HOUSE BILL NO. 517

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INTRODUCED BY HANSEN, KEENAN, KADAS, J. BROWN, SPAETH, DARKO

IN THE HOUSE

January 26, 1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on Local Government.
February 13, 1985	Committee recommend bill do pass as amended. Report adopted.
	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 16, 1985	Second reading, do pass.
	Considered correctly engrossed.
February 18, 1985	Third reading, passed.
	Transmitted to Senate.
IN S	THE SENATE
February 19, 1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on Judiciary.
March 25, 1985	Committee recommend bill be concurred in as amended. Report adopted.
March 27, 1985	Second reading, concurred in.
March 29, 1985	Third reading, concurred in. Ayes, 47; Noes, 2.
	Returned to House with
	amendments.
IN 2	

April 8, 1985

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Second reading, amendments concurred in.

On motion, rules suspended and bill placed on third reading this day.

Third reading, amendments concurred in.

Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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APPROVED BY COMM. ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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(2) The clerk of the district court shall maintain 18 records listing the amount of payments, the date payments 19 are required to be made, and the names and addresses of the 20 parties affected by the order. The clerk may charge the 21 payor a handling fee of \$5 \$2 a payment, which must be in 22 addition to the payment. Any handling fee collected by the 23 clerk under this subsection must be paid into the county 24 general fund UNLESS THE COUNTY HAS A DISTRICT COURT FUND. IF 25

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SENATE

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

	March 23	1985
MR. PRESIDENT		
We, your committee on		
having had under consideration		No517
third reading copy (blue)		
(Senator Hansen)		
DISTRICT COURT CLERK MAY CHARGE \$5 CHILD S	SUPPORT HANDLING FEE	
Respectfully report as follows: That		No517
be amended as follows:		
1. Title, line 8. Following: "MCA" Insert: "; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILI	TY DATE"	
2. Page 3. Following: line 1 Insert: " <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 3. Appl apply to all court decrees and cour date of this act."	icability. This act sha t orders after the effec	ill tive

AND AS AMENDED

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Senator Joe Mazurek Chairman.

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2 NEW SECTION. SECTION 3. APPLICABILITY. THIS ACT SHALL

3 APPLY TO ALL COURT DECREES AND COURT ORDERS AFTER THE

4 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT.

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