

Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE BILL NO. 122

BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOTON

CORRECTIONS: Provides for the imposition of a fee to defray the cost of presentence investigations

1 AN ACT

2 To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 875(A)(4), relative to sentencing; to provide
3 relative to presentence investigations; to provide for fees; to provide for the use of
4 the fees; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Article 875(A)(4) is hereby enacted to read
7 as follows:

8 Art. 875. Presentence investigation; juvenile records; drug screening

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11 (4)(a) If the court orders a presentence investigation to be conducted, the
12 court shall simultaneously order the defendant to pay to the department an amount
13 not to exceed one hundred fifty dollars to defray the cost of conducting the
14 presentence investigation and preparing presentence investigation reports. The order
15 to pay shall be included in the judgment.

16 (b) The amount to be paid by the defendant pursuant to this Subparagraph
17 shall be determined by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections and shall be
18 based on the defendant's ability to pay. In making this determination, the department
19 may consider such factors as the defendant's income, property owned by the

