1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

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

Section 5. The Clerks of Courts Act is amended by changing
Section 27.1b as follows:

6 (705 ILCS 105/27.1b)

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(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2021)

Sec. 27.1b. Circuit court clerk fees. Notwithstanding any 8 9 other provision of law, all fees charged by the clerks of the circuit court for the services described in this Section shall 10 be established, collected, and disbursed in accordance with 11 this Section. Except as otherwise specified in this Section, 12 all fees under this Section shall be paid in advance and 13 14 disbursed by each clerk on a monthly basis. In a county with a population of over 3,000,000, units of local government and 15 16 school districts shall not be required to pay fees under this Section in advance and the clerk shall instead send an itemized 17 bill to the unit of local government or school district, within 18 19 30 days of the fee being incurred, and the unit of local 20 government or school district shall be allowed at least 30 days 21 from the date of the itemized bill to pay; these payments shall 22 be disbursed by each clerk on a monthly basis. Unless otherwise specified in this Section, the amount of a fee shall be 23

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determined by ordinance or resolution of the county board and remitted to the county treasurer to be used for purposes related to the operation of the court system in the county. In a county with population of over 3,000,000, any amount retained by the clerk of the circuit court or remitted to the county treasurer shall be subject to appropriation by the county board.

8 (a) Civil cases. The fee for filing a complaint, petition, 9 or other pleading initiating a civil action shall be as set 10 forth in the applicable schedule under this subsection in 11 accordance with case categories established by the Supreme 12 Court in schedules.

13 (1) SCHEDULE 1: not to exceed a total of \$366 in a 14 county with a population of 3,000,000 or more and not to 15 exceed \$316 in any other county, except as applied to units 16 of local government and school districts in counties with 17 more than 3,000,000 inhabitants an amount not to exceed \$190 through December 31, 2021 and \$184 on and after 18 January 1, 2022. The fees collected under this schedule 19 20 shall be disbursed as follows:

(A) The clerk shall retain a sum, in an amount not
to exceed \$55 in a county with a population of
3,000,000 or more and in an amount not to exceed \$45 in
any other county determined by the clerk with the
approval of the Supreme Court, to be used for court
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2 (B) The clerk shall remit up to \$21 to the State 3 Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall deposit the 4 appropriate amounts, in accordance with the clerk's 5 instructions, as follows:

(i) up to \$10, as specified by the Supreme Court in accordance with Part 10A of Article II of the Code of Civil Procedure, into the Mandatory Arbitration Fund;

(ii) \$2 into the Access to Justice Fund; and

11(iii) \$9 into the Supreme Court Special12Purposes Fund.

(C) The clerk shall remit a sum to the County
Treasurer, in an amount not to exceed \$290 in a county
with a population of 3,000,000 or more and in an amount
not to exceed \$250 in any other county, as specified by
ordinance or resolution passed by the county board, for
purposes related to the operation of the court system
in the county.

20 (2) SCHEDULE 2: not to exceed a total of \$357 in a 21 county with a population of 3,000,000 or more and not to 22 exceed \$266 in any other county, except as applied to units 23 of local government and school districts in counties with 24 more than 3,000,000 inhabitants an amount not to exceed 25 \$190 through December 31, 2021 and \$184 on and after 26 January 1, 2022. The fees collected under this schedule SB3066 Engrossed - 4 - LRB101 17653 LNS 67080 b

1 shall be disbursed as follows:

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(A) The clerk shall retain a sum, in an amount not
to exceed \$55 in a county with a population of
3,000,000 or more and in an amount not to exceed \$45 in
any other county determined by the clerk with the
approval of the Supreme Court, to be used for court
automation, court document storage, and administrative
purposes.

9 (B) The clerk shall remit up to \$21 to the State 10 Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall deposit the 11 appropriate amounts, in accordance with the clerk's 12 instructions, as follows:

13 (i) up to \$10, as specified by the Supreme
14 Court in accordance with Part 10A of Article II of
15 the Code of Civil Procedure, into the Mandatory
16 Arbitration Fund;

(ii) \$2 into the Access to Justice Fund: and

18 (iii) \$9 into the Supreme Court Special19 Purposes Fund.

