

24A.178 Additional fee for sex crime, stalking, or related inchoate offenses.

- (1) In addition to fees created by KRS 24A.175, 24A.176, and 24A.1765, an administrative fee of thirty dollars (\$30) shall be added to the costs that the defendant is required to pay for the following crimes:
 - (a) A sex crime, meaning an offense described in:
 1. KRS Chapter 510;
 2. KRS 530.020;
 3. KRS 530.064(1)(a);
 4. KRS 531.310; and
 5. KRS 531.320;
 - (b) Stalking, meaning conduct prohibited under KRS 508.130; and
 - (c) A criminal attempt, conspiracy, facilitation, or solicitation to commit the crimes set forth in this subsection.
- (2) The first one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) of each fee collected under this section shall be placed into the general fund, and the remainder of the fee shall be allocated by the clerk of the court on a quarterly basis to the Safe at Home Program fund established in KRS 14.260 to be used solely to establish, operate, and maintain the Safe at Home Program established in KRS 14.302.
- (3) The court may waive all or any portion of the fee required by this section if the court finds that a person subject to the surcharge is indigent or financially unable to pay all or any portion of the surcharge. The court may waive only the portion of the surcharge that the court finds the person is financially unable to pay.

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Legislative Research Commission Note (6/29/2023). In subsection (2) of this statute, a reference to "the Safe at Home Program established in KRS 14.260" has been changed in codification to read "the Safe at Home Program established in KRS 14.302." The Reviser of Statutes has made this correction of a manifest clerical or typographical error under the authority of KRS 7.136(1).