

1 SB302  
2 157066-2  
3 By Senator Bedford  
4 RFD: Finance and Taxation General Fund  
5 First Read: 04-FEB-14

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7 A BILL  
8 TO BE ENTITLED  
9 AN ACT

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11 To provide for the levy and collection of an  
12 electronic citation fee as additional court costs in traffic,  
13 misdemeanor, municipal ordinance, or conservation cases; to  
14 provide for distribution of the fee; and to provide for the  
15 use of the fee for the purpose of establishing and maintaining  
16 electronic citations.

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

18 Section 1. (a) As used in this section, electronic  
19 citation means the process of transmitting traffic,  
20 misdemeanor, municipal ordinance, conservation, or other  
21 citations and law enforcement data via electronic means to a  
22 court clerk.

23 (b) To defray the expense of establishing and  
24 maintaining electronic citations, the court clerk in the  
25 circuit, district, or municipal court shall charge and collect  
26 an electronic citation fee of six dollars (\$6) as court costs  
27 in any traffic, misdemeanor, municipal ordinance, or

1 conservation case. This fee shall be in addition to all other  
2 court costs and shall be disbursed as provided in this  
3 section. Sixty percent of the fee shall be retained by the  
4 court clerk collecting the fee and 40 percent of the fee shall  
5 be disbursed to the state, county, or municipal fund funding  
6 the arresting law enforcement agency. All of the proceeds  
7 shall be used solely to defray expenses related to the  
8 establishment and maintenance of electronic citations.

9 (c) The court clerk shall charge and collect an  
10 electronic citation fee if the county commission or municipal  
11 governing body by ordinance elects to be subject to this  
12 section.

13 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
14 first day of the third month following its passage and  
15 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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Senate

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Yeas 23  
Nays 3

Patrick Harris  
Secretary