

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 11

BY REPRESENTATIVE GUILLORY

COURTS/MAYORS: Authorizes an increase in court costs for municipal ordinance violations in the mayor's court in the town of Basile

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 33:447.8, relative to the mayor's court of the town of Basile; to authorize an
3 increase in court costs for violations of municipal ordinances; and to provide for
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 33:447.8 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §447.8. Mayor's court; town of Basile; additional court costs

8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, if the local
9 governing authority by ordinance authorizes an increase in court costs for the
10 mayor's court of the town of Basile, the mayor of the town of Basile, as the presiding
11 officer of the mayor's court of the town of Basile, may impose court costs not to
12 exceed seventy-five dollars for each offense, as defined by ordinance, on any
13 defendant convicted of a violation of a municipal ordinance. The court costs
14 authorized by this Section shall be in addition to the court costs authorized by R.S.
15 33:441.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes an increase of \$75 in court costs for violations of municipal ordinances in the mayor's court of the town of Basile.

Present law (R.S. 33:441) establishes a mayor's court in each municipality which does not have a city court or parish court (R.S. 13:1870 et seq.), and authorizes a mayor, as the presiding officer of the court, to impose court costs on any defendant convicted of a violation of a municipal ordinance. Provides that the court costs shall not exceed \$30 for each offense.

Proposed law authorizes the mayor of the town of Basile, as the presiding officer of the mayor's court of the town of Basile, to impose court costs not to exceed \$75 on any defendant convicted of a violation of a municipal ordinance. The court costs authorized by proposed law are in addition to the court costs authorized by present law.

(Adds R.S. 33:447.8)