20 (C) The clerk shall remit a sum to the County 21 Treasurer, in an amount not to exceed \$281 in a county 22 with a population of 3,000,000 or more and in an amount 23 not to exceed \$200 in any other county, as specified by 24 ordinance or resolution passed by the county board, for 25 purposes related to the operation of the court system 26 in the county. SB3066 Engrossed - 5 - LRB101 17653 LNS 67080 b

(3) SCHEDULE 3: not to exceed a total of \$265 in a 1 county with a population of 3,000,000 or more and not to 2 3 exceed \$89 in any other county, except as applied to units of local government and school districts in counties with 4 5 more than 3,000,000 inhabitants an amount not to exceed \$190 through December 31, 2021 and \$184 on and after 6 January 1, 2022. The fees collected under this schedule 7 8 shall be disbursed as follows:

9 (A) The clerk shall retain a sum, in an amount not 10 to exceed \$55 in a county with a population of 11 3,000,000 or more and in an amount not to exceed \$22 in 12 any other county determined by the clerk with the 13 approval of the Supreme Court, to be used for court 14 automation, court document storage, and administrative 15 purposes.

16 (B) The clerk shall remit \$11 to the State
17 Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall deposit the
18 appropriate amounts in accordance with the clerk's
19 instructions, as follows:

(i) \$2 into the Access to Justice Fund; and

21 (ii) \$9 into the Supreme Court Special
22 Purposes Fund.

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(C) The clerk shall remit a sum to the County
Treasurer, in an amount not to exceed \$199 in a county
with a population of 3,000,000 or more and in an amount
not to exceed \$56 in any other county, as specified by

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ordinance or resolution passed by the county board, for
 purposes related to the operation of the court system
 in the county.

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(4) SCHEDULE 4: \$0.

5 (b) Appearance. The fee for filing an appearance in a civil 6 action, including a cannabis civil law action under the 7 Cannabis Control Act, shall be as set forth in the applicable 8 schedule under this subsection in accordance with case 9 categories established by the Supreme Court in schedules.

10 (1) SCHEDULE 1: not to exceed a total of \$230 in a 11 county with a population of 3,000,000 or more and not to 12 exceed \$191 in any other county, except as applied to units 13 of local government and school districts in counties with 14 more than 3,000,000 inhabitants an amount not to exceed 15 \$75. The fees collected under this schedule shall be 16 disbursed as follows:

17 (A) The clerk shall retain a sum, in an amount not 18 to exceed \$50 in a county with a population of 19 3,000,000 or more and in an amount not to exceed \$45 in 20 any other county determined by the clerk with the 21 approval of the Supreme Court, to be used for court 22 automation, court document storage, and administrative 23 purposes.

(B) The clerk shall remit up to \$21 to the State
Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall deposit the
appropriate amounts, in accordance with the clerk's

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instructions, as follows:

(i) up to \$10, as specified by the Supreme Court in accordance with Part 10A of Article II of the Code of Civil Procedure, into the Mandatory Arbitration Fund:

(ii) \$2 into the Access to Justice Fund; and

7 (iii) \$9 into the Supreme Court Special 8 Purposes Fund.

9 (C) The clerk shall remit a sum to the County 10 Treasurer, in an amount not to exceed \$159 in a county 11 with a population of 3,000,000 or more and in an amount 12 not to exceed \$125 in any other county, as specified by 13 ordinance or resolution passed by the county board, for 14 purposes related to the operation of the court system 15 in the county.

16 (2) SCHEDULE 2: not to exceed a total of \$130 in a county with a population of 3,000,000 or more and not to 17 exceed \$109 in any other county, except as applied to units 18 of local government and school districts in counties with 19 20 more than 3,000,000 inhabitants an amount not to exceed \$75. The fees collected under this schedule shall be 21 disbursed as follows: 22

23 (A) The clerk shall retain a sum, in an amount not 24 to exceed \$50 in a county with a population of 25 3,000,000 or more and in an amount not to exceed \$10 in 26 any other county determined by the clerk with the SB3066 Engrossed - 8 - LRB101 17653 LNS 67080 b

1approval of the Supreme Court, to be used for court2automation, court document storage, and administrative3purposes.

4 (B) The clerk shall remit \$9 to the State
5 Treasurer, which the State Treasurer shall deposit
6 into the Supreme Court Special Purpose Fund.

