

534.070 Incarceration for failure to pay fine or court costs or failure to appear in court -- Daily credit against fine or court costs for time served.

- (1) A defendant who has been sentenced to jail for failure to pay a fine or court costs or for failure to appear in court on a date set for the sole purpose of addressing nonpayment of a fine or court costs shall receive credit against the fine and costs owed for each day the defendant spends in jail at the following rates:
 - (a) Fifty dollars (\$50) per day if the defendant does not work at a community service or community labor program; or
 - (b) One hundred dollars (\$100) per day if the defendant works eight (8) hours per day at a community service or community labor program. If the defendant works less than eight (8) hours in a community service or community labor program, the defendant shall be allowed an amount of one-eighth (1/8) of the one hundred dollars (\$100) for each hour worked in a community service or community labor program.
- (2) Credit against a fine or court costs earned by a defendant pursuant to this section shall prohibit the collection of any part of a fine or costs which has been credited pursuant to this section, and that portion of the fine or costs shall be considered paid.
- (3) The jailer shall be responsible for monitoring a defendant's community service and tracking the number of days to be served to pay any outstanding fine or court costs.

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