

No. 1982-81

## AN ACT

HB 1972

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

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

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

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

For recording deeds, the minimum fee for not more than [one description or more than] four legal [cap typewritten] pages shall be [six dollars and twenty-five cents (\$6.25)] *ten dollars (\$10.00)*; and for each additional [description, one dollar (\$1.00)] *page or fraction thereof, two dollars (\$2.00)* extra.

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

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

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

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

For recording agreements, leases, oil and gas leases, rights of way, municipal ordinance vacating streets, lanes, or alleys, or parts thereof, of

not more than four legal [cap typewritten] pages, the minimum fee shall be [six dollars and twenty-five cents (\$6.25)] *ten dollars (\$10.00)*, and [one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50)] *two dollars (\$2.00)* for each additional legal [cap typewritten] page or fractional part thereof.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For recording mortgages of not more than [one description or more than] four legal [cap typewritten] pages; the minimum fee shall be [five

**dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50)]** *seventeen dollars (\$17.00)*; and each additional [description, one dollar (\$1.00)] *page or fraction thereof, two dollars (\$2.00)* extra.

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

For recording assignment of mortgage by separate paper of not more than one assignment, **[four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50)]** *the minimum fee shall be eight dollars (\$8.00)*; for noting each additional assignment, **[one dollar (\$1.00)]** *two dollars (\$2.00)*.

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

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

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

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

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

For recording or exemplifying of commission for notary public, with bond and oath, **[eight dollars (\$8.00)]** *the minimum fee shall be eleven dollars (\$11.00)*; city or county officer, with bond and oath, **[eight dollars (\$8.00)]** *the minimum fee shall be fourteen dollars (\$14.00)*; justice of the peace or alderman, with bond and oath, **[nine dollars and fifty cents (\$9.50)]** *the minimum fee shall be twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50)*; special police officer, **[five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50)]** *the minimum fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00)*.

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

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

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

For recording powers of attorney of not more than two names or more than two legal [cap typewritten] pages, the minimum fee shall be **[five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50)]** *ten dollars (\$10.00)*; and **[one dollar and**

**fifty cents (\$1.50)] two dollars (\$2.00)** for each additional or fractional part thereof.

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

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

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

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

The fee for services not herein specifically provided for shall be the same as for similar services.

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

APPROVED—The 8th day of April, A. D. 1982.

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