

1-1 By: Hinojosa S.B. No. 1840
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 7, 2019; March 18, 2019, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
 1-4 April 17, 2019, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 2; April 17, 2019,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1840 By: Nelson

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the assistance and technology fund and use of money in
 1-22 the fund.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. The heading to Article 102.0173, Code of
 1-25 Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

1-26 Art. 102.0173. COURT COSTS; JUSTICE COURT ASSISTANCE AND
 1-27 TECHNOLOGY FUND.

1-28 SECTION 2. Articles 102.0173(a), (c), (d), (e), and (f),
 1-29 Code of Criminal Procedure, are amended to read as follows:

1-30 (a) The commissioners court of a county by order shall
 1-31 create a justice court assistance and technology fund. A defendant
 1-32 convicted of a misdemeanor offense in justice court shall pay a \$4
 1-33 justice court assistance and technology fee as a cost of court for
 1-34 deposit in the fund.

1-35 (c) The justice court clerk shall collect the costs and pay
 1-36 the funds to the county treasurer, or to any other official who
 1-37 discharges the duties commonly delegated to the county treasurer,
 1-38 for deposit in a fund to be known as the justice court assistance
 1-39 and technology fund.

1-40 (d) A fund designated by this article may be used only to
 1-41 finance:

1-42 (1) the cost of providing court personnel, including
 1-43 salaries and benefits for the court personnel;

1-44 (2) the cost of continuing education and training for
 1-45 justice court judges and court personnel [~~clerks regarding~~
 1-46 ~~technological enhancements for justice courts~~]; and

1-47 (3) [~~(2)~~] the purchase and maintenance of
 1-48 technological enhancements for a justice court, including:

- 1-49 (A) computer systems;
- 1-50 (B) computer networks;
- 1-51 (C) computer hardware;
- 1-52 (D) computer software;
- 1-53 (E) imaging systems;
- 1-54 (F) electronic kiosks;
- 1-55 (G) electronic ticket writers; and
- 1-56 (H) docket management systems.

1-57 (e) The justice court assistance and technology fund shall
 1-58 be administered by or under the direction of the commissioners
 1-59 court of the county.

1-60 (f) A justice court may, subject to the approval of the

2-1 commissioners court, use a fund designated by this article to
 2-2 assist a constable's office or other county department with a
 2-3 technological enhancement, or cost related to the enhancement,
 2-4 described by Subsection (d)(3) [~~(d)(1) or (2)~~] if the enhancement
 2-5 directly relates to the operation or efficiency of the justice
 2-6 court. [~~This subsection applies only to a county that:~~
 2-7 [~~(1) has a population of 125,000 or more;~~
 2-8 [~~(2) is not adjacent to a county of two million or~~
 2-9 ~~more;~~
 2-10 [~~(3) contains a portion of the Guadalupe River; and~~
 2-11 [~~(4) contains a portion of Interstate Highway 10.~~]

2-12 SECTION 3. Section 102.101, Government Code, is amended to
 2-13 read as follows:

2-14 Sec. 102.101. ADDITIONAL COURT COSTS ON CONVICTION IN
 2-15 JUSTICE COURT: CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. A clerk of a justice
 2-16 court shall collect fees and costs under the Code of Criminal
 2-17 Procedure on conviction of a defendant as follows:

- 2-18 (1) a jury fee (Art. 102.004, Code of Criminal
 2-19 Procedure) . . . \$3;
- 2-20 (2) a fee for withdrawing request for jury less than 24
 2-21 hours before time of trial (Art. 102.004, Code of Criminal
 2-22 Procedure) . . . \$3;
- 2-23 (3) a jury fee for two or more defendants tried jointly
 2-24 (Art. 102.004, Code of Criminal Procedure) . . . one jury fee of \$3;
- 2-25 (4) a security fee on a misdemeanor offense (Art.
 2-26 102.017, Code of Criminal Procedure) . . . \$4;
- 2-27 (5) a fee for assistance and technology fund on a
 2-28 misdemeanor offense (Art. 102.0173, Code of Criminal Procedure)
 2-29 . . . \$4;
- 2-30 (6) a juvenile case manager fee (Art. 102.0174, Code
 2-31 of Criminal Procedure) . . . not to exceed \$5 if the court employs a
 2-32 juvenile case manager;
- 2-33 (7) a fee on conviction of certain offenses involving
 2-34 issuing or passing a subsequently dishonored check or similar sight
 2-35 order (Art. 102.0071, Code of Criminal Procedure) . . . not to
 2-36 exceed \$30; and
- 2-37 (8) a civil justice fee (Art. 102.022, Code of
 2-38 Criminal Procedure) . . . \$0.10.

2-39 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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