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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to crimes against children; creating s.  
3 938.10, F.S.; imposing an additional court cost against  
4 persons who plead guilty or nolo contendere to, or who are  
5 found guilty of, certain crimes against minors; requiring  
6 the clerk of the court to deposit the proceeds of the  
7 court cost into the State Treasury for deposit into a  
8 specified trust fund to be used to fund children's  
9 advocacy centers; requiring the clerk of the court to  
10 retain a portion of the court cost as a service charge;  
11 providing an effective date.

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

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15 Section 1. Section 938.10, Florida Statutes, is created to  
16 read:

17 938.10 Additional court cost imposed in cases of certain  
18 crimes against minors.--

19 (1) If a person pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is  
20 found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, any offense against  
21 a minor in violation of s. 784.085, chapter 787, chapter 794, s.  
22 796.03, s. 800.04, chapter 827, s. 847.0145, or s. 985.4045, the  
23 court shall impose a court cost of \$101 against the offender in  
24 addition to any other cost or penalty required by law.

25 (2) Each month the clerk of the court shall transfer the  
26 proceeds of the court cost, less \$1 from each sum collected,  
27 which the clerk shall retain as a service charge, to the State  
28 Treasury for deposit into the Child Advocacy Trust Fund for  
29 disbursement to child advocacy centers that are members of the  
30 Florida Network of Children's Advocacy Centers, Inc.



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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.

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