

No. 2011-30

AN ACT

HB 38

Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in governance of the system, further providing for establishment of fees and charges and for costs; in facilities and supplies, further providing for surcharge; and, in budget and finance, further providing for Commonwealth portion of fines.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Sections 1725(c)(3)(ii), 1725.1(a)(4) and (7), 3571(c)(2)(vi) and (vii) and 3733.1(a)(1) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

§ 1725. Establishment of fees and charges.

(c) Counties of the first class.—

(3) The fees to be received by the prothonotary on behalf of the Philadelphia Municipal Court in civil actions shall be as follows:

(ii) Commencement of civil actions \$2,001 to	
[\$10,000] \$12,000	\$40.00

§ 1725.1. Costs.

(a) Civil cases.—Subject to subsection (f), the costs to be charged by magisterial district judges in every civil case, except as otherwise provided in this section, shall be as follows:

(4) Actions involving more than \$4,000 but not more than	\$75.00
[\$8,000] \$12,000	

(7) Landlord-tenant actions involving more than \$4,000	
but not more than [\$8,000] \$12,000	\$75.00

§ 3571. Commonwealth portion of fines, etc.

(c) Costs in magisterial district judge proceedings.—

(2) Amounts payable to the Commonwealth:

(vi) Assumpsit or trespass involving:	
(A) \$500 or less.....	\$12.50
(B) More than \$500 but not more than	
\$2,000.....	\$20.00
(C) More than \$2,000 but not more than	
\$4,000.....	\$30.00
(D) More than \$4,000 but not more than [\$8,000]	

\$12,000	\$50.00
(vii) Landlord-tenant proceeding involving:	
(A) \$2,000 or less.....	\$20.00
(B) More than \$2,000 but not more than \$4,000.....	\$25.00
(C) More than \$4,000 but not more than [\$8,000] \$12,000	\$35.00

§ 3733.1. Surcharge.

(a) Imposition of surcharge.—In addition to each fee imposed under section 3733(a.1) (relating to deposits into account), except as set forth in subsection (b), the following apply:

(1) A surcharge of \$11.25 shall be charged and collected [for a period of 25 months beginning on the effective date of this section]. *This paragraph shall expire December 31, 2014.*

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 7th day of July, A.D. 2011

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