SENATE BILL NO. 106-COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA SUPREME COURT)

FEBRUARY 13, 2003

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Authorizes county clerks to impose additional fee for filing of certain actions and responses thereto in district courts to offset portion of costs of providing technology to courts. (BDR 2-614)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to fees in civil actions; authorizing county clerks to impose an additional fee for the filing of certain actions and responses thereto in district courts to offset a portion of the costs of providing technology to the courts; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 19 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 19.034, on the commencement of any civil action or proceeding in the district court for which a filing fee is required, and on the filing of any answer or appearance in any such action or proceeding for which a filing fee is required, the county clerk shall charge and collect a fee of \$20 from the party commencing, answering or appearing in the action or proceeding. These fees are in addition to any other 10 fee required by law.

2. On or before the first Monday of each month, the county 12 clerk shall pay over to the county treasurer the amount of all fees collected by him pursuant to subsection 1. The county treasurer



shall distribute, on or before the 15th day of that month, the money received in the following amounts for each fee received:

(a) Five dollars for credit to a special account in the county general fund for the use of the district court for technological purposes. The special account is restricted to the use specified, and the balance in the special account must be carried forward at the end of each fiscal year.

(b) Fifteen dollars to the State Controller for credit to a special account in the State General Fund. The State Controller shall distribute the money received to the Office of Court Administrator for the use of the courts for technological purposes. The special account is restricted to the use specified, and the balance in the special account must be carried forward at the end of each fiscal year.

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3. As used in this section:

(a) "Office of Court Administrator" means the Office of Court Administrator created pursuant to NRS 1.320.

(b) "Technological purposes" means the acquisition or improvement of technology, including, without limitation, acquiring or improving technology for converting and archiving records, purchasing hardware and software, maintaining the technology, training employees in the operation of the technology and contracting for professional services relating to the technology.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003.



