THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 1937 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY TAYLOR, DRISCOLL, BOYLE AND WATSON, DECEMBER 12, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, DECEMBER 12, 2017

AN ACT

| 1 2 3 4 | Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in governance of the system, further providing for establishment of fees and charges; and making a related repeal. |
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| 5 | The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania |
| 6 | hereby enacts as follows: |
| 7 | Section 1. Section 1725(c) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania |
| 8 | Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read: |
| 9 | § 1725. Establishment of fees and charges. |
| 10 | (c) Counties of the first class |
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| 12 | (7) In counties of the first class there shall be |
| 13 | charged and set apart by the officer receiving the fees fixed |
| 14 | under this section an amount equal to 20% of the filing fees |
| 15 | at the time in effect for the probate of wills, the issues of |
| 16 | letters testamentary, the issue of letters of administration |
| 17 | and the filing of accounts with the register of wills, the |
| 18 | filing of accounts of trustees and guardians in the court of |
| 19 | common pleas of the county and of all filings in the Office |

| 1 | of Judicial Records, formerly known as the Office of the |
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| 2 | Prothonotary, of the county. The amount collected shall be |
| 3 | remitted monthly, as follows: |
| 4 | (i) Thirty-three percent shall be transmitted to the |
| 5 | entity operating the county law library. |
| 6 | (ii) Sixty-seven percent shall be retained by the |
| 7 | First Judicial District to be used as part of its general |
| 8 | fund operating budget. |
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| 10 | Section 2. Repeals are as follows: |
| 11 | (1) The General Assembly finds that the repeal under |
| 12 | paragraph (2) is necessary to effectuate this act. |
| 13 | (2) Section 24(d) of the act of July 9, 1976 (P.L.586, |
| 14 | No.142), known as the Judiciary Act of 1976, as amended by |
| 15 | the act of July 3, 1985 (P.L.162 No.44), is repealed. |
| 16 | Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately. |