . not to exceed \$50;
- 25 (10) fee for prosecutor's services on an application
- 26 for court-ordered mental health services (Sec. 574.031, Health and
- 27 Safety Code) . . . not to exceed \$50;

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- 1 (11) for filing a suit in Comal County (Sec. 152.0522,
- 2 Human Resources Code) . . . \$4;
- 3 (12) additional filing fee to fund contingency fund
- 4 for liability insurance, if authorized by the county commissioners
- 5 court (Sec. 82.003, Local Government Code) . . . not to exceed \$5;
- 6 (13) civil court actions (Sec. 118.052, Local
- 7 Government Code):
- 8 (A) filing of original action (Secs. 118.052 and
- 9 118.053, Local Government Code):
- 10 (i) garnishment after judgment (Sec.
- 11 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$15; and
- 12 (ii) all others (Sec. 118.052, Local
- 13 Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 14 (B) filing of action other than original (Secs.
- 15 118.052 and 118.054, Local Government Code) . . . \$30; and
- 16 (C) services rendered after judgment in original
- action (Secs. 118.052 and 118.0545, Local Government Code):
- 18 (i) abstract of judgment (Sec. 118.052,
- 19 Local Government Code) . . . \$5; and
- 20 (ii) execution, order of sale, writ, or
- other process (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$5;
- 22 (14) probate court actions (Sec. 118.052, Local
- 23 Government Code):
- 24 (A) probate original action (Secs. 118.052 and
- 25 118.055, Local Government Code):
- 26 (i) probate of a will with independent
- 27 executor, administration with will attached, administration of an

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- 1 estate, guardianship or receivership of an estate, or muniment of
- title (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 3 (ii) community survivors (Sec. 118.052,
- 4 Local Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 5 (iii) small estates (Sec. 118.052, Local
- 6 Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 7 (iv) declarations of heirship (Sec.
- 8 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 9 (v) mental health or chemical dependency
- 10 services (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$40; and
- 11 (vi) additional, special fee (Secs. 118.052
- 12 and 118.064, Local Government Code) . . . \$5;
- 13 (B) services in pending probate action (Secs.
- 14 118.052 and 118.056, Local Government Code):
- 15 (i) filing an inventory and appraisement
- 16 after the 120th day after the date of the initial filing of the
- 17 action (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$25;
- 18 (ii) approving and recording bond (Sec.
- 19 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$3;
- 20 (iii) administering oath (Sec. 118.052,
- 21 Local Government Code) . . . \$2;
- 22 (iv) filing annual or final account of
- 23 estate (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$25;
- 24 (v) filing application for sale of real or
- personal property (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$25;
- 26 [and]
- 27 (vi) filing annual or final report of

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- 1 guardian of a person (Sec. 118.052, Local Government
- 2 Code) . . . \$10; <u>and</u>
- 3 <u>(vii) filing a document not listed under</u>
- 4 this paragraph after the filing of an order approving the inventory
- 5 and appraisement or after the 120th day after the date of the
- 6 initial filing of the action, whichever occurs first (Secs. 118.052
- 7 and 191.007, Local Government Code), if more than 25
- 8 pages . . \$25;
- 9 (C) adverse probate action (Secs. 118.052 and
- 10 118.057, Local Government Code) . . . \$40; and
- 11 (D) claim against estate (Secs. 118.052 and
- 12 118.058, Local Government Code) . . . \$2;
- 13 (15) other fees (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code):
- 14 (A) issuing document (Secs. 118.052 and 118.059,
- 15 Local Government Code):
- 16 (i) original document and one copy (Sec.
- 17 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$4; and
- 18 (ii) each additional set of an original and
- one copy (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$4;
- 20 (B) certified papers (Secs. 118.052 and 118.060,
- 21 Local Government Code):
- (i) for the clerk's certificate (Sec.
- 23 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$5; and
- (ii) a fee per page or part of a page (Sec.
- 25 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$1;
- 26 (C) noncertified papers, for each page or part of
- 27 a page (Secs. 118.052 and 118.0605, Local Government

