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**Raised Bill No. 1391**

LCO No. 4429

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Referred to Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Introduced by:  
(FIN)

**AN ACT CONCERNING FEE INCREASES FOR CERTAIN VITAL RECORDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 7-34a of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2007*):

4 (a) Town clerks shall receive, for recording any document, ten  
5 dollars for the first page and five dollars for each subsequent page or  
6 fractional part thereof, a page being not more than eight and one-half  
7 by fourteen inches. Town clerks shall receive, for recording the  
8 information contained in a certificate of registration for the practice of  
9 any of the healing arts, five dollars. Town clerks shall receive, for  
10 recording documents conforming to, or substantially similar to, section  
11 47-36c, which are clearly entitled "statutory form" in the heading of  
12 such documents, as follows: For the first page of a warranty deed, a  
13 quitclaim deed, a mortgage deed, or an assignment of mortgage, ten  
14 dollars; for each additional page of such documents, five dollars; and  
15 for each marginal notation of an assignment of mortgage, subsequent  
16 to the first two assignments, one dollar. Town clerks shall receive, for

17 recording any document with respect to which certain data must be  
 18 submitted by each town clerk to the Secretary of the Office of Policy  
 19 and Management in accordance with section 10-261b, the sum of two  
 20 dollars in addition to the recording fee. Any person who offers any  
 21 written document for recording in the office of any town clerk, which  
 22 document fails to have legibly typed, printed or stamped directly  
 23 beneath the signatures the names of the persons who executed such  
 24 document, the names of any witnesses thereto and the name of the  
 25 officer before whom the same was acknowledged, shall pay one dollar  
 26 in addition to the regular fee. Town clerks shall receive, for recording  
 27 any deed, except a mortgage deed, conveying title to real estate, which  
 28 deed does not contain the current mailing address of the grantee, the  
 29 sum of five dollars in addition to the regular recording fee. Town  
 30 clerks shall receive, for filing any document, five dollars; for receiving  
 31 and keeping a survey or map, legally filed in the town clerk's office,  
 32 five dollars; and for indexing such survey or map, in accordance with  
 33 section 7-32, five dollars, except with respect to indexing any such  
 34 survey or map pertaining to a subdivision of land as defined in section  
 35 8-18, in which event town clerks shall receive fifteen dollars for each  
 36 such indexing. Town clerks shall receive, for a copy of any document  
 37 either recorded or filed in their offices, one dollar for each page or  
 38 fractional part thereof, as the case may be; for certifying any copy of  
 39 the same, [one dollar] two dollars; for making a copy of any survey or  
 40 map, the actual cost thereof; and for certifying such copy of a survey or  
 41 map, [one dollar] two dollars. Town clerks shall receive, for recording  
 42 the commission and oath of a notary public, ten dollars; and for  
 43 certifying under seal to the official character of a notary, two dollars.

44 Sec. 2. Section 7-74 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 45 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

46 (a) The fee for a certification of birth registration, short form, shall  
 47 be five dollars. [and the] The fee for a certified copy of a certificate of  
 48 birth, long form, shall be [five] ten dollars, except that the fee for such  
 49 certifications and copies when issued by the department shall be  
 50 fifteen dollars.

51       **(b)** The fee for a certified copy of a certificate of marriage or death  
52 shall be [five] ten dollars. Such fees shall not be required of the  
53 department.

54       Sec. 3. Section 26-29 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
55 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

56       No fee shall be charged for any sport fishing license issued under  
57 this chapter to any blind person, and such license shall be a lifetime  
58 license not subject to the expiration provisions of section 26-35. Proof  
59 of such blindness shall be furnished, in the case of a veteran, by the  
60 United States Veterans' Administration and, in the case of any other  
61 person, by the State Board of Education of the Blind. For the purpose  
62 of this section, a person shall be blind only if his central visual acuity  
63 does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with correcting lenses, or if his  
64 visual acuity is greater than 20/200 but is accompanied by a limitation  
65 in the fields of vision such that the widest diameter of the visual field  
66 subtends an angle no greater than twenty degrees.

67       Sec. 4. Section 26-29a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
68 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

69       No fee shall be charged for any sport fishing license issued under  
70 this chapter to any [mentally retarded] person with mental retardation,  
71 and such license shall be a lifetime license not subject to the expiration  
72 provisions of section 26-35. Proof of mental retardation shall consist of  
73 a certificate to that effect issued by any person licensed to practice  
74 medicine and surgery in this state.

75       Sec. 5. Section 26-29b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
76 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

77       No fee shall be charged for any hunting, sport fishing or trapping  
78 license issued under this chapter to any physically disabled person,  
79 and such license shall be a lifetime license not subject to the expiration  
80 provisions of section 26-35. For the purposes of this section, a  
81 "physically disabled person" is any person whose disability consists of

82 the loss of one or more limbs or the permanent loss of the use of one or  
83 more limbs. A physically disabled person shall submit to the  
84 commissioner a certification, signed by a licensed physician, of such  
85 disability. No fee shall be charged for any hunting or sport fishing  
86 license issued under this chapter to any physically disabled person  
87 who is not a resident of this state if such person is a resident of a state  
88 in which a physically disabled person from Connecticut will not be  
89 required to pay a fee for a hunting or sport fishing license, and such  
90 license shall be a lifetime license not subject to the expiration  
91 provisions of section 26-35.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	7-34a(a)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	7-74
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	26-29
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	26-29a
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	26-29b

**FIN**      *Joint Favorable*

**PD**      *Joint Favorable*