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H 1442. INCREASE JUROR FEES/COURT COSTS. Filed 4/12/07. TO INCREASE THE UNIFORM FEES PAID TO JURORS FOR THEIR SERVICE AND TO RAISE COURT COSTS TO OFFSET THAT INCREASE.

Amends GS 7A-312 to provide that jurors on a grand jury receive the same pay as a petit juror or a coroner's juror and increases the pay to \$30 per day (was \$12 for the first day and \$20 thereafter) and to \$50 (was \$40) per day for those serving for more than five days in a 24-month period, effective for jury service on or after July 1, 2007. Amends GS 7A-304(a)(4) (costs in criminal actions) and GS 7A-305(a)(2) (costs in civil actions) to increase court costs for district court and superior court by \$4. Effective July 1, 2007, except that in misdemeanor or infraction cases disposed of on or after July 1, 2007, by written appearance, waiver of trial or hearing, and guilty plea in which the process was issued before July 1, 2007, the costs are the lesser of those specified in the bill or those specified in the process notice. Intro. by Faison. GS 7A