22A:2-37.2

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- COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: Judiciary

SENATE: Judiciary

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FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

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(Amendments during passage denoted by superscript numbers)

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ASSEMBLY, No. 3238 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 22, 2001

Sponsored by: Assemblyman DAVID C. RUSSO District 40 (Bergen and Passaic) Assemblyman NEIL M. COHEN District 20 (Union)

SYNOPSIS

Clarifies that fees are due in Special Civil Part on valid levy even if judgment vacated.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/23/2001)

AN ACT concerning certain fees in the Special Civil Part and amending 1 2 P.L.1991, c.177. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 15 of P.L.1991, c.177 (C.22A:2-37.2) is amended to 8 read as follows: 9 15. a. From the fees set forth in section 14 of P.L.1991, c.177 10 (C.22A:2-37.1), the clerk of the Special Civil Part of the Superior 11 Court, Law Division, shall pay to officers designated by the 12 Assignment Judge to serve process the following fees: (1) Serving summons, notice or 13 14 third party complaint on one defendant \$ 3.00 on every additional defendant 15 \$ 2.00 16 (2) Reserving summons or other 17 original process on any defendant \$ 3.00 18 (3) Warrant to arrest, capias, or 19 commitment, for each defendant served \$15.00 20 (4) Serving writ and summons in replevin, taking bond and any inventory, against 21 one defendant \$ 6.00 22 \$ 2.00 23 on every additional defendant 24 (5) Serving writ in replevin when 25 issued subsequent to service of summons, against one defendant 26 \$ 5.00 \$ 2.00 27 on every additional defendant 28 (6) Serving order for possession 29 \$ 4.00 in replevin 30 (7) Serving writ of attachment and 31 making inventory, one defendant \$ 4.00 32 on every additional defendant \$ 2.00 33 (8) Serving and executing warrant 34 for possession in tenancy \$10.00 35 (9) Every execution, or any order in 36 the nature of an execution, on a judgment, for 37 each defendant \$ 2.00 (10) Every wage execution to a 38 federal agency, additional fee 39 \$ 4.00 40 b. For every mile of travel in serving or executing any process, writ, order, execution, notice or warrant, the distance to be computed 41 42 by counting the number of miles in and out, by the most direct route 43 from the place where process is issued, at the same rate per mile set by

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1 the State for other State employees and the total mileage fee rounded 2 upward to the nearest dollar. 3 c. In addition to the foregoing, the following fees for officers of 4 the Special Civil Part shall be taxed in the costs and collected on execution, writ of attachment or order in the nature of any execution 5 on any final judgment, or on a valid and subsisting levy of an execution 6 or attachment which may be the effective cause in producing payment 7 8 or settlement of a judgment or attachment: 9 (1) For advertising property 10 under execution or any order \$10.00 11 (2) For selling property under \$10.00 12 execution or any order 13 (3) On every dollar collected on 14 execution, writ of attachment, or any order, \$0.10. 15 (4) In the event a judgment is vacated for any reason, the court officer shall be entitled to his dollarage based on any valid levy the 16 17 officer has made and has not abandoned. (cf:P.L.2000, c.129, s.2) 18 19 20 2. This act shall take effect immediately. 21 22 23 **STATEMENT** 24 This bill amends section 15 of P.L.1991, c.177 (C.22A:2-37.2) 25 concerning certain fees for officers in the Special Civil Part. The bill 26 27 provides that in the event a judgment is vacated for any reason, the 28 court officer shall be entitled to his dollarage based on any valid levy 29 the officer has made and has not abandoned. This bill is intended to address the problem which exists for certain situations in which the 30 31 court officer in the Special Civil Part has performed the required duties 32 but, if the judgment in the matter is vacated, the court officer may be unable to collect the fee due. The sponsor's intent is to clarify that 33 34 while the judgment may have been vacated, the valid levy has not and the court officer is entitled to costs due. 35

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 3238

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 22, 2001

The Assembly Judiciary Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 3238.

