

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

7-202.

(a) (1) The State Court Administrator shall determine the amount of all court costs and charges for the circuit courts of the counties with the approval of the Board of Public Works. The fees and charges shall be uniform throughout the State.

(d) The State Court Administrator, as part of the Administrator's determination of the amount of court costs and charges in civil cases, shall assess a surcharge that:

(1) May not be more than ~~[\$10]~~ ~~\$40~~ \$25 per case; and

(2) Shall be deposited into the Maryland Legal Services Corporation Fund established under § 7-408 of this title.

7-301.

(c) (1) The filing fees and costs in a civil case are those prescribed by law subject to modification by law, rule, or administrative regulation.

(2) The Chief Judge of the District Court shall assess a surcharge that:

(i) May not be more than:

1. \$5 PER SUMMARY EJECTMENT CASE; AND

2. ~~[\$2]~~ ~~\$17~~ \$10 per [civil] case FOR ALL OTHER CIVIL CASES;

and

(ii) Shall be deposited into the Maryland Legal Services Corporation Fund established under § 7-408 of this title.

(3) The Court of Appeals may provide by rule for waiver of prepayment of filing fees and other costs in cases of indigency.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~October~~ June 1, 2004.

Approved May 26, 2004.

CHAPTER 449**(Senate Bill 323)**

AN ACT concerning

Economic Development Financial Assistance - Minority Business Enterprise Procurement Goals

FOR the purpose of requiring that a recipient of certain financial assistance awarded under the Economic Development Opportunities Program Fund and the