

**MARRIAGE LAW - AMEND FEES FOR FUNDING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS**  
**Act of Dec. 20, 1990, P.L. 1471, No. 222** **Cl. 23**  
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AN ACT

HB 1983

Amending the act of August 22, 1953 (P.L.1344, No.383), entitled  
"An act relating to marriage; and amending, revising,  
consolidating and changing the law relating thereto," increasing  
fees to provide funding for domestic violence victims.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby  
enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 19 of the act of August 22, 1953 (P.L.1344,  
No.383), known as The Marriage Law, is amended to read:

Section 19. Fees.--The fee to be charged by the clerk of the  
orphans' court in various counties for issuing a marriage license  
or declaration and for returns thereof to the Department of Health  
shall be [three] **thirteen** dollars, two dollars and fifty cents of  
which shall be for the use of the clerk of the orphans' court of  
the county wherein such license is issued, and fifty cents for the  
use of the Commonwealth[.] **plus ten dollars, which shall be in  
addition to the cost of the marriage license, to be forwarded to  
the Department of Public Welfare for use for victims of domestic  
violence in accordance with the provisions of section 2333 of the  
act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175) , known as "The  
Administrative Code of 1929."** In addition, the clerk shall make  
the usual charge for affidavits. All monies collected by the said  
clerk for the use of the Commonwealth shall, on or before the tenth  
day of the following month, be transmitted to the State Treasurer,  
to be placed in the General Fund for the use of the Commonwealth.  
**The Commonwealth shall certify that such monies will not be used  
to supplant Federal and State funds otherwise available for domestic  
violence services.**

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED--The 20th day of December, A. D. 1990.

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