S.B. NO. 492

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Judiciary.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 606-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

"§606-13 Salary and [prerequisites] perquisites of reporters. Each reporter shall receive for his services as prescribed in section 606-12 the salary that may be appropriated from time to time as compensation for his services in court. He may also charge for his services a fee not to exceed \$1.50 per twenty-five line page for the original ribbon copy of transcripts of testimony and proceedings and 60 cents per twenty-five line page for each carbon copy thereof made at the same time when such transcripts are prepared in their regular order for the purposes of appeal to the supreme court and a [50] fifty per cent additional fee for expedited service when transcripts are prepared during the course of a trial. The fees for transcripts ordered by a party [must] shall be paid by the party ordering the same and, except in the case of the attorney general, the public defender, or the county or prosecuting attorneys or corporation counsels, no reporter shall be required to perform any such service until his fees have been paid or the amount of the estimated cost of the fees deposited with the clerk of the court.

Where the court, of its own motion, orders a transcript to be prepared of the whole or any part of the testimony in a civil cause, it may, in its discretion, direct the payment of the charges therefor, and the taxation of the same as costs, in such manner as to it may seem just. Where the attorney general, the public defender, or [a] the county or prosecuting attorney or corporation counsel, desires transcripts for his own official use, either original or carbon copy, the reporter may be pid for the same by warrant upon the treasury of the State[,] or county, as the case may be.

When a transcript is prepared from a tape, or other record of the testimony and proceedings made by a mechanical device, the trascript fees shall be those applicable when a transcript is prepared by an official court reporter from his notes. A transcript not prepared by an official court reporter shall be certified by a clerk of the court.

The reporter or other person preparing transcripts shall provide, at his own expense, all typewriting paper and carbon paper necessary to the preparation thereof."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved May 20, 1983.)