

(PRE-FILED)

By: **Chairman, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request -
Departmental - Secretary of State)**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Secretary of State - Authentication of Records Fee**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the fee that the Secretary of State may charge to
4 authenticate copies of records in the Office of the Secretary of State.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
6 Article - State Government
7 Section 7-106
8 Annotated Code of Maryland
9 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
11 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

12 **Article - State Government**

13 7-106.

14 (a) The Secretary of State shall have a seal for the authentication of copies of
15 records in the Office of the Secretary.

16 (b) Except as otherwise provided by law, the Secretary of State may charge a
17 person:

18 (1) for the authentication of a copy of a record in the custody of the
19 Secretary, a fee of not more than [5] \$10; and

20 (2) if the person does not provide the copy for authentication, 50 cents a
21 page.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2004.