622A.3 Costs — when taxed.

1. An interpreter shall be appointed without expense to the person requiring assistance in the following cases:

a. If the person requiring assistance is a witness in the civil legal proceeding.

b. If the person requiring assistance is indigent and financially unable to secure an interpreter.

2. In civil cases, every court shall tax the cost of an interpreter the same as other court costs. In criminal cases, where the defendant is indigent, the interpreter shall be considered as a defendant's witness under rule of criminal procedure 2.15 for the purpose of receiving fees, except that subpoenas shall not be required. If the proceeding is before an administrative agency, that agency shall provide such interpreter but may require that a party to the proceeding pay the expense thereof.

3. Moneys recovered as court costs for interpreters paid through the revolving fund established in section 602.1302, subsection 3, shall be deposited in that fund.

[C71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §622A.3]

99 Acts, ch 144, §8