

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2004 SESSION

CHAPTER 230

An Act to amend and reenact § 17.1-276 of the Code of Virginia, relating to remote access fee.

[H 977]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 17.1-276 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 17.1-276. Fee allowed for providing remote access to certain records.

Any clerk who provides electronic access, including access through the global information system known as the Internet, to nonconfidential court records or other records pursuant to §§ 17.1-225 and 17.1-226 may charge a fee established by the clerk or by the agency of the county, city or town providing computer support to cover the operational expenses of such electronic access, including, but not limited to, computer support, maintenance, enhancements, upgrades, and replacements. The fee may be assessed for each inquiry ~~or~~, upon actual connect time, *or as a flat rate fee*. If charged, the fee shall be charged each user, paid to the clerk's office, and deposited by the clerk into a special nonreverting local fund to be used to cover the operational expenses of such electronic access. In addition, the clerk may charge users a clerk's fee not to exceed ~~twenty-five dollars~~ \$25 per month.