

By Senator Bogdanoff

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to tax certificates; amending s.  
3           197.502, F.S.; authorizing tax collectors to recover  
4           reimbursement for fees paid to vendors for providing  
5           electronic tax deed application services; authorizing  
6           certain tax collectors to require the use of  
7           electronic tax deed application services; providing an  
8           effective date.

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10   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12           Section 1. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 197.502,  
13   Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

14           197.502 Application for obtaining tax deed by holder of tax  
15   sale certificate; fees.—

16           (1) The holder of a a ~~any~~ tax certificate, other than the  
17   county, at any time after 2 years have elapsed since April 1 of  
18   the year of issuance of the tax certificate and before the  
19   expiration of 7 years after ~~from~~ the date of issuance, may file  
20   the certificate and an application for a tax deed with the tax  
21   collector of the county where the property ~~lands~~ described in  
22   the certificate is ~~are~~ located. The application may be made on  
23   the entire parcel of property, or any part thereof which is  
24   capable of being readily separated from the whole, but only  
25   after the separation has been received from the property  
26   appraiser. The tax collector may charge ~~shall be allowed~~ a tax  
27   deed application fee of \$75, and may charge for reimbursement of  
28   fees charged by a vendor to the tax collector for providing an  
29   electronic tax deed application program or service. A tax

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30 collector offering electronic tax deed applications may require  
31 the holder of a tax certificate to use such electronic tax deed  
32 application services.

33 (2) A ~~Any~~ certificateholder, other than the county, who  
34 applies ~~makes application~~ for a tax deed shall pay the tax  
35 collector at the time of application the fees set forth in  
36 subsection (1); all amounts required for redemption or purchase  
37 of all other outstanding tax certificates, plus interest; ~~any~~  
38 omitted taxes, plus interest; ~~any~~ delinquent taxes, plus  
39 interest; ~~and~~ current taxes, if due, covering the property  
40 land.

41 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.