1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to clerks of court; amending s. 27.52,
3	F.S.; authorizing the clerk of court to review the
4	property records and motor vehicle records to
5	determine whether an applicant for the appointment of
6	a public defender is indigent; deleting a requirement
7	that the clerk conduct the review; amending s. 28.24,
8	F.S.; deleting a requirement for the clerks of the
9	circuit courts to participate in the Comprehensive
10	Case Information System; creating s. 28.2405, F.S.;
11	requiring clerks of the circuit courts to use the
12	Comprehensive Case Information System and to submit
13	data to the system based on case types designated by
14	the Supreme Court of Florida; amending s. 28.241,
15	F.S.; providing that filing fees and fees to reopen a
16	proceeding are due at the time a party files a
17	pleading to initiate or reopen a proceeding; requiring
18	the clerk of court to pursue the collection of fees
19	that are not timely paid; revising the circumstances
20	under which a fee to reopen a case applies; exempting
21	a person from paying a reopen fee for filing a motion
22	to enforce a stipulation or a motion for contempt;
23	authorizing the clerk of court to charge a fee to
24	issue an electronic certified copy of a summons;
25	amending s. 28.37, F.S.; providing that certain
26	penalties and fines are not deposited into the clerk's
27	Public Records Modernization Trust Fund; amending s.
28	34.041, F.S.; requiring the party filing a case in
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29 county court to pay all filing and reopen fees at the 30 time of filing; requiring the clerk to pursue 31 collection of the fees if the fees are not paid at the 32 time of filing; authorizing the clerk of court to charge a fee for issuing an electronic certified copy 33 34 of a summons; revising the circumstances under which a 35 fee to reopen a case applies; exempting a party from 36 paying a reopen fee for filing motions to enforce 37 stipulations and motions for contempt; amending s. 38 40.011, F.S.; requiring that a clerk of court generate 39 and maintain a set of juror candidate lists; requiring that the clerk of court add names of certain persons 40 to the juror candidate lists; authorizing the clerk of 41 42 court to generate juror candidate lists as necessary 43 to ensure a valid and consistent juror selection 44 process; amending s. 40.02, F.S.; revising the process of selecting jury lists; amending s. 40.022, F.S.; 45 revising the process of purging jury selection lists; 46 47 amending s. 40.221, F.S.; conforming provisions to 48 changes made by the act; amending s. 40.225, F.S.; 49 requiring that the clerk of court implement an 50 automated electronic system for drawing a jury venire; 51 providing administrative responsibilities of the 52 clerks of court with regard to the jury venire; 53 requiring that the clerk of court or the chief judge 54 submit for approval a plan for the selection of juror 55 candidates; requiring that the Chief Justice of the 56 Supreme Court examine the proposed plan for compliance Page 2 of 38

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57 with applicable statutory requirements and technical 58 standards and procedures; requiring that an 59 administrative order be filed if the proposed plan is 60 approved; amending s. 57.081, F.S.; providing that a person who receives a certification of indigence with 61 62 respect to a proceeding is not required to pay charges 63 to issue a summons; amending s. 95.11, F.S.; providing 64 that an action to collect any court costs, fees, or 65 fines owed to the state may be commenced at any time; 66 amending s. 112.3173, F.S.; providing for the duty of 67 a clerk of court to notify the Commission on Ethics of certain proceedings involving public officers or 68 employees to arise after the clerk is advised by the 69 70 state attorney that the defendant is a public officer 71 or employee who is alleged to have committed a 72 specified offense; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; requiring 73 that the signature of the person designated to 74 represent a community service agency be notarized on 75 letterhead that indicates the number of hours of 76 community service completed and the date the community 77 service hours were completed by a person who is 78 ordered to perform community service as a penalty for 79 specified offenses; amending s. 668.50, F.S.; limiting 80 the exemption from the Uniform Electronic Transaction 81 Act for transactions governed by rules relating to 82 judicial procedure; amending s. 733.707, F.S.; 83 specifying the priority of payment of unpaid court 84 costs, fees, or fines by a decedent's estate; amending Page 3 of 38

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85 s. 893.11, F.S.; providing that convictions of certain 86 types of criminal offenses which are reported to the 87 Comprehensive Case Information System of the Florida 88 Association of Court Clerks and Comptrollers, Inc., 89 are an immediate, serious danger to the public health, 90 safety, or welfare; providing that such convictions 91 are grounds for disciplinary action by a licensing 92 state agency; requiring that a state agency initiate 93 an emergency suspension of an individual professional 94 license upon the agency's finding of the licensee's 95 conviction of a certain type of criminal offense; requiring that certain state agencies use the 96 97 Comprehensive Case Information System to obtain 98 information relating to a conviction involving certain 99 types of criminal offenses; requiring that the clerk 100 of court provide to each state agency electronic 101 access and provide certified copies of judgments to 102 licensing agencies upon request; defining the term 103 "professional license"; amending s. 938.27, F.S.; 104 authorizing a court to require a defendant to pay the 105 costs of prosecution and investigation pursuant to a 106 payment plan under a specified provision; amending s. 107 938.30, F.S.; providing that criminal or civil 108 judgment and related costs are a civil lien against 109 the judgment debtor's presently owned or after-110 acquired real or personal property if the judgment is 111 recorded; providing an exception to rerecording requirements; requiring that the clerk of court 112 Page 4 of 38

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113 enforce, satisfy, compromise, settle, subordinate, 114 release, or otherwise dispose of any debts or lien 115 imposed and collected in the same manner as for an 116 indigent defendant-recipient; amending s. 947.181, 117 F.S.; providing that the Parole Commission require as 118 a condition of parole the payment of fines, fees, or 119 other court-ordered costs under certain circumstances; providing that restitution ordered as a condition of 120 121 parole has first priority over the payment of other costs ordered as a condition of parole; requiring that 122 the commission state on record the reasons for not 123 124 requiring the full payment of the fines, fees, or 125 other court-ordered costs; providing an effective 126 date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

130 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section131 27.52, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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27.52 Determination of indigent status.-

133 (2) DETERMINATION BY THE CLERK.—The clerk of the court
134 shall determine whether an applicant seeking appointment of a
135 public defender is indigent based upon the information provided
136 in the application and the criteria prescribed in this
137 subsection.

