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2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 819

February 5, 2004 – Introduced by Representatives Kaufert, Jeskewitz, Ainsworth, Albers, Gundrum, Hahn, Hines, Krawczyk, M. Lehman, Nischke, Olsen, Stone and Townsend, cosponsored by Senators Roessler and Ellis. Referred to Committee on Corrections and the Courts.

1 AN ACT to amend 814.65 (1) of the statutes; relating to: increasing filing fees

for municipal court actions.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law provides that in most municipal court actions, the filing fee must be at least \$15 but not more than \$23. This bill increases the upper limit to \$28.

For further information see the **state and local** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

- **SECTION 1.** 814.65 (1) of the statutes, as affected by 2003 Wisconsin Acts 30 and 33, is amended to read:
- 814.65 (1) COURT COSTS. In a municipal court action, except for an action for a first violation of s. 23.33 (4c) (a) 2., 30.681 (1) (b) 1., 346.63 (1) (b), or 350.101 (1)
- 7 (b), if the person who committed the violation had a blood alcohol concentration of
- 8 0.08 or more but less than 0.1 at the time of the violation, or for a violation of an

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ordinance in conformity with s. 347.48 (2m), the municipal judge shall collect a fee of not less than \$15 nor more than \$23 28 on each separate matter, whether it is on default of appearance, a plea of guilty or no contest, on issuance of a warrant or summons, or the action is tried as a contested matter. Of each fee received by the judge under this subsection, the municipal treasurer shall pay monthly \$5 to the secretary of administration for deposit in the general fund and shall retain the balance for the use of the municipality.

SECTION 2. Initial applicability.

- (1) This act first applies to actions filed on the effective date of this subsection.
- SECTION 3. Effective date.
 - (1) This act takes effect on July 1, 2004.
- 12 (END)