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1 Code) . . . $1;
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- 2 (D) letters testamentary, letter of
- 3 quardianship, letter of administration, or abstract of judgment
- 4 (Secs. 118.052 and 118.061, Local Government Code) . . . \$2;
- 5 (E) safekeeping of wills (Secs. 118.052 and
- 6 118.062, Local Government Code) . . . \$5;
- 7 (F) mail service of process (Secs. 118.052 and
- 8 118.063, Local Government Code) . . . same as sheriff; and
- 9 (G) records management and preservation fee
- 10 (Secs. 118.052, 118.0546, and 118.0645, Local Government
- 11 Code) . . . \$5;
- 12 (16) additional filing fee to fund the courthouse
- 13 security fund, if authorized by the county commissioners court
- 14 (Sec. 291.008, Local Government Code) . . . not to exceed \$5;
- 15 (17) additional filing fee for filing documents not
- 16 subject to certain filing fees to fund the courthouse security
- 17 fund, if authorized by the county commissioners court (Sec.
- 18 291.008, Local Government Code) . . . \$1;
- 19 (18) additional filing fee to fund the courthouse
- 20 security fund in Webb County, if authorized by the county
- 21 commissioners court (Sec. 291.009, Local Government Code) . . . not
- 22 to exceed \$20;
- 23 (19) court cost in civil cases other than suits for
- 24 delinquent taxes to fund the county law library fund, if authorized
- 25 by the county commissioners court (Sec. 323.023, Local Government
- 26 Code) . . . not to exceed \$35;
- 27 (20) fee for deposit of a will with the county clerk

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- during testator's lifetime (Sec. 71, Texas Probate Code) . . . \$3;
- 2 (21) court cost for each special commissioner in an
- 3 eminent domain proceeding (Sec. 21.047, Property Code) . . . as
- 4 taxed by the court, \$10 or more; and
- 5 (22) fee for county attorney in a suit regarding a
- 6 railroad company's failure to keep roadbed and right-of-way in
- 7 proper condition (Art. 6327, Vernon's Texas Civil
- 8 Statutes) . . . \$10.
- 9 SECTION 3. Section 101.101, Government Code, is amended to
- 10 read as follows:
- 11 Sec. 101.101. STATUTORY PROBATE COURT FEES AND COSTS. The
- 12 clerk of a statutory probate court shall collect fees and costs as
- 13 follows:
- 14 (1) court cost in certain civil cases to establish and
- 15 maintain an alternative dispute resolution system, if authorized by
- 16 the county commissioners court (Sec. 152.004, Civil Practice and
- 17 Remedies Code) . . . not to exceed \$10;
- 18 (2) appellate judicial system filing fees:
- 19 (A) First or Fourteenth Court of Appeals District
- 20 (Sec. 22.2021, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 21 (B) Second Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 22 22.2031, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 23 (C) Fourth Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 24 22.2051, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 25 (D) Fifth Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 26 22.2061, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5; and
- 27 (E) Thirteenth Court of Appeals District (Sec.

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1 22.2141, Government Code) . . . not more than $5;
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- 2 (3) additional filing fees as follows:
- 3 (A) for certain cases to be used for
- 4 court-related purposes for support of the judiciary, if authorized
- 5 by the county commissioners court (Sec. 51.704, Government
- 6 Code) . . . \$40;
- 7 (B) to fund the improvement of Dallas County
- 8 civil court facilities, if authorized by the county commissioners
- 9 court (Sec. 51.705, Government Code) . . . not more than \$15; and
- 10 (C) for filing any civil action or proceeding
- 11 requiring a filing fee, including an appeal, and on the filing of
- 12 any counterclaim, cross-action, intervention, interpleader, or
- 13 third-party action requiring a filing fee to fund civil legal
- 14 services for the indigent (Sec. 133.153, Local Government
- 15 Code) . . . \$5;
- 16 (4) for filing an application for registration of
- death (Sec. 193.007, Health and Safety Code) . . . \$1;
- 18 (5) fee for judge's services on an application for
- 19 court-ordered mental health services (Sec. 574.031, Health and
- 20 Safety Code) . . . not to exceed \$50;
- 21 (6) fee for prosecutor's services on an application
- for court-ordered mental health services (Sec. 574.031, Health and
- 23 Safety Code) . . . not to exceed \$50;
- 24 (7) additional filing fee to fund contingency fund for
- 25 liability insurance, if authorized by the county commissioners
- court (Sec. 82.003, Local Government Code) . . . not to exceed \$5;
- 27 (8) probate court actions (Sec. 118.052, Local