(a)1. An applicant, including an applicant who is a minor
or an adult tax-dependent person, is indigent if the applicant's
income is equal to or below 200 percent of the then-current

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141 federal poverty guidelines prescribed for the size of the 142 household of the applicant by the United States Department of 143 Health and Human Services or if the person is receiving 144 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families-Cash Assistance, 145 poverty-related veterans' benefits, or Supplemental Security 146 Income (SSI).

147 2.a. There is a presumption that the applicant is not 148 indigent if the applicant owns, or has equity in, any intangible 149 or tangible personal property or real property or the expectancy 150 of an interest in any such property having a net equity value of 151 \$2,500 or more, excluding the value of the person's homestead 152 and one vehicle having a net value not exceeding \$5,000.

153 Notwithstanding the information that the applicant b. 154 provides, the clerk may shall conduct a review of the property 155 records for the county in which the applicant resides and the 156 motor vehicle title records of the state to identify any 157 property interests of the applicant under this subparagraph. The 158 clerk may shall evaluate and consider the results of the review 159 in making a determination under this subsection. If the review 160 is completed by the clerk, the clerk shall maintain the results 161 of the review in a file with the application and provide the 162 file to the court if the applicant seeks review under subsection 163 (4) of the clerk's determination of indigent status.

Section 2. Paragraph (e) of subsection (12) of section28.24, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

166 28.24 Service charges by clerk of the circuit court.—The 167 clerk of the circuit court shall charge for services rendered by 168 the clerk's office in recording documents and instruments and in

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169 performing the duties enumerated in amounts not to exceed those 170 specified in this section. Notwithstanding any other provision 171 of this section, the clerk of the circuit court shall provide 172 without charge to the state attorney, public defender, guardian 173 ad litem, public guardian, attorney ad litem, criminal conflict 174 and civil regional counsel, and private court-appointed counsel 175 paid by the state, and to the authorized staff acting on behalf of each, access to and a copy of any public record, if the 176 177 requesting party is entitled by law to view the exempt or 178 confidential record, as maintained by and in the custody of the clerk of the circuit court as provided in general law and the 179 180 Florida Rules of Judicial Administration. The clerk of the 181 circuit court may provide the requested public record in an 182 electronic format in lieu of a paper format when capable of 183 being accessed by the requesting entity. 184 185 Charges 186 187 (12)For recording, indexing, and filing any instrument not more than 14 inches by 8 1/2 inches, including required 188

(e) An additional service charge of \$4 per page shall be
paid to the clerk of the circuit court for each instrument
listed in s. 28.222, except judgments received from the courts
and notices of lis pendens, recorded in the official records.
From the additional \$4 service charge collected:

notice to property appraiser where applicable:

1951. If the counties maintain legal responsibility for the196costs of the court-related technology needs as defined in s.

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197 29.008(1)(f)2. and (h), 10 cents shall be distributed to the 198 Florida Association of Court Clerks and Comptrollers 199 Comptroller, Inc., for the cost of development, implementation, 200 operation, and maintenance of the clerks' Comprehensive Case 201 Information System, in which system all clerks shall participate 202 on or before January 1, 2006; \$1.90 shall be retained by the 203 clerk to be deposited in the Public Records Modernization Trust 204 Fund and used exclusively for funding court-related technology 205 needs of the clerk as defined in s. 29.008(1)(f)2. and (h); and \$2 shall be distributed to the board of county commissioners to 206 207 be used exclusively to fund court-related technology, and court 208 technology needs as defined in s. 29.008(1)(f)2. and (h) for the 209 state trial courts, state attorney, public defender, and 210 criminal conflict and civil regional counsel in that county. If 211 the counties maintain legal responsibility for the costs of the 212 court-related technology needs as defined in s. 29.008(1)(f)2. 213 and (h), notwithstanding any other provision of law, the county 214 is not required to provide additional funding beyond that 215 provided herein for the court-related technology needs of the 216 clerk as defined in s. 29.008(1)(f)2. and (h). All court records 217 and official records are the property of the State of Florida, 218 including any records generated as part of the Comprehensive 219 Case Information System funded pursuant to this paragraph and 220 the clerk of court is designated as the custodian of such records, except in a county where the duty of maintaining 221 official records exists in a county office other than the clerk 222 223 of court or comptroller, such county office is designated the custodian of all official records, and the clerk of court is 224

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225 designated the custodian of all court records. The clerk of 226 court or any entity acting on behalf of the clerk of court, 227 including an association, shall not charge a fee to any agency 228 as defined in s. 119.011, the Legislature, or the State Court 229 System for copies of records generated by the Comprehensive Case 230 Information System or held by the clerk of court or any entity 231 acting on behalf of the clerk of court, including an 232 association.

233 2. If the state becomes legally responsible for the costs
234 of court-related technology needs as defined in s.
235 29.008(1)(f)2. and (h), whether by operation of general law or
236 by court order, \$4 shall be remitted to the Department of
237 Revenue for deposit into the General Revenue Fund.

238 Section 3. Section 28.2405, Florida Statutes, is created 239 to read:

240 <u>28.2405 Comprehensive Case Information System.-All clerks</u> 241 <u>of the circuit court shall participate in the Comprehensive Case</u> 242 <u>Information System of the Florida Association of Court Clerks</u> 243 <u>and Comptrollers, Inc., and shall submit electronic case data to</u> 244 <u>the system based on the case types designated by the Supreme</u> 245 <u>Court.</u>

246Section 4. Subsection (1) of section 28.241, Florida247Statutes, is amended to read:

248 28.241 Filing fees for trial and appellate proceedings.249 (1) Filing fees are due at the time a party files a
250 pleading to initiate a proceeding or files a pleading for
251 relief. Reopen fees are due at the time a party files a pleading

252 to reopen a proceeding if at least 90 days have elapsed since

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253 <u>the filing of a final order or final judgment with the clerk. If</u> 254 <u>a fee is not paid upon the filing of the pleading as required</u> 255 <u>under this section, the clerk shall pursue collection of the fee</u> 256 <u>pursuant to s. 28.246.</u>

