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97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal sections 550.020 and 550.030, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to costs in criminal cases.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 550.020 and 550.030, RSMo, are repealed and two

- 2 new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 550.020 and
- 3 550.030, to read as follows:

550.020. 1. Except as provided in subsection 3 of this section, in

- 2 all capital cases in which the defendant shall be convicted, and in all cases in
- 3 which the defendant shall be sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary, and
- 4 in cases where such person is convicted of an offense punishable solely by
- 5 imprisonment in the penitentiary and is sentenced to imprisonment in the county
- 6 jail, workhouse or reform school because such person is under the age of eighteen
- 7 years, the state shall pay the costs, if the defendant shall be unable to pay them,
- 8 except costs incurred on behalf of defendant.
- 9 2. And in all cases of felony, when the jury are not permitted to separate,
- 10 it shall be the duty of the sheriff in charge of the jury, unless otherwise ordered
- 11 by the court, to supply them with board and lodging during the time they are
- 12 required by the court to be kept together, for which a reasonable compensation
- 13 may be allowed, not to exceed three dollars and fifty cents per day for each
- 14 member of the jury and the officer in charge; and the same shall be taxed as other
- 15 costs in the case, and the state shall pay such costs, unless in the event of
- 16 conviction, the same can be made out of the defendant.
- 17 3. Notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section and section
- 18 550.030 to the contrary, in all cases in which a defendant is found guilty
- 9 of a felony offense, the state shall be liable, if the defendant is unable

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20 to pay, for the cost of incarcerating the defendant in a county jail and

21 any costs associated with the electronic monitoring of the defendant,

22 whether the defendant was confined or placed on house arrest before

23 or after the disposition of the case.

550.030. Except as otherwise provided under subsection 3 of

2 section 550.020, when the defendant is sentenced to imprisonment in the county

3 jail, or to pay a fine, or both, and is unable to pay the costs, the county in which

4 the indictment was found or information filed shall pay the costs, except such as

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5 were incurred on the part of the defendant.

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