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This bill imposes a fee for reinstatement of a forfeited criminal bail bond. Currently, if a court orders reinstatement of a forfeited bond, it must impose a minimum penalty of not less than 10 percent of the forfeited bail. The bill would maintain the minimum penalty (as provided in court rule) and add a reinstatement fee – the amount of which would be prescribed by court rule based on a percentage of the bond fee, but in no instance less than \$100. The new reinstatement fee would be credited to the general fund.