

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 348

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE REUTER.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 488, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a special surcharge in certain cases for the construction of a new courthouse.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 488, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 488.448, to read as follows:

3 **488.448. 1. The circuit and associate circuit judges of the circuit court of the**
4 **twenty-third judicial circuit shall require any party filing a civil case in the circuit court,**
5 **at the time of filing suit, to deposit with the circuit clerk a surcharge in the amount of**
6 **forty-five dollars, in addition to all other court costs now or hereafter required by law or**
7 **court rule, and no summons shall be issued until such surcharge has been paid. This**
8 **section shall not apply to proceedings when costs are waived or paid by the state, county,**
9 **or municipality.**

10 **2. Such funds shall be payable to the clerk of the twenty-third judicial circuit to**
11 **be credited to a courthouse construction fund, which shall bear interest, to be used only**
12 **for the planning and construction of a new courthouse for the twenty-third judicial**
13 **circuit, provided that the courthouse construction fund may be pledged to directly or**
14 **indirectly secure bonds to fund such costs.**

15 **3. This section shall expire on August 28, 2045.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in bold-face type in the above bill is proposed language.