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1 Government Code):
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- 2 (A) probate original action (Secs. 118.052 and
- 3 118.055, Local Government Code):
- 4 (i) probate of a will with independent
- 5 executor, administration with will attached, administration of an
- 6 estate, guardianship or receivership of an estate, or muniment of
- 7 title (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 8 (ii) community survivors (Sec. 118.052,
- 9 Local Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 10 (iii) small estates (Sec. 118.052, Local
- 11 Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 12 (iv) declarations of heirship (Sec.
- 13 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 14 (v) mental health or chemical dependency
- 15 services (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$40; and
- 16 (vi) additional, special fee (Secs. 118.052
- 17 and 118.064, Local Government Code) . . . \$5;
- 18 (B) services in pending probate action (Secs.
- 19 118.052 and 118.056, Local Government Code):
- 20 (i) filing an inventory and appraisement
- 21 after the 120th day after the date of the initial filing of the
- 22 action (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$25;
- (ii) approving and recording bond (Sec.
- 24 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$3;
- 25 (iii) administering oath (Sec. 118.052,
- 26 Local Government Code) . . . \$2;
- 27 (iv) filing annual or final account of

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    estate (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . $25;
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                               filing application for sale of real or
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    personal property (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . $25;
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 4
     [and]
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                           (vi)
                                filing annual or final
                                                            report of
 6
                        person
                                         118.052, Local
    guardian of a
                                (Sec.
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 7
     Code) . . . $10; and
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                          (vii) filing a document not listed under
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    this paragraph after the filing of an order approving the inventory
    and appraisement or after the 120th day after the date of the
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    initial filing of the action, whichever occurs first (Secs. 118.052
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    and 191.007, Local Government Code), if more
    pages . . . $25;
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                     (C)
                          adverse probate action (Secs. 118.052 and
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     118.057, Local Government Code) . . . $40; and
                     (D) claim against estate (Secs. 118.052
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                                                                   and
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     118.058, Local Government Code) . . . $2;
                (9) other fees (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code):
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                          issuing document (Secs. 118.052 and 118.059,
    Local Government Code):
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                               original document and one copy (Sec.
     118.052, Local Government Code) . . . $4; and
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                           (ii) each additional set of an original and
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24
    one copy (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . $4;
25
                     (B) certified papers (Secs. 118.052 and 118.060,
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    Local Government Code):
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- 1 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$5; and
- 2 (ii) a fee per page or part of a page (Sec.
- 3 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$1;
- 4 (C) noncertified papers, for each page or part of
- 5 a page (Secs. 118.052 and 118.0605, Local Government
- 6 Code) . . . \$1;
- 7 (D) letters testamentary, letter of
- 8 guardianship, letter of administration, or abstract of judgment
- 9 (Secs. 118.052 and 118.061, Local Government Code) . . . \$2;
- 10 (E) safekeeping of wills (Secs. 118.052 and
- 11 118.062, Local Government Code) . . . \$5;
- 12 (F) mail service of process (Secs. 118.052 and
- 13 118.063, Local Government Code) . . . same as sheriff; and
- 14 (G) records management and preservation fee
- 15 (Secs. 118.052 and 118.0645, Local Government Code) . . . \$5;
- 16 (10) fee for deposit of a will with the county clerk
- during testator's lifetime (Sec. 71, Texas Probate Code) . . . \$3;
- 18 (11) court costs for each special commissioner in an
- 19 eminent domain proceeding (Sec. 21.047, Property Code) . . . as
- 20 taxed by the court, \$10 or more;
- 21 (12) jury fee for civil case (Sec. 51.604, Government
- 22 Code) . . . \$22; and
- 23 (13) court cost in civil cases other than suits for
- 24 delinquent taxes to fund the county law library fund, if authorized
- 25 by the county commissioners court (Sec. 323.023, Local Government
- 26 Code) . . . not to exceed \$35.
- SECTION 4. Section 101.121, Government Code, is amended to

