

By Mr. Morrissey of Quincy, petition of Michael W. Morrissey, Arthur Joseph Lewis, Jr., and another relative to the fees charged by registries of deeds for certain documents. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Nine.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ENUMERATION OF FEES FOR THE REGISTRIES OF DEEDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 38 of Chapter 262 of the General Laws of the
2 Commonwealth is amended by striking said Section 38 and
3 substituting therefor the following: —

4 Section 38. Enumeration of fees.

5 The fees of registers of deeds, except as otherwise provided, to
6 be paid when the instrument is left for recording, filing or deposit
7 shall be as follows: For entering and recording any paper,
8 certifying the same on the original, and indexing it, and for all
9 other duties pertaining thereto, \$20.00. The fee for recording a
10 deed or conveyance shall be \$35.00. The fee for recording a
11 mortgage shall be \$35.00. If the paper contains more than four
12 pages, at the rate of one dollar for each page after the first four
13 pages.

14 For a document discharging a mortgage \$20.00 and \$20.00 for
15 each additional discharge of mortgage contained in the document.

16 For an assignment of a mortgage \$20.00 and \$20.00 for each
17 additional assignment contained in the document.

18 For all certified copies, at the rate of one dollar a legal page
19 of two hundred and twenty-four words. For copies of all
20 instruments, except copies of plans, at the rate of seventy-five
21 cents a page.

22 For each abstract card referred to in section twenty-four B of
23 chapter thirty-six, fifty cents.

- 24 For recording and filing a plan not over fourteen inches by nine
- 25 and one-half inches, \$20.00. For larger sizes, three dollars, for each
- 26 additional square foot or any part thereof.
- 27 For entering any additional marginal reference or references
- 28 when required, one dollar for each reference.