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Summary of SB 106

Section 1 – Amends NRS 18.005 “Costs” defined. Define fees as applied to multi-party cases as a court costs.

Section 2 – Adds a \$30.00 filing fee for multi-party cases for each additional party after the first plaintiff and defendant (See Multi-party Filing Fee Example).

Funds to be disbursed as follows

\$ 8.00 to the local district court for technology

\$ 7.00 to legal aid

\$ 5.00 for indigent persons

\$ 2.00 for elderly persons

\$ 10.00 to State Court Administrator for statewide technology purposes and direct distribution to courts

\$ 5.00 to Retired Justices and Judges Duty Fund (Assignment of Senior Judges)

Section 3 – Adds a \$50.00 filing fee for appeals and rehearing requests in the Supreme Court for technology.

Section 4 – Effective date of July 1, 2003.

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY

DATE: 5/27/03 ROOM: 3138 EXHIBIT C

SUBMITTED BY: RON TITUS

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Multi-party Civil Filing Fee Example

The intent of the bill is that when a complaint is filed each additional named party in a complaint is charged \$30.00. When an answer is filed, each additional named party in an answer is charged \$30.00 and when an appearance is filed that each additional name party in an appearance is charged \$30.00.

Currently the cost of a filing a complaint in Clark County is \$133.00, the cost of filing an answer or an appearance is \$86.00.

The scenario is as follows:

- A complaint is filed with four plaintiffs against nine defendants.
- The filing fee for the complaint would be the normal filing fee of \$133.00 plus \$90.00, \$30.00 for each additional plaintiff.
- In response, three defendants respond with one answer; the filing fee is the normal fees of \$86.00 plus \$60.00, \$30.00 for each of the two additional defendants.
- Another defendant answers individually and only pays the normal \$86.00 answer fee.
- The remaining five defendants answer jointly and pay the normal answer fee of \$86.00 plus \$120.00; \$30 for each of the other four defendants.
- Should, for example, three parties appear on behalf of the defendants or the plaintiffs then their fees would be the normal appearance fee plus \$60, \$30.00 for each of the two additional parties appearing.

Language is also added in case the complaint is amended to add additional plaintiffs. Should the above complaint be amended to add two plaintiffs then the fee would be \$60.00, \$30.00 for each plaintiff added. Currently there is no fee to amend a complaint to add additional plaintiffs.