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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## HOUSE BILL NO. 509

## BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE COURT TECHNOLOGY FUND AND FEES; AMENDING SECTION 1-1623, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE THE NAME OF A CERTAIN FUND AND A CERTAIN PROGRAM, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO A CERTAIN FUND AND TO PROVIDE CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AMENDING SECTION 1-2303, IDAHO CODE, TO IN-CREASE A CERTAIN FEE, TO PROVIDE FOR A CERTAIN DEPOSIT INTO THE COURT TECHNOLOGY FUND AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 1-2311, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH A CERTAIN FEE AND TO PROVIDE FOR A CER-TAIN DEPOSIT INTO THE COURT TECHNOLOGY FUND; AMENDING SECTION 10-1305, IDAHO CODE, TO INCREASE A CERTAIN FEE AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEPOSIT OF CERTAIN FEE AMOUNTS INTO CERTAIN FUNDS; AMENDING SECTION 31-3201, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE THE NAME OF A CERTAIN FEE AND A CERTAIN FUND; AMENDING SECTION 31-3201A, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE A CODE REFERENCE, TO REMOVE CHAPTER REFERENCES, TO REVISE THE NAME OF A CERTAIN FUND, TO INCREASE CERTAIN FEES, TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN FEES, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN DE-POSITS INTO CERTAIN FUNDS, TO SPECIFY THAT CERTAIN FEES SHALL BE SET BY RULE OR ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT AND TO MAKE A TECHNI-CAL CORRECTION; AMENDING SECTION 31-3201H, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE THE NAME OF A CERTAIN FEE AND A CERTAIN FUND AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORREC-TION; AND AMENDING SECTION 31-3221, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE THE NAME OF A CERTAIN FUND.

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

SECTION 1. That Section 1-1623, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

IDAHO STATEWIDE TRIAL COURT AUTOMATED RECORDS SYSTEM (ISTARS) COURT TECHNOLOGY FUND -- ANNUAL REPORT. (1) There is hereby created in the office of the state treasurer the ISTARS court technology fund. Moneys deposited into the fund pursuant to sections 1-2303, 1-2311, 10-1305, 31-3201, 31-3201A, 31-3201H and 31-3221, Idaho Code, upon appropriation by the legislature, shall be used by the supreme court for the purpose of maintaining, replacing and enhancing the Idaho Statewide Trial Court Automated Records System (ISTARS) court technology program, and other technologies that assist in the efficient management of the courts, or that improve access to the courts and court records including, but not limited to, a system for payments by credit card or debit card as provided in section 31-3221, Idaho Code, or that improve access to the courts and development of electronic filing of documents in court cases, video conferencing and electronic access to court records. The <del>ISTARS</del> court technology fund shall be separate and distinct from the state general fund, and expenditures from the ISTARS court technology fund shall be solely dedicated to the purposes set forth in this section. Moneys deposited into the fund may be allowed to accumulate from year to year for designated maintenance, replacement, extension or enhancement of the  $\overline{\text{ISTARS}}$  court technology program and for other technologies that assist in the efficient management of the courts. Interest earned on the investment of idle moneys in the  $\overline{\text{ISTARS}}$  court technology fund shall be returned to the  $\overline{\text{ISTARS}}$  court technology fund.

(2) On or before the first day of each legislative session, the supreme court shall provide an annual report for the previous fiscal year to the governor, the chairman of the judiciary and rules committee of the senate, the chairman of the judiciary, rules and administration committee of the house of representatives and the chairmen of the joint finance-appropriations committee that summarizes the status of the court technology fund, the maintenance, replacement, extension or enhancement of court technology, and the manner and extent to which court technology has advanced the timely resolution of cases, improved access to the courts, produced savings and made more effective use of judicial resources.

SECTION 2. That Section 1-2303, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 1-2303. FILING OF CLAIM -- DEFAULT. (1) Upon filing a claim, the clerk shall furnish to the plaintiff a form of answer and instructions to the defendant, which, among other matters shall advise the defendant that if the defendant desires to have a hearing on the matter, the defendant must sign, complete and file the answer with the clerk. The instructions also shall notify the defendant that if the defendant does not sign and file the answer within twenty (20) days from the date of service on the defendant, judgment will be entered as requested in the claim.
- $\underline{(2)}$  If no answer is filed within twenty (20) days, judgment may be entered by the court as provided in Rule 55, I.R.C.P. If an answer is filed by the defendant, the court shall set the matter for trial or mediation, by notice mailed to each party.
- (3) The court shall collect in advance upon each claim the sum of thirteen thirty-three dollars ( $$\pm 33.00$ ), which shall be in addition to the costs necessary to effect service of the claim upon the defendant. This fee shall be distributed as follows: seven dollars (\$7.00) shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; and six dollars (\$6.00) shall be paid to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fee to the state treasurer for deposit in the senior magistrate judges fund; and twenty dollars (\$20.00) 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.

