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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COPYING FEES.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 92-21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3           "**§92-21 Copies of records; other costs and fees.** (a)  
4 Except as otherwise provided by law, a copy of any government  
5 record, including any map, plan, diagram, photograph, photostat,  
6 or geographic information system digital data file~~[, which]~~ that  
7 is open to the inspection of the public, shall be furnished to  
8 any person applying for the same by the public officer having  
9 charge or control thereof upon the payment of the reasonable  
10 cost of reproducing ~~[such]~~ the copy.

11           (b) Except as provided in section 91-2.5~~[,]~~ or  
12 subsection (c), the cost of reproducing any government record~~[,~~  
13 ~~except geographic information system digital data,~~ pursuant to  
14 subsection (a) shall not be less than 5 cents per page, sheet,  
15 or fraction thereof.

16           (c) The cost of reproducing a digital copy of any  
17 government record pursuant to subsection (a) shall not exceed 5



1 cents per digital record; provided that the government record  
2 has already been digitized.

3 (d) The cost of reproducing [geographic information system  
4 digital data] any government record pursuant to this section,  
5 including reproducing a digital copy of a government record that  
6 has not already been digitized, shall be in accordance with  
7 rules adopted by the agency having charge or control of that  
8 data[.—Such], subject to the limitations and requirements of  
9 this section. The reproduction cost shall include but shall not  
10 be limited to labor cost for search and actual time for  
11 reproducing, material cost, including electricity cost,  
12 equipment cost, including rental cost, cost for certification,  
13 and other related costs.

14 (e) All fees collected pursuant to this section shall be  
15 paid in by the public officer receiving or collecting the [same]  
16 fees to the state director of finance, [the] county director of  
17 finance, or [to the] agency or department by which the officer  
18 is employed, as government realizations; provided that fees  
19 collected by the public utilities commission pursuant to this  
20 section shall be deposited in the public utilities commission  
21 special fund established under section 269-33."



1 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2525.



S.B. NO. 406  
S.D. 1

**Report Title:**

Digital Copies of Public Records; Costs and Fees

**Description:**

Prohibits the cost of reproducing government records in a digital format from exceeding 5 cents per digital record that has already been digitized. Effective 1/1/2525. (SD1)

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