

SENATE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 67

AN ACT

To amend chapter 488, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to court costs.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI,  
AS FOLLOWS:

1           Section A. Chapter 488, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto  
2 one new section, to be known as section 488.2257, to read as  
3 follows:

4           488.2257. 1. In addition to all other court costs  
5 prescribed by law, a surcharge of up to ten dollars shall be  
6 assessed as costs in each court proceeding filed in any court in  
7 the state located in any county of the third classification  
8 without a township form of government and with more than  
9 thirty-seven thousand but fewer than forty-one thousand  
10 inhabitants and with a city of the third classification with more  
11 than eleven thousand five hundred but fewer than thirteen  
12 thousand inhabitants as the county seat in all civil and criminal  
13 cases including violations of any county or municipal ordinance  
14 or infractions, except that no such surcharge shall be collected  
15 for any violation of a traffic law or ordinance or in any  
16 proceeding when the proceeding or defendant has been dismissed by  
17 the court or when costs are to be paid by the state, county, or

1 municipality. For violations of the criminal laws of the state  
2 or county ordinances, including infractions, no such surcharge  
3 shall be collected unless it is authorized by order, ordinance,  
4 or resolution by the county government where the violation  
5 occurred. For violations of municipal ordinances, no such  
6 surcharge shall be collected unless it is authorized by order,  
7 ordinance, or resolution by the municipal government where the  
8 violation occurred. Such surcharges shall be collected and  
9 disbursed by the clerk of each respective court responsible for  
10 collecting court costs in the manner provided by sections 488.010  
11 to 488.020, and shall be payable to the treasurer of the  
12 political subdivision authorizing such surcharge.

13 2. Each county or municipality shall use all funds received  
14 pursuant to this section only to pay for the costs associated  
15 with the land assemblage and purchase, planning, and construction  
16 of a new facility, maintenance, and operation of any county or  
17 municipal judicial facility or justice center including, but not  
18 limited to, architectural, engineering, and other plans and  
19 studies, utilities, maintenance, and building security of any  
20 judicial facility. The county or municipality shall establish  
21 and maintain a separate account known as the "justice center  
22 fund" limited to the uses authorized by this section. The county  
23 or municipality shall maintain records identifying all surcharges  
24 and expenditures made from the justice center fund.