This bill amends section 15 of P.L.1991, c.177 (C.22A:2-37.2) concerning certain fees for officers in the Special Civil Part. The bill in its original form provided that in the event a judgment is vacated for any reason, the court officer shall be entitled to his dollarage based on any valid levy the officer has made and has not abandoned. The committee amendments change this language to provide if a judgment is vacated for any reason after a court officer has made a levy and thereafter the judgment is reinstated or the case is settled, the dollarage due the court officer on payment of the judgment amount or settlement amount again shall be taxed in the costs and collected. The amended language is intended to cure a problem that there cannot be a valid levy without a judgment.

[First Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 3238 ______ STATE OF NEW JERSEY

209th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 22, 2001

Sponsored by: Assemblyman DAVID C. RUSSO District 40 (Bergen and Passaic) Assemblyman NEIL M. COHEN District 20 (Union)

Co-Sponsored by: Senators Cardinale, Bennett and Matheussen

SYNOPSIS

Clarifies that fees are due in Special Civil Part on levy if judgment reinstated or case settled.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Judiciary Committee on March 22, 2001, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/18/2001)

AN ACT concerning certain fees in the Special Civil Part and amending 1 2 P.L.1991, c.177. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 15 of P.L.1991, c.177 (C.22A:2-37.2) is amended to read as follows: 8 9 15. a. From the fees set forth in section 14 of P.L.1991, c.177 10 (C.22A:2-37.1), the clerk of the Special Civil Part of the Superior 11 Court, Law Division, shall pay to officers designated by the 12 Assignment Judge to serve process the following fees: (1) Serving summons, notice or 13 14 third party complaint on one defendant \$ 3.00 on every additional defendant \$ 2.00 15 16 (2) Reserving summons or other 17 original process on any defendant \$ 3.00 18 (3) Warrant to arrest, capias, or 19 commitment, for each defendant served \$15.00 20 (4) Serving writ and summons in replevin, taking bond and any inventory, against 21 one defendant \$ 6.00 22 \$ 2.00 23 on every additional defendant 24 (5) Serving writ in replevin when 25 issued subsequent to service of summons, 26 against one defendant \$ 5.00 \$ 2.00 27 on every additional defendant 28 (6) Serving order for possession 29 \$ 4.00 in replevin 30 (7) Serving writ of attachment and 31 making inventory, one defendant \$ 4.00 32 on every additional defendant \$ 2.00 33 (8) Serving and executing warrant 34 for possession in tenancy \$10.00 35 (9) Every execution, or any order in 36 the nature of an execution, on a judgment, for 37 each defendant \$ 2.00 (10) Every wage execution to a 38 federal agency, additional fee 39 \$ 4.00 40 b. For every mile of travel in serving or executing any process, writ, order, execution, notice or warrant, the distance to be computed 41 42 by counting the number of miles in and out, by the most direct route

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¹ Assembly AJU committee amendments adopted March 22, 2001.

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from the place where process is issued, at the same rate per mile set by 1 2 the State for other State employees and the total mileage fee rounded 3 upward to the nearest dollar. 4 c. In addition to the foregoing, the following fees for officers of 5 the Special Civil Part shall be taxed in the costs and collected on execution, writ of attachment or order in the nature of any execution 6 on any final judgment, or on a valid and subsisting levy of an execution 7 8 or attachment which may be the effective cause in producing payment 9 or settlement of a judgment or attachment: 10 (1) For advertising property under execution or any order \$10.00 11 12 (2) For selling property under \$10.00 13 execution or any order 14 (3) On every dollar collected on 15 execution, writ of attachment, or any order, \$0.10. (4) In the event a judgment is vacated for any reason ¹[, the court 16 17 officer shall be entitled to his dollarage based on any valid levy the 18 officer has made and has not abandoned after a court officer has made a levy and thereafter the judgment is reinstated or the case is settled, 19 20 the dollarage due the court officer on payment of the judgment amount or settlement amount again shall be taxed in the costs and collected¹. 21 22 (cf: P.L.2000, c.129, s.2) 23 24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL NOTE [First Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 3238 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

DATED: APRIL 20, 2001

SUMMARY

Synopsis:	Clarifies that fees are due in Special Civil Part on levy if judgment reinstated or case settled.
Type of Impact:	No impact
Agencies Affected:	Judiciary

Executive Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
State Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0

- ! The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) **concurs** with the Judiciary estimate.
- ! The bill provides that in the event a judgment is vacated for any reason after a court officer has made a levy and thereafter the judgment is reinstated or the case is settled, the dollarage due the court officer on payment of the judgment amount or settlement amount again shall be taxed in the costs and collected.
- ! The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) states that since the levy is to be paid to the court officer by the individual upon whom the judgement is levied, there is no cost or revenue accrued to the State.

