

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1029

By: Webb

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to courts; amending 20 O.S. 1991, Section 1313.2, which relates to certain penalties; providing for payment by the court for laboratory analysis fees in certain circumstances; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 20 O.S. 1991, Section 1313.2, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1313.2 A. As used in this section:

1. "Convicted" means any final adjudication of guilt, whether pursuant to a plea of guilty or nolo contendere or otherwise, and any deferred or suspended sentence or judgment; and

2. "Court" means any state or municipal court having jurisdiction to impose a criminal fine or penalty.

B. Any person convicted of an offense punishable by a fine of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) or more or by incarceration, excluding parking and standing violations, or any person forfeiting bond when charged with such an offense, shall be ordered by the court to pay Four Dollars (\$4.00) as a separate penalty assessment and One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) as a Laboratory Analysis Fee if applicable pursuant to subsection C of this section, which assessment and fee

shall be in addition to and not in substitution for any and all fines and penalties otherwise provided for by law for such offense. The court shall provide for separate bail for the penalty assessment; provided that a defendant admitted to bail on an undertaking by a surety may include the amount of the penalty assessment in the undertaking.

C. Any person convicted of any misdemeanor or felony offense shall pay a Laboratory Analysis Fee in the amount of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) for each offense if forensic science or laboratory services are rendered or administered by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, by the Toxicology Laboratory of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner or by any municipality or county in connection with the case. If the convicted person fails to pay the Laboratory Analysis Fee, the fee shall be paid by the court.

The court clerk shall cause to be deposited the amount of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), ~~if collected,~~ for every conviction as described in this subsection. The court may retain two percent (2%) of such monies to cover administrative costs pursuant to this subsection. The court clerk shall remit the remainder of the monies in said fund on a monthly basis either to:

1. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation who shall deposit said monies into the OSBI Revolving Fund provided for in Section 150.19a of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes for services rendered or administered by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation;

2. The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner who shall deposit said monies into the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner Toxicology Laboratory Revolving Fund provided for in Section 954 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes for services rendered or administered by the Toxicology Laboratory of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner;

or

3. The appropriate municipality or county for services rendered or administered by a municipality or county.

The monies from the Laboratory Analysis Fee Fund deposited into the OSBI Revolving Fund shall be used for the following:

1. Providing criminalistic laboratory services;
2. The purchase and maintenance of equipment for use by the laboratory in performing analysis;
3. Education, training, and scientific development of Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation personnel; and
4. The destruction of seized property and chemicals as prescribed in Sections 2-505 and 2-508 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

D. Upon conviction or bond forfeiture, the court shall collect the penalty assessment provided for in subsection B of this section and deposit it in an account created for that purpose. As an administrative fee for handling funds collected as a penalty assessment, each court is authorized to retain two percent (2%) of such monies and may also retain all interest accrued thereon prior to the due date for deposits as provided in this subsection. Except as otherwise provided in subsection E of this section, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1987, the remainder of such monies shall be forwarded quarterly by the court clerk to the State Treasury. Deposits shall be due July 15 for the preceding quarter ending June 30, October 15 for the preceding quarter ending September 30, January 15 for the preceding quarter ending December 31, and April 15 for the preceding quarter ending March 31. There shall be a penalty imposed for failure to make timely deposits. Such penalty shall be one percent (1%) of the principal amount due per day beginning from the tenth day after payment is due and accumulating until the penalty reaches one hundred percent (100%) of the principal amount due. The State Treasurer shall deposit seventy percent (70%) of the monies received in the C.L.E.E.T. Fund, and

thirty percent (30%) of the monies received in the General Revenue Fund. Beginning on July 1, 1987, ninety percent (90%) of the monies received by the State Treasurer from the court clerks pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the C.L.E.E.T. Fund and ten percent (10%) shall be deposited in the General Revenue Fund. Along with the deposits required by this subsection each court also shall submit a report stating the total amount of funds collected and the total number of penalty assessments imposed during the preceding quarter. Such report may be made on computerized or manual disposition reports.

E. Any municipality or county having a basic law enforcement academy approved by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training pursuant to the criteria developed by the Council for training law enforcement officers shall retain from monies collected pursuant to this section, Two Dollars (\$2.00) from each penalty assessment less the two percent (2%) administrative fee retained by the court. Such monies shall be deposited into an account for the sole use of the municipality or county in implementing its law enforcement training functions. Not more than seven percent (7%) of such monies shall be used for court and prosecution training. The court clerk of any such municipality or county shall furnish to the State Treasury the report required by subsection D of this section.

F. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a fund for the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training to be designated the "C.L.E.E.T. Fund". The fund shall be subject to legislative appropriation and shall consist of any monies received from fees and receipts collected pursuant to the Oklahoma Open Records Act, reimbursements for parts used in the repair of weapons of law enforcement officers attending the basic academies, gifts, bequests, contributions, tuition, fees, devises, and the assessments levied pursuant to said fund pursuant to law.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1993.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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