

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 63

77TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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CALEB BRUEMMER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To Ensure Fair Justice in the Courts Relating to the Fining of Individuals Convicted of Minor Crimes

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Missouri Boys State, as follows:

Section 1. Recognizes that earning money at boys state can be a hard endeavor and individuals need as much as they can get, with the high costs of campaigning, running businesses, and various other activities.

Section 2. Recognizes that cities must punish the breaking of their laws with fines or more severe punishment.

Section 3. Suggests that no city demand a Boy's State Citizen convicted of a minor crime that does not involve the direct or indirect harm of another Citizen pay more than 40% of their Boy's State funds in costs, to ensure that Boy's State Citizens can still contribute and thrive within Boy's State. This bill would ensure minor offenders could still contribute to their local economy and possibly even for an office without the threat of a judge issuing a particularly high fine relative to the defendant's available money pool.

Section 4. Recognizes that major offenses need major punishments, and thus this legislation would be considered inapplicable in major cases involving but not necessarily limited to crimes that directly or indirectly harm another Citizen of Boy's State.