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1 read as follows:
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- 2 Sec. 101.121. COUNTY COURT FEES AND COSTS. The clerk of a
- 3 county court shall collect:
- 4 (1) fee for hearing on application for a license to
- 5 manufacture, distribute, store, or sell beer (Sec. 61.31, Alcoholic
- 6 Beverage Code) . . . \$5;
- 7 (2) court cost in certain civil cases to establish and
- 8 maintain an alternative dispute resolution system, if authorized by
- 9 the county commissioners court (Sec. 152.004, Civil Practice and
- 10 Remedies Code) . . . not to exceed \$10;
- 11 (3) appellate judicial system filing fees:
- 12 (A) First or Fourteenth Court of Appeals District
- 13 (Sec. 22.2021, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 14 (B) Second Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 15 22.2031, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 16 (C) Fourth Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 17 22.2051, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 18 (D) Fifth Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 19 22.2061, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5; and
- 20 (E) Thirteenth Court of Appeals District (Sec.
- 21 22.2141, Government Code) . . . not more than \$5;
- 22 (4) a jury fee (Sec. 51.604, Government
- 23 Code) . . . \$22;
- 24 (5) a filing fee in each civil case filed to be used
- 25 for court-related purposes for the support of the judiciary (Sec.
- 26 51.703, Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 27 (6) for filing an application for registration of

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- death (Sec. 193.007, Health and Safety Code) . . . \$1;
- 2 (7) fee for judge's services on an application for
- 3 court-ordered mental health services (Sec. 574.031, Health and
- 4 Safety Code) . . . not to exceed \$50;
- 5 (8) fee for prosecutor's services on an application
- 6 for court-ordered mental health services (Sec. 574.031, Health and
- 7 Safety Code) . . . not to exceed \$50;
- 8 (9) additional filing fee to fund contingency fund for
- 9 liability insurance, if authorized by the county commissioners
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- 12 Government Code):
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- 14 118.053, Local Government Code):
- 15 (i) garnishment after judgment (Sec.
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- 17 (ii) all others (Sec. 118.052, Local
- 18 Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 19 (B) filing of action other than original (Secs.
- 20 118.052 and 118.054, Local Government Code) . . . \$30; and
- 21 (C) services rendered after judgment in original
- action (Secs. 118.052 and 118.0545, Local Government Code):
- (i) abstract of judgment (Sec. 118.052,
- 24 Local Government Code) . . . \$5; and
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- other process (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$5;
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- 5 executor, administration with will attached, administration of an
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- 9 Local Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 10 (iii) small estates (Sec. 118.052, Local
- 11 Government Code) . . . \$40;
- 12 (iv) declarations of heirship (Sec.
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- 20 (i) filing an inventory and appraisement
- 21 after the 120th day after the date of the initial filing of the
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- 24 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$3;
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- 26 Local Government Code) . . . \$2;
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1 estate (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code)... $25;
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- 2 (v) filing application for sale of real or
- 3 personal property (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$25;
- 4 [and]
- 5 (vi) filing annual or final report of
- 6 guardian of a person (Sec. 118.052, Local Government
- 7 Code) . . . \$10; <u>and</u>
- 8 <u>(vii) filing a document not listed under</u>
- 9 this paragraph after the filing of an order approving the inventory
- 10 and appraisement or after the 120th day after the date of the
- initial filing of the action, whichever occurs first (Secs. 118.052
- 12 and 191.007, Local Government Code), if more than 25
- 13 pages . . . \$25;
- 14 (C) adverse probate action (Secs. 118.052 and
- 15 118.057, Local Government Code) . . . \$40; and
- 16 (D) claim against estate (Secs. 118.052 and
- 17 118.058, Local Government Code) . . . \$2;
- 18 (12) other fees (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code):
- 19 (A) issuing document (Secs. 118.052 and 118.059,
- 20 Local Government Code):
- (i) original document and one copy (Sec.
- 22 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$4; and
- 23 (ii) each additional set of an original and
- one copy (Sec. 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$4;
- 25 (B) certified papers (Secs. 118.052 and 118.060,
- 26 Local Government Code):
- 27 (i) for the clerk's certificate (Sec.

