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H.B. No. 2992

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to authorizing a fee in bail bond forfeiture proceedings.

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

SECTION 1. Section 133.154(a), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In addition to other fees authorized or required by law, the clerk of a district court, statutory county court, or county court shall collect a fee of \$42 on the filing of any civil suit or after the entry of a judgment nisi for the forfeiture of a bail bond. The fee is to be used for court-related purposes for the support of the judiciary.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Section 133.154, Local Government Code, applies only to a bail bond that is executed on or after the effective date of this Act. A bail bond executed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the bail bond was executed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.