

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 662
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Committee Report (Amended)

DIGEST

Currently, district and county attorneys, clerks of district and county courts, sheriffs, constables, and justices of the peace in counties with populations of 2.8 million or more may collect an administrative fee not to exceed two dollars for each transaction relating to the collection of fees, fines, restitution, or other costs imposed by the court. H.B. 662 would remove the 2.8 million population cap, allowing any county to impose a two dollar transaction fee.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 662 removes the 2.8 million population cap, allowing any county to impose a two dollar transaction fee.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 102.072, Code of Criminal Procedure, to provide that this article does not apply to a transaction relating to the collection of child support. Deletes existing Subsection (b), regarding the imposition of court administrative fees that apply only to counties with a population of 2.8 million or more. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 4. Emergency clause.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 1.

Amends Section 102.072, Code of Criminal Procedure, to provide that this article does not apply to a transaction relating to the collection of child support.