

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0055

Court automation fee-amendments.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to courts; increasing the court automation
2 fee as specified; making conforming amendments; specifying
3 applicability; and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section** **1.** W.S. 2-2-401(a)(iii), 5-2-202,
8 5-3-206(a)(i), (vii) and (x), 5-6-108(a)(i), 5-9-135,
9 5-13-202, 6-10-102 and 6-10-103 are amended to read:

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11 **2-2-401. Schedule; additional charges.**

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13 (a) For probate matters filed or commenced, the clerk
14 of the district court shall collect fees as follows:

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1 (iii) In addition to the original filing fee
2 under paragraph (a)(i) of this subsection, a court
3 automation fee in the amount of ~~forty dollars (\$40.00)~~
4 fifty dollars (\$50.00), which shall be deposited into the
5 judicial systems automation account established by W.S.
6 5-2-120;

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8 **5-2-202. Collection of fees.**

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10 The clerk of the supreme court shall collect the following
11 fees from the plaintiff in error or appellant, or in case
12 of an original proceeding the plaintiff or relator shall,
13 at the time of filing the petition in error or record on
14 appeal or when commencing the cause in this court, the sum
15 of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00). At the time of filing,
16 the clerk also shall collect a court automation fee in the
17 amount of ~~fifty-five dollars (\$55.00)~~ sixty-five dollars
18 (\$65.00) which shall be deposited into the judicial systems
19 automation account established by W.S. 5-2-120, and an
20 indigent civil legal services fee in the amount of ten
21 dollars (\$10.00) which shall be deposited into the indigent
22 civil legal services account established by W.S. 5-2-121.
23 Other fees or charges to be assessed within the clerk's

1 office are to be determined under rules of the supreme
2 court.

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4 **5-3-206. Fees.**

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6 (a) For all civil matters filed or commenced, the
7 clerk of each district court shall charge the following
8 fees:

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10 (i) For filing instruments or documents in each
11 civil action and certifying one (1) copy of any order,
12 decree or judgment at the time of its filing for each
13 party, an original filing fee of ~~one hundred sixty dollars~~
14 ~~(\$160.00)~~ one hundred seventy dollars (\$170.00), which
15 shall be paid by the plaintiff. This fee shall apply to
16 original actions commenced and to actions that are reopened
17 after a final decree previously has been entered. ~~Forty~~
18 ~~dollars (\$40.00)~~ Fifty dollars (\$50.00) of the filing fee
19 shall be for court automation, ten dollars (\$10.00) shall
20 be for indigent civil legal services and both shall be
21 remitted as provided in W.S. 5-3-205;

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1 (vii) For all transcripts in cases appealed to
2 the supreme court, ~~one hundred dollars (\$100.00)~~ one
3 hundred ten dollars (\$110.00), including certificates,
4 seals and transmission. ~~Forty dollars (\$40.00)~~ Fifty
5 dollars (\$50.00) of the fee under this paragraph shall be
6 for court automation, ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be for
7 indigent civil legal services and both shall be remitted as
8 provided in W.S. 5-3-205;

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10 (x) For docketing and in payment of clerk's fee
11 after docketing incident to any appeal or bill of exception
12 from a circuit court, ~~one hundred dollars (\$100.00)~~ one
13 hundred ten dollars (\$110.00), and for docketing any
14 transcript of judgment from a circuit court upon the
15 judgment and execution dockets, ~~one hundred dollars~~
16 ~~(\$100.00)~~ one hundred ten dollars (\$110.00), which amount
17 shall be paid by appellant, or by judgment holder to the
18 clerk at time of docketing. ~~Forty dollars (\$40.00)~~ Fifty
19 dollars (\$50.00) of any fee imposed under this paragraph
20 shall be for court automation, ten dollars (\$10.00) shall
21 be for indigent civil legal services and both shall be
22 remitted as provided in W.S. 5-3-205.