257 (a)1.a. Except as provided in sub-subparagraph b. and 258 subparagraph 2., the party instituting any civil action, suit, 259 or proceeding in the circuit court shall pay to the clerk of 260 that court a filing fee of up to \$395 in all cases in which 261 there are not more than five defendants and an additional filing fee of up to \$2.50 for each defendant in excess of five. Of the 262 first \$280 in filing fees, \$80 must be remitted by the clerk to 263 264 the Department of Revenue for deposit into the General Revenue 265 Fund, \$195 must be remitted to the Department of Revenue for 266 deposit into the State Courts Revenue Trust Fund, \$3.50 must be 267 remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Clerks of the Court Trust Fund within the Justice Administrative 268 269 Commission and used to fund the Florida Clerks of Court 270 Operations Corporation created in s. 28.35, and \$1.50 shall be 271 remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the 272 Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of Financial 273 Services to fund clerk budget reviews conducted by the 274 Department of Financial Services. One third of any filing fees 275 collected by the clerk of the circuit court in excess of \$100 276 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into 277 the Clerks of the Court Trust Fund within the Justice Administrative Commission. 278

b. The party instituting any civil action, suit, or
proceeding in the circuit court under chapter 39, chapter 61,

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281 chapter 741, chapter 742, chapter 747, chapter 752, or chapter 282 753 shall pay to the clerk of that court a filing fee of up to 283 \$295 in all cases in which there are not more than five defendants and an additional filing fee of up to \$2.50 for each 284 285 defendant in excess of five. Of the first \$180 in filing fees, 286 \$80 must be remitted by the clerk to the Department of Revenue 287 for deposit into the General Revenue Fund, \$95 must be remitted 288 to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the State Courts 289 Revenue Trust Fund, \$3.50 must be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Clerks of the Court Trust Fund 290 within the Justice Administrative Commission and used to fund 291 292 the Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation created in s. 293 28.35, and \$1.50 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue 294 for deposit into the Administrative Trust Fund within the 295 Department of Financial Services to fund clerk budget reviews 296 conducted by the Department of Financial Services.

297 An additional filing fee of \$4 shall be paid to the с. 298 clerk. The clerk shall remit \$3.50 to the Department of Revenue 299 for deposit into the Court Education Trust Fund and shall remit 300 50 cents to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the 301 Clerks of the Court Trust Fund within the Justice Administrative 302 Commission to fund clerk education. An additional filing fee of 303 up to \$18 shall be paid by the party seeking each severance that 304 is granted. The clerk may impose an additional filing fee of up to \$85 for all proceedings of garnishment, attachment, replevin, 305 306 and distress. Postal charges incurred by the clerk of the circuit court in making service by certified or registered mail 307 308 on defendants or other parties shall be paid by the party at

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309 whose instance service is made. No Additional fees, charges, or 310 costs <u>may not</u> shall be added to the filing fees imposed under 311 this section, except as authorized in this section or by general 312 law.

313 2.a. Notwithstanding the fees prescribed in subparagraph 314 1., a party instituting a civil action in circuit court relating 315 to real property or mortgage foreclosure shall pay a graduated 316 filing fee based on the value of the claim.

317 b. A party shall estimate in writing the amount in 318 controversy of the claim upon filing the action. For purposes of this subparagraph, the value of a mortgage foreclosure action is 319 320 based upon the principal due on the note secured by the 321 mortgage, plus interest owed on the note and any moneys advanced 322 by the lender for property taxes, insurance, and other advances secured by the mortgage, at the time of filing the foreclosure. 323 324 The value shall also include the value of any tax certificates 325 related to the property. In stating the value of a mortgage 326 foreclosure claim, a party shall declare in writing the total 327 value of the claim, as well as the individual elements of the 328 value as prescribed in this sub-subparagraph.

329 c. In its order providing for the final disposition of the 330 matter, the court shall identify the actual value of the claim. 331 The clerk shall adjust the filing fee if there is a difference 332 between the estimated amount in controversy and the actual value 333 of the claim and collect any additional filing fee owed or 334 provide a refund of excess filing fee paid.

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d. The party shall pay a filing fee of:

(I) Three hundred and ninety-five dollars in all cases in

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337 which the value of the claim is \$50,000 or less and in which 338 there are not more than five defendants. The party shall pay an 339 additional filing fee of up to \$2.50 for each defendant in 340 excess of five. Of the first \$280 in filing fees, \$80 must be 341 remitted by the clerk to the Department of Revenue for deposit 342 into the General Revenue Fund, \$195 must be remitted to the 343 Department of Revenue for deposit into the State Courts Revenue 344 Trust Fund, \$3.50 must be remitted to the Department of Revenue 345 for deposit into the Clerks of the Court Trust Fund within the Justice Administrative Commission and used to fund the Florida 346 347 Clerks of Court Operations Corporation created in s. 28.35, and 348 \$1.50 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit 349 into the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of 350 Financial Services to fund clerk budget reviews conducted by the 351 Department of Financial Services;

352 (II)Nine hundred dollars in all cases in which the value 353 of the claim is more than \$50,000 but less than \$250,000 and in 354 which there are not more than five defendants. The party shall 355 pay an additional filing fee of up to \$2.50 for each defendant 356 in excess of five. Of the first \$785 in filing fees, \$80 must be 357 remitted by the clerk to the Department of Revenue for deposit 358 into the General Revenue Fund, \$700 must be remitted to the 359 Department of Revenue for deposit into the State Courts Revenue 360 Trust Fund, \$3.50 must be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Clerks of the Court Trust Fund within the 361 Justice Administrative Commission and used to fund the Florida 362 363 Clerks of Court Operations Corporation described in s. 28.35, and \$1.50 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for 364

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365 deposit into the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department 366 of Financial Services to fund clerk budget reviews conducted by 367 the Department of Financial Services; or

(III) One thousand nine hundred dollars in all cases in 368 369 which the value of the claim is \$250,000 or more and in which 370 there are not more than five defendants. The party shall pay an 371 additional filing fee of up to \$2.50 for each defendant in 372 excess of five. Of the first \$1,785 in filing fees, \$80 must be 373 remitted by the clerk to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the General Revenue Fund, \$1,700 must be remitted to the 374 375 Department of Revenue for deposit into the State Courts Revenue 376 Trust Fund, \$3.50 must be remitted to the Department of Revenue 377 for deposit into the Clerks of the Court Trust Fund within the 378 Justice Administrative Commission to fund the Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation created in s. 28.35, and \$1.50 379 380 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into 381 the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of Financial 382 Services to fund clerk budget reviews conducted by the 383 Department of Financial Services.

