

**HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**

**HB 216**

**2021 Regular Session**

**Duplessis**

CHILDREN: Provides relative to the imposition of court costs in proceedings involving children

**Synopsis of Senate Amendments**

1. Makes technical changes.
2. Limits proposed law (R.S. 13:1595.3(C)) to apply from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2026, and removes all other provisions of proposed law.
3. Adds to proposed law (R.S. 13:1595.3(C)) cross-references to numerous present law fees, costs, and taxes in order to eliminate such fees, costs, and taxes.
4. Provides that the La. Supreme Court shall distribute copies of the Act to all La. courts no later than July 1, 2021.
5. Provides that the Act shall become effective upon signature of the governor.

**Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate**

Under present law, courts are required or allowed to assess administrative fees, costs, and taxes in juvenile delinquency cases. Courts impose these fees, costs, and taxes on juveniles or their parents or guardians.

Proposed law eliminates certain fees, costs, and taxes in juvenile delinquency cases including costs for juvenile detention centers, fees imposed for transcript requests, fees imposed for an order for a physical or mental examination, and other fees as provided by present law (R.S. 15:910, 1086, 1093, 1094.7 and 1097.7, R.S. 47:299.1, Ch.C. Arts. 320, 321, 335, 405, 607, 774, 781.1, 783, 793.4, 809, 811,2, 839, 848, 868, 888, 896, 897, 899, 901.1 and 924, and C.Cr.P. Art. 887).

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 13:1595.3(C))