

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL
No. 2976 Session of
1980

INTRODUCED BY B. D. CLARK, OCTOBER 7, 1980

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, OCTOBER 7, 1980

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 12, 1919 (P.L.476, No.240), entitled,
2 as amended, "An act to regulate and establish the fees to be
3 charged and collected by the recorder of deeds, in counties
4 of the second class," changing certain fees.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 1, act of June 12, 1919 (P.L.476,
8 No.240), entitled, as amended, "An act to regulate and establish
9 the fees to be charged and collected by the recorder of deeds,
10 in counties of the second class," amended May 5, 1970 (P.L.332,
11 No.107) and November 5, 1971 (P.L.522, No.128), is amended to
12 read:

13 Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the fees to be charged
14 and collected by the recorder of deeds, in counties of the
15 second class, shall be as follows:

16 For recording deeds, the minimum fee for not more than [one
17 description or more than] four legal [cap typewritten] pages
18 shall be [six dollars and twenty-five cents (\$6.25)] ten dollars

1 (\$10.00); and for each additional [description, one dollar
2 (\$1.00)] page or fraction thereof, two dollars (\$2.00) extra.

3 For recording sheriff's deeds, the minimum fee for not more
4 than [one description or more than] four legal [cap typewritten]
5 pages shall be [six dollars and fifty cents (\$6.50)] ten dollars
6 (\$10.00); and for each additional [description one dollar
7 (\$1.00)] page or fraction thereof, two dollars (\$2.00) extra.

8 For recording schedule of distribution, the minimum fee for
9 not more than [one description or more than] four legal [cap
10 typewritten] pages shall be [six dollars and fifty cents
11 (\$6.50)] ten dollars (\$10.00) and for each additional
12 [description one dollar (\$1.00)] page or fraction thereof, two
13 dollars (\$2.00) extra.

14 For recording declaration of taking, the minimum fee for not
15 more than [one description or more than] four legal [cap
16 typewritten] pages, plans or maps, shall be [six dollars and
17 fifty cents (\$6.50)] ten dollars (\$10.00), for indexing each
18 name [fifty cents (50¢)] one dollar (\$1.00), and for each page,
19 plan or map [one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50)] two dollars
20 (\$2.00) extra per legal [cap] page of plans or maps or fraction
21 thereof.

22 For indexing deeds, mortgages, and all other writings, with
23 more than four names, [fifty cents (50¢)] the minimum fee shall
24 be one dollar (\$1.00) extra for each additional name.

25 For recording agreements, leases, oil and gas leases, rights
26 of way, municipal ordinance vacating streets, lanes, or alleys,
27 or parts thereof, of not more than four legal [cap typewritten]
28 pages, the minimum fee shall be [six dollars and twenty-five
29 cents (\$6.25)] ten dollars (\$10.00), and [one dollar and fifty
30 cents (\$1.50)] two dollars (\$2.00) for each additional legal

1 [cap typewritten] page or fractional part thereof.

2 For recording assignments of agreements, leases, oil and gas
3 leases, rights of way, or other instrument of writing, by
4 separate paper, except such as are herein specially provided,
5 of not more than two legal [cap typewritten] pages, the minimum
6 fee shall be [four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50)] eight
7 dollars (\$8.00); and [one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50)] two
8 dollars (\$2.00) for each additional page or fractional part
9 thereof.

10 For recording adjudication in bankruptcy, [four dollars and
11 fifty cents (\$4.50)] the minimum fee shall be ten dollars
12 (\$10.00).

13 For recording widow's election, [four dollars and fifty cents
14 (\$4.50)] the minimum fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00).

15 For recording widow's appraisement, [five dollars and fifty
16 cents (\$5.50)] the minimum fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00).

17 For recording release of legacies, [four dollars and fifty
18 cents (\$4.50)] the minimum fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00).

19 For recording military or naval discharge, [one dollar
20 (\$1.00). Fee to be paid by the county] no fee.

21 For exemplification of military or naval discharge for
22 purpose of securing benefits under the "Korean Conflict
23 Veteran's Compensation Act," [one dollar (\$1.00). Fee to be paid
24 by the county] no fee.

25 For recording military or naval certificate of service, [one
26 dollar (\$1.00). Fee to be paid by the county.] no fee.

27 For exemplification of military or naval certificate of
28 service for purpose of securing benefits under the "Korean
29 Conflict Veteran's Compensation Act," [one dollar (\$1.00). Fee
30 to be paid by the county] no fee.

1 For a certified copy of any honorable military or naval
2 discharge, a certificate of service, separation form known as DD
3 Form 214, or other similar forms, delivered to members of the
4 armed services upon their retirement or separation from active
5 duty for use in connection with any claim for compensation [one
6 dollar (\$1.00) to be paid by the county.] no fee.

