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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

55 ILCS 5/4-7001	from Ch. 34, par. 4-7001

Amends the Counties Code. Provides that a county board may, by ordinance or resolution, increase the fees imposed by the coroner's office. Sets forth the maximum fees that may be imposed for autopsy reports, cremation permits, transcripts, toxicology reports, and miscellaneous reports. Provides that a coroner may waive the permit fee to cremate a dead human body if the coroner determines that the person is indigent and unable to pay the permit fee or under other special circumstances. Provides that the county treasurer shall establish a special account in the county treasury for the deposit of the coroner's fees (now, the fees are deposited into the general fund of the county). Provides that moneys in the special account shall be used for the payment of the expenses of the coroner's office. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1   AN ACT concerning local government.

2   **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**

3   **represented in the General Assembly:**

4   Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by changing Section

5   4-7001 as follows:

6   (55 ILCS 5/4-7001) (from Ch. 34, par. 4-7001)

7   Sec. 4-7001. Coroner's fees. A county board may, by

8   ordinance or resolution, increase the fees charged by the

9   coroner's office. The fees of the coroner's office may be no

10   more than as follows: ~~The fees of the coroner's office shall be~~

11   ~~as follows:~~

12   1. For a copy of a transcript of sworn testimony: $5.00

13   ~~$3.00~~ per page.

14   2. For a copy of an autopsy report (if not included in

15   transcript): $50.00 ~~$30.00~~.

16   3. For a copy of the verdict of a coroner's jury: $5.00.

17   4. For a copy of a toxicology report: $25.00 ~~$15.00~~.

18   5. For a print of or an electronic file containing a

19   picture obtained by the coroner: actual cost or $3.00,

20   whichever is greater.

21   6. For each copy of miscellaneous reports, including

22   artist's drawings but not including police reports: actual cost

23   or $25.00 ~~$15.00~~, whichever is greater.

1   7. For a coroner's or medical examiner's permit to cremate

2   a dead human body: $50.00 $10.00. The coroner may waive, at his

3   or her discretion, the permit fee if the coroner determines

4   that the person is indigent and unable to pay the permit fee or

5   under other special circumstances.

6   All of which fees shall be certified by the court; in the

7   case of inmates of any State charitable or penal institution,

8   the   fees   shall   be   paid   by   the   operating   department   or

9   commission, out of the State Treasury. The coroner shall file

10   his or her claim in probate for his or her fees and he or she

11   shall   render   assistance   to   the   State's   attorney   in   the

12   collection of such fees out of the estate of the deceased. In

13   counties   of   less   than   1,000,000   population,   the   State's

14   attorney shall collect such fees out of the estate of the

15   deceased.

16   Except as otherwise provided in this Section, whenever the

17   coroner is required by law to perform any of the duties of the

18   office of the sheriff, the coroner is entitled to the like fees

19   and compensation as are allowed by law to the sheriff for the

20   performance of similar services.

21   Except as otherwise provided in this Section, whenever the

22   coroner of any county is required to travel in the performance

23   of his or her duties, he or she shall receive the same mileage

24   fees as are authorized for the sheriff of such county.

25   All fees under this Section collected by or on behalf of

26   the coroner's office shall be paid over to the county treasurer

1   and deposited into a special account in the county treasury the

2   general fund of the county. Moneys in the special account shall

3   be   used   for   the   payment   of   the   expenses   of   the   coroner's

4   office.

5   (Source: P.A. 86-962; 86-1028.)

6   Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

7   becoming law.