By: Smith of Tarrant H.B. No. 933

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the imposition and use of certain court costs for breath

3 alcohol testing programs.

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

5 SECTION 1. Article 102.016(b), Code of Criminal Procedure,

6 is amended to read as follows:

- 7 (b) On conviction of an offense under Section 49.04, 49.045,
- 8 <u>49.05</u>, 49.06, 49.065, 49.07, or 49.08, Penal Code, the court shall
- 9 require the defendant to pay a \$45 breath alcohol testing program
- 10 fee as a cost of court. The custodian of a municipal or county
- 11 treasury in a county that maintains a certified breath alcohol
- 12 testing program but does not use the services of a certified
- 13 technical supervisor employed by the department may, to defray the
- 14 costs of maintaining and supporting the [a certified breath alcohol
- 15 testing] program, retain [\$22.50 of] each court cost collected
- 16 under this article, in addition to any other court cost relating to
- 17 a breath alcohol testing program to which the county is entitled
- 18 <u>under Section 133.102</u>, Local Government Code[, on conviction of an
- 19 offense under Chapter 49, Penal Code, other than an offense that is
- 20 a Class C misdemeanor].
- 21 SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 102, Government Code, is
- 22 amended by adding Section 102.0413 to read as follows:
- Sec. 102.0413. BREATH ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM FEE ON
- 24 CONVICTION IN DISTRICT COURT: CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. The

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- 1 clerk of a district court shall collect from a defendant a breath
- 2 alcohol testing program fee of \$45 imposed under Article
- 3 102.016(b), Code of Criminal Procedure, on conviction.
- 4 SECTION 3. Subchapter D, Chapter 102, Government Code, is
- 5 amended by adding Section 102.0613 to read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 102.0613. BREATH ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM FEE ON
- 7 CONVICTION IN STATUTORY COUNTY COURT: CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.
- 8 The clerk of a statutory county court shall collect from a defendant
- 9 a breath alcohol testing program fee of \$45 imposed under Article
- 10 102.016(b), Code of Criminal Procedure, on conviction.
- 11 SECTION 4. Subchapter E, Chapter 102, Government Code, is
- 12 amended by adding Section 102.0813 to read as follows:
- 13 Sec. 102.0813. BREATH ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM FEE ON
- 14 CONVICTION IN COUNTY COURT: CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. The clerk
- 15 of a county court shall collect from a defendant a breath alcohol
- 16 testing program fee of \$45 imposed under Article 102.016(b), Code
- 17 of Criminal Procedure, on conviction.
- 18 SECTION 5. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 19 to a fee collected on conviction of an offense committed on or after
- 20 the effective date of this Act. A fee collected on conviction of an
- 21 offense committed before the effective date of this Act is covered
- 22 by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and the former
- 23 law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this
- 24 section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this
- 25 Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.
- 26 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.