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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to a certified copy of documents
3 required for restoration of voting rights; amending s.
4 28.24, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the circuit court
5 to provide certain documents needed to restore voting
6 rights to certain persons without charge; amending s.
7 98.0751, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the circuit
8 court to provide certain documents to a person pursuing
9 restoration of voting rights without charge or delay;
10 providing an effective date.

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

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14 Section 1. Subsection (29) is added to section 28.24,
15 Florida Statutes, to read:

16 28.24 Service charges.—The clerk of the circuit court shall
17 charge for services rendered manually or electronically by the
18 clerk's office in recording documents and instruments and in
19 performing other specified duties. These charges may not exceed
20 those specified in this section, except as provided in s.
21 28.345.

22 (29) However, the clerk shall provide a certified copy of
23 any information, indictment, judgment, or sentence requested by
24 a person who requires such documents in order for his or her
25 voting rights to be restored pursuant to s. 4, Art. VI of the
26 State Constitution without charge.

27 Section 2. Present subsection (4) of section 98.0751,
28 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (5), and a new
29 subsection (4) is added to that section, to read:

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30 98.0751 Restoration of voting rights; termination of
31 ineligibility subsequent to a felony conviction.-

32 (4) In the event that a person who has been disqualified
33 from voting based on a felony conviction for an offense other
34 than murder or a felony sexual offense is required to supply a
35 certified copy of his or her information, indictment, judgment,
36 or sentence in order for such disqualification to be terminated
37 and his or her voting rights restored pursuant to s. 4, Art. VI
38 of the State Constitution, such documents shall be provided by
39 the clerk of the circuit court to the person without charge or
40 delay.

41 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.