BILL DESCRIPTION

Assembly Bill No. 3238 (1R) of 2001 amends section 15 of P.L.1991, c.177 (C.22A:2-37.2) concerning certain fees for officers in the Special Civil Part. The bill provides that in the event a judgment is vacated for any reason after a court officer has made a levy and thereafter the judgment is reinstated or the case is settled, the dollarage due the court officer on payment of the judgment amount or settlement amount again shall be taxed in the costs and collected.



FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

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OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) concurs with the Judiciary estimate.

Section:	Judiciary
Analyst:	Anne C. Raughley Lead Fiscal Analyst
Approved:	Alan R. Kooney Legislative Budget and Finance Officer

This fiscal note has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67.

SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 3238

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 11, 2001

The Senate Judiciary Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 3238 (1R).

This bill would amend N.J.S.A. 22A:2-37.2 which concerns fees payable to court officers in connection with the enforcement of judgments in the Special Civil Part of Superior Court. The bill would clarify that if a judgment is vacated for any reason after a court officer has made a levy and thereafter the judgment is reinstated or the case is settled, the court officer is entitled to a fee for levying on the original judgment.

SENATE, No. 2324

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

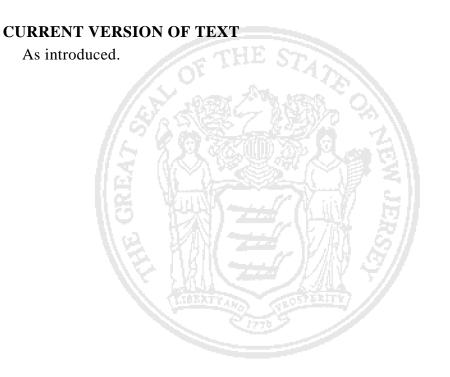
INTRODUCED APRIL 20, 2001

Sponsored by: Senator GERALD CARDINALE District 39 (Bergen) Senator JOHN O. BENNETT District 12 (Monmouth)

Co-Sponsored by: Senator Matheussen

SYNOPSIS

Clarifies that fees are due in Special Civil Part on levy if judgment reinstated or case settled.



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1	the State for other State employees and the total mileage fee rounded
2	upward to the nearest dollar.
3	c. In addition to the foregoing, the following fees for officers of the
4	Special Civil Part shall be taxed in the costs and collected on
5	execution, writ of attachment or order in the nature of any execution
6	on any final judgment, or on a valid and subsisting levy of an execution
7	or attachment which may be the effective cause in producing payment
8	or settlement of a judgment or attachment:
9	(1) For advertising property
10	under execution or any order \$10.00
11	(2) For selling property under
12	execution or any order \$10.00
13	(3) On every dollar collected on
14	execution, writ of attachment, or any order, \$0.10.
15	(4) In the event a judgment is vacated for any reason after a court
16	officer has made a levy and thereafter the judgment is reinstated or the
17	case is settled, the dollarage due the court officer on payment of the
18	judgment amount or settlement amount again shall be taxed in the
19	costs and collected.
20	(cf: P.L.2000, c.129, s.2)
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22	2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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25	STATEMENT
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27	This bill amends section 15 of P.L.1991, c.177 (C.22A:2-37.2)
28	concerning certain fees for officers in the Special Civil Part. The bill
29	provides if a judgment is vacated for any reason after a court officer
30	has made a levy and thereafter the judgment is reinstated or the case
31	is settled, the dollarage due the court officer on payment of the
32	judgment amount or settlement amount again shall be taxed in the
33	costs and collected

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SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2324

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 11, 2001

The Senate Judiciary Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2324.

This bill would amend N.J.S.A. 22A:2-37.2 which concerns fees payable to court officers in connection with the enforcement of judgments in the Special Civil Part of Superior Court. The bill would clarify that if a judgment is vacated for any reason after a court officer has made a levy and thereafter the judgment is reinstated or the case is settled, the court officer is entitled to a fee for levying on the original judgment.

