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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1137, L.D. 1575, Bill, “An Act To Improve the Freedom of Access Laws of Maine”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §408-A, sub-§8, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 662, §5, is amended to read:

A. The agency or official may charge a reasonable fee to cover the cost of copying. A reasonable fee to cover the cost of copying is no more than 10¢ per page for a standard 8 1/2 inch by 11 inch black-and-white copy of a record. A per page copy fee may not be charged for records provided electronically.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. It amends the Freedom of Access Act to cap the fee to cover the cost of copying a public record at no more than 10¢ per page for a standard 8 1/2 inch by 11 inch black-and-white copy of a record and clarifies that a per page copy fee may not be charged for records provided electronically.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)