

## 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 264

March 28, 2005 – Introduced by Representatives KAUFERT, TOWNSEND, AINSWORTH, BALLWEG, BIES, GUNDRUM, HINES, JESKEWITZ, MUSSER, OTT, OWENS, PETTIS, PRIDEMORE and STONE, cosponsored by Senators ROESSLER and ELLIS. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 814.65 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** increasing filing fees  
2           for municipal court actions.

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### *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.

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

3           **SECTION 1.** 814.65 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

4           814.65 (1) COURT COSTS. In a municipal court action, except for an action for  
5 a first violation of s. 23.33 (4c) (a) 2., 30.681 (1) (b) 1., 346.63 (1) (b), or 350.101 (1)  
6 (b), if the person who committed the violation had a blood alcohol concentration of  
7 0.08 or more but less than 0.1 at the time of the violation, or for a violation of an  
8 ordinance in conformity with s. 347.48 (2m), the municipal judge shall collect a fee

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

7 **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

8 (1) This act first applies to actions filed on the effective date of this subsection.

9 **SECTION 3. Effective date.**

10 (1) This act takes effect on July 1, 2005.

11 (END)