

ORDINANCE NO. 4251

AN ORDINANCE to enact new Section 3-2-52.1 (ASSESSMENT OF FEE FOR COURTHOUSE SECURITY PERSONNEL), and to amend and reordain Section 3-2-53 (COLLECTION, REMITTANCE AND APPROPRIATION) of Article E (ASSESSMENT OF COURT COSTS AND FEES), Chapter 2 (TAXATION), Title 3 (FINANCE, TAXATION AND PROCUREMENT) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Chapter 2 of Title 3 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended by adding new section 3-2-52.1 to read as follows:

Sec. 3-2-52.1 Assessment of fee for courthouse security personnel.

(a) In addition to any other fee or cost prescribed by law, there is hereby assessed a fee of \$5, for the funding of courthouse security personnel, as part of the fees taxed as costs in each criminal and traffic case in the Alexandria Circuit and General District Courts, and in each adult criminal and juvenile traffic case in the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, in which the defendant is convicted of a violation of any statute or ordinance.

(b) Subsection (a) of this section 3-2-52.1 shall expire on July 1, 2004, unless the provisions of subsection (D) of Virginia Code ' 53.1-120 are amended either (i) to repeal the expiration date set forth in such subsection (D), in which case such repeal shall be incorporated herein by reference and this subsection (b) shall be of no further force or effect, or (ii) to amend the expiration date set forth in such subsection (D), in which case such amendment shall be incorporated herein by reference, and the expiration date set forth in this subsection (b) shall coincide with the expiration date set forth in such subsection (D).

Section 2. That Section 3-2-53 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 3-2-53 Collection, remittance and appropriation.

(a) The assessments provided for in this article shall be charged and collected by the clerk of the court in which the action or case is filed in the same manner as other costs or fees in like actions or cases are charged and collected, and shall be remitted by the clerk to the director of finance to be held for appropriation by city council.

(b) The appropriation by city council of the fee assessed under section 3-2-51 shall be for the support of the law library as follows:

(1) the acquisition of law books and law periodicals;

(2) the compensation, as fixed by council, of librarians and necessary staff for the maintenance of the law library; and

(3) the acquisition of suitable quarters for the library.

(c) The appropriation by city council of the fee assessed under section 3-2-52 shall be for the construction, renovation or maintenance of the city's courthouse, jail or court-related facilities, or to defray increases in the costs of providing heat, cooling, electricity and ordinary maintenance services to the courthouse, jail or court-related facilities.

(d) The appropriation by city council of the fee assessed under section 3-2-52.1 shall be for the funding of courthouse security personnel.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall become effective on July 1, 2002.

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Mayor

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