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BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FOR THE COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH

ORDINANCE NO. 574

An ordinance amending MCC 5.10.435 raising fees for conciliation services and mediation services provided by the Family Services Division for the Multnomah County Circuit Court, and declaring an emergency.

Multnomah County ordains as follows:

Section 1. Findings.

1. Pursuant to ORS 107.510 to 107.610 and ORS 107.755 to 107.785, Multnomah County provides conciliation and mediation services for the Domestic Relations Department of the Circuit Court, through the Family Services Division.

2. The Family Services Division is primarily funded by the imposition of fees charged under ORS 21.112, which allows the imposition of a minimum filing fee of \$75.00 for domestic relations suits in counties which provide conciliation or mediation services.

3. Under ORS 21.112, the governing body of the county may impose a filing fee in excess of \$75.00 if such additional fee is found to be necessary to pay the expenses of providing these services.

4. Current funding levels for the Multnomah County Family Services Division budget are insufficient to support the level of conciliation and mediation services presently provided.

5. The Chief Family Law Judge of the Circuit Court of Multnomah County has requested an increase of the Multnomah County portion of filing fees from \$95.00 to \$105.00 to fund the present level of service.

Section 2. Amendment

MCC 5.10.435 is amended to read as follows:

The Multnomah County portion of the fee for filing a domestic relations suit in the Circuit Court of Multnomah County shall be [~~\$95.00~~] \$105.00. Total receipts from these filings shall be utilized to fund conciliation and mediation services provided by the Family Services Division.

Section 3. Declaring an Emergency.

This ordinance being necessary to the health, safety and general welfare of the people of Multnomah County, an emergency is declared to exist. This ordinance will take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.

ADOPTED this 7th day of April, 1988, being the date of its first reading before the Board of County Commissioners of Multnomah County.

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