

**FOR CONSIDERATION By** the Committee on Appropriations

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to compensation for representation;  
3           amending s. 27.5304, F.S.; revising compensation  
4           amounts for representation in a criminal proceeding;  
5           providing an effective date.

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

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9           Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 27.5304, Florida  
10   Statutes, is amended to read:

11           27.5304 Private court-appointed counsel; compensation;  
12   notice.—

13           (5) The compensation for representation in a criminal  
14   proceeding shall not exceed the following:

15           (a) For misdemeanors and juveniles represented at the trial  
16   level: \$1,000.

17           (b) For noncapital, nonlife felonies represented at the  
18   trial level: \$15,000 ~~\$6,000~~.

19           (c) For life felonies represented at the trial level:  
20   \$15,000 ~~\$9,000~~.

21           (d) For capital cases represented at the trial level:  
22   \$25,000. For purposes of this paragraph, a "capital case" is any  
23   offense for which the potential sentence is death and the state  
24   has not waived seeking the death penalty.

25           (e) For representation on appeal: \$9,000.

26           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.