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CHANGES TO RECORDINGS FEE SCHEDULE

A new state law requires the Cook County Clerk's Recordings Division to move to a fully predictable and flat fee schedule for nearly every document. It is anticipated that the new fee schedule will take effect April 1, 2024.

The new law will do away with the distinction between "standard" and "nonstandard" documents. Previously, the flat fee schedule applied only to standard documents, and as a result a customer could not determine the true price of documents until they were examined by a cashier.

It is important to note that the recording fee for most documents will not change.

Under the adjusted fee schedule, documents that were formerly considered nonstandard due to noncompliant formatting will be put in a new Document Class called Irregular Documents and will receive a flat, predictable fee of \$195. Documents pertaining to more than 5 PIN numbers/previously recorded document numbers will be placed in a new Document Class called Blanket Recordings and will receive a flat, but tiered, price based on the number of PINs or references to previously recorded document numbers. Documents with 6-25 references will be priced at \$185, and 26 or more will be priced at \$257.

The new law makes additional changes including a clarification allowing the Clerk's Office to sell all certified and non-certified copies for the same flat fees, eliminating any need to see when a document was recorded to determine its price.

For more information, please email Recordings Operations at clerk.recordings@cookcountyil.gov.