384 An additional filing fee of \$4 shall be paid to the e. 385 clerk. The clerk shall remit \$3.50 to the Department of Revenue 386 for deposit into the Court Education Trust Fund and shall remit 387 50 cents to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the 388 Clerks of the Court Trust Fund within the Justice Administrative Commission to fund clerk education. An additional filing fee of 389 up to \$18 shall be paid by the party seeking each severance that 390 is granted. The clerk may impose an additional filing fee of up 391 392 to \$85 for all proceedings of garnishment, attachment, replevin,

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and distress. Postal charges incurred by the clerk of the circuit court in making service by certified or registered mail on defendants or other parties shall be paid by the party at whose instance service is made. No Additional fees, charges, or costs <u>may not</u> shall be added to the filing fees imposed under this section, except as authorized in this section or by general law.

400 A party reopening any civil action, suit, or (b) 401 proceeding in the circuit court shall pay to the clerk of court 402 a filing fee set by the clerk in an amount not to exceed \$50. 403 For purposes of this section, a case is reopened after all 404 appeals have been exhausted or time to file an appeal from a 405 final order or final judgment has expired. A reopen fee may be 406 assessed by the clerk for any motion filed by any party at least 407 90 days after a final order or final judgment has been filed 408 with the clerk in the initial case. A reservation of 409 jurisdiction by a court does not cause a case to remain open for 410 purposes of this section or exempt a party from paying a reopen 411 fee when a case previously reported as disposed of is 412 resubmitted to a court and includes petitions for modification 413 of a final judgment of dissolution. A party is exempt from 414 paying the fee for any of the following: 415 A writ of garnishment; 1. 416 2. A writ of replevin; A distress writ; 417 3. 4. A writ of attachment; 418 419 5. A motion for rehearing filed within 10 days; 6. A motion for attorney's fees filed within 30 days after 420 Page 15 of 38

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421	entry of a judgment or final order;
422	7. A motion for dismissal filed after a mediation
423	agreement has been filed;
424	8. A disposition of personal property without
425	administration;
426	9. Any probate case prior to the discharge of a personal
427	representative;
428	10. Any guardianship pleading prior to discharge;
429	11. Any mental health pleading;
430	12. Motions to withdraw by attorneys;
431	13. Motions exclusively for the enforcement of child
432	support orders;
433	14. A petition for credit of child support;
434	15. A Notice of Intent to Relocate and any order issuing
435	as a result of an uncontested relocation;
436	16. Stipulations and motions to enforce stipulations;
437	17. Responsive pleadings; or
438	18. Cases in which there is no initial filing fee <u>; or</u>
439	19. Motions for contempt.
440	(c)1. A party in addition to a party described in sub-
441	subparagraph (a)1.a. who files a pleading in an original civil
442	action in circuit court for affirmative relief by cross-claim,
443	counterclaim, counterpetition, or third-party complaint shall
444	pay the clerk of court a fee of \$395. A party in addition to a
445	party described in sub-subparagraph (a)1.b. who files a pleading
446	in an original civil action in circuit court for affirmative
447	relief by cross-claim, counterclaim, counterpetition, or third-
448	party complaint shall pay the clerk of court a fee of \$295. The
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449 clerk shall remit the fee to the Department of Revenue for 450 deposit into the General Revenue Fund.

451 2. A party in addition to a party described in
452 subparagraph (a)2. who files a pleading in an original civil
453 action in circuit court for affirmative relief by cross-claim,
454 counterclaim, counterpetition, or third-party complaint shall
455 pay the clerk of court a graduated fee of:

456 a. Three hundred and ninety-five dollars in all cases in457 which the value of the pleading is \$50,000 or less;

458 b. Nine hundred dollars in all cases in which the value of 459 the pleading is more than \$50,000 but less than \$250,000; or

460 c. One thousand nine hundred dollars in all cases in which461 the value of the pleading is \$250,000 or more.

The clerk shall remit the fees collected under this subparagraph to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the General Revenue Fund, except that the clerk shall remit \$100 of the fee collected under sub-subparagraph a., \$605 of the fee collected under sub-subparagraph b., and \$1,605 of the fee collected under sub-subparagraph c. to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the State Courts Revenue Trust Fund.

(d) The clerk of court shall collect a service charge of
\$10 for issuing <u>an original, a certified copy, or an electronic</u>
<u>certified copy of</u> a summons. The clerk shall assess the fee
against the party seeking to have the summons issued.

474Section 5. Subsection (2) of section 28.37, Florida475Statutes, is amended to read:

476 28.37 Fines, fees, service charges, and costs remitted to Page 17 of 38

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Except as otherwise provided in ss. 28.241 and 34.041, 478 (2)479 all court-related fines, fees, service charges, and costs are 480 considered state funds and shall be remitted by the clerk to the 481 Department of Revenue for deposit into the Clerks of the Court 482 Trust Fund within the Justice Administrative Commission. 483 However, 10 percent of all court-related fines collected by the 484 clerk, except for penalties or fines distributed to counties or 485 municipalities under s. 316.0083(1)(b)3. or s. 318.18(15)(a), 486 shall be deposited into the clerk's Public Records Modernization Trust Fund to be used exclusively for additional clerk court-487 488 related operational needs and program enhancements.

489 Section 6. Paragraphs (a) and (d) of subsection (1) and 490 subsection (2) of section 34.041, Florida Statutes, are amended 491 to read:

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34.041 Filing fees.-

Filing fees are due at the time a party files a 493 (1) (a) 494 pleading to initiate a proceeding or files a pleading for 495 relief. Reopen fees are due at the time a party files a pleading 496 to reopen a proceeding if at least 90 days have elapsed since 497 the filing of a final order or final judgment with the clerk. If 498 a fee is not paid upon the filing of the pleading as required under this section, the clerk shall pursue collection of the fee 499 500 pursuant to s. 28.246. Upon the institution of any civil action, suit, or proceeding in county court, the party shall pay the 501 following filing fee, not to exceed: 502 For all claims less than \$100.....\$50. 503 1. 504

For all claims of \$100 or more but not more than \$500 2.

