

FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
**SENATE BILL NO. 169**  
99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Reported from the Committee on the Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence, March 16, 2017, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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**AN ACT**

To repeal section 488.2250, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to court reporters.

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

Section A. Section 488.2250, RSMo, is repealed and one new section  
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 488.2250, to read as follows:

488.2250. 1. For all appeal transcripts of testimony given [or proceedings  
2 in any circuit court], the court reporter shall receive the sum of three dollars and  
3 fifty cents per legal page for the preparation of a paper and an electronic version  
4 of the transcript.

5 2. In criminal cases where an appeal is taken by the defendant and it  
6 appears to the satisfaction of the court that the defendant is unable to pay the  
7 costs of the transcript for the purpose of perfecting the appeal, the court reporter  
8 shall receive a fee of two dollars and sixty cents per legal page for the preparation  
9 of a paper and an electronic version of the transcript.

10 3. Any judge, in his or her discretion, may order a transcript of all or any  
11 part of the evidence or oral proceedings and the court reporter shall receive the  
12 sum of two dollars and sixty cents per legal page for the preparation of a paper  
13 and an electronic version of the transcript.

14 4. For purposes of this section, a legal page, other than the first page and  
15 the final page of the transcript, shall be twenty-five lines, approximately eight  
16 and one-half inches by eleven inches in size, with the left-hand margin of  
17 approximately one and one-half inches, and with the right-hand margin of  
18 approximately one-half inch.

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

19           5. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the payment of court  
20 reporter's fees provided in subsections 2 and 3 of this section shall be made by  
21 the state upon a voucher approved by the court. The cost to prepare all other  
22 transcripts of testimony or proceedings shall be borne by the party requesting  
23 their preparation and production, who shall reimburse the court reporter [the  
24 sum provided in subsection 1 of this section].

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