7 (C) The clerk shall remit a sum to the County 8 Treasurer, in an amount not to exceed \$71 in a county 9 with a population of 3,000,000 or more and in an amount 10 not to exceed \$90 in any other county, as specified by 11 ordinance or resolution passed by the county board, for 12 purposes related to the operation of the court system 13 in the county.

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(3) SCHEDULE 3: \$0.

15 (b-5) Kane County and Will County. In Kane County and Will 16 County civil cases, there is an additional fee of up to \$30 as 17 set by the county board under Section 5-1101.3 of the Counties Code to be paid by each party at the time of filing the first 18 19 pleading, paper, or other appearance; provided that no 20 additional fee shall be required if more than one party is 21 represented in a single pleading, paper, or other appearance. 22 Distribution of fees collected under this subsection (b-5) 23 shall be as provided in Section 5-1101.3 of the Counties Code.

(c) Counterclaim or third party complaint. When any
 defendant files a counterclaim or third party complaint, as
 part of the defendant's answer or otherwise, the defendant

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1 shall pay a filing fee for each counterclaim or third party 2 complaint in an amount equal to the filing fee the defendant 3 would have had to pay had the defendant brought a separate 4 action for the relief sought in the counterclaim or third party 5 complaint, less the amount of the appearance fee, if any, that 6 the defendant has already paid in the action in which the 7 counterclaim or third party complaint is filed.

8 (d) Alias summons. The clerk shall collect a fee not to 9 exceed \$6 in a county with a population of 3,000,000 or more 10 and not to exceed \$5 in any other county for each alias summons 11 or citation issued by the clerk, except as applied to units of 12 local government and school districts in counties with more 13 than 3,000,000 inhabitants an amount not to exceed \$5 for each 14 alias summons or citation issued by the clerk.

15 (e) Jury services. The clerk shall collect, in addition to 16 other fees allowed by law, a sum not to exceed \$212.50, as a 17 fee for the services of a jury in every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature and not a proceeding for the 18 exercise of the right of eminent domain and in every other 19 20 action wherein the right of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee shall be paid by the party demanding a jury 21 22 at the time of filing the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by 23 either party, no jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, and the action or proceeding shall be tried by the 24 25 court without a jury.

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(f) Change of venue. In connection with a change of venue:

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1 (1) The clerk of the jurisdiction from which the case 2 is transferred may charge a fee, not to exceed \$40, for the 3 preparation and certification of the record; and

4 (2) The clerk of the jurisdiction to which the case is
5 transferred may charge the same filing fee as if it were
6 the commencement of a new suit.

(g) Petition to vacate or modify.

(1) In a proceeding involving a petition to vacate or 8 9 modify any final judgment or order filed within 30 days 10 after the judgment or order was entered, except for an 11 eviction case, small claims case, petition to reopen an 12 estate, petition to modify, terminate, or enforce a 13 judgment or order for child or spousal support, or petition 14 to modify, suspend, or terminate an order for withholding, 15 the fee shall not exceed \$60 in a county with a population 16 of 3,000,000 or more and shall not exceed \$50 in any other county, except as applied to units of local government and 17 school districts in counties with more than 3,000,000 18 19 inhabitants an amount not to exceed \$50.

(2) In a proceeding involving a petition to vacate or
modify any final judgment or order filed more than 30 days
after the judgment or order was entered, except for a
petition to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or
order for child or spousal support, or petition to modify,
suspend, or terminate an order for withholding, the fee
shall not exceed \$75.

1 (3) In a proceeding involving a motion to vacate or 2 amend a final order, motion to vacate an ex parte judgment, 3 judgment of forfeiture, or "failure to appear" or "failure 4 to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of State, the fee 5 shall equal \$40.

6 (h) Appeals preparation. The fee for preparation of a 7 record on appeal shall be based on the number of pages, as 8 follows:

9 (1) if the record contains no more than 100 pages, the 10 fee shall not exceed \$70 in a county with a population of 11 3,000,000 or more and shall not exceed \$50 in any other 12 county;

13 (2) if the record contains between 100 and 200 pages,14 the fee shall not exceed \$100; and

(3) if the record contains 200 or more pages, the clerk
may collect an additional fee not to exceed 25 cents per
page.

