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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 643

BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

AN ACT RELATING TO THE MAGISTRATE'S DIVISION OF THE DISTRICT COURT; AMENDING SEC-TION 1-2218, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT A CERTAIN OBLIGATION OF A CITY SHALL BE REDUCED AND TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN ORDERS MAY NOT BE MADE; AMENDING SECTION 23-404, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF CERTAIN MONEYS, TO DEFINE A TERM AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 31-3201A, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE HOW CERTAIN FEES ARE DISTRIBUTED AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; REPEALING SECTION 1-2218, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY A 10 CITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. That Section 1-2218, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

1-2218. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY CITY. Any city in the state shall, upon order of a majority of the district judges in the judicial district, provide suitable and adequate quarters for a magistrate's division of the district court, including the facilities and equipment necessary to make the space provided functional for its intended use, and shall provide for the staff personnel, supplies, and other expenses of the magistrate's division. For fiscal year 2019, the obligation of any city providing magistrate court facilities pursuant to the provisions of this section, or pursuant to a city's voluntary agreement with a county, shall be reduced by twenty percent (20%) for each successive year until fiscal year 2023, at which point the city's obligation under this section, or a city's voluntary agreement with a county, is relieved. No new order may be made against a city pursuant to the provisions of this section.

SECTION 2. That Section 23-404, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 23-404. DISTRIBUTION OF MONEYS IN LIQUOR ACCOUNT. (1) The moneys received into the liquor account shall be transferred or appropriated as follows:
 - (a) An amount of money equal to the actual cost of purchase of alcoholic liquor and payment of expenses of administration and operation of the division, as determined by the director and certified quarterly to the state controller, shall be transferred back to the division; provided, that the amount so transferred back for administration and operation of the division shall not exceed the amount authorized to be expended by regular appropriation authorization.
 - (b) From fiscal year 2006 through fiscal year 2009, forty percent (40%) of the balance remaining after transferring the amounts authorized by

paragraph (a) of this subsection shall be transferred or appropriated pursuant to this paragraph (b). Beginning in fiscal year 2010, the percentage transferred pursuant to this paragraph (b) shall increase to forty-two percent (42%) with an increase of two percent (2%) for each subsequent fiscal year thereafter until fiscal year 2014, when such percentage shall be fifty percent (50%).

- (i) For fiscal year 2006 and through fiscal year 2009, one million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000) shall be appropriated and paid to the cities and counties as set forth in paragraphs (c) (i) and (c) (ii) of this subsection;
- (ii) Two million eighty thousand dollars (\$2,080,000) shall be transferred annually to the substance abuse treatment fund, that is created in section 23-408, Idaho Code;
- (iii) Six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) shall be transferred annually to the state community college account, created in section 33-2139, Idaho Code;
- (iv) One million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) shall be transferred annually to the public school income fund, as defined in section 33-903, Idaho Code;
- (v) Six hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$650,000) shall be transferred annually to the cooperative welfare account in the dedicated fund;
- (vi) Six hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$680,000) shall be transferred annually to the drug court, mental health court and family court services fund;
- (vii) Four hundred forty thousand dollars (\$440,000) shall be transferred annually to the drug and mental health court supervision fund that is created in section 23-409, Idaho Code; and
- (viii) The balance shall be transferred to the general fund.
- (c) The remainder of the moneys received in the liquor account shall be appropriated and paid as follows:
 - For fiscal year 2018, fForty percent (40%) of the balance (i) remaining after the transfers authorized by paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection have been made is hereby appropriated to and shall be paid to the several counties. For fiscal year 2019, the amount apportioned to counties shall decrease to thirty-nine and two-tenths percent (39.2%) with a decrease of eight-tenths percent (.8%) for each subsequent fiscal year thereafter until fiscal year 2023 when such percentage shall be thirty-six percent (36%). Each county shall be entitled to an amount in the proportion that liquor sales through the division in that county during the state's previous fiscal year bear to total liquor sales through the division in the state during the state's previous fiscal year, except that no county shall be entitled to an amount less than that county received in distributions from the liquor account during the state's fiscal year 1981.
 - (ii) For fiscal year 2018, sSixty percent (60%) of the balance remaining after the transfers authorized by paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection have been made is hereby appropriated to and shall be paid to the several cities. For fiscal year 2019, the

amount apportioned to the several cities shall decrease to fifty-seven and eight-tenths percent (57.8%) with a decrease of two and two-tenths percent (2.2%) for each subsequent fiscal year thereafter until fiscal year 2023 when such percentage shall be forty-nine percent (49%). Amounts paid to the several cities shall be distributed as follows:

