

1 _____ BILL NO. _____

2 INTRODUCED BY _____
3 (Primary Sponsor)

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE FEES CHARGED BY A COUNTY CLERK AND
5 RECORDER FOR RECORDING DOCUMENTS; INCREASING THE DEPOSIT IN THE RECORDS
6 PRESERVATION FUND; PROVIDING FOR THE FEE TO INCREASE BIENNIALY BY AN INFLATION
7 FACTOR; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-2632, 7-4-2635, AND 7-4-
8 2637, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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12 **Section 1.** Section 7-4-2632, MCA, is amended to read:

13 **"7-4-2632. Fee when recording done by mechanical means.** Except as provided in 7-2-2803(4),
14 whenever recording is done ~~by a~~ using a photographic or similar process, the county clerk and recorder shall
15 charge ~~\$7 for each~~ \$20 for the first page or fraction of a page of the instrument for recording and \$10 a page for
16 each additional page or fraction of a page."

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18 **Section 2.** Section 7-4-2635, MCA, is amended to read:

19 **"7-4-2635. Records preservation fund authorized.** (1) The board of county commissioners shall
20 establish a records preservation fund for the purpose of preserving the records maintained by the county clerk
21 and recorder. The county clerk and recorder is responsible for expenditures from the fund and shall use the
22 money for records preservation.

23 (2) The county clerk and recorder shall deposit ~~\$4~~ \$2 of the fee received under 7-4-2632 ~~into~~ in the
24 records preservation fund.

25 (3) The governing body of the county may transfer to the general fund any money in the records
26 preservation fund that is not needed for records preservation."

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28 **Section 3.** Section 7-4-2637, MCA, is amended to read:

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