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CHAPTER 269, Laws of 1977

AN ACT to amend 66.12 (3) (a) and 288.195 (1) of the statutes, relating to clerk's fees in municipal courts.

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

SECTION 1. 66.12 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.12 (3) (a) In forfeiture actions for violations of ordinances on default of appearance or on a plea of guilty or no contest, the clerk's or justice's fee shall be not more than \$2, but if it is necessary to issue a warrant or summons or the action is tried as a contested matter, additional clerk's or justice's fees may be added, but the total of such fees shall not exceed \$3.50 \$5, except that a municipality need not advance clerk's or justice's fees, but shall be exempt from payment of such fees until the defendant pays costs under this section. In forfeiture actions in which a municipality prevails, costs and disbursements shall be allowed to the municipality, subject only to such limitations as the court directs.

SECTION 2. 288.195 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

288.195 (1) In forfeiture actions for violations of ordinances on default of appearance or on a plea of guilty or no contest, the clerk's or justice's fee shall be not more than \$2, but if it is necessary to issue a warrant or summons or the action is tried as a contested matter, additional clerk's or justice's fees may be added, but the total of such fees shall not exceed \$3.50 \$5, except that a municipality need not advance such fees, but shall be exempt from payment of fees until the defendant pays costs under this section.