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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to a joint select committee of the  
3           Legislature; requiring the Legislature to establish a  
4           joint select committee to review methods of collecting  
5           court-related fees, service charges, costs, and fines used  
6           by circuit courts and county courts; providing for  
7           appointment of committee members; providing for  
8           designation of a chair and vice chair; requiring the  
9           committee to submit recommendations for a uniform  
10          statewide method for collecting such court-related fees,  
11          service charges, costs, and fines; providing an effective  
12          date.

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

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16           Section 1. The Legislature shall establish a joint select  
17 committee to review the methods currently used by each circuit  
18 court and county court in this state to collect court-related  
19 fees, service charges, costs, and fines. The committee shall  
20 consist of 13 members, of whom five shall be Senators appointed  
21 by the President of the Senate and eight shall be Representatives  
22 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The  
23 committee chair and vice chair shall be designated jointly by the  
24 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of  
25 Representatives. The committee shall review for a period of 1  
26 year methods used by the circuit courts and county courts in this  
27 state to collect court-related fees, service charges, costs, and  
28 fines, after which the committee shall submit recommendations to  
29 the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of

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30 Representatives as to an effective uniform statewide method for  
31 collecting court-related fees, service charges, costs, and fines  
32 to be mandated for all circuit courts and county courts and  
33 clerks of such courts.

34 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.