- 1. Ninety percent (90%) of the amount appropriated to the cities shall be distributed to those cities that have a liquor store or distribution station located within the corporate limits of the city. Each such city shall be entitled to an amount in the proportion that liquor sales through the division in that city during the state's previous fiscal year bear to total liquor sales through the division in the state during the state's previous fiscal year, except that no city shall be entitled to an amount less than that city received in distributions from the liquor account during the state's fiscal year 1981;
- 2. Ten percent (10%) of the amount appropriated to the cities shall be distributed to those cities that do not have a liquor store or distribution station located within the corporate limits of the city. Each such city shall be entitled to an amount in the proportion that that city's population bears to the population of all cities in the state that do not have a liquor store or distribution station located within the corporate limits of the city, except that no city shall be entitled to an amount less than that city received in distributions from the liquor account during the state's fiscal year 1981.
- (iii) For fiscal year 2019, an additional amount of three percent (3%) of the balance remaining after the transfers authorized by paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection have been made is hereby appropriated to the several counties for deposit in the district court fund. Such funds shall be dedicated to provide for the suitable and adequate quarters of the magistrate's division of the district court, including the facilities and equipment necessary to make the space provided functional for its intended use, and shall provide for the staff personnel, supplies and other expenses of the magistrate's division. For fiscal year 2020, the amount apportioned to the several counties for deposit in the district court fund shall be six percent (6%) with an increase of three percent (3%) for each subsequent year until fiscal year 2023 when such percentage shall be fifteen percent (15%). Amounts paid to the several counties shall be distributed as follows:
 - 1. The first four hundred forty thousand dollars (\$440,000) shall be distributed to each of the forty-four (44) counties in equal amounts;
 - 2. Fifty percent (50%) of the remaining funds shall be distributed to the forty-four (44) counties in proportion to the population of the county in relation to the population of

 the state using the American community survey, one (1) year estimate, United States census bureau; and

- 3. Fifty percent (50%) of the remaining funds shall be distributed to the forty-four (44) counties in proportion to the number of misdemeanor and infraction citations issued by city law enforcement officers in the county in relation to the proportion of the number of misdemeanor and infraction citations issued by all city law enforcement officers in the state.
- (2) All transfers and distributions shall be made periodically, but not less frequently than quarterly, but, the apportionments made to any county or city, that may during the succeeding three (3) year period be found to have been in error either of computation or transmittal, shall be corrected during the fiscal year of discovery by a reduction of apportionments in the case of over-apportionment or by an increase of apportionments in the case of under-apportionment. The decision of the director on entitlements of counties and cities shall be final and shall not be subject to judicial review.
- (3) For purposes of this section, "city law enforcement officer" means an individual, either employed directly by a city or by way of a contract for law enforcement services with another city or county, authorized to investigate, enforce, prosecute or punish violations of city or state statutes, ordinances or regulations.
- SECTION 3. That Section 31-3201A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 31-3201A. COURT FEES. The clerk of the district court in addition to the fees and charges imposed by chapter 20, title 1, Idaho Code, and by section 31-3201, Idaho Code, and in addition to the fee levied by chapter 2, title 73, Idaho Code, shall charge, demand and receive the following fees for services rendered by him in discharging the duties imposed upon him by law:
- (1) Civil cases. A fee of one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175) for filing a civil case of any type in the district court, except for those cases to be assigned to the magistrate's division of the district court for which the fee shall be one hundred twenty dollars (\$120), with the following exceptions:
 - (a) The fee for small claims shall be as provided in section 1-2303, Idaho Code;
 - (b) No filing fee shall be charged in the following types of cases:
 - (i) Cases brought under chapter 3, title 66, Idaho Code, for commitment of mentally ill persons;
 - (ii) Cases brought under the juvenile corrections act;
 - (iii) Cases brought under the child protective act;
 - (iv) Demands for bond before a personal representative is appointed in probate;
 - (v) Petitions for sterilization;
 - (vi) Petitions for judicial consent to abortion;
 - (vii) Registration of trusts and renunciations;
 - (viii) Petitions for leave to compromise the disputed claim of a minor;

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- (ix) Petitions for a civil protection order or to enforce a foreign civil protection order pursuant to chapter 63, title 39, Idaho Code;
- (x) Objections to the appointment of a guardian filed by a minor or an incapacitated person;
- (xi) Proceedings to suspend a license for nonpayment of child support pursuant to section 7-1405, Idaho Code;
- (xii) Proceedings under the uniform post-conviction procedure act as provided in chapter 49, title 19, Idaho Code;
- (xiii) Filings of a custody decree from another state;
- (xiv) Filings of any answer after an initial appearance fee has been paid.

