

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to court costs; amending s. 57.082, F.S.;
 3 providing for waiver of certain court services costs for
 4 certain indigent persons; deleting provisions providing
 5 for enrollment in payment plans, payment of certain
 6 processing charges, determinations of monthly payment
 7 amounts, review of payment plan amounts, and case
 8 limitations based upon nonpayment of certain fees;
 9 providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Subsection (6) of section 57.082, Florida
 14 Statutes, is amended to read:

15 57.082 Determination of civil indigent status.--

16 (6) WAIVER OF SERVICES COSTS ~~PROCESSING CHARGE; PAYMENT~~
 17 ~~PLANS.~~--A person who the clerk or the court determines is
 18 indigent for civil proceedings under this section shall have all
 19 costs for services listed in s. 57.081(1) waived ~~be enrolled in~~
 20 ~~a payment plan under s. 28.246 and shall be charged a one time~~
 21 ~~administrative processing charge under s. 28.24(26)(c). A~~
 22 ~~monthly payment amount, calculated based upon all fees and all~~
 23 ~~anticipated costs, is presumed to correspond to the person's~~
 24 ~~ability to pay if it does not exceed 2 percent of the person's~~
 25 ~~annual net income, as defined in subsection (1), divided by 12.~~
 26 ~~The person may seek review of the clerk's decisions regarding a~~
 27 ~~payment plan established under s. 28.246 in the court having~~
 28 ~~jurisdiction over the matter. A case may not be impeded in any~~

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29 | ~~way, delayed in filing, or delayed in its progress, including~~
30 | ~~the final hearing and order, due to nonpayment of any fees by an~~
31 | ~~indigent person.~~

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