

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Family Law

2-404.

(a) (1) The fee for a license is \$10.

(2) The clerk shall:

(i) retain \$5 of the fee; and

(ii) pay \$5 of the fee into the general fund of the county.

(b) (1) Except as provided in subsections (c), (e), (f), (g), (l) and (m) of this section, any county or group of 2 or more counties may set an additional fee of up to \$25 for each license.

(2) The proceeds shall be used to fund domestic violence programs.

(f) In Montgomery County:

(1) the County Council may set by resolution an additional fee of up to \$45 for each license;

(2) the clerk shall pay the proceeds from the additional fee to the Director of Finance of the county each month;

(3) the proceeds, in addition to designated federal, State, and county funds, shall be used to fund battered spouse shelters and domestic violence programs; and

(4) the County Executive shall prepare and make available an annual report on or before December 1 of each year on the disposition of fees collected under this subsection during the previous fiscal year.

Chapter 355 of the Acts of 1992

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1992. [It shall remain effective for a period of two years and, at the end of June 30, 1994, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1994.

Approved April 12, 1994.