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SENATE FILE 456
BY COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 328)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the source of payment of the fee and expenses
2 of a county medical examiner related to services provided for
3 a person whose death affects the public interest.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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S-3208

1 Amend Senate File 456 as follows:
2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 14 through 17 and
3 inserting the following: "of residence of the person.
4 The fee and expenses of the county medical examiner".
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By SHELDON RITTMER

S-3208 FILED MARCH 23, 1995

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S-3285

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2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 14 through 17 and
3 inserting the following: "of residence of the person,
4 except that any payment made by the county for the fee
5 and expenses for a murder victim shall be reimbursed
6 by the person convicted of murdering the victim. The
7 fee and expenses of the county medical examiner".
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By SHELDON RITTMER
RANDAL J. GIANNETTO

S-3285 FILED MARCH 29, 1995

S.F. 456

1 Section 1. Section 331.802, subsection 2, Code 1995, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. If a person's death affects the public interest, the
4 county medical examiner shall conduct a preliminary
5 investigation of the cause and manner of death, prepare a
6 written report of the findings, promptly submit the full
7 report to the state medical examiner on forms prescribed for
8 that purpose, and submit a copy of the report to the county
9 attorney. For each preliminary investigation and the
10 preparation and submission of the required reports, the county
11 medical examiner shall receive a fee determined by the board
12 plus the examiner's actual expenses. The fee and expenses
13 shall be paid by the county ~~for which the service is provided~~
14 of residence of the person, except that the fee and expenses
15 for a murder victim shall be paid through the expenditure of
16 funds in the victim compensation fund created in section
17 912.14. The fee and expenses of the county medical examiner
18 who performs an autopsy or conducts an investigation of a
19 person who dies after being brought into this state for
20 emergency medical treatment by or at the direction of an out-
21 of-state law enforcement officer or public authority shall be
22 paid by the state. A claim for payment shall be filed with
23 the Iowa department of public health.

24 Sec. 2. Section 912.14, Code 1995, is amended to read as
25 follows:

26 912.14 VICTIM COMPENSATION FUND.

27 A victim compensation fund is established as a separate
28 fund in the state treasury. Moneys deposited in the fund
29 shall be administered by the department and dedicated to and
30 used for the purposes of ~~section~~ sections 331.802 and 709.10
31 and this chapter. Notwithstanding section 8.33, any balance
32 in the fund on June 30 of any fiscal year shall not revert to
33 the general fund of the state.

34 EXPLANATION

35 This bill provides for payment of the fee and expenses of

1 the county medical examiner of the preliminary investigation
2 and preparation of required reports relating to a person's
3 death which affects the public interest, by the county of
4 residence of the person or by the victim compensation fund if
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