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505 \$75. 506 3. For all claims of more than \$500 but not more than 507 \$2,500.....\$170. For all claims of more than \$2,500.....\$295. 508 4. 509 5. In addition, for all proceedings of garnishment, attachment, replevin, and distress.....\$85. 510 511 6. Notwithstanding subparagraphs 3. and 5., for all claims 512 of not more than \$1,000 filed simultaneously with an action for 513 replevin of property that is the subject of the claim . \$125. 514 7. For removal of tenant action.....\$180. 515 516 The filing fee in subparagraph 6. is the total fee due under this paragraph for that type of filing, and no other filing fee 517 518 under this paragraph may be assessed against such a filing. The clerk of court shall collect a service charge of 519 (d) 520 \$10 for issuing a summons or an electronic certified copy of a 521 summons. The clerk shall assess the fee against the party 522 seeking to have the summons issued. 523 (2)A party reopening any civil action, suit, or 524 proceeding in the county court shall pay to the clerk of court a 525 filing fee set by the clerk in an amount not to exceed \$25 for 526 all claims of not more than \$500 and an amount not to exceed \$50 527 for all claims of more than \$500. For purposes of this section, 528 a case is reopened after all appeals have been exhausted, or 529 time to file an appeal from a final order or final judgment has 530 expired. A reopen fee may be assessed by the clerk for any 531 motion filed by any party at least 90 days after a final order 532 or final judgment has been filed with the clerk in the initial Page 19 of 38

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533 case. A reservation of jurisdiction by a court does not cause a 534 case to remain open for purposes of this section or exempt a 535 party from paying a reopen fee when a case previously reported 536 as disposed of is resubmitted to a court. A party is exempt from 537 paying the fee for any of the following: 538 A writ of garnishment; (a) 539 (b) A writ of replevin; 540 (c) A distress writ; 541 A writ of attachment; (d) 542 (e) A motion for rehearing filed within 10 days; (f) A motion for attorney's fees filed within 30 days of 543 544 the entry of the judgment or final order; 545 A motion for dismissal filed after a mediation (q) 546 agreement has been filed; 547 A motion to withdraw by attorneys; (h) 548 (i) Stipulations and motions to enforce stipulations; or 549 (j) Responsive pleadings; or 550 (k) Motions for contempt. 551 Section 7. Section 40.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to 552 read: 553 40.011 Jury lists.-554 (1) A clerk of the court shall generate a set of juror 555 candidate lists derived from the source lists described in s. 556 40.01. The source name lists and the juror candidate lists shall 557 be maintained as specified in this chapter and in accordance 558 with the juror selection plan approved in s. 40.225. 559 (2) (1) Pursuant to s. 40.01, the Department of Highway 560 Safety and Motor Vehicles shall deliver quarterly to the clerk

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of the circuit court in each county a list of names of persons who reside in that county, who are citizens of the United States, who are legal residents of Florida, who are 18 years of age or older, and for whom the department has a driver's license or identification card record.

566 <u>(3)</u> The clerk of the circuit court shall add to the list 567 <u>of licensed drivers and identification cardholders</u> the name of 568 any person who is 18 years of age or older and who is a citizen 569 of the United States and a legal resident of <u>this state</u> Florida 570 and who indicates a desire to serve as a juror, but whose name 571 does not appear on the department list, by requiring such person 572 to execute an affidavit at the office of the clerk.

573 (4)(2) The affidavit executed pursuant to subsection (3) 574 (1) must be in substantially the following form:

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578 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am 579 years of age; that I am a citizen of the United States and a 1egal resident of Florida and County; that I personally 581 make application for jury duty; that I am eligible to serve as a 582 juror under the Constitution and laws of Florida; and that I 583 reside at ...(Address)... 584

... (Signature) ...

587 Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of,588 ...(year)..., at County, Florida.

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591	(Signature and title of officer
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594	(5) Using the source name lists described subsections (2)
595	and (3), a clerk of court may generate juror candidate lists as
596	necessary to ensure a valid and consistent juror selection
597	process.
598	(a) The initial juror candidate list is derived from the
599	name sources and shall be the master list from which prospective
600	jurors are drawn for summons.
601	(b) The final juror candidate list shall contain a list of
602	those persons, drawn from the initial candidate list as
603	prescribed in this chapter, who are to be summoned as a pool for
604	possible juror service.
605	Section 8. Section 40.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to
606	read:
607	40.02 Selection of jury lists
608	(1) The chief judge of each circuit, or a circuit judge in
609	each county within the circuit who is designated by the chief
610	judge, shall request the selection of a jury list in each county
611	within the circuit during the first week of January of each
612	year, or as soon thereafter as practicable. The chief judge or
613	the chief judge's designee shall direct the clerk of the court
614	to select <u>, by lot and</u> at random <u>,</u> a sufficient number of names,
615	with their addresses, from the <u>initial juror candidate</u> list of
616	persons who are qualified to serve as jurors under the
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617 provisions of s. 40.01 and to generate a final juror candidate 618 list of not fewer than 250 persons to serve as jurors as 619 provided for in s. 40.221. The final juror candidate, which list 620 must shall be signed and verified by the clerk of the court as 621 having been selected as aforesaid. The final juror candidate 622 list may be created, updated, or supplemented as often as necessary to prevent the selection list from becoming exhausted, 623 624 but in no case less than annually during the first week of 625 January of each year, or as soon thereafter as practicable. A 626 circuit judge in a county to which he or she has been assigned 627 may also request that the final juror candidate list be updated 628 or supplemented, or that a new list be created additional jury 629 lists as necessary to prevent the jury list from becoming 630 exhausted.

When the final juror candidate annual jury list is 631 (2) 632 prepared pursuant to the request of a chief judge or the chief 633 judge's designee, the previously prepared final juror candidate 634 lists prepared the previous year shall be withdrawn from further 635 use. If, notwithstanding this provision, some names are not 636 withdrawn, such error or irregularity does shall not invalidate 637 any subsequent proceeding or jury. The fact that any person so 638 selected had been on a former jury list or had served as a juror 639 in any court at any time shall not be grounds for challenge of 640 such person as a juror. If any person so selected shall be ascertained to be disqualified or incompetent to serve as a 641 juror, such disqualification shall not affect the legality of 642 such list or be cause of challenge to the array of any jury 643 644 chosen from such list, but any person ascertained to be

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disqualified to serve as a juror shall be subject to challenge for cause, as defined by law. The <u>set of juror candidate</u> lists, although they may be defective or irregular in form or other formal requirement, or in the number or qualification of the persons so named, shall be the lists from which the names of persons for jury service are to be drawn as prescribed by law.