SECTION 3. That Section 1-2311, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

1-2311. APPEAL TO LAWYER MAGISTRATE. If either party is dissatisfied he may, within thirty (30) days from the entry of said judgment against him, appeal to a lawyer magistrate other than the magistrate who entered said judgment; and if the final judgment is rendered against him by such lawyer magistrate, then he shall pay, in addition to any judgment rendered in the magistrate's division, an attorney's fee to the prevailing party in the sum

of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), provided, however, that appeals from such small claims department shall only be allowed in such cases as appeals would be allowed if the action were instituted in the magistrate's division as is now provided, and further provided that the appeal shall be heard in the county wherein the original small claim was filed. A fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) shall be paid by the party taking the appeal, which 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.

 SECTION 4. That Section 10-1305, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

10-1305. FEES. Any person filing a foreign judgment shall pay to the clerk of the court <u>twenty</u>-seven dollars (\$27.00). Seven dollars (\$7.00) 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. Fees for docketing, transcription or other enforcement proceedings shall be as provided for judgments of the district court of this state.

SECTION 5. That Section 31-3201, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

31-3201. CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT -- FEES. (1) The clerk of the district court shall lawfully charge, demand and receive the following fees for services rendered by him in discharging the duties imposed upon him by law:

For filing and docketing abstract or transcript of judgment from an-

other court ......\$2.00

For issuing execution upon an abstract or transcript of judgment and filing same on return .....\$2.00

For recording execution issued upon abstract or transcript of judgment, per page ......\$2.00

For taking affidavits, including jurat .....\$1.00 For taking acknowledgments, including seal .....\$1.00

For filing and indexing designation of agent of foreign corporation ... \$2.00

For filing and indexing notarial statement .....\$2.00

For making copy of any file or record, by the clerk, the clerk shall charge and receive, per page ......\$1.00

For comparing and conforming a prepared copy of any file or record, the clerk shall charge and receive, per page ......\$.50 For certifying the same an additional fee for certificate and seal .....

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For all services not herein enumerated, and of him lawfully required, the clerk of the district court shall demand and receive such fees as are herein allowed for similar services.

(2) All fees collected under the provisions of this section shall be paid over to the county treasurer, at the same time and in the same manner as other fees.

- (3) In addition to all other fines, forfeitures and costs levied by the court, the clerk of the district court shall collect ten dollars (\$10.00) as an administrative surcharge fee on each criminal case, and five dollars (\$5.00) on each infraction to be paid over to the county treasurer at the same time and in the same manner as other fees, for the support of the county justice fund, or the current expense fund if no county justice fund has been established, and shall collect ten dollars (\$10.00) as an administrative surcharge fee on each civil case, including each appeal, to be paid over to the county treasurer for the support of the county court facilities fund, or to the district court fund if no county court facilities fund has been established.
- (4) Provided further, an additional handling fee of two dollars (\$2.00) shall be imposed on each monthly installment of criminal or infraction fines, forfeitures, and other costs paid on a monthly basis.
- (5) Provided further, in addition to all other fines, forfeitures and costs levied by the court, the clerk of the district court shall collect ten dollars (\$10.00) as an Idaho Statewide Trial Court Automated Records System (ISTARS) court technology fee on each criminal and infraction offense to be paid over to the county treasurer who shall, within five (5) days after the end of the month, pay such fee to the state treasurer for deposit into the ISTARS court technology fund.

