

SENATE BILL 2686

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-21-401, relative to court clerks' fees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 8-21-401, is amended by adding the following language as a new appropriately designated subsection:

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(1) In any court where electronic filing, signing, or verification of papers has been authorized by local court rule, and in accordance with Rule 5B of the Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure:

(A) A court clerk may charge a one-time subscription fee for each registered user of the electronic filing system in an amount not to exceed one hundred twenty dollars (\$120); and

(B) A court clerk may charge an electronic copy transaction fee not to exceed eight cents (\$.08) per page. The electronic copy transaction fee shall not apply to the first electronic copy of any document requested by a litigant or a litigant's attorney, and shall not exceed a total charge of two dollars and ten cents (\$2.10) for any single document.

(2) Each fee shall be set by local court rule in the amount necessary to defray the expense associated with implementation and maintenance of an electronic filing and document retrieval system.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.