



ALAMEDA COUNTY
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AGENCY
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

DATE: December 5, 2017
TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
FROM: Matt Yankee, Division Chief, Clerk-Recorder's Office
SUBJECT: Recording Fee Increase – Effective January 1, 2018

**Senate Bill 2 (SB2) Building Homes and Jobs Act:
Additional \$75.00 fee per title for recording certain Real Estate Document Titles**

Effective January 1, 2018, pursuant to Senate Bill 2 (SB2 – Building Homes and Jobs Act), Government Code Section 27388.1 will require that documents presented for recording at all County Recorders' Offices statewide be charged an ***additional seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) fee per title up to a maximum of \$225 per transaction***, unless exempted by statute.

Government Code § 27388.1

"...in addition to any other recording fees specified in this code, a fee of seventy-five dollars (\$75) shall be paid at the time of recording of every real estate instrument, paper, or notice required or permitted by law to be recorded, except those expressly exempted from payment of recording fees, per each single transaction per parcel of real property. The fee imposed by this section shall not exceed two hundred twenty-five dollars (\$225).

"Real estate instrument, paper, or notice" means a document relating to real property, including, but not limited to, the following: deed, grant deed, trustee's deed, deed of trust, reconveyance, quit claim deed, fictitious deed of trust, assignment of deed of trust, request for notice of default, abstract of judgment, subordination agreement, declaration of homestead, abandonment of homestead, notice of default, release or discharge, easement, notice of trustee sale, notice of completion, UCC financing statement, mechanic's lien, maps, and covenants, conditions, and restrictions."

For questions regarding the specific application of this fee to recorded documents, please contact the Alameda County Clerk-Recorder's Office Customer Service Unit at (510) 272-6362.

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