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TRUANCY

Since 24 P.S. §13-1333 (truancy) can only be charged with a subsection, the MDJS now requires that either A1 or B1 be recorded as the subsection. Please alert those that file truancy charges at your office of this requirement.

CA27 – CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

Cost code CA27 has been added to the MDJS and will appear as a fixed amount of \$50.00 on the Maintain Costs screen. The cost shall be imposed for any violation of 18 Pa.C.S. § 5511 (relating to cruelty to animals) other than a summary offense. When the cost is assessed and a payment recorded on a case where the MDJ accepted a guilty plea to a third degree misdemeanor, 100% of the cost will be disbursed to the Commonwealth and will be reported on line 12 of the Summary of Collections Report.

CA17 – FIREARM EDUCATION AND TRAINING FUND

As a reminder, cost code CA17 (Firearm Education and Training Fund) should be assessed when the Magisterial District Judge accepts guilty pleas to third degree misdemeanors.

Act 158 of 1994 established the Firearm Education and Training Fund for county probation and parole officers. In part, it states that any person who accepts ARD or pleads guilty or is convicted of a felony or misdemeanor shall, in addition to any other court costs imposed, be sentenced to pay costs of \$5.00.

SCHEDULED MDJS AND TELEPHONE SYSTEM DOWNTIME

The MDJS will be unavailable on Friday, June 9 from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm. If you have coverage during this downtime, please make sure you have a sufficient supply of blank forms.

The help desk telephone and software system is being upgraded on Saturday, June 10. If you have an urgent hardware problem from approximately 8:00 am to 6:00 pm please call (717) 319-7913. This temporary number will only be available on Saturday.