House Government and Veteran Affairs February 6, 2025

By: Carol Fey, McIntosh County Recorder and Clerk of Court

Re: HB 1306 – Relating to Open Records and Fees

Chairman Schauer and Committee Members

As a county recorder and clerk of court we have numerous records in both offices. This bill would make our work lives miserable. I cannot imagine any office in the state thinking that this is a bill that is necessary or even possible of abiding by.

Who has forty hours to give to even one citizen of the state, now all of them? Then we are to keep track of that individual request and track the number of hours that we spent on each individual search throughout the year, not possible.

We have open record policies in place that we follow in both of my offices that are working. Please give HB 1306 a do not pass.

Thank you for your time and consideration.