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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to court costs; amending s. 938.10, F.S.; expanding the list of provisions of law for which a court is required to impose an additional court cost for certain pleadings or findings relating to offenses against a minor and certain other offenses; increasing the amount of the court cost; allocating certain portions of the court cost to certain trust funds; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Section 938.10, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

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(1) If a person pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, any offense against a minor in violation of s. 784.085, chapter 787, chapter 794, s. 796.03, s. 796.035, s. 800.04, chapter 827, s. 847.012, s. 847.0133, s. 847.0135(5), s. 847.0138, s. 847.0145, s. 893.147(3), or s. 985.701, or any offense in violation of s.

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775.21, s. 823.07, s. 847.0125, s. 847.0134, or s. 943.0435, the

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court shall impose a court cost of $\frac{$151}{$101}$ against the offender in addition to any other cost or penalty required by

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law.

(2) Each month the clerk of the court shall transfer \$100 the proceeds of the court cost, less \$1 from each sum collected which the clerk shall retain as a service charge, to the

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Department of Revenue for deposit into the Department of
Children and Family Services' Grants and Donations Trust Fund
for disbursement to the Florida Network of Children's Advocacy
Centers, Inc., for the purpose of funding children's advocacy
centers that are members of the network. Of the remaining amount
of the court cost collected, \$40 shall be deposited into the
State Courts Revenue Trust Fund, \$5 shall be deposited into the
State Attorneys Revenue Trust Fund, and \$5 shall be deposited
into the Public Defenders Revenue Trust Fund. The clerk shall
retain \$1 from each sum collected as a service charge.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.