The filing fee shall be distributed as follows: seventeen twenty-three dollars (\$1-23.00) of such filing fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county, with six dollars (\$6.00) of such twenty-three dollars (\$23.00) dedicated to provide for the suitable and adequate quarters of the magistrate's division of the district court, including the facilities and equipment necessary to make the space provided functional for its intended use, and shall provide for the staff personnel, supplies and other expenses of the magistrate's division; one dollar (\$1.00) of such filing fee shall be paid to the peace officers standards and training fund established in section 19-5116, Idaho Code; one hundred thirty-five dollars (\$135) of such filing fee, or in a case assigned to the magistrate division of the district court eighty dollars (\$80.00) of such filing fee, shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit into the court technology fund; seventeen ten dollars (\$170.00) of such filing fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in accordance with subsection (15) of this section; and six dollars (\$6.00) of such filing fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in the senior magistrate judges fund.

(2) Felonies and misdemeanors. A fee of seventeen dollars and fifty cents (\$17.50) shall be paid, but not in advance, by each person found guilty of any felony or misdemeanor, except when the court orders such fee waived because the person is indigent and unable to pay such fee. If the magistrate court facilities are provided by the county, five Eleven dollars (\$511.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county, with six dollars (\$6.00) of such eleven dollars (\$11.00) dedicated to provide for the suitable and adequate quarters of the magistrate's division of the district court, including the facilities and equipment necessary to make the space provided functional for its intended use, and shall provide for the staff personnel, supplies and other expenses of the magistrate's division; one dollar (\$1.00) of such filing fee shall be paid to the peace officers standards and training fund established in section 19-5116, Idaho Code; and twelve five dollars and fifty cents (\$125.50) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in accordance with subsection (15) of this section. If the magistrate court facilities are provided by a city, five dollars (\$5.00) of such fee shall be paid to the city treasurer for deposit

in the city general fund, two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) of such fee shall be paid to the city treasurer for deposit in the city capital facilities fund for the construction, remodeling and support of magistrate court facilities, and ten dollars (\$10.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in accordance with subsection (15) of this section.

- Infractions. A fee of sixteen dollars and fifty cents (\$16.50) shall be paid, but not in advance, by each person found to have committed an infraction or any minor traffic, conservation or ordinance violation, and a fee of seventeen dollars and fifty cents (\$17.50) shall be paid, but not in advance, by each person found to have committed a first-time infraction under section 23-604 or 23-949, Idaho Code, and distributed pursuant to subsection (2) of this section; provided that the judge or magistrate may in his or her discretion consolidate separate nonmoving traffic offenses into one (1) offense for purposes of assessing such fee. If the magistrate court facilities are provided by the county, five Eleven dollars (\$511.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county, with six dollars (\$6.00) of such eleven dollars (\$11.00) dedicated to provide for the suitable and adequate quarters of the magistrate's division of the district court, including the facilities and equipment necessary to make the space provided functional for its intended use, and shall provide for the staff personnel, supplies and other expenses of the magistrate's division; one dollar (\$1.00) of such filing fee shall be paid to the peace officers standards and training fund established in section 19-5116, Idaho Code; and eleven four dollars and fifty cents (\$114.50) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer, who shall pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in accordance with subsection (15) of this section. If the magistrate court facilities are provided by a city, five dollars (\$5.00) of such fee shall be paid to the city treasurer for deposit in the city general fund, two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) of such fee shall be paid to the city treasurer for deposit in the city capital facilities fund for the construction, remodeling and support of magistrate court facilities, and nine dollars (\$9.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in accordance with subsection (15) of this section.
- (4) Initial appearance other than plaintiff. A fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) shall be paid for any filing constituting the initial appearance by a party, except the plaintiff, in any civil action in the district court or in the magistrate's division of the district court, except small claims. If two (2) or more parties are making their initial appearance in the same filing, then only one (1) filing fee shall be collected. Of such fee, four dollars (\$4.00) shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; eighty dollars (\$80.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit into the court technology fund; ten dollars (\$10.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in accordance with subsection (15) of this section; and six dollars (\$6.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days

after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in the senior magistrate judges fund.

- (5) Accountings. A fee of nine dollars (\$9.00) shall be paid by the person or persons required to make an account pursuant to title 15, Idaho Code, at the time such account is filed. All of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county.
- (6) Distribution of estate. A fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be paid upon the filing of a petition of the executor or administrator or of any person interested in an estate for the distribution of such estate, six dollars (\$6.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; thirteen dollars (\$13.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in accordance with subsection (15) of this section; and six dollars (\$6.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in the senior magistrate judges fund.
- (7) Third-party claim. A fee of fourteen dollars (\$14.00) shall be paid by a party filing a third-party claim as defined in the Idaho rules of civil procedure. Eight dollars (\$8.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; and six dollars (\$6.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in the senior magistrate judges fund.
- (8) Cross-claims. A fee of fourteen dollars (\$14.00) shall be paid by any party filing a cross-claim. Eight dollars (\$8.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; and six dollars (\$6.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in the senior magistrate judges fund.
- (9) Change of venue. A fee of twenty-nine dollars (\$29.00) shall be paid by a party initiating a change of venue. Such fee shall be paid to the clerk of the court of the county to which venue is changed. Nine dollars (\$9.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county and twenty dollars (\$20.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit into the court technology fund.
 - (10) Reopening a case.

