## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

## ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 150**

Introduced by Morfeld, 46.

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Committee: Judiciary

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to courts; to amend section 33-156, Reissue
- 2 Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change the indigent defense fee;
- and to repeal the original section.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 33-156, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 33-156 (1) In addition to all other court costs assessed according
- 4 to law, an indigent defense fee in the amount set forth in subsection (2)
- 5 <u>of this section</u> <del>of three dollars</del> shall be taxed as costs for each case
- 6 filed in each county court and district court, including appeals to such
- 7 courts, and for each appeal and original action filed in the Court of
- 8 Appeals and the Supreme Court. The fees shall be remitted to the State
- 9 Treasurer on forms prescribed by the State Treasurer within ten days
- 10 after the end of the month. The State Treasurer shall credit the fees to
- 11 the Commission on Public Advocacy Operations Cash Fund.
- 12 (2) The amount of the indigent defense fee shall be:
- 13 (a) Beginning on the effective date of this act and until June 30,
- 14 <u>2022</u>, five dollars;
- (b) Beginning July 1, 2022, and until June 30, 2023, six dollars;
- 16 (c) Beginning July 1, 2023, and until June 30, 2024, seven dollars;
- 17 (d) Beginning July 1, 2024, and until June 30, 2025, eight dollars;
- 18 and
- 19 (e) Beginning July 1, 2025, nine dollars.
- 20 (3) (2) In cases under the DNA Testing Act, costs shall be paid as
- 21 provided in such act.
- 22 Sec. 2. Original section 33-156, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 23 Nebraska, is repealed.