

HOUSE BILL No. 4448

March 5, 1991, Introduced by Reps. Niederstadt, Bartnik, Pitoniak, Byrum, Baade, McNutt, Dobronski, Anthony, Middaugh and Dalman and referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

A bill to amend the title and section 1 of Act No. 54 of the Public Acts of 1875, entitled

"An act to facilitate the inspection of the records and files in the offices of the registers of deeds,"

being section 565.551 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. The title and section 1 of Act No. 54 of the
2 Public Acts of 1875, being section 565.551 of the Michigan
3 Compiled Laws, are amended to read as follows:

4	TITLE
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5 An act to facilitate the inspection AND REPRODUCTION of the
6 records and files in the offices of the registers of deeds.

7 Sec. 1. (1) ~~That the registers~~ A REGISTER of deeds ~~in~~
8 ~~this state~~ shall furnish proper and reasonable facilities for
9 the inspection and examination of the records and files in ~~their~~

1 ~~respective offices~~ HIS OR HER OFFICE, and for making memorandums
2 or transcripts ~~therefrom~~ FROM THE RECORDS AND FILES during the
3 usual business hours, to ~~all persons~~ A PERSON having occasion
4 to make examination of ~~them~~ THE RECORDS AND FILES for any
5 lawful purpose. ~~Provided, That~~ HOWEVER, the custodian of
6 ~~said~~ THE records and files may make ~~such~~ reasonable rules and
7 regulations with reference to the inspection and examination of
8 ~~them as shall be~~ THE RECORDS AND FILES AS IS necessary ~~for the~~
9 ~~protection of said~~ TO PROTECT THE records and files ~~,~~ and to
10 prevent ~~the~~ interference with the regular discharge of the
11 duties of ~~said register. And provided further, That said~~ THE
12 REGISTER OF DEEDS.

13 (2) A register of deeds may prohibit the use of pen and ink
14 in making ~~copies~~ REPRODUCTIONS or notes of records and files,
15 but shall permit the ~~use of photography for making copies~~
16 REPRODUCTION of records and files PURSUANT TO THE RECORDS MEDIA
17 ACT.

18 Section 2. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless
19 Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 4438 (request
20 no. 01788'91) of the 86th Legislature is enacted into law.