

# HOUSE BILL NO. 5542

March 05, 2024, Introduced by Reps. Steckloff and Paiz and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Municipal Finance.

A bill to amend 1895 PA 161, entitled  
"An act to require county treasurers to furnish transcripts and  
abstracts of records, and fixing the fees to be paid therefor,"  
by amending section 1 (MCL 48.101), as amended by 2022 PA 215.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 1. (1) Except as provided in subsection (6), a county  
2 treasurer shall make upon request a transcript of any paper or  
3 record on file in the treasurer's office for the following fees:  
4           (a) For an abstract of taxes on any description of land, 25  
5 cents for each year covered by the abstract.

1 (b) For an abstract with statement of name and residence of  
2 taxpayers, 25 cents per year for each description of land covered  
3 by the abstract.

4 (c) For 1 copy of any paper or document, at the rate of 25  
5 cents per 100 words.

6 (d) For each certificate, 25 cents.

7 (2) For statements in respect to the payment of taxes required  
8 by section 135 of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL  
9 211.135, except as provided in subsection (6), the county treasurer  
10 shall collect 20 cents for each description of land contained in  
11 the certificate, but the total amount paid must not be less than  
12 ~~\$1.00, or beginning July 1, 2015, \$5.00.~~

13 (3) An abstract, list, copy, or statement made as required by  
14 this act must not be furnished for a sum less than 50 cents.

15 (4) All money collected under this act must be credited to the  
16 general fund of the county.

17 (5) Except as provided in subsection (6), a charter county  
18 with a population of more than 2,000,000 may impose by ordinance a  
19 different amount for the fees prescribed by this section. A charter  
20 county shall not impose a fee that is greater than the cost of the  
21 service for which the fee is charged.

22 (6) The maximum charge must be ~~\$0.30~~ **30 cents** per parcel  
23 record, not to exceed \$2,000.00 for each request under this  
24 section, if the request is for an electronic copy of records in an  
25 electronic data file that is maintained, controlled, or managed by  
26 the county treasurer. A response to a request for an electronic  
27 copy of records in the electronic data file must be transmitted  
28 electronically using a format that is documented by an open  
29 standards organization and that has defined, delimited fields. If

1 the county treasurer maintains, controls, ~~or~~ manages, **has direct**  
 2 **access to, or can otherwise provide** any electronic records  
 3 containing any of the following information in the record for each  
 4 parcel of real property in the county for the ~~current~~ **requested** tax  
 5 year, the county treasurer must provide those electronic records  
 6 under the terms of this subsection:

- 7 (a) The taxable value.
- 8 (b) The state equalized value.
- 9 (c) The assessed value.
- 10 (d) Past sale data.
- 11 (e) Property classification.
- 12 (f) Property address.
- 13 (g) Parcel identification number.
- 14 (h) Owner name and address.
- 15 (i) Taxpayer name and address.
- 16 (j) Principal residence status.
- 17 (k) Other tax equalization data.
- 18 (l) Special assessments.
- 19 (m) Total millage rate.
- 20 (n) Enumerated millage list.
- 21 (o) Tax bill amount for winter tax bill.
- 22 (p) Tax bill amount for summer tax bill.

23 **(7) A request for an electronic copy of records under**  
 24 **subsection (6) that includes a request for both the tax bill amount**  
 25 **for winter tax bill under subsection (6) (o) and the tax bill amount**  
 26 **for summer tax bill under subsection (6) (p) is a single request**  
 27 **under subsection (6). If both amounts are available at the time of**  
 28 **the request, the maximum charge for the request is \$2,000.00.**

29 **(8) ~~(7)~~—Copies of records obtained under subsection (6) may**

1 not be resold for a commercial purpose.

2       **(9) ~~(8)~~**—Nothing in subsection (6) requires the county  
3 treasurer to provide any information that is not maintained,  
4 controlled, or managed by **the county treasurer, unless the county**  
5 **treasurer has direct access to the information or the information**  
6 **can be provided under the direction of, or upon the request of,** the  
7 county treasurer.