

HB 1869

2004

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to services provided by the Division of  
 3           Administrative Hearings; amending s. 120.65, F.S.;  
 4           providing that certain entities must reimburse the  
 5           division for services provided and travel expenses  
 6           incurred by administrative law judges; providing an  
 7           effective date.

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

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 11           Section 1. Subsection (11) is added to section 120.65,  
 12   Florida Statutes, to read:

13           120.65 Administrative law judges.--

14           (11) The division shall be reimbursed for administrative  
 15 law judge services and travel expenses by the following  
 16 entities: water management districts, regional planning  
 17 councils, school districts, community colleges, the Division of  
 18 Community Colleges, state universities, the State Board of  
 19 Education, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, and  
 20 the Commission for Independent Education. These entities shall  
 21 contract with the division to establish a contract rate for  
 22 services and provisions for reimbursement of administrative law  
 23 judge travel expenses and video conferencing expenses  
 24 attributable to hearings conducted on behalf of these entities.  
 25 The contract rate must be based on a total-cost-recovery  
 26 methodology.

27           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.