SECTION 6. 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 <u>fifty</u> one hundred seventy-five dollars ( $$\frac{17}{50.00}$ ) for filing a civil case of any type in the district court or in, except for those cases to be assigned to the magistrate's division of the district court <u>for which the fee shall be one hundred twenty dollars (\$120), with the following exceptions:</u>
  - (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;
- (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 of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be distributed as follows: seventeen dollars (\$17.00) of such filing fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; ten one hundred thirty-five dollars (\$1035.00) 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 ISTARS court technology fund; seventeen dollars (\$17.00) 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 dollars (\$5.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; and twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50) 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.
- (3) 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; 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 dollars (\$5.00) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county; and eleven dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50) 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 thirty one hundred dollars (\$3100.00) 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; ten eighty dollars (\$\frac{1}{4}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 ISTARS 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 either chapter 11 or chapter 18, 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 ( $\frac{52}{2}$ 9.00) 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. All Nine dollars ( $\frac{9.00}{2}$ ) of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county and twenty dollars ( $\frac{20.00}{2}$ ) 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 fifteen eighty-five dollars ( $$\pm 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; 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; 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 thirty-eight one hundred eight dollars (\$3108.00) 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; and 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 <u>fifteen thirty-five</u> dollars (\$\frac{1}{3}5.00) shall be paid by a party taking an appeal from the magistrate's di-

vision of the district court to the district court; and 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. All of such fee shall be paid to the county treasurer for deposit in the district court fund of the county.

- (12) Appeal to supreme court. A fee of <u>fifteen thirty-five</u> dollars (\$135.00) 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; 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; 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 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, 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 7. That Section 31-3201H, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

31-3201H. EMERGENCY SURCHARGE FEE. (1) The court shall charge an emergency surcharge fee to be paid by each defendant for each criminal offense or infraction, committed on or after April 15, 2010, for which the defendant is found or pleads guilty. Such fee shall be in addition to all other fines and fees levied.

- (2) The amount of the emergency surcharge fee shall be as follows:
- (a) For each felony, the fee shall be one hundred dollars (\$100);
- (b) For each misdemeanor, the fee shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00); and
- (c) For each infraction, the fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00).
- (3) The fee shall be collected by the clerk of the district court and 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, who shall deposit eighty percent (80%) of such fees in the drug court, mental health court and family court services fund created by section 1-1625, Idaho Code, and twenty percent (20%) of such fees in the Idaho statewide trial court automated records system (ISTARS) court technology fund created by section 1-1623, Idaho Code.

SECTION 8. That Section 31-3221, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

31-3221. PAYMENTS TO COURT BY CREDIT CARD OR DEBIT CARD. (1) The clerk of the district court may accept payment of a debt owed to the court by a credit card or debit card. Any person making payment on a debt owed to the court by a credit card or debit card shall be assessed an electronic payment convenience fee established by the supreme court, which shall include, among other costs, the amount charged the court by the issuer for the use of the card. This fee may also be paid by credit card or debit card and included in the transaction for the payment of the debt owed to the court. The electronic payment convenience fee shall be separate from the debt owed to the court and shall be deposited into the ISTARS court technology fund created in section 1-1623, Idaho Code, and shall be used for the implementation of the provisions of this section. The debt owed to the court shall not be expunged, canceled, released, discharged or satisfied and any receipt or other

evidence of payment shall be deemed conditional until the court has received final and unconditional payment of the full amount due from the financing agency or card issuer for the transaction. If an electronic payment once made is subsequently denied, revoked or otherwise canceled for any reason, and the payment is withdrawn from the court, the court may proceed as though payment had never been made.

(2) Definitions. As used in this section:

- (a) "Cardholder" means the person or organization named on the face of a credit card or debit card to whom or for whose benefit the credit card or debit card is issued by an issuer.
- (b) "Credit card" means any instrument or device, whether known as a credit card or credit plate or by any other name, issued with or without a fee by an issuer for the use of the cardholder in obtaining money, property, goods, services or anything else of value on credit.
- (c) "Debit card" means any instrument or device, whether known as a debit card or by any other name, issued with or without a fee by an issuer for the use of the cardholder in depositing, obtaining or transferring funds.
- (d) "Debt owed to the court" means any assessment of fines, court costs, surcharges, penalties, fees, restitution, cash deposit of bail, moneys expended in providing counsel and other defense services to indigent defendants, or other charges which a court judgment has ordered to be paid to the court or which a party has agreed to pay in criminal or civil cases and includes any interest or penalty on such unpaid amounts as provided for in the judgment or by law.
- (e) "Issuer" means a business organization, financial institution or authorized agent of a business organization or financial institution that issues a credit card or debit card.
- (3) The supreme court may adopt rules as deemed appropriate for the administration of this section and may enter into contracts with an issuer or other organization to implement the provisions of this section.