

1 AN ACT concerning fees.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Clerks of Courts Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 27.3c as follows:

6 (705 ILCS 105/27.3c) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.3c)

7 Sec. 27.3c. Document storage system; fees.

8 (a) The expense of establishing and maintaining a  
9 document storage system in the offices of the circuit court  
10 clerks in the several counties of this State shall be borne  
11 by the county. To defray the expense in any county that  
12 elects to establish a document storage system and convert the  
13 records of the circuit court clerk to electronic or  
14 micrographic storage, the county board may require the clerk  
15 of the circuit court in its county to collect a court  
16 document fee of not less than \$1 nor more than \$5, to be  
17 charged and collected by the clerk of the court. The fee  
18 shall be paid at the time of filing the first pleading,  
19 paper, or other appearance filed by each party in all civil  
20 cases or by the defendant in any felony, misdemeanor,  
21 traffic, ordinance, or conservation matter on a judgment of  
22 guilty or grant of supervision, provided that the document  
23 storage system is in place or has been authorized by the  
24 county board and further that no additional fee shall be  
25 required if more than one party is presented in a single  
26 pleading, paper, or other appearance. The fee shall be  
27 collected in the manner in which all other fees or costs are  
28 collected. The court document fee provided in this  
29 subsection (a) shall not apply to any petty offense moving  
30 violation written by a municipal police department in  
31 counties having a population of more than 650,000 but less

1 than 3,000,000 inhabitants whether written under the Illinois  
2 Vehicle Code or under any municipal ordinance.

3 (b) Each clerk shall commence charges and collections of  
4 a court document fee upon receipt of written notice from the  
5 chairman of the county board together with a certified copy  
6 of the board's resolution, which the clerk shall file of  
7 record in his or her office.

8 (c) Court document fees shall be in addition to other  
9 fees and charges of the clerk, shall be assessable as costs,  
10 and may be waived only if the judge specifically provides for  
11 the waiver of the court document storage fee. The fees shall  
12 be remitted monthly by the clerk to the county treasurer, to  
13 be retained by the treasurer in a special fund designated as  
14 the Court Document Storage Fund. The fund shall be audited  
15 by the county auditor, and the board shall make expenditures  
16 from the fund in payment of any costs relative to the storage  
17 of court records, including hardware, software, research and  
18 development costs, and related personnel, provided that the  
19 expenditure is approved by the clerk of the circuit court.

20 (d) A court document fee shall not be charged in any  
21 matter coming to the clerk on change of venue or in any  
22 proceeding to review the decision of any administrative  
23 officer, agency, or body.

24 (Source: P.A. 86-1386; 87-670.)