

1 AN ACT concerning courts.

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 changing  
5 Section 27.3c as follows:

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

7 Sec. 27.3c. Document storage system.

8 (a) The expense of establishing and maintaining a document  
9 storage system in the offices of the circuit court clerks in  
10 the several counties of this State shall be borne by the  
11 county. To defray the expense in any county that elects to  
12 establish a document storage system and convert the records of  
13 the circuit court clerk to electronic or micrographic storage,  
14 the county board may require the clerk of the circuit court in  
15 its county to collect a court document fee of not less than \$1  
16 nor more than \$15 ~~\$5~~, to be charged and collected by the clerk  
17 of the court. The fee shall be paid at the time of filing the  
18 first pleading, paper, or other appearance filed by each party  
19 in all civil cases or by the defendant in any felony,  
20 misdemeanor, traffic, ordinance, or conservation matter on a  
21 judgment of guilty or grant of supervision, provided that the  
22 document storage system is in place or has been authorized by  
23 the county board and further that no additional fee shall be  
24 required if more than one party is presented in a single  
25 pleading, paper, or other appearance. The fee shall be  
26 collected in the manner in which all other fees or costs are  
27 collected. ~~The court document fee provided in this subsection~~  
28 ~~(a) shall not apply to any petty offense moving violation~~  
29 ~~written by a municipal police department in counties having a~~  
30 ~~population of more than 650,000 but less than 3,000,000~~  
31 ~~inhabitants whether written under the Illinois Vehicle Code or~~  
32 ~~under any municipal ordinance.~~

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

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

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

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