

**REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 236 of 1961**

**600.2138 Filed or recorded documents; copy or replacement; certification; admissibility as evidence; transcript or certified copy; filing or inserting correction, alteration, indorsement, or entry.**

Sec. 2138. (1) If a public officer performing duties under this act is required or authorized by law to record, copy, recopy, or replace a document, plat, paper, written instrument, or book on file or of record in his or her office, the officer may do so pursuant to the records media act.

(2) If an original document, plat, paper, written instrument, record, or book of record filed or of record in the office of an officer described in subsection (1) is copied or replaced pursuant to subsection (1), and the officer is required by law to certify in or on the copy or replacement that it is a true and correct copy of the original, a copy of the certification by the officer, similarly made and included at the end of the copy or replacement, complies with the law.

(3) If produced under this or any other law, a copy, record, reproduction, or replacement or an enlarged reproduction of any of these is considered an original for all purposes and is admissible in evidence in like manner as the original.

(4) A transcript or certified copy of a reproduction described in subsection (3) is considered a transcript or certified copy of the original.

(5) If a record or replacement of a record in the office of an officer described in subsection (1) is produced pursuant to this section, a correction, alteration, indorsement, or entry, required or authorized to be made of or on an instrument or paper or on the record of the instrument or paper, may be made by filing or inserting a copy or recopy, produced by the same process, of the page or part of the page, so corrected or altered or on which such indorsement or entry is made, next to the place where the copy or record of the instrument or paper is contained or in such other manner as the officer considers advisable or practicable.

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