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SYNOPSIS

Eliminates fee for filing certified copy of name change order.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning the fee for filing a certified copy of a name
2 change order and amending P.L.1987, c.435.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. Section 11 of P.L.1987, c.435 (C.22A:4-1a) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 11. For services herein enumerated the State Treasurer shall
10 collect the following fees:

11 a. For filing any original business certificate for which no other
12 fee is fixed by statute or regulation, \$125.

13 For filing any change or amendment to a previously filed
14 document for which no other fee is fixed by statute or regulation,
15 \$75.

16 For issuing any certificate or filing any other document for
17 which no other fee is fixed by statute or regulation, \$25.00, except
18 that the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to:

19 (1) certificates of appointments for gubernatorial appointees;

20 (2) documents filed by public bodies under the "Senator Byron
21 M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act," P.L.1975, c.231 (C.10:4-6 et
22 seq.);

23 (3) financial disclosures filed by State officials;

24 (4) oaths of office;

25 (5) resignation of office holders;

26 (6) documents filed by other State government entities indexed
27 in the department's miscellaneous file.

28 b. For certification or exemplification of any document on file,
29 \$25.00.

30 c. For certification or exemplification of any signature on file,
31 including the issuance of a certificate for proving a document
32 outside the United States, also known as an apostille, \$25.00;
33 except that in cases of adoption of a child, the fee for an apostille
34 shall be \$5.00.

35 d. **【**For filing a certified copy of an order of change of name,
36 \$50.00.**】**~~Deleted by amendment P.L. , c. (pending before the~~
37 Legislature as this bill).

38 e. For a paper copy of any document on file, up to \$0.10 per
39 letter size page or smaller and up to \$0.15 per legal size page or
40 larger. If a roll of microfilm images is requested, the State
41 Treasurer shall collect a fee of \$1.00 for each image on the
42 microfilm roll. If a microfiche copy of a microfiche is requested,
43 \$3.00.

44 f. For filing a proof of publication, \$10.00.

45 (cf: P.L.2010, c.75, s.1)

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **【thus】** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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6 Under current law, a \$50 fee is charged for filing a certified copy
7 of an order for change of name. Many New Jersey residents seek a
8 change of name each year for reasons including marriage and
9 divorce.

10 This bill eliminates the fee for filing a certified copy of a name
11 change order in this State.