

MEETING DATE: 05/19/2026	<h1>REPORT TO APC</h1>		AGENDA ITEM #
PRESENTING COMMITTEE: APC	COMMITTEE CONTACT: TBD	STAFF CONTACT: Dianne Drew, Court Clerk	PREPARED BY: Dianne Drew, Court Clerk
ISSUE: Increase court costs from \$38 to \$48 per citation pursuant to 2025 Wisconsin Act 113.			
OBJECTIVES: Approve the referral to the Village Board to increase municipal court costs from \$38 to \$48 per citation.			
ISSUE BACKGROUND/PREVIOUS ACTIONS: <p>The attached 2025 Wisconsin Act 113 became effective 03/21/2026. This Act allows municipalities to increase the fee for court costs from \$38 to \$48. Of the \$48 collected on each citation, \$43 is kept by the court and \$5 is sent to the State of Wisconsin.</p> <p>Also attached is a current bond schedule, which shows a breakdown for each forfeiture. As an example, a frequent speeding citation is \$30 plus costs, which currently totals \$98.80. This proposal would increase that fine to \$108.80. Of this \$108.80 amount, the municipality retains the \$30 bond/base forfeiture plus \$43 of the court fees, for a total of \$73. The remaining \$35.80 is disbursed to the state and county according to state statutes.</p> <p>The last time the court costs were increased by the state was in 2013. At that time the fee increased from \$28 to \$38. Due to the long duration since the last increase, there was strong support for this bill.</p>			
PROPOSAL: The municipal court costs increase from \$38 to \$48 for each citation issued.			
ADVANTAGES: The municipality will receive \$10 more for every citation for which a forfeiture is imposed in the Kronenwetter Municipal Court. Based on last year's figures, that would be approximately \$5,800.			
DISADVANTAGES: If not passed, the municipality loses out on collecting \$10 more per municipal court citation.			
ITEMIZE ALL ANTICIPATED COSTS (Direct or Indirect, Start-Up/One-Time, Capital, Ongoing & Annual, Debt Service, etc.) None.			
RECOMMENDED ACTION:			
OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED: See above.			
TIMING REQUIREMENTS/CONSTRAINTS: Once we have board approval, we can begin the process to update the Badger Tracs system used by the officers to reflect the increase and then update the court software.			
FUNDING SOURCE(s) – Must include Account Number/Description/Budgeted Amt CFY/% Used CFY/\$ Remaining CFY N/A			
ATTACHMENTS (describe briefly): 2025 Wisconsin Act 113 and current bond schedule.			

State of Wisconsin



2025 Assembly Bill 443

Date of enactment: March 20, 2026
Date of publication*: March 21, 2026

2025 WISCONSIN ACT 113

AN ACT to amend 814.65 (1) of the statutes; relating to: increasing the maximum fee for court costs collectible in a municipal court action.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 814.65 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

814.65 (1) COURT COSTS. In a municipal court action, except for a financial responsibility violation under s. 344.62 (2) or for a violation of an ordinance in conformity with s. 343.51 (1m) (b) or 347.48 (2m), the mu-

nicipal judge court shall collect a fee of not less than \$15 nor more than ~~\$38~~ \$48 on each separate matter, whether it is on default of appearance, a plea of guilty or no contest, on issuance of a warrant or summons, or the action is tried as a contested matter. Of each fee received by the judge court under this subsection, the municipal treasurer shall pay monthly \$5 to the secretary of administration for deposit in the general fund and shall retain the balance for the use of the municipality.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."

Effective 12/10/2013

BOND	PENALTY SURCHARGE	JAIL	CRIME LAB	CT COSTS	TOTAL
\$10.00	\$2.60	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$73.60
\$20.00	\$5.20	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$86.20
\$25.00	\$6.50	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$92.50
\$30.00	\$7.80	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$98.80
\$40.00	\$10.40	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$111.40
\$50.00	\$13.00	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$124.00
\$60.00	\$15.60	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$136.60
\$70.00	\$18.20	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$149.20
\$75.00	\$19.50	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$155.50
\$80.00	\$20.80	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$161.80
\$90.00	\$23.40	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$174.40
\$100.00	\$26.00	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$187.00
\$110.00	\$28.60	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$199.60
\$120.00	\$31.20	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$212.20
\$125.00	\$32.50	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$218.50
\$130.00	\$33.80	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$224.80
\$135.00	\$35.10	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$231.10
\$140.00	\$36.40	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$237.40
\$145.00	\$37.70	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$243.70
\$150.00	\$39.00	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$250.00
\$155.00	\$40.30	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$256.30
\$160.00	\$41.60	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$262.60
\$165.00	\$42.90	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$268.90
\$170.00	\$44.20	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$275.20
\$175.00	\$45.50	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$281.50
\$180.00	\$46.80	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$287.80
\$185.00	\$48.10	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$294.10
\$190.00	\$49.40	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$300.40
\$195.00	\$50.70	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$306.70
\$200.00	\$52.00	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$313.00
\$210.00	\$54.60	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$325.60
\$220.00	\$57.20	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$338.20
\$250.00	\$65.00	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$376.00
\$260.00	\$67.60	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$388.60
\$300.00	\$78.00	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$439.00
\$350.00	\$91.00	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$502.00
\$400.00	\$104.00	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$565.00
\$500.00	\$130.00	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$691.00
\$600.00	\$156.00	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$38.00	\$817.00