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BILL ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 816 (Substitute S-1)
Sponsor: Senator Rudy J. Nichols
Committee: Judiciary

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SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 816 (Substitute S-1):

The bill would amend the Revised Judicature Act to increase circuit court and district court filing fees by \$2 and allocate the increase to the Community Dispute Resolution Fund that would be created under House Bill 4823. The \$2 would have to be transmitted to the Fund before 45% of the filing fees were remitted to the Judges' Retirement System and the balance to the district control unit. After January 1, 1993, the fees would revert to their current level and \$2 would not be credited to the Fund. The fees that would be increased and their current amount are as follows:

<u>Type of Action</u>	<u>Current Fee</u>
Circuit court civil action	\$40
District court complaint for recovery of premises	20
District court (including small claims division)	
Amount in controversy over \$3,000	30
Amount in controversy \$601-\$3,000	20
Amount in controversy up to \$600	10

The bill would take effect after 120 days following its enactment and is tie-barred to House Bill 4623.

MCL 600.2528 et al.

Legislative Analyst: S. Margules

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would increase court-generated revenue to provide for the Community Dispute Resolution Fund within the State Treasury. Revenue that would be generated from the fee increases is estimated at \$700,000 annually.

Fiscal Analyst: B. Bowerman

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