No. 1980-191

## AN ACT

SB 1410

Amending the act of July 9, 1976 (P.L.586, No.142), entitled "An act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), 15 (Corporations and Unincorporated Associations), 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, adding revised, codified and compiled provisions relating to judiciary and judicial procedure, including certain judicially enforceable rights, duties, immunities and liabilities and separately enacting certain related provisions of law," further providing for fees charged by the office of the prothonotary of the court of common pleas of counties of the first class.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 24, act of July 9, 1976 (P.L.586, No.142), known as the "Judiciary Act of 1976," is amended to read:

Section 24. Financial matters. - \* \* \*

- (d) Philadelphia Law Library.—Until otherwise provided by statute, in every county of the first class:
  - (1) There shall be charged and set apart by the officer receiving the [same from the] fees fixed under 42 Pa.C.S. § 1725 and remitted monthly to the treasurer of the bar association or other nonprofit corporation operating the public law library of such county an amount equal to 10% of the filing fees at the time in effect for the probate of wills, the issue of letters testamentary, the issue of letters of administration and the filing of accounts with the register of wills, the filing of accounts of trustees and guardians in the court of common pleas of the county and of all filings in the office of the prothonotary of the county.
    - [(i) The sum of \$1.50 for each defendant named in all original actions brought in the county, entries of a judgment in the court of common pleas (except a judgment by confession for the payment of money) where an action has not been previously commenced, appeals from the municipal court established for the county, issued or reissued writs of execution and revivals of a judgment.
    - (ii) The sum of \$2.25 for each entry of a judgment by confession for the payment of money in any court of record of the county.
    - (iii) The sum of \$2.00 for every filing with respect to fictitious names, whether individual or corporate, in the office of the prothonotary of the county.
    - (iv) Ten percent of the filing fees at the time in effect for the probate of wills, the issue of letters testamentary, the issue of

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letters of administration and the filing of accounts with the register of wills and the filing of accounts of trustees and guardians in the court of common pleas of the county.]

- (2) The provisions of paragraph (1)[(i), (iii) and (iv)] shall not apply to any actions taken or initiated by any political subdivision.
- (3) The written receipt for said moneys of the treasurer of such bar association or nonprofit corporation, as the case may be, shall be the only legal discharge of such officer.
- (4) The Department of General Services shall annually, and free of charge, distribute to the treasurer of each bar association or nonprofit corporation, as the case may be, for the use of its library, 60 copies of the Laws of Pennsylvania for the purpose of enabling the said library to exchange a copy of the said laws for a copy of similar publications of other states and of the territories of the United States of America.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 5th day of December, A. D. 1980.

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