



**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**

**DOA 4/16/2015**

LRB Number <b>15-2091/1</b>	Introduction Number <b>SB-114</b>	Estimate Type <b>Original</b>
<b>Description</b> Small claims court fee		

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

Under current law, a person who commences a small claims action in circuit court under Ch. 799 must pay a fee of \$22; a portion of that fee is paid to the Secretary of the Department of Administration (DOA) to be deposited in the general fund.

The proposed bill will have a person who commences a small claims action in circuit court pay a fee of \$50. Of that fee, a portion is to be submitted to DOA for credit to the Court Information Systems appropriation under the Supreme Court, s.20.680(2)(j); the amount is increased from \$11.80 to \$20.00.

DOA's role is limited to depositing the fee to the general fund; therefore, this bill will have no fiscal impact on DOA.

The amount of the fee retained by counties is increased from \$10.20 to \$30.00 per filing. However, data is not readily available to determine the total revenue increase to county governments.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

None for DOA.