

INCREASE JURY DEMAND FEES

House Bill 4798

Sponsor: Rep. Andrew Richner

Committee: Civil Law and the Judiciary

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4798 AS INTRODUCED 5-22-01

The bill would amend the Revised Judicature Act to increase jury demand fees in civil actions brought in either the circuit or district courts, and send the proposed additional amount from each fee collected to the juror compensation reimbursement fund proposed by House Bill 4551 (see House Legislative Analysis Section summary dated 4-24-01).

Currently, jury demand fees in circuit court are \$60, and \$40 in district court. The bill would increase the circuit court fee by \$25, to \$85, and the district court fee by \$10, to \$50. The additional \$25 from each circuit court jury demand fee, and the additional \$10 from each district court jury demand fee, would be transmitted by the clerk to the state treasurer for deposit in the juror compensation reimbursement fund that would be created under House Bill 4551.

The bill also would update certain circuit court filing fees to reflect the current fees, which have been increased incrementally by statute since October 1, 1994 (by Public Act 189 of 1993) and would delete the now-outdated language specifying the dates on which these fees were increased since 1994.

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