(3) (2) The clerk of the court shall be responsible for
 preserving the security of the source and juror candidate jury
 lists.

654 (4) (4) (3) The clerk of the court shall perform the duties set forth in this section and in ss. 40.221, 40.23, and 40.231 in 655 656 counties having an approved, computerized jury selection system, 657 the provisions of any special law or general law of local 658 application to the contrary notwithstanding. However, the chief 659 judge may designate the court administrator to perform these 660 duties if the county provides funding to the court administrator 661 to provide the personnel and other costs associated with jury 662 services.

663 Section 9. Subsection (1) of section 40.022, Florida 664 Statutes, is amended to read:

665 40.022 Clerk to purge jury selection lists; restoration.-666 To ensure that the juror candidates summoned satisfy (1)667 the requirements of ss. 40.01 and 40.013, each clerk of the circuit court shall, upon receipt of the list of persons in the 668 669 department database from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and at least once each month thereafter, purge 670 671 the final juror candidate jury selection lists of, at a minimum, the names of those persons: 672

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673 (a) Adjudicated mentally incompetent;

674	(b)	Convicted	of	а	felony;	or
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675 (c) Deceased.

676 Section 10. Section 40.221, Florida Statutes, is amended 677 to read:

678 40.221 Drawing jury venire.-A clerk of the court, under 679 supervision of a judge of any court of record, shall, in a 680 manner deemed to produce a result by lot and at random, randomly select from the final juror candidate jury list such number of 681 682 persons as he or she deems necessary or expedient for a jury 683 venire, to be returnable at such time as the judge shall 684 specify, from which such venire or venires any jury may be 685 organized, including a grand jury when drawn by or upon order of 686 a judge of the circuit court. The clerk of the court shall keep the list in a secure place. 687

688 Section 11. Section 40.225, Florida Statutes, is amended 689 to read:

690 40.225 Jury selection plan Drawing jury venire;
 691 alternative method.-

692 Pursuant to s. 40.001, the chief judge of each circuit (1)693 shall review and consent to the process for selecting juror 694 candidates within his or her circuit. The clerk of court shall 695 implement an automated electronic system in which Whenever a 696 majority of the judges authorized to conduct jury trials in a 697 county consents, the names of prospective jurors and other data pertinent thereto shall be maintained for the purpose of the 698 drawing of juror candidates. This system shall be used as the 699 700 exclusive method may be fed into a mechanical, electronic, or

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701 electrical device and drawn therefrom as an alternative to other 702 methods authorized by law for obtaining jury venires, if such 703 drawing is by lot and at random and is approved by the Supreme 704 Court as hereinafter provided. Subject to ss. 40.001 and 40.02, 705 the clerk of the circuit court in each county shall have the 706 administrative responsibility for developing the automated 707 system of jury venire selection, obtaining approval for the juror candidate selection process, and operating and updating 708 709 the system in accordance with this chapter and technical standards and procedures adopted by the Chief Justice. 710

711 (2) The clerk of the court, or the chief judge of the 712 circuit if performing the duties of juror candidate selection as 713 provided in s. 40.02, shall submit for approval a plan for the 714 selection of juror candidates as required in this section to the 715 Chief Justice. The plan must be reapproved whenever required by a change in the law, a change in the technical standards and 716 717 procedures, or a change in the approved clerk-maintained hardware or software used in the automated system of jury venire 718 719 selection. The proposed plan, if submitted by the clerk, must be 720 approved by the chief judge of the judicial circuit in which the 721 county is located, and must include a description of the 722 equipment, methods, and mode of operation to be used, in a 723 manner consistent with the technical standards and procedures 724 established by the Chief Justice When a majority of the trial 725 judges authorizes the alternative method of drawing a jury 726 venire as provided in subsection (1), the chief judge of the 727 judicial circuit in which the county is located shall make a 728 certificate to that effect and transmit the same to the Chief Page 26 of 38

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729 Justice of the Supreme Court, together with a description of the
730 equipment, methods, and mode of operation to be used.

731 The Chief Justice shall examine the proposed plan for (3) 732 compliance with applicable statutory requirements and with 733 established technical standards and procedures cause the 734 certificate and data accompanying it to be presented to the justices of the Supreme Court. If the Chief Justice court finds 735 736 that the proposed plan method will produce venires selected by 737 lot and at random, is in compliance with applicable statutory requirements and established technical standards and procedures, 738 739 will produce venires selected by lot and at random all 740 constitutional requirements of jury selection, and is otherwise 741 feasible and practicable, an administrative order of approval of 742 same shall be made and filed. Thereafter, the alternative method 743 so approved system for automated selection of jury venires shall 744 may be used in the county so authorized.

745 (4) The chief judge of the judicial circuit in which the 746 county is located shall supervise the use of such alternative 747 method whenever approval of same has been made by order of the 748 Supreme Court.

749 <u>(4) (5)</u> This section does not require Nothing herein shall 750 be construed as requiring uniform equipment or methods 751 throughout the state.

752 Section 12. Subsection (1) of section 57.081, Florida753 Statutes, is amended to read:

754 57.081 Costs; right to proceed where prepayment of costs755 and payment of filing fees waived.-

(1) Any indigent person, except a prisoner as defined in Page 27 of 38

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757 s. 57.085, who is a party or intervenor in any judicial or 758 administrative agency proceeding or who initiates such 759 proceeding shall receive the services of the courts, sheriffs, 760 and clerks, with respect to such proceedings, despite his or her 761 present inability to pay for these services. Such services are 762 limited to filing fees; service of process; certified copies of 763 orders or final judgments; a single photocopy of any court 764 pleading, record, or instrument filed with the clerk; examining 765 fees; mediation services and fees; private court-appointed counsel fees; subpoena fees and services; service charges for 766 collecting and disbursing funds; and any other cost or service 767 768 arising out of pending litigation. In any appeal from an 769 administrative agency decision, for which the clerk is 770 responsible for preparing the transcript, the clerk shall record 771 the cost of preparing the transcripts and the cost for copies of any exhibits in the record. A party who has obtained a 772 773 certification of indigence pursuant to s. 27.52 or s. 57.082 774 with respect to a proceeding is not required to prepay costs to 775 a court, clerk, or sheriff and is not required to pay filing 776 fees or charges for issuance of a summons Prepayment of costs to any court, clerk, or sheriff is not required and payment of 777 778 filing fees is not required in any action if the party has 779 obtained in each proceeding a certification of indigence in 780 accordance with s. 27.52 or s. 57.082.

