

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation provides a remedy for public records disputes as an alternative to a lawsuit, allowing an aggrieved requestor to file a complaint in the magistrate court if they believe a record is denied, over-redacted, or over-charged. The complaint requires a \$100 filing fee, to be distributed to the county district court fund. The complaint process does not require attorneys and does not allow for discovery. Agencies may respond, and a judge issues an order within 10 working days, after which either party may appeal.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation causes no increase or decreases in revenue, or additional expenditure of funds at the state or local level of government; therefore, this legislation has no fiscal impact.

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