

1 SENATE BILL 230

2 **57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO NOTARY OFFICERS; INCREASING THE MAXIMUM FEES A
12 NOTARY OFFICER MAY CHARGE FOR SERVICES; AMENDING SECTION
13 14-14A-28 NMSA 1978 (BEING LAWS 2021, CHAPTER 21, SECTION 28,
14 AS AMENDED).

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 SECTION 1. Section 14-14A-28 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2021,
18 Chapter 21, Section 28, as amended) is amended to read:

19 "14-14A-28. FEES.--

20 A. A notarial officer may charge the maximum fee
21 specified in this section, charge less than the maximum fee or
22 waive the fee.

23 B. An employer shall not establish fees for
24 notarial services that are in excess of those specified in this
25 section nor on the attributes of the principal as delineated.

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1 C. The maximum fees that may be charged by a
2 notarial officer for notarial acts are:

3 (1) for acknowledgments, [~~five dollars~~
4 ~~(\$5.00)~~] twelve dollars (\$12.00) per acknowledgment;

5 (2) for oaths or affirmations without a
6 signature, [~~five dollars (\$5.00)~~] twelve dollars (\$12.00) per
7 person;

8 (3) for jurats, [~~five dollars (\$5.00)~~] twelve
9 dollars (\$12.00) per jurat; and

10 (4) for copy certifications, [~~fifty cents~~
11 ~~(\$0.50)~~] one dollar twenty cents (\$1.20) per page with a minimum
12 total charge of [~~five dollars (\$5.00)~~] twelve dollars (\$12.00).

13 D. A notarial officer may charge a travel fee when
14 traveling to perform a notarial act if:

15 (1) the notarial officer and the person
16 requesting the notarial act agree upon the travel fee in
17 advance of the travel; and

18 (2) the notarial officer explains to the
19 person requesting the notarial act that the travel fee is
20 separate from the notarial fees and not mandated by law.

21 E. In addition to the fees prescribed in
22 Subsections C and D of this section, a notarial officer may
23 charge a technology fee not to exceed [~~twenty-five dollars~~
24 ~~(\$25.00)~~] sixty dollars (\$60.00) or other amount established by
25 rule by the secretary of state per notarial act performed with

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1 respect to an electronic record."

2 **SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.**--The effective date of the
3 provisions of this act is July 1, 2025.

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