

**HB0771/288071/1**

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 771  
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 9, after “applicant;” insert “requiring the Court of Appeals to implement the initial increase of certain fees in a certain manner; requiring the Court of Appeals to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 13, strike “~~\$250~~” and substitute “~~\$400~~”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 16, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the initial increase in the Bar examination fee, authorized under Section 1 of this Act, shall be limited to an amount that will allow the State Board of Law Examiners to cover expenses associated with the administration of the Bar examination. To ensure that expenses associated with the State Board of Law Examiners are covered by fee revenue, the Court of Appeals shall increase other fees, such as application fees.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Court of Appeals shall phase in subsequent increases in fees established by the Court of Appeals and associated with the State Board of Law Examiners in a manner such that fee revenues of the Board recover at least 90 percent of its operating costs in fiscal 2014.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before October 1, 2008, the Court of Appeals shall report to the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee and the House Judiciary Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State

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Government Article, on a plan to increase fees and generate fee revenue for the general fund sufficient to cover the expenditures associated with the State Board of Law Examiners.”;

and in line 17, strike “2.” and substitute “5.”.