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1 **5-6-108. Costs.**

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3 (a) Each city or town in the state of Wyoming may
4 prescribe by ordinance such costs in all trials before
5 municipal courts as may be necessary or deemed expedient.
6 However, the costs shall not exceed ten dollars (\$10.00).
7 All costs collected shall be turned into the treasury of
8 the city or town. By ordinance a city or town may
9 prescribe:

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11 (i) A court automation fee of ~~forty dollars~~
12 ~~(\$40.00)~~ fifty dollars (\$50.00) as a cost to be paid by
13 every person guilty of a violation of a city or town
14 ordinance;

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16 **5-9-135. Filing fee.**

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18 For all civil matters the circuit court shall collect from
19 the plaintiff an original filing fee of twenty dollars
20 (\$20.00), a court automation fee of ~~forty dollars (\$40.00)~~
21 fifty dollars (\$50.00), and an indigent civil legal
22 services fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) excluding small claims
23 civil actions as provided in W.S. 1-21-201 through 1-21-205

1 which shall have a filing fee of ten dollars (\$10.00). The
2 court automation fee shall be deposited into the judicial
3 systems automation account and the indigent civil legal
4 services fee shall be deposited into the indigent civil
5 legal services account as provided by W.S. 5-9-144.

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7 **5-13-202. Collection of fees.**

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9 The clerk of the chancery court shall collect all fees and
10 charges as required and set by the supreme court under W.S.
11 5-13-104(b). At the time of the original filing, the clerk
12 also shall collect a court automation fee in the amount of
13 ~~one hundred dollars (\$100.00)~~ one hundred ten dollars
14 (\$110.00) which shall be deposited into the judicial
15 systems automation account established by W.S. 5-2-120, and
16 an indigent civil legal services fee in the amount of ten
17 dollars (\$10.00) which shall be deposited into the indigent
18 civil legal services account established by W.S. 5-2-121.

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20 **6-10-102. Imposition of fine for any felony; maximum**
21 **fine where not established by statute; court automation**
22 **fee; indigent civil legal services fee.**

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1 The court may impose a fine as part of the punishment for
2 any felony. If the statute does not establish a maximum
3 fine, the fine shall be not more than ten thousand dollars
4 (\$10,000.00). The court shall impose a court automation fee
5 of ~~forty dollars (\$40.00)~~ fifty dollars (\$50.00) in every
6 criminal case wherein the defendant is found guilty, enters
7 a plea of guilty or no contest or is placed on probation
8 under W.S. 7-13-301. The fee shall be remitted as provided
9 by W.S. 5-3-205. In addition to the court automation fee
10 the court shall impose an indigent civil legal services fee
11 of ten dollars (\$10.00) in every criminal case wherein the
12 defendant is found guilty, enters a plea of guilty or no
13 contest or is placed on probation under W.S. 7-13-301 or
14 35-7-1037. The indigent civil legal services fee shall be
15 remitted as provided in W.S. 5-3-205(a)(ii).

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17 **6-10-103. Penalties for misdemeanors where not**
18 **prescribed by statute; court automation fee; indigent civil**
19 **legal services fee.**

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21 Unless a different penalty is prescribed by law, every
22 crime declared to be a misdemeanor is punishable by
23 imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six (6)

1 months, a fine of not more than seven hundred fifty dollars
2 (\$750.00), or both. The court shall impose a court
3 automation fee of ~~forty dollars (\$40.00)~~ fifty dollars
4 (\$50.00) in every criminal case wherein the defendant is
5 found guilty, enters a plea of guilty or no contest or is
6 placed on probation under W.S. 7-13-301. The fee shall be
7 remitted as provided by W.S. 5-3-205. In addition to the
8 court automation fee the court shall impose an indigent
9 civil legal services fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) in every
10 criminal case wherein the defendant is found guilty, enters
11 a plea of guilty or no contest or is placed on probation
12 under W.S. 7-13-301. The indigent civil legal services fee
13 shall be remitted as provided in W.S. 5-3-205(a)(ii).

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15 **Section 2.** This act shall apply to all cases and
16 appeals initially filed on and after July 1, 2025.

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18 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2025.

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