

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 20

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2080.1(A), relative to costs in the City Court of Lake Charles;
3 to provide for disposition of certain court costs; to authorize the use of additional
4 court costs in civil and criminal matters for operational costs; to provide for an
5 effective date; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 13:2080.1(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §2080.1. Miscellaneous city courts; fees; surplus in civil fee account

9 A.(1) The City Court of Lake Charles may impose an additional five-dollar
10 fee as court costs in civil and criminal cases. The costs collected pursuant to this
11 Subsection shall be deposited in the general fund for the city and shall be used for
12 capital improvements for the building housing the city court.

13 (2) The city court may also use the surplus of court costs for operational
14 costs until December 31, 2024.

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16 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
17 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
18 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
19 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____