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H.B. No. 3366

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to security fees in certain civil and criminal cases in  
3 Cameron County.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 291.008(a), Local Government Code, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (a) The commissioners court may set a fee not to exceed \$10  
8 [~~\$5~~] to be collected at the time of filing in each civil case filed  
9 in a county court, county court at law, or district court which  
10 shall be taxed as other costs. The county is not liable for the  
11 costs.

12 SECTION 2. Article 102.017(a), Code of Criminal Procedure,  
13 is amended to read as follows:

14 (a) A defendant convicted of a felony offense in a district  
15 court shall pay a \$10 [~~\$5~~] security fee as a cost of court.

16 SECTION 3. (a) This Act applies only to a civil case filed  
17 on or after the effective date of this Act.

18 (b) This Act applies in a criminal case only to a cost on  
19 conviction for an offense committed on or after the effective date  
20 of this Act. For purposes of this subsection, an offense is  
21 committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of  
22 the offense occurs before the effective date.

23 (c) A cost on conviction for an offense committed before the  
24 effective date of this Act is covered by the law in effect when the

1 offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for  
2 this purpose.

3 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.