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HOUSE BILL NO. 792

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
(Proposed by the House Committee on Science and Technology
on February 8, 1998)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Phillips)

A BILL to amend and reenact § 14.1-118.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to electronic access to certain court records; fee.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 14.1-118.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 14.1-118.1. Same; for providing electronic access to certain records.

Any clerk who provides ~~remote~~ *electronic* access, including ~~internet~~ *access through the global information system known as the Internet*, to nonconfidential court records or other records pursuant to §§ 17-59.2 and 17-59.3 ~~shall~~ *may* charge a fee established by the *clerk or by the* agency of the county, city or town providing computer support ~~in order~~ to cover the operational expenses of such ~~computer support~~ *electronic* access, including, but not limited to, *computer support*, maintenance, enhancements, upgrades, and ~~future replacement~~ *replacements*. ~~Such~~ *The* fee may be assessed for each inquiry or upon actual connect time. ~~Such~~ *If charged, the* fee shall be charged each user ~~and~~ paid to the clerk's office, *and deposited by the clerk into a special nonreverting fund to be used to cover the operational expenses of such electronic access.* ~~Furthermore~~ *In addition*, the clerk may charge users a clerk's fee not to exceed twenty-five dollars per month.

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