

Art. 102.0174. COURT COSTS; JUVENILE CASE MANAGER FUND. (a) In this article, "fund" means a juvenile case manager fund.

(b) The governing body of a municipality by ordinance may create a juvenile case manager fund and may require a defendant convicted of a fine-only misdemeanor offense in a municipal court to pay a juvenile case manager fee not to exceed \$5 as a cost of court.

(c) The commissioners court of a county by order may create a juvenile case manager fund and may require a defendant convicted of a fine-only misdemeanor offense in a justice court, county court, or county court at law to pay a juvenile case manager fee not to exceed \$5 as a cost of court.

(d) The ordinance or order must authorize the judge or justice to waive the fee required by Subsection (b) or (c) in a case of financial hardship.

(e) In this article, a defendant is considered convicted if:

- (1) a sentence is imposed on the defendant;
- (2) the defendant receives deferred disposition, including deferred proceedings under Article 45.052 or 45.053; or
- (3) the defendant receives deferred adjudication in county court.

(f) The clerks of the respective courts shall collect the costs and pay them to the county or municipal treasurer, as applicable, or to any other official who discharges the duties commonly delegated to the county or municipal treasurer for deposit in the fund.

(g) A fund created under this section may be used only to finance the salary and benefits of a juvenile case manager employed under Article 45.056.

(h) A fund must be administered by or under the direction of the commissioners court or under the direction of the governing body of the municipality.

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Art. 102.0178. COSTS ATTENDANT TO CERTAIN INTOXICATION AND DRUG CONVICTIONS. (a) In addition to other costs on conviction imposed by this chapter, a person shall pay \$60 as a court cost on conviction of an offense punishable as a Class B misdemeanor or any higher category of offense under:

- (1) Chapter 49, Penal Code; or
- (2) Chapter 481, Health and Safety Code.

(b) For purposes of this article, a person is considered to have been convicted if:

- (1) a sentence is imposed; or
- (2) the defendant receives community supervision or deferred adjudication.

(c) Court costs under this article are collected in the same manner as

Art. 45.056. AUTHORITY TO EMPLOY JUVENILE CASE MANAGERS; REIMBURSEMENT.

(a) On approval of the commissioners court, city council, school district board of trustees, juvenile board, or other appropriate authority, a county court, justice court, municipal court, school district, juvenile probation department, or other appropriate governmental entity may:

(1) employ a case manager to provide services in cases involving juvenile offenders before a court consistent with the court's statutory powers; or

(2) agree in accordance with Chapter 791, Government Code, to jointly employ a case manager.

(b) A local entity may apply or more than one local entity may jointly apply to the criminal justice division of the governor's office for reimbursement of all or part of the costs of employing one or more juvenile case managers from funds appropriated to the governor's office or otherwise available for that purpose. To be eligible for reimbursement, the entity applying must present to the governor's office a comprehensive plan to reduce juvenile crimes in the entity's jurisdiction that addresses the role of the case manager in that effort.

(c) A county or justice court on approval of the commissioners court or a municipal court on approval of the city council may employ one or more full-time juvenile case managers to assist the court in administering the court's juvenile docket and in supervising its court orders in juvenile cases.

(d) Pursuant to Article 102.0174, the court may pay the salary and benefits of the juvenile case manager from the juvenile case manager fund.

(e) A juvenile case manager employed under Subsection (c) shall work primarily on cases brought under Sections 25.093 and 25.094, Education Code.

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