781 Section 13. Subsection (11) is added to section 95.11,
782 Florida Statutes, to read:

78395.11 Limitations other than for the recovery of real784property.—Actions other than for recovery of real property shall

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785 be commenced as follows:

786 (11) COURT COSTS AND FINES.—Notwithstanding subsection 787 (1), an action to collect court costs, fees, or fines owed to 788 the state may be commenced at any time. 789 Section 14. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section

790 112.3173, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

112.3173 Felonies involving breach of public trust and
other specified offenses by public officers and employees;
forfeiture of retirement benefits.-

794 (4) NOTICE.-

795 The clerk of a court in which a proceeding involving a (a) 796 specified offense is being conducted against a public officer or 797 employee shall furnish notice of the proceeding to the 798 Commission on Ethics after the state attorney advises the clerk 799 that the defendant is a public officer or employee and that the 800 defendant is alleged to have committed a specified offense. Such 801 notice is sufficient if it is in the form of a copy of the 802 indictment, information, or other document containing the 803 charges. In addition, if a verdict of guilty is returned by a 804 jury or by the court trying the case without a jury, or a plea 805 of guilty or of nolo contendere is entered in the court by the 806 public officer or employee, the clerk shall furnish a copy 807 thereof to the Commission on Ethics.

808 Section 15. Paragraph (b) of subsection (8) of section 809 318.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

810 318.18 Amount of penalties.—The penalties required for a 811 noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal 812 offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:

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(b)1.a. If a person has been ordered to pay a civil penalty for a noncriminal traffic infraction and the person is unable to comply with the court's order due to demonstrable financial hardship, the court shall allow the person to satisfy the civil penalty by participating in community service until the civil penalty is paid.

b. If a court orders a person to perform community
service, the person shall receive credit for the civil penalty
at the specified hourly credit rate per hour of community
service performed, and each hour of community service performed
shall reduce the civil penalty by that amount.

2.a. As used in this paragraph, the term "specified hourly credit rate" means the wage rate that is specified in 29 U.S.C. s. 206(a)(1) under the federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, that is then in effect, and that an employer subject to such provision must pay per hour to each employee subject to such provision.

b. However, if a person ordered to perform community
service has a trade or profession for which there is a community
service need, the specified hourly credit rate for each hour of
community service performed by that person shall be the average
prevailing wage rate for the trade or profession that the
community service agency needs.

3.a. The community service agency supervising the person
shall record the number of hours of community service completed
and the date the community service hours were completed. The
community service agency shall submit the data to the clerk of

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841 court on the letterhead of the community service agency, which 842 must also bear the <u>notarized</u> signature of the person designated 843 to represent the community service agency.

b. When the number of community service hours completed by the person equals the amount of the civil penalty, the clerk of court shall certify this fact to the court. Thereafter, the clerk of court shall record in the case file that the civil penalty has been paid in full.

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4. As used in this paragraph, the term:

a. "Community service" means uncompensated labor for acommunity service agency.

b. "Community service agency" means a not-for-profit corporation, community organization, charitable organization, public officer, the state or any political subdivision of the state, or any other body the purpose of which is to improve the quality of life or social welfare of the community and which agrees to accept community service from persons unable to pay civil penalties for noncriminal traffic infractions.

859 Section 16. Subsection (3) of section 668.50, Florida 860 Statutes, is amended to read:

668.50 Uniform Electronic Transaction Act.-

862 (3) SCOPE.-

863 (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), this
864 section applies to electronic records and electronic signatures
865 relating to a transaction.

(b) This section does not apply to a transaction to the extent the transaction is governed by:

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869 of wills, codicils, or testamentary trusts; 870 2. The Uniform Commercial Code other than s. 671.107 and 871 chapters 672 and 680; or The Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act.; or 872 3. 873 Rules relating to judicial procedure. 4. 874 (c) Except with respect to subsections (2), (9), and (11), 875 this section does not apply to a transaction to the extent the 876 transaction is governed by rules relating to judicial procedure. 877 (d) (c) This section applies to an electronic record or 878 electronic signature otherwise excluded under paragraph (b) to the extent such record or signature is governed by a provision 879 880 of law other than those specified in paragraph (b). (e) (d) A transaction subject to this section is also 881 882 subject to other applicable provisions of substantive law. Section 17. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 883 884 733.707, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 885 733.707 Order of payment of expenses and obligations.-886 The personal representative shall pay the expenses of (1)887 the administration and obligations of the decedent's estate in 888 the following order: 889 (c) Class 3.-Debts and taxes with preference under federal 890 law, and claims pursuant to ss. 409.9101 and 414.28, and claims 891 in favor of the state for unpaid court costs, fees, or fines. 892 Section 18. Section 893.11, Florida Statutes, is amended 893 to read: Suspension, revocation, and reinstatement of 894 893.11 895 business and professional licenses.-For the purposes of s. 896 120.60(6), any conviction in any court reported to the

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897 Comprehensive Case Information System of the Florida Association 898 of Court Clerks and Comptrollers, Inc., for the sale of, or 899 trafficking in, a controlled substance or for conspiracy to 900 sell, or traffic in, a controlled substance constitutes an 901 immediate serious danger to the public health, safety, or 902 welfare, and is grounds for disciplinary action by the licensing 903 state agency. A state agency shall initiate an immediate 904 emergency suspension of an individual professional license 905 issued by the agency, in compliance with the procedures for summary suspensions in s. 120.60(6), upon the agency's findings 906 907 of the licensee's conviction in any court reported to the 908 Comprehensive Case Information System of the Florida Association of Court Clerks and Comptrollers, Inc., Upon the conviction in 909 910 any court of competent jurisdiction of any person holding a 911 license, permit, or certificate issued by a state agency, for 912 the sale of, or trafficking in, a controlled substance, or for 913 conspiracy to sell, or traffic in, a controlled substance. 914 Before renewing any professional license, a state agency that 915 issues a professional license must use the Comprehensive Case 916 Information System of the Florida Association of Court Clerks 917 and Comptrollers, Inc., to obtain information relating to any 918 conviction for the sale of, or trafficking in, a controlled 919 substance or for conspiracy to sell, or traffic in, a controlled substance. The clerk of court shall provide electronic access to 920 921 each state agency at no cost and also provide certified copies of the judgment upon request to the agency., if such offense is 922 a felony, the clerk of said court shall send a certified copy of 923 924 the judgment of conviction with the person's license number, Page 33 of 38

