

House Bill 772 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representative Meeks of the 178<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To authorize the assessment and collection of a technology fee by the State Court of Bacon  
2 County; to identify the authorized uses of such technology fee; to provide for the termination  
3 of such technology fee and dedication of residual funds to technology needs; to provide for  
4 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 (a) The clerk of the State Court of Bacon County is hereby authorized to charge and collect  
8 a technology fee to be set by the judge of the state court in an amount not to exceed \$15.00  
9 as a surcharge upon each fine assessed by the court for violations of Title 40 of the Official  
10 Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic. Such technology fees  
11 shall be used exclusively to provide for technological needs of the State Court of Bacon  
12 County and the Sheriff of Bacon County. Such uses shall include only the following:

- 13 (1) Computer hardware and software purchases;  
14 (2) Lease, maintenance, and installation of computer hardware and software;

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15 (3) Purchase, lease, maintenance, and installation of audio-visual, imaging, scanning,  
16 facsimile, communications, recording, projection, and printing equipment and software;  
17 and

18 (4) Procurement of services and equipment for the conservation of court or sheriff  
19 records and the archival of the same to digital contents for public access.

20 (b) Funds collected pursuant to this section shall be maintained in a segregated account by  
21 the clerk of the state court and shall be used only for the purposes authorized in this section.

22 (c) The authority to assess a technology fee pursuant to this section shall terminate on  
23 July 1, 2033, and any residual funds remaining in the fund established by this section shall  
24 remain dedicated to general Bacon County technology needs.

25 **SECTION 2.**

26 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.