## LEGISLATIVE BILL 832

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Introduced by Appropriations Committee: Moore, 24, Chairperson, Avery, 3, Bernard-Stevens, 42, Crosby, 29, Hillman, 48, Hohenstein, 17, Lynch, 13, Wehrbein, 2, at the request of the Governor

AN ACT relating to courts; to create a fund; to provide for administration and use of the fund; to establish a court automation fee; to provide duties for the Supreme Court; to provide an operative date; and to declare an emergency.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. There is hereby created the Supreme Court Automation Cash Fund. The fund shall be administered by the State Court Administrator. The fund shall only be used to support automation expenses of the county courts, district courts, separate juvenile courts, Court of Appeals, Supreme Court, and Nebraska Probation System. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to sections 72-1237 to 72-1276.

Sec. 2. A court automation fee of three dollars shall be taxed as costs in each case filed in each county court, separate juvenile court, and district court, including appeals to such courts. The fee shall also be taxed as costs for each appeal and original action filed in the

Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court.

The fees shall be remitted to the State Treasurer on forms prescribed by the State Treasurer within ten days of the close of each month. The State Treasurer shall credit the fees to the Supreme Court Automation Cash Fund.

The automation fee shall be taxed as costs from July 1,

1993, to June 30, 1997.

Sec. 3. The Supreme Court shall assume as expenses the cost of word processing and data processing hardware and software involved in the operation of the district courts if those costs are for services provided on equipment owned by the State of Nebraska.

Sec. 4. This act shall become operative on July 1, 1993.

Sec. 5. Since an emergency exists, this act shall be in full force and take effect, from and after its passage and approval, according to law.