(i) Remands. In any cases remanded to the circuit court 18 19 from the Supreme Court or the appellate court for a new trial, 20 the clerk shall reinstate the case with either its original 21 number or a new number. The clerk shall not charge any new or 22 additional fee for the reinstatement. Upon reinstatement, the 23 clerk shall advise the parties of the reinstatement. Parties 24 shall have the same right to a jury trial on remand and 25 reinstatement that they had before the appeal, and no 26 additional or new fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial

1 after remand.

(j) Garnishment, wage deduction, and citation. In
garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit, and citation
petition proceedings:

5 (1) if the amount in controversy in the proceeding is 6 not more than \$1,000, the fee may not exceed \$35 in a 7 county with a population of 3,000,000 or more and may not 8 exceed \$15 in any other county, except as applied to units 9 of local government and school districts in counties with 10 more than 3,000,000 inhabitants an amount not to exceed 11 \$15;

(2) if the amount in controversy in the proceeding is greater than \$1,000 and not more than \$5,000, the fee may not exceed \$45 in a county with a population of 3,000,000 or more and may not exceed \$30 in any other county, except as applied to units of local government and school districts in counties with more than 3,000,000 inhabitants an amount not to exceed \$30; and

(3) if the amount in controversy in the proceeding is greater than \$5,000, the fee may not exceed \$65 in a county with a population of 3,000,000 or more and may not exceed \$50 in any other county, except as applied to units of local government and school districts in counties with more than 3,000,000 inhabitants an amount not to exceed \$50.

(j-5) Debt collection. In any proceeding to collect a debt
subject to the exception in item (ii) of subparagraph (A-5) of

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1 paragraph (1) of subsection (z) of this Section, the circuit 2 court shall order and the clerk shall collect from each 3 judgment debtor a fee of:

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(1) \$35 if the amount in controversy in the proceeding is not more than \$1,000;

(2) \$45 if the amount in controversy in the proceedingis greater than \$1,000 and not more than \$5,000; and

8 (3) \$65 if the amount in controversy in the proceeding
9 is greater than \$5,000.

10 (k) Collections.

11 (1) For all collections made of others, except the 12 State and county and except in maintenance or child support 13 cases, the clerk may collect a fee of up to 2.5% of the 14 amount collected and turned over.

15 (2) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk 16 may collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person 17 making payment for maintaining child support records and the processing of support orders to the State of Illinois 18 KIDS system and the recording of payments issued by the 19 20 State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the 21 Court. This fee is in addition to and separate from amounts 22 ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support and 23 shall be deposited into a Separate Maintenance and Child 24 Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the 25 custodian, ex officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain 26 child support orders and record all payments issued by the

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1 State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the 2 Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the 3 maintenance or child support payment any additional cost 4 incurred in the collection of this annual fee.

5 (3) The clerk may collect a fee of \$5 for 6 certifications made to the Secretary of State as provided 7 in Section 7-703 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, and this fee 8 shall be deposited into the Separate Maintenance and Child 9 Support Collection Fund.

10 (4) In proceedings to foreclose the lien of delinguent 11 real estate taxes, State's Attorneys shall receive a fee of 12 10% of the total amount realized from the sale of real estate sold in the proceedings. The clerk shall collect the 13 14 fee from the total amount realized from the sale of the 15 real estate sold in the proceedings and remit to the County 16 Treasurer to be credited to the earnings of the Office of 17 the State's Attorney.

18 (1) Mailing. The fee for the clerk mailing documents shall19 not exceed \$10 plus the cost of postage.

20 (m) Certified copies. The fee for each certified copy of a
21 judgment, after the first copy, shall not exceed \$10.

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(n) Certification, authentication, and reproduction.

(1) The fee for each certification or authentication
for taking the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument
in writing with the seal of office shall not exceed \$6.

26 (2) The fee for reproduction of any document contained

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in the clerk's files shall not exceed:

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(A) \$2 for the first page;

3 (B) 50 cents per page for the next 19 pages; and

(C) 25 cents per page for all additional pages.

5 (o) Record search. For each record search, within a 6 division or municipal district, the clerk may collect a search 7 fee not to exceed \$6 for each year searched.

8 (p) Hard copy. For each page of hard copy print output, 9 when case records are maintained on an automated medium, the 10 clerk may collect a fee not to exceed \$10 in a county with a 11 population of 3,000,000 or more and not to exceed \$6 in any 12 other county, except as applied to units of local government 13 and school districts in counties with more than 3,000,000 14 inhabitants an amount not to exceed \$6.

