

SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 599

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"
by amending section 2567 (MCL 600.2567), as amended by 2004 PA 538.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 2567. (1) Except as provided in subsection ~~(3)~~, **(4)**, a
2 register of deeds is entitled to the following fees, which are not
3 taxable as costs except as indicated:

4 (a) For entering and recording a ~~deed, mortgage, certified~~
5 ~~copy of an attachment, notice of the pendency of a suit, or other~~
6 ~~instrument, \$8.00 for the first page and \$3.00 for each additional~~
7 ~~and succeeding page. The fee shall be paid when the deed, mortgage,~~
8 ~~certified copy of an attachment, notice of the pendency of a suit,~~
9 ~~or other instrument is left for record. The DOCUMENT, REGARDLESS OF~~
10 **THE NUMBER OF PAGES, \$30.00, WHICH INCLUDES THE FEE REQUIRED TO BE**
11 **COLLECTED UNDER SECTION 2567A. IN ADDITION TO REMITTING A PORTION**

1 **OF THE FEE TO SATISFY SECTION 2567A, THE** register of deeds shall
2 deposit \$5.00 of the total fee collected for each recording into
3 the automation fund ~~if a fund has been established~~ under section
4 2568.

5 (B) For ~~any~~ **A** document that assigns or discharges more than 1
6 instrument, ~~\$3.00 shall be added to the recording fee~~ **IN ADDITION**
7 **TO THE FEE UNDER SUBDIVISION (A), \$3.00** for each additional
8 instrument assigned or discharged.

9 (C) ~~(b)~~ For copies of any records or papers, if required,
10 \$1.00 per page, taxable as costs if otherwise allowed.

11 (D) ~~(c) For a seal to exemplification, \$1.00.~~ **TO CERTIFY A**
12 **RECORDED DOCUMENT, \$5.00.**

13 (E) ~~(d)~~ For searching the records and files, on request, by
14 the office of the register of deeds, 50 cents for each year for
15 which grantor/grantee searches are made, with a minimum fee of
16 \$5.00, except that the fee for tract index searches ~~shall~~ **MUST** be
17 based ~~upon~~ **ON** the cost of establishing and maintaining a tract
18 index.

19 (F) ~~(e)~~ For filing every other paper, and making an entry of
20 it, if necessary, \$1.00, unless otherwise specifically provided
21 for.

22 (G) ~~(f)~~ For searching for every other paper, on request, by
23 the office of the register of deeds, \$1.00 for each paper examined.

24 ~~— (2) In addition to any other fees prescribed in subsection (1)~~
25 ~~or (3), a register of deeds shall collect a fee of \$2.00 for~~
26 ~~entering and recording a deed, mortgage, certified copy of an~~
27 ~~attachment, notice of the pendency of a suit, or other instrument.~~

1 ~~The fee shall be paid when the deed, mortgage, certified copy of an~~
2 ~~attachment, notice of the pendency of a suit, or other instrument~~
3 ~~is left for record.~~

4 (2) A FEE UNDER SUBSECTION (1) (A) OR (B) MUST BE PAID WHEN THE
5 DOCUMENT IS LEFT FOR RECORDING, UNLESS 1 OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:

6 (A) IF THE DOCUMENT IS A DOCUMENT AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN
7 SECTION 2 OF THE UNIFORM REAL PROPERTY ELECTRONIC RECORDING ACT,
8 2010 PA 123, MCL 565.842, THE REGISTER OF DEEDS ACCEPTS ELECTRONIC
9 DOCUMENTS FOR RECORDING, AND THE FEE IS PAID ELECTRONICALLY, THE
10 FEE MUST BE PAID WITHIN 1 BUSINESS DAY AFTER RECEIPT OF THE
11 ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT BY THE REGISTER OF DEEDS.

12 (B) IF THE DOCUMENT IS A DOCUMENT FILED BY A GOVERNMENTAL
13 ENTITY PURSUANT TO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY AND
14 THE REGISTER OF DEEDS THAT INCLUDES A PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE FEE,
15 THE FEE MUST BE PAID PURSUANT TO THE PAYMENT SCHEDULE.

16 (C) IF THE DOCUMENT IS A FORFEITURE CERTIFICATE OR A
17 REDEMPTION CERTIFICATE FOR TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY UNDER SECTION
18 78G OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.78G, THE
19 FEE MUST BE PAID WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER REDEMPTION OF THE TAX
20 DELINQUENT PROPERTY OR BY AN ALTERNATIVE DATE UNDER AN AGREEMENT
21 BETWEEN THE REGISTER OF DEEDS AND THE FORECLOSING GOVERNMENTAL
22 UNIT.

23 (D) IF THE DOCUMENT IS A NOTICE OF JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE
24 UNDER SECTION 78K OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL
25 211.78K, OR A DEED UNDER SECTION 78M OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX
26 ACT, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.78M, FOR TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY, THE FEE
27 MUST BE PAID WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE SALE OR TRANSFER OF THE

1 PROPERTY OR BY AN ALTERNATIVE DATE UNDER AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
2 REGISTER OF DEEDS AND THE FORECLOSING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT.

3 (3) BY APRIL 1 OF THE FIFTH YEAR AFTER THE YEAR IN WHICH THE
4 AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SENTENCE TAKES EFFECT, AND BY APRIL
5 1 OF EACH SUCCESSIVE FIFTH YEAR, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL ADJUST
6 THE RECORDING FEES IN SUBSECTION (1) (A), (B), AND (C) OR, FOR
7 SUCCESSIVE ADJUSTMENTS, THE FEES AS PREVIOUSLY ADJUSTED, BY AMOUNTS
8 DETERMINED BY THE STATE TREASURER TO REFLECT THE CUMULATIVE
9 PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE PRECEDING 5
10 CALENDAR YEARS OR 5%, WHICHEVER IS LESS, ROUNDED UP TO THE NEAREST
11 \$5.00. AN ADJUSTED RECORDING FEE APPLIES TO DOCUMENTS RECORDED
12 AFTER THAT APRIL 1 UNTIL APRIL 1 OF THE NEXT ADJUSTMENT. AS USED IN
13 THIS SUBSECTION, "CONSUMER PRICE INDEX" MEANS THE MOST
14 COMPREHENSIVE INDEX OF CONSUMER PRICES AVAILABLE FOR THIS STATE
15 FROM THE BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT
16 OF LABOR.

17 (4) ~~(3)~~—A charter county may impose a fee schedule by
18 ordinance or resolution with different amounts than the amounts
19 prescribed by subsection (1). A charter county shall not impose a
20 fee that is greater than the cost of the service for which the fee
21 is charged.

22 (5) ~~(4)~~—As used in this section, "page" means 1 side of a
23 single sheet of paper at least 8-1/2 inches by 11 inches in length
24 and not exceeding 8-1/2 inches by 14 inches in length and not less
25 than 20-pound weight.

26 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
27 after the date it is enacted into law.

1 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
2 unless all of the following bills of the 98th Legislature are
3 enacted into law:

4 (a) Senate Bill No. 600.

5 (b) Senate Bill No. 601.

6 (c) Senate Bill No. 602.

7 (d) Senate Bill No. 603.

8 (e) Senate Bill No. 604.