- (a) A fee of eighty-five dollars (\$85.00) shall be paid by any party appearing after judgment or applying to reopen a case. Nine dollars (\$9.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; six dollars (\$6.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in the senior magistrate judges fund; and seventy dollars (\$70.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit into the court technology fund.
- (b) A fee of one hundred eight dollars (\$108) shall be paid by a party applying to reopen a divorce action or modify a divorce decree, with

seventeen dollars (\$17.00) of the fee to be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; fifteen dollars (\$15.00) of such fee to be paid to the county treasurer who shall pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in accordance with subsection (15) of this section; six dollars (\$6.00) of such fee to be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in the senior magistrate judges fund; and seventy dollars (\$70.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit into the court technology fund.

- (c) When the application to reopen a case consists only of a motion or other pleading to revive or renew a judgment, a fee of twenty-nine dollars (\$29.00) shall be paid by the party filing the motion or pleading. Nine dollars (\$9.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county and twenty dollars (\$20.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit into the court technology fund.
- (11) Appeal to district court. A fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) shall be paid by a party taking an appeal from the magistrate's division of the district court to the district court; nine dollars (\$9.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; six dollars (\$6.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in the senior magistrate judges fund; and twenty dollars (\$20.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit into the court technology fund. No additional fee shall be required if a new trial is granted.
- (12) Appeal to supreme court. A fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) shall be paid by the party taking an appeal from the district court to the supreme court for comparing and certifying the transcript on appeal, if such certificate is required. Nine dollars (\$9.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; six dollars (\$6.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit in the senior magistrate judges fund; and twenty dollars (\$20.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fees to the state treasurer for deposit into the court technology fund.
- (13) Fees not covered by this section, including fees to defray the costs of electronic access to court records other than the register of actions, shall be set by rule or administrative order of the supreme court.
- (14) All fees required to be paid by this section or by rule or administrative order of the supreme court shall be collected by the clerk of the district court or by a person appointed by the clerk of the district court for this purpose. If it appears that there is a necessity for such fees to be collected by persons other than the clerk of the district court or a person designated by the clerk for such purpose, the supreme court by rule or

administrative order may provide for the designation of persons authorized to receive such fees. Persons so designated shall account for such fees in the same manner required of the clerk of the district court and shall pay such fees to the clerk of the district court of the county in which such fees are collected.

- (15) That portion of the filing fees required to be remitted to the state treasurer for deposit pursuant to subsections (1), (2), (3), (4), (6) and (10) of this section shall be apportioned eighty-six percent (86%) to the state general fund and fourteen percent (14%) to the peace officers standards and training fund authorized in section 19-5116, Idaho Code, within five (5) days after the end of the month in which such fees were remitted to the county treasurer. That portion of the filing fees required to be remitted to a city treasurer for deposit in the city's general fund shall be remitted within five (5) days after the end of the month in which such fees were remitted to the county treasurer.
- (16) Of the fees derived from the filing of any divorce action required to be transmitted to the state treasurer, the county treasurer shall retain five dollars (\$5.00), which shall be separately identified and deposited in the district court fund of the county. Such moneys shall be used exclusively for the purpose of establishing a uniform system of qualifying and approving persons, agencies or organizations to conduct evaluations of persons convicted of domestic assault or battery as provided in section 18-918, Idaho Code, and the administration of section 18-918(7), Idaho Code, relating to the evaluation and counseling or other treatment of such persons, including the payment of the costs of evaluating and counseling or other treatment of an indigent defendant. No provision of chapter 52, title 39, Idaho Code, shall apply to the moneys provided for in this subsection.
- (17) In consideration of the aforesaid fees in this section, the clerk of the district court shall be required to perform all lawful service that may be required of him by any party thereto; provided, that he shall not prepare and furnish any certified copy of any file or record in an action except printed transcript on appeal, without additional compensation as provided by law.
- SECTION 4. That Section 1-2218, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.
- 36 SECTION 5. Section 4 of this act shall be in full force and effect on and after July 1, 2023.
 - SECTION 6. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, Section 1 of this act shall be in full force and effect on and after passage and approval.