15 (a) Index inquiry and other records. No fee shall be 16 charged for a single plaintiff and defendant index inquiry or 17 single case record inquiry when this request is made in person and the records are maintained in a current automated medium, 18 19 and when no hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be 20 charged for management records, multiple case records, and 21 multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief Judge 22 pursuant to the guidelines for access and dissemination of 23 information approved by the Supreme Court.

(r) Performing a marriage. There shall be a \$10 fee forperforming a marriage in court.

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(s) Voluntary assignment. For filing each deed of voluntary

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assignment, the clerk shall collect a fee not to exceed \$20. 1 2 For recording a deed of voluntary assignment, the clerk shall collect a fee not to exceed 50 cents for each 100 words. 3 Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a debtor 4 5 who has made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of creditors shall be considered and treated, for the purpose of 6 7 taxing costs therein, as actions in which the party or parties 8 filing the exceptions shall be considered as party or parties 9 plaintiff, and the claimant or claimants as party or parties 10 defendant, and those parties respectively shall pay to the 11 clerk the same fees as provided by this Section to be paid in 12 other actions.

13 (t) Expungement petition. The clerk may collect a fee not 14 to exceed \$60 for each expungement petition filed and an 15 additional fee not to exceed \$4 for each certified copy of an 16 order to expunge arrest records.

(u) Transcripts of judgment. For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the clerk may collect the same fee as if it were the commencement of a new suit.

20 (v) Probate filings.

(1) For each account (other than one final account)
filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward, the fee shall
not exceed \$25.

(2) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount
claimed is greater than \$150 and not more than \$500, the
fee shall not exceed \$40 in a county with a population of

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3,000,000 or more and shall not exceed \$25 in any other 1 county; when the amount claimed is greater than \$500 and 2 3 not more than \$10,000, the fee shall not exceed \$55 in a county with a population of 3,000,000 or more and shall not 4 5 exceed \$40 in any other county; and when the amount claimed is more than \$10,000, the fee shall not exceed \$75 in a 6 7 county with a population of 3,000,000 or more and shall not 8 exceed \$60 in any other county; except the court in 9 allowing a claim may add to the amount allowed the filing 10 fee paid by the claimant.

11 (3) For filing in an estate a claim, petition, or 12 supplemental proceeding based upon an action seeking 13 equitable relief including the construction or contest of a 14 will, enforcement of a contract to make a will, and 15 proceedings involving testamentary trusts or the 16 appointment of testamentary trustees, the fee shall not 17 exceed \$60.

(4) There shall be no fee for filing in an estate: (i)
the appearance of any person for the purpose of consent; or
(ii) the appearance of an executor, administrator,
administrator to collect, guardian, guardian ad litem, or
special administrator.

23 (5) For each jury demand, the fee shall not exceed
24 \$137.50.

(6) For each certified copy of letters of office, of
 court order, or other certification, the fee shall not

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1 exceed \$2 per page.

2 (7) For each exemplification, the fee shall not exceed
3 \$2, plus the fee for certification.

4 (8) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,
5 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay
6 the cost of publication by the clerk directly to the
7 newspaper.

8 (9) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for 9 witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous 10 fees shall pay the same directly to the person entitled 11 thereto.

12 executor, administrator, (10)The quardian, petitioner, or other interested person or his or her 13 14 attorney shall pay to the clerk all postage charges 15 incurred by the clerk in mailing petitions, orders, 16 notices, or other documents pursuant to the provisions of 17 the Probate Act of 1975.

(w) Corrections of numbers. For correction of the case number, case title, or attorney computer identification number, if required by rule of court, on any document filed in the clerk's office, to be charged against the party that filed the document, the fee shall not exceed \$25.

23 (x) Miscellaneous.

(1) Interest earned on any fees collected by the clerk
shall be turned over to the county general fund as an
earning of the office.

1 (2) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument 2 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account 3 closed, or payment stopped, the clerk shall collect a fee 4 of \$25.

5 (y) Other fees. Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by rule or administrative order of the circuit court 6 with the approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois 7 8 Courts. The clerk of the circuit court may provide services in 9 connection with the operation of the clerk's office, other than those services mentioned in this Section, as may be requested 10 11 by the public and agreed to by the clerk and approved by the 12 Chief Judge. Any charges for additional services shall be as 13 agreed to between the clerk and the party making the request and approved by the Chief Judge. Nothing in this subsection 14 15 shall be construed to require any clerk to provide any service 16 not otherwise required by law.

