

AN ACT

relating to certain fees in Title IV-D cases.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 231.202, Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 231.202. AUTHORIZED COSTS AND FEES IN TITLE IV-D CASES. In a Title IV-D case filed under this title, the Title IV-D agency shall pay:

(1) filing fees and fees for issuance and service of process as provided by Chapter 110 of this code and by Sections 51.317, 51.318(b)(2), and 51.319(2), Government Code;

(2) fees for transfer as provided by Chapter 110;

(3) fees for the issuance and delivery of orders and writs of income withholding in the amounts provided by Chapter 110;

(4) the [a] fee that sheriffs and constables are authorized to charge for serving process under Section 118.131, Local Government Code, [of \$45] for each item of process to each individual on whom service is required, including service by certified or registered mail, to be paid to a sheriff, constable, or clerk whenever service of process is required; and

(5) the fee for filing an administrative writ of withholding under Section 158.503(d).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003, and applies only to a service of process made on or after that date. A

1 service of process made before the effective date of this Act is
2 governed by the law in effect on the date the service of process is
3 made, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

David Dewhurst
President of the Senate

Tom Carilli
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1165 passed the Senate on April 25, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 30, 2003, by a viva-voce vote. _____

Randy Shaw
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1165 passed the House, with amendment, on May 28, 2003, by a non-record vote. _____

Robert Haney
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

20 JUN '03

Date

Rick Perry
Governor

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Ann Shea
Secretary of State