

# SENATE BILL 558

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By: **Senators King and Peters**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Government – Notary Public – Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the requirement that the Secretary of State set certain  
4 fees for notarial acts; altering the fee a notary public may charge for  
5 compensation of travel expenses; authorizing a notary public to charge a certain  
6 hourly fee; and generally relating to fees charged by a notary public.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Article – State Government

9 Section 18–112

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – State Government**

15 18–112.

16 (a) The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to establish fees, not to  
17 exceed \$2 for [an original] EACH notarial act[, and an appropriate lesser amount for  
18 the repetition of that original notarial act or to make a copy of the matter addressed by  
19 that original notarial act].

20 (b) A notary public may charge:

21 (1) [19 cents per mile, or a higher amount set by regulation of the  
22 Secretary of State, and a fee not to exceed \$5,] **THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE'S**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1     **STANDARD MILEAGE RATES**, as compensation for travel required for the  
2     performance of a notarial act; **AND**

3                   **(2) AN HOURLY FEE OF \$15, OR A HIGHER AMOUNT SET BY**  
4     **REGULATION OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.**

5     SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
6     October 1, 2009.