
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEDICAL RECORDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature recognizes that there exists a
2 disparity in the amount of fees assessed by hospitals and health
3 care providers for copying medical records for purposes of
4 documentary evidence. The purpose of this Act is to establish a
5 schedule of fees that medical facilities, including hospitals,
6 offices of a medical group practice, physicians' offices, or
7 other facilities that keep medical records, are permitted to
8 assess to copy medical records.

9 SECTION 2. Section 622-56, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

11 "(a) All copies of medical records requested under this
12 part shall be paid for by the person, board, commission, or
13 tribunal requesting such records. The reasonable cost shall be
14 ~~[based on the actual cost of preparation.]~~ not more than a total
15 of \$1 for any number of pages up to the first fifty pages and
16 not more than 50 cents for each page in excess of fifty pages."

17 SECTION 3. Section 622-57, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
18 amended by amending subsection (g) to read as follows:



1 "(g) Reasonable costs incurred by a health care provider
2 in making copies of medical records shall be borne by the
3 requesting person. The reasonable cost of reproducing written
4 or typed documents or reports shall not be more than a total of
5 \$1 for any number of pages up to the first fifty pages and not
6 more than 50 cents for each page in excess of fifty pages. The
7 reasonable cost of reproducing electronic documents and
8 documents stored on microfilm shall not be more than
9 _____ . The reasonable cost of reproducing x-rays shall
10 be not more than _____ ."

11 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

13 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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INTRODUCED BY: _____



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Report Title:

Medical Copying Fees

Description:

Limits costs of copying medical records for documentary evidence to not more than a total of \$1 for any number of pages up to the first 50 pages and not more than \$0.50 for each page in excess of 50. Limits to unspecified amounts the cost for copying: (1) electronic documents and microfilm documents; and (2) x-rays.

