

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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**HOUSE BILL 194
Committee Substitute Favorable 3/15/23**

Short Title: State Bar Authority for Certain Fees.-AB

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 27, 2023

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BAR TO CHARGE AND COLLECT CERTAIN
3 FEES.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 84-34.2 reads as rewritten:

6 "**§ 84-34.2. Specific statutory authority for certain fees.**

7 In addition to fees the Council is elsewhere authorized to charge and collect, the Council may
8 charge and collect the following fees in amounts determined by the Council:

- 9 (1) A reinstatement fee for any attorney seeking reinstatement from inactive
10 status, administrative suspension, or suspension for failure to comply with the
11 annual continuing legal education requirements.
- 12 (2) A registration fee and annual renewal fee for an interstate or international law
13 firm.
- 14 (3) An attendance fee for continuing legal education programs that may include a
15 fee to support the Chief Justice's Commission on Professionalism.
- 16 (4) A late fee for failing to file timely the continuing legal education annual report
17 form, for failure to pay attendance fees, or failure to complete the annual
18 continuing legal education requirements.
- 19 (5) An administrative fee for any attorney against whom discipline has been
20 imposed.
- 21 (6) An administrative fee for any attorney against whom a noncompliance
22 suspension is issued.
- 23 (7) An administrative fee for any attorney who participates in a diversion program
24 offered by the Grievance Committee."

25 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2023.

