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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 260

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF COURT FINES, FEES, OR COSTS AFTER DEFAULT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF COURT FINES, FEES, OR COSTS AFTER DEFAULT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-4-204 is amended to read as follows:  
§ 5-4-204. Collection after default.

(a) When a defendant sentenced to pay ~~a fine or costs~~ fines, fees, or costs defaults in the payment of the ~~fine or costs~~ fines, fees, or costs or of any installment, the ~~fine or costs~~ fines, fees, or costs may be collected ~~by:~~

(1) By any means authorized for the enforcement of a money judgment in a civil action; or

(2) Upon the court's own motion, by the interception of the defendant's state income tax return by following the procedures under § 5-4-206(d)-(f) for the collection of unpaid restitution.

(b) A judgment that the defendant pay ~~a fine or costs~~ fines, fees, or costs constitutes a lien on the real property and personal property of the defendant in the same manner and to the same extent as a money judgment in a civil action.