17 (y-5) Unpaid fees. Unless a court ordered payment schedule is implemented or the fee requirements of this Section are 18 19 waived under a court order, the clerk of the circuit court may 20 add to any unpaid fees and costs under this Section a delinquency amount equal to 5% of the unpaid fees that remain 21 22 unpaid after 30 days, 10% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid 23 after 60 days, and 15% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid after 90 days. Notice to those parties may be made by signage 24 posting or publication. The additional delinquency amounts 25 26 collected under this Section shall be deposited into the

- Circuit Court Clerk Operations and Administration Fund and used
   to defray additional administrative costs incurred by the clerk
   of the circuit court in collecting unpaid fees and costs.
  - (z) Exceptions.
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(1) No fee authorized by this Section shall apply to:

6 (A) police departments or other law enforcement 7 agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency" 8 means: an agency of the State or agency of a unit of 9 local government which is vested by law or ordinance 10 with the duty to maintain public order and to enforce 11 criminal laws or ordinances; the Attorney General; or 12 any State's Attorney;

13 (A-5) any unit of local government or school 14 district, except in counties having a population of 15 500,000 or more the county board may by resolution set 16 fees for units of local government or school districts 17 no greater than the minimum fees applicable in counties with a population less than 3,000,000; provided 18 19 however, no fee may be charged to any unit of local 20 government or school district in connection with any 21 action which, in whole or in part, is: (i) to enforce an ordinance; (ii) to collect a debt; or (iii) under 22 23 the Administrative Review Law:

(B) any action instituted by the corporate
authority of a municipality with more than 1,000,000
inhabitants under Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois

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1 Municipal Code and any action instituted under 2 subsection (b) of Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois 3 Municipal Code by a private owner or tenant of real 4 property within 1,200 feet of a dangerous or unsafe 5 building seeking an order compelling the owner or 6 owners of the building to take any of the actions 7 authorized under that subsection;

8 (C) any commitment petition or petition for an 9 order authorizing the administration of psychotropic 10 medication or electroconvulsive therapy under the 11 Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code;

12 (D) a petitioner in any order of protection 13 proceeding, including, but not limited to, fees for 14 filing, modifying, withdrawing, certifying, or 15 photocopying petitions for orders of protection, 16 issuing alias summons, any related filing service, or 17 certifying, modifying, vacating, or photocopying any orders of protection; or 18

(E) proceedings for the appointment of a
 confidential intermediary under the Adoption Act; or

21 <u>(F) the State Treasurer, for purposes related to</u> 22 <u>the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act</u>.

(2) No fee other than the filing fee contained in the
 applicable schedule in subsection (a) shall be charged to
 any person in connection with an adoption proceeding.

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(3) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive any fees

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associated with a special needs adoption. The term "special
 needs adoption" has the meaning provided by the Illinois
 Department of Children and Family Services.

4 (aa) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2021.
5 (Source: P.A. 100-987, eff. 7-1-19; 100-994, eff. 7-1-19;
6 100-1161, eff. 7-1-19.)

Section 10. The Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act is
amended by changing Section 15-504 as follows:

9 (765 ILCS 1026/15-504)

Sec. 15-504. Cooperation among State officers and agencies
 to locate apparent owner.

(a) Unless prohibited by law of this State other than this 12 13 Act, on request of the administrator, each officer, agency, 14 board, commission, division, and department of this State, any 15 body politic and corporate created by this State for a public purpose, and each political subdivision of this State shall 16 make its books and records available to the administrator and 17 cooperate with the administrator to determine the current 18 address of an apparent owner of property held by 19 the 20 administrator under this Act or to otherwise assist the 21 in the administration of this administrator Act. The administrator may also enter into data sharing agreements to 22 23 enable such other governmental agencies to provide an 24 additional notice to apparent owners of property held by the

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1 administrator.

| 2 | (b) In addition to the general authority in subsection (a),     |
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| 3 | the administrator has the specific authority to access and      |
| 4 | reproduce, at no cost to the administrator, vital records under |
| 5 | the Vital Records Act and court records under the Clerks of     |
| 6 | Courts Act.   |

7 (Source: P.A. 100-22, eff. 1-1-18.)