

Regular Session, 2004

HOUSE BILL NO. 1227

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL

ASSESSORS: Authorizes the assessor of Allen Parish to impose a conveyance fee funding for the assessor's office

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:1903.4, relative to the imposition of fees to derive funds for the operation  
3 and maintenance of the office of the assessor for the parish of Allen; to authorize the  
4 assessor of Allen Parish to impose a conveyance fee; to provide for the collection of  
5 the fee; to provide for the use of the monies collected; and to provide for related  
6 matters.

7 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published  
8 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of  
9 Louisiana.

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. R.S. 47:1903.4 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

12 §1903.4. Conveyance fee; Allen Parish

13 A. In order to provide sufficient funds for the operation and maintenance of  
14 the office of the assessor for Allen Parish, the assessor is authorized to impose and  
15 cause to be collected a conveyance fee on the filing of conveyances in the mortgage  
16 and conveyance records of the parish. The conveyance fee shall be imposed by  
17 resolution of the assessor no later than forty-five days prior to the first day of the  
18 calendar year in which such fee is to begin being collected. The assessor shall adopt  
19 such resolution in accordance with law and shall submit the resolution to the recorder  
20 of mortgages and conveyances for collection.

1           B. The conveyance fee may be assessed by page or by instrument but shall  
2           not exceed twenty-five dollars per page. Such fee cannot be collected prior to  
3           January 1, 2005. The clerk or recorder of mortgages and conveyances shall collect  
4           the fee and remit all fees collected to the assessor by the tenth day of the month  
5           following collection. The assessor may compensate the clerk or recorder of  
6           mortgages and conveyances for collecting and timely remitting the fee.

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#### DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Authorizes the assessor of Allen Parish to impose a conveyance fee funding for the assessors office.

Proposed law authorizes the assessor of Allen Parish to impose a conveyance fee on the filing of conveyances with the recorder of mortgages and conveyances. The fee is imposed by resolution of the assessor and is collected and remitted by the clerk or recorder of mortgages and conveyances for the parish. The fee can be assessed per instrument or per page but cannot exceed \$25 per page. The fee cannot be assessed prior to Jan. 1, 2005. Proceeds of the fee can be used to support the cost of collection and for the operation and maintenance of the assessor's office.

(Adds R.S. 47:1903.4)

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to the original bill.

1. Removes restriction authorizing fees for conveyances of immovables only.