

HB0018/883227/1

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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 18, AS AMENDED
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the bill, in line 14, after “date” insert “; requiring the District Court to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date”; and in line 24, after the second “Fund;” insert “requiring that money appropriated to the Fund be calculated in a certain manner;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3 of the House Judiciary Committee Amendments (HB0018/462517/1), in line 11 of Amendment No. 4, strike “(A)”.

On page 6 of the bill, after line 28, insert:

“(B) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 31 EACH YEAR, THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE NUMBER OF CASES IN WHICH A COURT FOUND THAT A CASE ON BEHALF OF A COVERED INDIVIDUAL LACKED SUBSTANTIAL JUSTIFICATION, WAS OTHERWISE CATEGORIZED AS UNJUSTIFIED, OR WAS DISMISSED IN FAVOR OF A LANDLORD.”

On page 8 of the bill, in line 16, after “(E)” insert “**(1)**”; in line 17, strike “(1)” and substitute “**(1)**”; and after line 20, insert:

“(2) (1) BEGINNING WITH THE SECOND FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH MONEY IS APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND, MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND SHALL BE CALCULATED BASED ON THE AMOUNT TO BE APPROPRIATED LESS THE TOTAL COSTS OF THE CASES IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR IN WHICH COURTS FOUND

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THAT CASES ON BEHALF OF COVERED INDIVIDUALS LACKED SUBSTANTIAL JUSTIFICATION OR WERE DISMISSED IN FAVOR OF LANDLORDS.

(II) MONEY THAT IS NOT ACTUALLY APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND UNDER THE FORMULA PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND.”.

On page 5 of the House Judiciary Committee Amendments, in lines 1 and 2 of Amendment No. 5, strike “(2)” and “(3)”, respectively, and substitute “(II)” and “(III)”, respectively.