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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

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RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- FEES

Introduced By: Representative Matthew S. Dawson

Date Introduced: February 06, 2026

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 9-29-5 of the General Laws in Chapter 9-29 entitled "Fees" is hereby
2 amended to read as follows:

3 **9-29-5. Jurors' fees.**

4 (a) All grand and petit jurors shall be paid for each day's attendance on the superior court
5 ~~twenty-five dollars (\$25.00)~~ fifty dollars (\$50.00) per day commencing July 1, ~~2022~~ 2026, and
6 thereafter. The general assembly shall annually appropriate such sum as it may deem necessary to
7 carry out the purposes of this section.

8 (b) Any grand or petit juror may, upon signing a form approved by the presiding justice of
9 the superior court, donate their jury fee to the state. Any such donation shall be deposited into the
10 general fund and shall be allocated to the Rhode Island Veterans Home Community Living Center.

11 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would increase fees paid to jurors to fifty dollars (\$50.00) per day.
- 2 This act would take effect upon passage.

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