THE KERALA COURT FEES AND SUITS VALUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2026

(As passed by the Assembly on the 26th day of October 2026)

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further to amend the Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act, 1959.

Preamble.—WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act, 1959 (10 of 1960) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

BE it enacted in the Seventy-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement*.—(1) This Act may be called the Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation (Amendment) Act, 2026.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. *Insertion of new section 76A*.—In the Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act, 1959, after section 76, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

"76A. *No refund of additional court fee*.—Notwithstanding anything contained in any other provisions of this Act, the additional court fee levied under section 76 shall, in no case, be refunded:

Provided that, the above provision shall not affect the refund of additional court fee, in cases where refund has been ordered but not executed or where the court has already agreed to a settlement but has not pronounced judgment before the commencement of the Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation (Amendment) Act, 2026 (Act ---of 2026).".