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The Committee on Community Affairs (Bennett) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 3, lines 14-15, delete those lines

and insert:

(7) A teen court administered in a county that adopts an ordinance to assess court costs under this section may not receive court costs collected under s. 939.185. Counties are hereby authorized to fund teen courts.

Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 939.185, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

939.185 Assessment of additional court costs.--

(1)(a) The board of county commissioners may adopt by ordinance an additional court cost, not to exceed \$65, to be imposed by the court when a person pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found guilty of, any felony, misdemeanor, or criminal traffic offense under the laws of this state. Such additional assessment shall be accounted for separately by the county in which the offense occurred and be used only in the

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1 county imposing this cost, to be allocated as follows:

2 1. Twenty-five percent of the amount collected shall
3 be allocated to fund innovations to supplement state funding
4 for the elements of the state courts system identified in s.
5 29.004 and county funding for local requirements under s.
6 29.008(2)(a)2.

7 2. Twenty-five percent of the amount collected shall
8 be allocated to assist counties in providing legal aid
9 programs required under s. 29.008(3)(a).

10 3. Twenty-five percent of the amount collected shall
11 be allocated to fund personnel and legal materials for the
12 public as part of a law library.

13 4. Twenty-five percent of the amount collected shall
14 be used as determined by the board of county commissioners to
15 support teen court programs, except as provided in s.
16 938.19(7), juvenile assessment centers, and other juvenile
17 alternative programs.

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19 Each county receiving funds under this section shall report
20 the amount of funds collected pursuant to this section and an
21 itemized list of expenditures for all authorized programs and
22 activities. The report shall be submitted in a format
23 developed by the Supreme Court to the Governor, the Chief
24 Financial Officer, the President of the Senate, and the
25 Speaker of the House of Representatives on a quarterly basis
26 beginning with the quarter ending September 30, 2004.
27 Quarterly reports shall be submitted no later than 30 days
28 after the end of the quarter. Any unspent funds at the close
29 of the county fiscal year allocated under subparagraphs 2.,
30 3., and 4., shall be transferred for use pursuant to
31 subparagraph 1.

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1 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.

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5 And the title is amended as follows:

6 On page 1, line 21, after the semicolon

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8 insert:

9 prohibiting teen courts in counties adopting an

10 ordinance from recovering court costs under s.

11 939.185, F.S.; amending s. 939.185, F.S.;

12 providing an exception for teen court funding;

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