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- 1 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$5; and
- 2 (ii) a fee per page or part of a page (Sec.
- 3 118.052, Local Government Code) . . . \$1;
- 4 (C) noncertified papers, for each page or part of
- 5 a page (Secs. 118.052 and 118.0605, Local Government
- 6 Code) . . . \$1;
- 7 (D) letters testamentary, letter of
- 8 guardianship, letter of administration, or abstract of judgment
- 9 (Secs. 118.052 and 118.061, Local Government Code) . . . \$2;
- 10 (E) safekeeping of wills (Secs. 118.052 and
- 11 118.062, Local Government Code) . . . \$5;
- 12 (F) mail service of process (Secs. 118.052 and
- 13 118.063, Local Government Code) . . . same as sheriff; and
- 14 (G) records management and preservation fee
- 15 (Secs. 118.052, 118.0546, and 118.0645, Local Government
- 16 Code) . . . \$5;
- 17 (13) deposit on filing petition requesting permission
- 18 to create a municipal civic center authority (Sec. 281.013, Local
- 19 Government Code) . . . \$200;
- 20 (14) additional filing fee to fund the courthouse
- 21 security fund, if authorized by the county commissioners court
- 22 (Sec. 291.008, Local Government Code) . . . not to exceed \$5;
- 23 (15) additional filing fee for filing documents not
- 24 subject to certain filing fees to fund the courthouse security
- 25 fund, if authorized by the county commissioners court (Sec.
- 26 291.008, Local Government Code) . . . \$1;
- 27 (16) additional filing fee to fund the courthouse

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- 1 security fund in Webb County, if authorized by the county
- 2 commissioners court (Sec. 291.009, Local Government
- 3 Code) . . not to exceed \$20;
- 4 (17) court cost in civil cases other than suits for
- 5 delinquent taxes to fund the county law library fund, if authorized
- 6 by the county commissioners court (Sec. 323.023, Local Government
- 7 Code) . . . not to exceed \$35;
- 8 (18) fee for deposit of a will with the county clerk
- 9 during testator's lifetime (Sec. 71, Texas Probate Code) . . . \$3;
- 10 (19) fee for county attorney in a suit regarding a
- 11 railroad company's failure to keep roadbed and right-of-way in
- 12 proper condition (Art. 6327, Vernon's Texas Civil
- 13 Statutes) . . . \$10;
- 14 (20) appeal bond from a petitioner or taxpayer in a
- water control and preservation district (Art. 7818, Vernon's Texas
- 16 Civil Statutes) . . . \$100; and
- 17 (21) additional filing fee for filing any civil action
- 18 or proceeding requiring a filing fee, including an appeal, and on
- 19 the filing of any counterclaim, cross-action, intervention,
- 20 interpleader, or third-party action requiring a filing fee, to fund
- 21 civil legal services for the indigent (Sec. 133.153, Local
- 22 Government Code) . . . \$5.
- 23 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.