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**LEGISLATIVE BILL 333**

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Committee: Judiciary

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to courts; to amend sections 33-107.03 and  
2 33-154, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to create  
3 a fund; to increase and provide for court fees; and to  
4 repeal the original sections.

5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           Section 1. The Supreme Court Access to Justice Cash  
2 Fund is created. The State Court Administrator shall administer  
3 the fund. The fund shall only be used to support (1) statewide  
4 interpreter services in the courts and probation system and (2)  
5 access to justice for indigent and pro se individuals who appear  
6 in the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, district courts, separate  
7 juvenile courts, and county courts. Any money in the fund available  
8 for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer  
9 pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska  
10 State Funds Investment Act.

11           Sec. 2. Section 33-107.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of  
12 Nebraska, is amended to read:

13           33-107.03 In addition to all other court costs assessed  
14 according to law, a court automation fee of ~~six~~ eight dollars  
15 shall be taxed as costs for each case filed in each county court,  
16 separate juvenile court, and district court, including appeals to  
17 such courts, and for each appeal and original action filed in the  
18 Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court. The fees shall be remitted  
19 to the State Treasurer on forms prescribed by the State Treasurer  
20 within ten days after the end of each month. The State Treasurer  
21 shall credit the fees to the Supreme Court Automation Cash Fund.

22           Sec. 3. Section 33-154, Reissue Revised Statutes of  
23 Nebraska, is amended to read:

24           33-154 In addition to all other court costs assessed  
25 according to law, a training fee of ~~one dollar~~ two dollars shall

1 be taxed as costs for each case filed in each county court and  
2 district court, including appeals to such courts, and for each  
3 appeal and original action filed in the Court of Appeals and the  
4 Supreme Court. The fees shall be remitted to the State Treasurer on  
5 forms prescribed by the State Treasurer within ten days after the  
6 end of each month. The State Treasurer shall credit the fees to the  
7 Supreme Court Education Fund.

8           Sec. 4. In addition to all other court costs assessed  
9 according to law, an access to justice fee of one dollar shall be  
10 taxed as costs for each case filed in each county court, separate  
11 juvenile court, and district court, including appeals to such  
12 courts, and for each appeal and original action filed in the Court  
13 of Appeals and the Supreme Court. The fees shall be remitted to the  
14 State Treasurer on forms prescribed by the State Treasurer within  
15 ten days after the end of each month. The State Treasurer shall  
16 credit the fees to the Supreme Court Access to Justice Cash Fund.

17           Sec. 5. Original sections 33-107.03 and 33-154, Reissue  
18 Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.