

The State and Local Governmental Operations Committee offered the following substitute to HB 804:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the State Court of Liberty County (formerly the City Court of
2 Hinesville), approved August 9, 1916 (Ga. L. 1916, p. 232), as amended, so as to provide for
3 an additional fee for each civil action filed; to provide that such fee shall be used for a certain
4 purpose; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

6 An Act creating the State Court of Liberty County (formerly the City Court of Hinesville),
7 approved August 9, 1916 (Ga. L. 1916, p. 232), as amended, is amended by inserting
8 immediately following paragraph (39) a new paragraph to read as follows:
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10 "(39A)(a) The clerk of the state court shall collect an additional fee to be known as a
11 'technology fee' for each civil action filed in said court. The amount of said fee shall be not
12 less than \$3.00 nor more than \$5.00 per filing. Such fees shall be used exclusively to
13 provide for the technological needs of said court, including, without limitation, computer
14 hardware and software purchases; lease, maintenance, and installation of computer
15 hardware and software; and the purchase, lease, maintenance, and installation of imaging,
16 scanning, facsimile, communications, projection, and printing equipment and software.

17 (b) The fees collected pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be deposited into a
18 technology fund administered by the clerk of said court. Such funds shall be segregated
19 and shall be expended by said clerk only for the purposes authorized in this section. The
20 clerk shall collaborate with the judges of said court to ensure the effective implementation
21 of this subsection. At the end of each calendar year, the clerk shall provide a detailed
22 report of all income and expenditures of the fund to the judges of said court and to the
23 governing authority of Liberty County."

SECTION 2.

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.
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