7 For recording decree of feme sole trader, [four dollars and
8 fifty cents (\$4.50)] the minimum fee shall be ten dollars
9 (\$10.00).

10 For recording declaration of trust of not [more than one
11 description of property or] more than four legal [cap
12 typewritten] pages, the minimum fee shall be [five dollars and
13 fifty cents (\$5.50)] ten dollars (\$10.00); and [one dollar and
14 fifty cents (\$1.50)] two dollars (\$2.00) for each additional
15 page or fractional part thereof.

16 For recording decree or order of court of not more than two
17 legal [cap typewritten] pages, [five dollars and fifty cents
18 (\$5.50)] the minimum fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00); and [one
19 dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50)] two dollars (\$2.00) for each
20 additional page or fractional part thereof.

21 For recording mortgages of not more than [one description or
22 more than] four legal [cap typewritten] pages; the minimum fee
23 shall be [five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50)] seventeen
24 dollars (\$17.00); and each additional [description, one dollar
25 (\$1.00)] page or fraction thereof, two dollars (\$2.00) extra.

26 For recording assignment of mortgage when attached to
27 mortgage at time of recording, [three dollars (\$3.00)] the
28 minimum fee shall be five dollars (\$5.00).

29 For recording assignment of mortgage by separate paper of not
30 more than one assignment, [four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50)]

1 the minimum fee shall be eight dollars (\$8.00); for noting each
2 additional assignment, [one dollar (\$1.00)] two dollars (\$2.00).

3 For recording satisfaction, partial payment, postponement, or
4 release, by separate paper, [five dollars and fifty cents
5 (\$5.50)] the minimum fee shall be eight dollars (\$8.00).

6 For entering satisfactions, assignments, partial payments,
7 releases, extensions, and postponements, on margin of mortgage
8 record, [four dollars (\$4.00)] the minimum fee shall be six
9 dollars (\$6.00).

10 For entering partial payment, release, extension, and
11 assignment, under one marginal entry, [four dollars (\$4.00)] the
12 minimum fee shall be six dollars (\$6.00) for first item; and
13 [one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50)] two dollars (\$2.00) for
14 each additional item.

15 For mortgage searches on not more than one piece of property,
16 each name, [four dollars (\$4.00)] the minimum fee shall be ten
17 dollars (\$10.00); and for each unsatisfied mortgage shown, [two
18 dollars (\$2.00)] five dollars (\$5.00).

19 For reporting mortgage, lien, assignment or satisfaction
20 thereof, to the county commissioners or board of assessors, the
21 minimum fee shall be fifty cents (50¢) each, to be paid by the
22 county.

23 For recording or exemplifying of commission for notary
24 public, with bond and oath, [eight dollars (\$8.00)] the minimum
25 fee shall be eleven dollars (\$11.00); city or county officer,
26 with bond and oath, [eight dollars (\$8.00)] the minimum fee
27 shall be fourteen dollars (\$14.00); justice of the peace or
28 alderman, with bond and oath, [nine dollars and fifty cents
29 (\$9.50)] the minimum fee shall be twelve dollars and fifty cents
30 (\$12.50); special police officer, [five dollars and fifty cents

1 (\$5.50)] the minimum fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00).

2 For exemplification of special police officer's oath, the
3 minimum fee shall be two dollars (\$2.00).

4 For furnishing Auditor General with information concerning
5 limited partnerships, [fifty cents (50¢)] the minimum fee shall
6 be ten dollars (\$10.00).

7 For affidavit and acknowledgment of bondsmen for notary
8 public, justice of the peace, or alderman, one person, the
9 minimum fee shall be one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25);
10 two persons, the minimum fee shall be one dollar and seventy-
11 five cents (\$1.75).

12 For recording powers of attorney of not more than two names
13 or more than two legal [cap typewritten] pages, the minimum fee
14 shall be [five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50)] ten dollars
15 (\$10.00); and [one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50)] two dollars
16 (\$2.00) for each additional or fractional part thereof.

17 [For noting any instrument on margin of record, one dollar
18 (\$1.00)] For making marginal notations other than specified
19 above the minimum fee shall be two dollars (\$2.00) for each
20 item.

21 For recording charters or limited partnerships of not more
22 than four legal [cap typewritten] pages, the minimum fee shall
23 be [six dollars and fifty cents (\$6.50)] ten dollars (\$10.00);
24 and [one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50)] two dollars (\$2.00) for
25 each additional page or fractional part thereof.

26 For recording bank bonds, [four dollars and fifty cents
27 (\$4.50)] the minimum fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00).

28 For recording financing statements and terminations the
29 minimum fee shall be five dollars (\$5.00).

30 The fee for services not herein specifically provided for

1 shall be the same as for similar services.

2 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 30 days.