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925 permit number, or certificate number on the face of such 926 certified copy to the agency head by whom the convicted 927 defendant has received a license, permit, or certificate to 928 practice his or her profession or to carry on his or her 929 business. Such agency head shall suspend or revoke the license, 930 permit, or certificate of the convicted defendant to practice 931 his or her profession or to carry on his or her business. Upon a 932 showing by any such convicted defendant whose professional 933 license, permit, or certificate has been suspended or revoked pursuant to this section that his or her civil rights have been 934 935 restored or upon a showing that the convicted defendant meets 936 the following criteria, the agency head may reinstate or 937 reactivate such license, permit, or certificate when:

938 (1) The person has complied with the conditions of paragraphs (a) and (b) which shall be monitored by the 939 940 Department of Corrections while the person is under any 941 supervisory sanction. If the person fails to comply with 942 provisions of these paragraphs by either failing to maintain 943 treatment or by testing positive for drug use, the department 944 shall notify the licensing, permitting, or certifying agency, 945 which shall revoke the license, permit, or certification. The 946 person under supervision may:

947 (a) Seek evaluation and enrollment in, and once enrolled
948 maintain enrollment in until completion, a drug treatment and
949 rehabilitation program which is approved or regulated by the
950 Department of Children and Family Services. The treatment and
951 rehabilitation program shall be specified by:

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The court, in the case of court-ordered supervisory

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953 sanctions; 954 The Parole Commission, in the case of parole, control 2. 955 release, or conditional release; or 956 The Department of Corrections, in the case of 3. 957 imprisonment or any other supervision required by law. 958 Submit to periodic urine drug testing pursuant to (b) 959 procedures prescribed by the Department of Corrections. If the 960 person is indigent, the costs shall be paid by the Department of 961 Corrections; or 962 The person has successfully completed an appropriate (2)program under the Correctional Education Program. 963 964 (3) As used in this section, the term "professional 965 license" includes any license, permit, or certificate that 966 authorizes a person to practice his or her profession. However, 967 the term This section does not include apply to any of the 968 taxes, fees, or permits regulated, controlled, or administered 969 by the Department of Revenue in accordance with s. 213.05. 970 Section 19. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2) of 971 section 938.27, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 972 938.27 Judgment for costs on conviction.-973 The court shall impose the costs of prosecution and (2) (a) 974 investigation notwithstanding the defendant's present ability to 975 pay. The court shall require the defendant to pay the costs 976 within a specified period or pursuant to a payment plan under s. 977 28.246(4) in specified installments. 978 (b) The end of such period or the last such installment 979 must shall not be later than: 980 1. The end of the period of probation or community Page 35 of 38

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981 control, if probation or community control is ordered; 982 2. Five years after the end of the term of imprisonment 983 imposed, if the court does not order probation or community 984 control; or 985 3. Five years after the date of sentencing in any other 986 case. 987 988 However, in no event shall the obligation to pay any unpaid 989 amounts does not expire if not paid in full within the period 990 specified in this paragraph. 991 Section 20. Present subsections (8) through (12) of 992 section 938.30, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections 993 (10) through (14), respectively, and new subsections (8) and (9) 994 are added to that section to read: 995 938.30 Financial obligations in criminal cases; 996 supplementary proceedings.-997 (8) If a criminal or civil judgment has previously been 998 entered on a court-imposed financial obligation, the judgment 999 constitutes a civil lien against the judgment debtor's presently 1000 owned or after-acquired real or personal property when recorded 1001 pursuant to s. 55.10, except that a judgment on a court-imposed 1002 financial obligation is not subject to the 10-year rerecording 1003 requirement of s. 55.10. The judgment must secure all unpaid 1004 court-imposed financial obligations that are due and may accrue 1005 subsequent to the recording of the judgment, as well as interest 1006 and reasonable costs for issuing a satisfaction and recording 1007 the satisfaction in the official records. 1008 The clerk of the court shall enforce, satisfy, (9)

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1009 compromise, settle, subordinate, release, or otherwise dispose 1010 of any debts or liens imposed and collected under this section 1011 in the same manner as prescribed in s. 938.29(3).

1012 Section 21. Section 947.181, Florida Statutes, is amended 1013 to read:

1014 947.181 Fines, fees, restitution, or other costs ordered 1015 to be paid Victim restitution as conditions condition of 1016 parole.-

1017 (1) (a) The Parole commission shall require the payment of 1018 fines, fees, restitution, or other court-ordered costs as a 1019 condition of parole reparation or restitution to the aggrieved 1020 party for the damage or loss caused by the offense for which the 1021 parolee was imprisoned unless the commission finds reasons to 1022 the contrary. Restitution to the aggrieved party for injury, 1023 damage, or loss caused by the offense for which the parolee was 1024 imprisoned shall have first priority in the payment of amounts 1025 owed under this section. If the commission does not require the 1026 payment of fines, fees, restitution, or other court-ordered costs order restitution or requires orders only partial payment 1027 of the fines, fees, restitution, or other court-ordered costs 1028 1029 restitution, the commission shall state on the record the 1030 reasons for its decision therefor. The amount of such reparation 1031 or restitution shall be determined by the Parole Commission.

1032 (2) (b) If the parolee fails to make the payments 1033 reparation or restitution to the aggrieved party as required 1034 authorized in subsection (1) paragraph (a), it shall be 1035 considered by the commission as a violation of parole as 1036 specified in s. 947.21 and may be cause for revocation of her or Page 37 of 38

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1037 his parole.

1038 <u>(3) (2)</u> If a defendant is paroled, any restitution ordered 1039 under s. 775.089 shall be a condition of such parole. The Parole 1040 Commission may revoke parole if the defendant fails to comply 1041 with such order.

1042 <u>(4)</u> In determining whether to revoke parole, the Parole 1043 commission shall consider the defendant's employment status, 1044 earning ability, and financial resources; the willfulness of the 1045 defendant's failure to pay; and any other special circumstances 1046 that may have a bearing on the defendant's ability to pay.

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Section 22. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

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