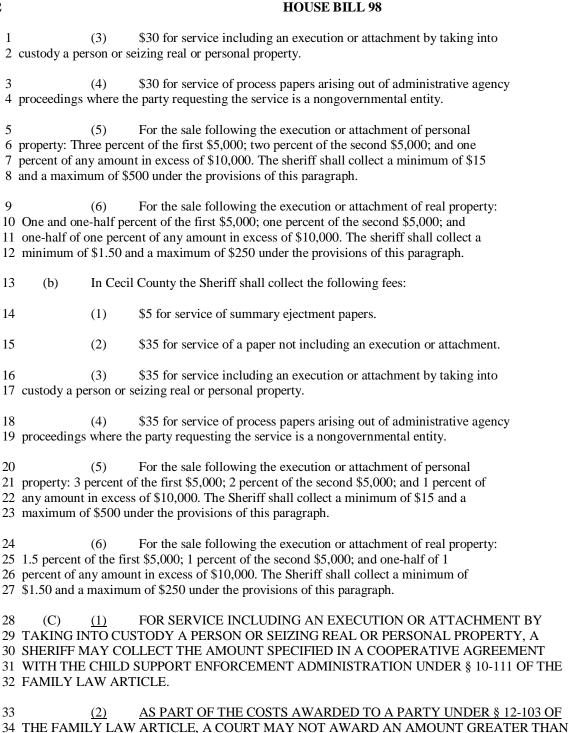
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CHAPTER
1 AN ACT concerning
2 Courts - Costs - Sheriffs' Fees
3 FOR the purpose of authorizing sheriffs to collect certain fees based on certain 4 agreements with the Child Support Enforcement Administration of the 5 Department of Human Resources; <u>limiting the amount of costs that a court may</u> 6 award to a party in a certain proceeding; providing for the application of this 7 Act; and generally relating to sheriffs' fees. 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, 9 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
10 Section 7-402 11 Annotated Code of Maryland 12 (1998 Replacement Volume)
SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
15 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
16 7-402.
17 (a) Except as provided in [subsection (b)] SUBSECTIONS (B) AND (C) of this 18 section, a sheriff shall collect the following fees:
19 (1) \$5 for service of summary ejectment papers.
20 \$30 for service of a paper not including an execution or attachment.



35 <u>THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION FOR THE COST OF</u> 36 SERVICE INCLUDING AN EXECUTION OR ATTACHMENT BY TAKING INTO CUSTODY A

37 PERSON OR SEIZING REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY.

- 1 [(c)] (D) (1) If the sheriff incurs expenses for the purpose of conserving or 2 protecting the seized property, the sheriff shall be reimbursed for the expense.
- 3 (2) If the Sheriff of Washington County incurs expenses for seizing 4 property, the Sheriff shall be reimbursed by the judgment debtor for reasonable
- 5 expenses.
- 6 [(d)] (E) If the sheriff is unable to serve a paper, the full fee shall be refunded 7 to the party requesting the service.
- 8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be
- 9 construed retroactively and shall be applied to and interpreted to affect all fees
- 10 charged on or after July 1, 1992.
- 11 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take 12 effect July 1, 1999.