



2021-2022 General Assembly

# HOUSE BILL 103: 2022 Appropriations Act, Sec. 16.7: Increase Former Law Enforcement Officer Witness Pay

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<b>Analysis of:</b>	Sec. 16.7 of S.L. 2022-74		

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**OVERVIEW:** Section 16.7 of S.L. 2022-74 increases the witness fee for attendance by former law enforcement officers subpoenaed to testify in a proceeding from \$5 per day or fraction thereof to \$20 per hour or fraction thereof.

*This section became effective July 11, 2022, and applies to motions or applications for costs filed on or after that date.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Under current law, witnesses other than salaried State, county, and municipal law enforcement officers, who are subpoenaed to testify before the court, Judicial Standards Commission, jury of view, magistrate, clerk, referee, commissioner, appraiser, or arbitrator, are entitled to compensation for their attendance in the amount of \$5 per day or fraction thereof.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** This section provides that former State, county, and municipal law enforcement officers, who are subpoenaed to testify before the court, Judicial Standards Commission, jury of view, magistrate, clerk, referee, commissioner, appraiser, or arbitrator, are entitled to compensation for their attendance in the amount of \$20 per hour or fraction thereof.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This section became effective July 11, 2022, and applies to motions or applications for costs filed on or after that date.

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