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JUDICIARY

HOUSE FILE 149
BY GRUNDBERG

Passed House, Date _____ Passed Senate, Date _____

Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____ Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to juror compensation.

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

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HF 149

1 Section 1. Section 607A.8, Code 1999, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 607A.8 FEES AND EXPENSES FOR JURORS.

4 Grand jurors and petit jurors in all courts shall receive
5 ~~ten~~ twenty dollars as compensation for each day's service or
6 attendance, including attendance required for the purpose of
7 being considered for service, reimbursement for mileage
8 expenses at the rate specified in section 602.1509 for each
9 mile traveled each day to and from their residences to the
10 place of service or attendance, and reimbursement for actual
11 expenses of parking, as determined by the clerk. A juror who
12 is a person with a disability may receive reimbursement for
13 the costs of alternate transportation from the juror's
14 residence to the place of service or attendance. A juror
15 shall not receive reimbursement for mileage expenses or actual
16 expenses of parking when the juror travels in a vehicle for
17 which another juror is receiving reimbursement for mileage and
18 parking expenses.

19 Sec. 2. INTENT. It is the intent of the general assembly
20 that the issue of juror compensation be examined at least once
21 every two years by the joint appropriations subcommittee for
22 the judicial system.

23 EXPLANATION

24 This bill provides that grand jurors and petit jurors are
25 to be paid \$20 for each day's service or attendance, including
26 attendance required for the purpose of being considered for
27 service. Currently, jurors are paid \$10 per day. The bill
28 states the intent that the joint appropriations subcommittee
29 for the judicial system should examine the issue of juror
30 compensation at least once every two years.

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FISCAL NOTE

A fiscal note for House File 149 is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

House File 149 provides for jurors to receive \$20 per day including attendance required for the purpose of being considered for service. Currently jurors are paid \$10 per day.

ASSUMPTION

There will be approximately 107,000 juror days paid.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact of House File 149 will be \$2.1 million, an increase of \$1.1 (100%) million from the Jury and Witness Fee Revolving Fund.

SOURCE

Judicial Department

(LSB 1728HH, CRS)

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