

## State of Misconsin 2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

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## **2015 SENATE BILL 114**

April 8, 2015 – Introduced by Senator Lemahieu, cosponsored by Representatives Allen, Bernier, Brostoff, E. Brooks, Edming, Heaton, Horlacher, Kitchens, Kulp, Macco, Quinn and Rohrkaste. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

- AN  $\overline{ACT}$  to amend 814.62 (3) (a) and 814.62 (3) (d) 2. of the statutes; relating to:
- 2 small claims court fee.

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#### Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who commences a small claims action in circuit court must pay a fee of \$22. Of that fee, \$11.80 is paid to the secretary of administration to be deposited in the general fund and the balance is retained for use by the county. The small claims procedure applies to eviction actions and other actions, including certain civil actions in which the amount claimed does not exceed \$10,000. This bill provides that a person who commences a small claims action in circuit court must pay a fee of \$50; of that fee, \$20 is to be paid to the secretary for deposit into the general fund.

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.** 814.62 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 814.62 (3) (a) In a small claims action under ch. 799, at the time of issuance of
- 5 a summons or other process in a proceeding not commenced by a summons, the
- 6 plaintiff shall pay to the clerk of court a fee of \$22 \$50.

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| <b>Section 2.</b> 814.62 (3) (d) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:                              |
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| 814.62 (3) (d) 2. Of the fees received by the clerk under par. (a), the county                       |
| treasurer shall pay $$11.80 \ \underline{$20}$ to the secretary of administration for deposit in the |
| general fund and shall retain the balance for the use of the county. The secretary of                |
| administration shall credit the $\$11.80$ $\$20$ to the appropriation under s. 20.680 (2)            |
| (j).   |
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