

SB263 ENROLLED



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3 By Senator Jones (N & P)
4 RFD: Local Legislation
5 First Read: 02-Apr-24



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 Relating to Etowah County; to further provide for
4 service of process; and to provide for the collection and
5 dispensation of fees associated with service of process.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

7 Section 1. (a) The Sheriff of Etowah County may
8 contract with a private, public, or governmental entity for
9 the purpose of service of process for any document other than
10 a warrant for arrest.

11 (b) In addition to all existing charges, fees,
12 judgments, and costs of court, the clerk, sheriff, or other
13 appropriate court official in district and circuit courts of
14 Etowah County shall collect a service of process fee of thirty
15 five dollars (\$35) per case for each party requiring personal
16 service of process by the sheriff which shall be paid into the
17 Sheriff's Law Enforcement Fund.

18 (c) The Sheriff of Etowah County may use the monies
19 generated by this section at his or her discretion for any
20 lawful purpose.

21 (d) The monies generated by this section shall not
22 diminish or take the place of any other source of income for
23 the sheriff.

24 (e) The district attorney and grand juries shall be
25 exempt from payment of the fees provided in this section.

26 Section 2. This act shall become effective December 1,
27 2024, contingent upon the ratification of the amendment to the
28 Constitution of Alabama of 2022, authorizing the Legislature



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29 to fix and regulate court costs in Etowah County by general or
30 local law, and ratifying all previously collected court costs
31 in Etowah County, as proposed in SB_____ of the 2024 Regular
32 Session.



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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 18-Apr-24

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate, as amended.

Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives

Passed: 30-Apr-24

By: Senator Jones