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9 A BILL
10 TO BE ENTITLED
11 AN ACT
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13 Relating to Elmore County; to provide for an
14 additional court cost in certain cases in the circuit and
15 district courts; and to provide for the distribution of the
16 proceeds of the additional court costs for the operation of
17 the office of the circuit clerk and for the operation of the
18 judicial complex.

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

20 Section 1. This act shall apply only in Elmore
21 County.

22 Section 2. In addition to any court costs now
23 authorized in the district, circuit, and juvenile courts of
24 Elmore County, there shall be assessed and collected an
25 additional court cost of thirty dollars (\$30) in all civil and
26 criminal cases, including traffic cases, in the district,
27 circuit, and juvenile courts of the county except for

1 protection from abuse cases pursuant to Chapter 5, Title 30,
2 Code of Alabama 1975, and small claims cases.

3 Section 3. (a) One half of the additional court
4 costs collected pursuant to this act shall be deposited into
5 the Elmore County Circuit Clerks Fund and used for the same
6 purposes as the fund is used on the effective date of this
7 act.

8 (b) One half of the additional court costs and fees
9 collected pursuant to this act shall be deposited into the
10 general fund of the county and appropriated by the Elmore
11 County Commission to fund the operations of the Elmore County
12 Judicial Complex.

13 Section 4. Nothing in this act shall impair the
14 authority of a circuit or district judge to waive or to remit
15 the court costs and fees assessed pursuant to this act upon
16 the sworn and valid showing of substantial financial hardship.

17 Section 5. It is the intent of the Legislature that
18 the assessment and collection of the additional court cost
19 pursuant to this act not diminish or take the place of any
20 other source of funds for the office of the circuit clerk or
21 the operation of the judicial complex.

22 Section 6. This act shall become effective on the
23 first day of the third month following its passage and
24 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.