

SENATE No. 1770

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act permitting judges to require probationers to pay the out-of-pocket costs of their probation..

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 87A of chapter 276 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding after the first paragraph the following new
3 paragraph:- The court may require a defendant who is financially able to do so to pay a vendor or
4 other service provider, directly or through the court, for the actual costs of any program, service
5 or function which the defendant has been required to attend, receive or undertake as a condition
6 of probation or a term of probationary supervision, including but not limited to the costs of
7 rehabilitative or assessment programs, urinalysis testing, or premiums for liability insurance
8 coverage while performing community service work.