P.L. 2001, CHAPTER 275, approved December 26, 2001 Assembly, No. 3238 (First Reprint)

1	AN ACT concerning certain fees in the Special Civil Part an	nd amending
2	P.L.1991, c.177.	
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4	BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly	of the State
5	of New Jersey:	
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7	1. Section 15 of P.L.1991, c.177 (C.22A:2-37.2) is	amended to
8	read as follows:	
9	15. a. From the fees set forth in section 14 of P.L.	1991, c.177
10	(C.22A:2-37.1), the clerk of the Special Civil Part of the	he Superior
11	Court, Law Division, shall pay to officers designa	ted by the
12	Assignment Judge to serve process the following fees:	
13	(1) Serving summons, notice or	
14	third party complaint on one defendant	\$ 3.00
15	on every additional defendant	\$ 2.00
16	(2) Reserving summons or other	
17	original process on any defendant	\$ 3.00
18	(3) Warrant to arrest, capias, or	
19	commitment, for each defendant served	\$15.00
20	(4) Serving writ and summons in	
21	replevin, taking bond and any inventory, against	
22	one defendant	\$ 6.00
23	on every additional defendant	\$ 2.00
24	(5) Serving writ in replevin when	
25	issued subsequent to service of summons,	
26	against one defendant	\$ 5.00
27	on every additional defendant	\$ 2.00
28	(6) Serving order for possession	
29	in replevin	\$ 4.00
30	(7) Serving writ of attachment and	
31	making inventory, one defendant	\$ 4.00
32	on every additional defendant	\$ 2.00
33	(8) Serving and executing warrant	
34	for possession in tenancy	\$10.00
35	(9) Every execution, or any order in	
36	the nature of an execution, on a judgment, for	
37	each defendant	\$ 2.00
38	(10) Every wage execution to a	
39	federal agency, additional fee	\$ 4.00
40	b. For every mile of travel in serving or executing a	any process,

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CHAPTER 275

AN ACT concerning certain fees in the Special Civil Part and amending P.L.1991, c.177.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. Section 15 of P.L.1991, c.177 (C.22A:2-37.2) is amended to read as follows:

C.22A:2-37.2 Fees to officers designeated by Assignment Judge to serve process.

15. a. From the fees set forth in section 14 of P.L.1991, c.177 (C.22A:2-37.1), the clerk of the Special Civil Part of the Superior Court, Law Division, shall pay to officers designated by the Assignment Judge to serve process the following fees:

(1) Serving summons, notice or	
third party complaint on one defendant	\$ 3.00
on every additional defendant	\$ 2.00
(2) Reserving summons or other	
original process on any defendant	\$ 3.00
(3) Warrant to arrest, capias, or	
commitment, for each defendant served	\$15.00
(4) Serving writ and summons in	
replevin, taking bond and any inventory, against	
one defendant	\$ 6.00
on every additional defendant	\$ 2.00
(5) Serving writ in replevin when	
issued subsequent to service of summons,	
against one defendant	\$ 5.00
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(9) Every execution, or any order in	
the nature of an execution, on a judgment, for	
each defendant	\$ 2.00
(10) Every wage execution to a	
federal agency, additional fee	\$ 4.00

b. For every mile of travel in serving or executing any process, writ, order, execution, notice or warrant, the distance to be computed by counting the number of miles in and out, by the most direct route from the place where process is issued, at the same rate per mile set by the State for other State employees and the total mileage fee rounded upward to the nearest dollar.

c. In addition to the foregoing, the following fees for officers of the Special Civil Part shall be taxed in the costs and collected on execution, writ of attachment or order in the nature of any execution on any final judgment, or on a valid and subsisting levy of an execution or attachment which may be the effective cause in producing payment or settlement of a judgment or attachment:

(1) For advertising property	
under execution or any order	\$10.00
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execution or any order	\$10.00
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execution, writ of attachment, or any order,	\$0.10.

(4) In the event a judgment is vacated for any reason after a court officer has made a levy and thereafter the judgment is reinstated or the case is settled, the dollarage due the court officer on payment of the judgment amount or settlement amount again shall be taxed in the costs and collected

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved December 26, 2001.